



**MINUTES OF THE ELYSIAN VALLEY RIVERSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL  
BOARD MEETING OF THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2015  
ALLESANDRO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LUNCH ROOM  
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 Chair Chung at **6:39 p.m.** The following Board Members were present and produced a quorum for this meeting:

Andy Chung	Ed Colacion	Robert Leyland
Marie Gurule	(arr. 7:03pm)	Elena Lovelis
(left 7:16pm)	Lupe Fletes	Joe Lovelis
Roman Gomez	Arturo Gomez	Katie Poltz
Allen Anderson	Becky Lee	
	(arr. 7:26pm)	

Absent: Jeff Klein, Mark Lara, Daniel Torres

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Leyland/Fletes moved to strike Item 13.2 – Environment and Land Use Standing Committee Report – on the grounds they do not believe it is a legitimate committee.**

Leyland stated he believes the Committee is biased and unbalanced. Fletes said one Agenda was posted but another was presented at the meeting. Also, she did not know who the community committee members were and she thinks there is a conflict of interest. Stakeholder Tracy Stone stated that they had been appointed to the committee but, regardless of who is on it, they should have strong land use knowledge. Meeting Assistant Susan Reimers will research and forward to leadership Minutes of past meetings where committee appointments had been made.

**Motion to Strike passed 7-3-0 by roll-call vote.** (Noes: Gurule, Anderson, Poltz)

**Leyland/Fletes moved to approve the Agenda as amended. Motion passed 9-1-1 by roll-call vote.** (Noes: Anderson; Abstention: Colacion)

3. REVIEW/APPROVAL NOVEMBER 2015 GENERAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Chung noted some minor changes. **Leyland/Fletes moved to insert the information of who voted for whom when seating the new Board members. Motion passed 7-3-1 by roll-call vote.** (Noes: Chung, Anderson, E.Loveliss; Abstentions: Colacion). **Leyland/R.Gomez moved to approve the Minutes as amended. Motion passed 10-0-0 by roll-call vote.**

4. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS
  - a. Molly Lynn Taylor, DONE Independent Election Administrator (IEA) introduced herself and spoke of the upcoming EVRNC elections. Candidate filing opens 1/30/16. Fletes, Election Ad Hoc Committee Chair, added there would be two upcoming Election events, details to follow.
  - b. Ceci Dominguez, Stakeholder, announced that Breakfast with Santa would take place December 19, 9a-11 at the Rec Center. The EVRNC would have a table there and they will also be recognizing volunteers. She also reported the Senior Christmas Lunch was the previous Tuesday and a recipient of last year's NPG, Giving Music, played.
  - c. Gloria Mora, Stakeholder, announced that Northeast Division would also be passing out toys on December 19 at 9a. Pre-registration is required.
  - d. Ceci Dominguez, Stakeholder, also announced there would be a Vegetable/Fruit Share at Jardin Rio on December 20, from 9a-2p.
  - e. Tracy Stone, Stakeholder, announced there is an upcoming Clean-Up. She will forward an email to EVRNC to be shared.
5. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS
  - a. Xavier Saucedo, Stakeholder, had wanted to comment on the DASH. It is needed but they have to be careful not to eliminate the Metro 96 bus line.
  - b. Tracy Stone, Stakeholder, stated that she had been a community member of the Environment and Land Use Committee and they are not biased.
  - c. Ceci Dominguez, Stakeholder, advised EVRNC that it should not forget communicating to those stakeholders who are not on the internet. She herself has been without service for the past month.
  - d. David Delatorre, Neighborhood Watch, said the only interest the Neighborhood Watch has in a DASH line is that Elysian Valley have a DASH line.
6. GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS REPORTS/UPDATES
 

Hector Vega, new CD13 Field Deputy, distributed his monthly report. A copy was given to the EVRNC Board and stakeholders present.
7. METROLINK WORKING GROUP
 

Chung stated he would not be appointing a Rep to the Working Group since that has already been in place. He was referring the issue to the Environment and Land Use Committee. Stakeholder Ceci Dominguez reported from the last Working Group meeting on November 20, stating that they met with MetroLink and were told they would increase their day to midnight in order to accommodate 30 more locomotives. There will also be an increased work force. This means there will be additional emissions, which cause cancer.
8. BOARD MEMBER ATTENDANCE/TRAINING REVIEW
  - 8.1 *Attendance Review for Board Members*

It was noted that the attendance of Lara and Torres would be discussed at the January meeting. No further action at this time.
  - 8.2 *Training Certification for Board Members*

R.Gomez reported that everyone was up-to-date.
  - 8.3 *Other Duties and Responsibilities*

E.Lovelis and Leyland were reminded to create their EVRNC gmail accounts.
9. DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT (DONE) ELECTIONS
  - 9.1 *Committee Update*

Fletes, Ad Hoc Election Committee Chair, handed out an Election Calendar. They are planning events leading up to the May 14 Election.

9.2 *Budget for Election*

Fletes said that the Budget for the Elections has not yet been discussed. She will report further next month.

10. COMMUNITY BEACON UPDATE

A.Gomez reported that \$2100 had been spent to-date on EVRNC ads. R.Gomez added that only a few Board members had contributed to the content. **Fletes/Leyland moved to *Table this Item and refer it to the Outreach Committee for a recommendation.***

- a. Ceci Dominguez, Stakeholder, said she wanted to read about events, not people.
- b. Gloria Mora, Stakeholder, asked if there was another option besides the Beacon.
- c. Luis Sanchez, Beacon Publisher, said he has been losing money on the deal he made with EVRNC. He would no longer distribute it door-to-door in Elysian Valley unless EVRNC pays for that.

**Motion passed 9-2-0 by roll-call vote.** (Noes: A.Gomez, E.Lovelis)

11. BIMBO PROJECT UPDATE/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Robert Leyland, Stakeholder, reported that the Appeal's Decision Letter had not yet been issued so there was no update. Chung appointed Leyland and R.Gomez as Co-Chairs of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Bimbo Project.

12. BIMBO PROJECT: MORATORIUM LETTER REVISITED

Chung reported that he has posted online the letter EVRNC submitted.

13. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

13.1 *Finance*

**Colacion/J.Lovelis moved to approve the November 2015 Monthly Expense Report in the amount of \$2,200.77. Motion passed 10-0-0 by roll-call vote.** (Ineligible: Leyland)

13.2 *Environment & Land Use*

None presented pursuant to Motion to Strike, Item 2, above.

13.3 *Outreach*

Poltz, Member, reported that she has created an Elections page on the website. Someone again mentioned that the EVRNC Board would have a table at the upcoming Breakfast with Santa.

14. POSSIBLE COMMITTEE CREATION: LIQUOR LICENSING COMMITTEE

None presented pursuant to Motion to Strike, Item 2, above.

15. POSSIBLE COMMITTEE CREATION: LA RIVER COMMITTEE

None presented pursuant to Motion to Strike, Item 2, above.

16. BOARD VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENTS

None at this time.

17. ADJOURNMENT

**Colacion/Leyland moved to adjourn at 8:22 p.m.**