



**MINUTES OF THE ELYSIAN VALLEY RIVERSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
MEETING OF THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2015
ALLESANDRO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
2210 RIVERSIDE DRIVE, LOS ANGELES 90039**

The public is requested to fill out a "Speaker Card" to address the Board on any agenda item before the Board takes an action. Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker, but the Board has the discretion to modify the amount of time for any speaker.

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by President Appleton at **6:41 p.m.** The following Board Members were present and produced a quorum for this meeting:

Steve Appleton
Daniel Paredes
(Left 8:30 p.m.)
Marie Gurule
Andy Chung
(Arr. 6:55 p.m.)

Allen Anderson
Arturo Gomez
Roman Gomez
(Arr. 8:10 p.m.)
Chad Gordon
Lali Grewal

Jeff Klein
Becky Lee
(Arr. 6:56 p.m.)
Katie Poltz
(Left 8:___ p.m.)
Astrid Sykes
Daniel Torres

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

A.Gomez/R.Gomez moved to move Agenda Item 13 to the top of the Agenda. R.Gomez stated he had voted in favor to fund advertising in the Community Beacon at an earlier meeting, however, he had not yet completed the mandatory Funding Training when doing so. This Item will correct that mistake. **Motion passed 10-3-0 by roll-call vote.** (Noes: Appleton, Gordon, Poltz)

3. FUNDING: RE-VOTE ON COMMUNITY BEACON FUNDING

A.Gomez/R.Gomez moved to allocate \$2,100 for full-page advertisements for EVRNC for 6 issues over 12 months. Motion passed 11-2-0 by roll-call vote. (Noes: Gordon, Poltz)

4. REVIEW OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Tabled.

5. REPORT FROM GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

- a. Senior Lead Officer Gina Chavon, Northeast Division, reported that homes and cars were being broken into and reminded everyone not to leave doors and windows open. Prop 47 reduced specified offenses from felonies to misdemeanors, allowing re-sentencing of certain convicted felons as misdemeanants. Also, if you learn of any immigration fraud, please contact 213.793.0760.
- b. Sergeant Alan announced that Northeast was again offering the PRIDE Program. They would be forming traveling boxing, soccer and other teams for the kids.

- c. LAFD Station 56 (Rowena) Chief Don Praeger introduced himself to the community. Appleton asked if EVRNC could contact them as it reviews developments; Chief Praeger advised that EVRNC contact the special unit on developments (Engineering & Hydrants).
 - d. Paredes read the CD13 Report forwarded by Field Deputy Adam Bass.
6. VOTE ON VACANT BOARD POSITION
Klein reported that there were no applicants. Chung stated that he had been contacted by some who were interested. Klein asked him to invite them to apply and it would be agendaized at the next meeting.
7. HOW TO EXPRESS URGENCY OF EVRNC DEVELOPMENT DENSITY RECOMMENDATIONS TO DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING AND CD13
Appleton gave an overview of the Q conditions and how they affect density, adding that there would be another community forum to explain the changes and that the current developers know that they may change soon. **Paredes/Poltz moved to send a letter to CD13 and City Planning to work together and to set a date for the next Q Conditions workshop. Motion passed 14-0-0 by roll-call vote.** (Chung had arrived to vote)
8. VOTE ON STAKEHOLDER PETITION (TO REMOVE APPLETON FROM BOARD)
Paredes chaired the discussion and action. Amber Mishack represented the Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment, joined by Field Representative Barry Stone. Five Stakeholders spoke on the matter supporting the Removal. The EVRNC Board considered the matter. Each Board Member had received an email from the City Attorney which they could discuss but not disclose the contents thereof. It was determined that the EVRNC Board was required to find grounds for removal. **Chung/Poltz moved to form an ad hoc committee to verify the accusations and make a recommendation to the Board. Motion failed 3-10-0 by roll-call vote.** (Yes: Chung, Poltz, Gordon; Recused: Appleton). Mishack stated that the failure of the EVRNC Board to form an ad hoc committee to verify the accusations was, itself, an action, and nothing further need be done.
9. NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL STRUCTURE AND PROCESS: EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION
Klein showed a Power-Point presentation that explained the EVRNC Structure and Process.
10. HEALTH FAIR PROPOSAL
Lee presented an idea for an EVRNC-sponsored Health Fair. **Klein/Sykes moved to form an ad hoc committee to organize the Health Fair.** A.Gomez and R. Gomez pointed out that this was a form of Outreach and should be organized by the Outreach Committee, which Lee already sits on. **The motion was withdrawn.**
11. FUNDING PROPOSAL: RECORDING SOFTWARE AND EQUIPMENT FOR INDEXED RECORDINGS OF GENERAL BOARD MEETINGS TO SUPPLEMENT MEETING MINUTES
Appleton presented the proposed audio equipment from SoniClear. He had also received a quote from the company in the amount of \$1,515.10. **Sykes/Gurule moved to authorize \$1,515.10 for the equipment. Motion passed 12-0-0 by roll-call vote.** (Poltz and Paredes had left for the night.)
12. NEIGHBORHOOD PURPOSE GRANTS
- a. Appointment of New Grant Committee and Submission Scheduling of 2015 Grants
Grewal/Klein moved to appoint Chung as Chair, Board Members Anderson and Grewal, and Stakeholders Gary Wong and Robert Najera. Motion passed 12-0-0 by hand vote.

- b. Status of Grants that were Resubmitted per Empower LA Instruction
Appleton and Gurule stated that the grants were resubmitted and nothing else has been requested.
13. COMMITTEE REPORTS
- a. Environment and Land Use
Appleton reported that the upcoming meeting would again discuss the proposed Q Conditions, as well as devote time to the Revised Plan for the Bimbo property at 1901 Blake Ave.
 - b. Outreach
A.Gomez reported that Outreach had discussed the Health Fair, banners, sign-ups for street captains, and allocating money for postage.
 - c. Finance
Torres/Klein moved to approve the January Monthly Expenditure Report in the amount of \$1,386.25. Motion passed 12-0-0 by roll-call vote.
 - d. Ad Hoc Website Committee
Chung reported that the website was up and was being paid by the Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment through June 2015. He recommended that it be turned over to Outreach. The website address is currently evrnc.nationbuilder.com.
14. FUNDNG PROPSAL: WEBSITE VENDOR
Tabled.
15. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT
- a. Sykes announced that the Draft Report for the Futuro de Frogtown was available and feedback would be taken through February 27 at www.mas.la/futuro/draftreport
 - b. A representative from Silverlake Neighborhood Council announced there would be a clean-up at Riverside and Fletcher on February 21 from 9a-12N, meeting at the Arco Station.
 - c. Ceci Dominguez noted that the diesel particulate from the trains is an issue and asked that the ADA access of the EVRNC meeting locations be addressed.
 - d. Susan Reimers, EVRNC appointee to the Budget Advocates, announced that the Advocates were presenting the White Paper to the Mayor on February 28 and would forward a copy to Outreach for circulation.
16. ADJOURN
Appleton/Grewal moved to adjourn at 10:01p.