



CITY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA  
ELYSIAN VALLEY RIVERSIDE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
Tuesday, June 28, 2016. 7:30 P.M.  
Dorris Place Elementary  
Dorris Place, Los Angeles, CA 90039

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:38 PM

a. Roll Call

i. Present: 10

1. Roman Gomez, Lupe Fletes, Frank Mendoza, Adrienne Benitez, Gloria Mora, Luis Rosales, Andrew Wang, Gary Rogokos, Joe Lovelis, Robert Leyland

ii. Absent: 4

1. Denise Herrera, Arturo Gomez, Leticia Saldana, Elsa Palomino

- b. There was a brief overview regarding the agenda. Votes will take place to determine what will be discussed during the next meeting, July 6, 2016.

2. Elysian Valley Riverside Neighborhood Council. Up to \$2,100 for operations including 8 wireless microphone system for \$360.74, 1 scanner with smart organization software for \$377.98, 1 Dell Inspiration laptop touchscreen Windows 10 for \$954.98, 2 CoffeePro 100 Cup Coffee make for \$311.54. Total \$2,005.24 (discussion and possible action).

- a. Roman stated that Gloria would be unable to vote on this issue due to her not completing necessary documents prior to the meeting.
- b. Bob asked what happened to old equipment that had already been purchased. When you spend money on coffee machines, you have to spend money on additional things such as filters.
- c. Millie suggested that the list should be reevaluated.
- d. Luis asked why a \$1,000 dollar computer was needed. Suggested that a more affordable computer should be purchased.
- e. Robert suggested having light refreshments at meetings and getting a system in order to determine inventory.
- f. Joe suggested cutting out the amount of coffee listed and finding an affordable computer like a dell.
- g. Lupe mentioned that they have already requested a card for their bank account but may not get ahold of the physical card till after the 30<sup>th</sup>. If they money is not spent by this day then they money will be released back to the state.
- h. Adrienne suggested moving quickly to prevent losing the money.
- i. Robert asked who will be using the laptop.
- j. Luis asked where the items went.
- k. *Robert motioned to approve the full amount of \$2,100 requested. Adrienne seconded.*
  - i. In Favor (9):

1. Roman Gomez, Lupe Fletes, Frank Mendoza, Adrienne Benitez, Luis Rosales, Andrew Wang, Gary Rogokos, Joe Lovelis, Robert Leyland

ii. **Ineligible (1):**

1. Gloria Mora

1. **Motion to approve the full amount of \$2,100 is passed 9-0-1.**

3. **Change of future EVRNC Meeting setting. Dorris Place Elementary School. 2225 Dorris Pl, Los Angeles, CA 90031. Proposed date change: Every second Wednesday of the month beginning for the month of August (Discussion and possible action).**

- a. Bob stated that it is unrealistic to ask Dorris to use their space when the council has not donated money. He mentioned that the neighborhood watch is on a Wednesday indirectly competing with their organization.
- b. Tracy stated that the council should not force anyone to choose between community events.
- c. Steve suggested that community involvement was being undermined. He also mentioned that he never received an email communicating neighborhood council details.
- d. Alejandro suggested that the meeting be moved to Saturday so more people could attend.
- e. Roman closed open discussion.
- f. *Robert motioned to meet every second Wednesday of the month beginning in August. Lupe seconded motion.*
  - i. **Motioned approved with 6 Y and 4 N.**

4. **EVRNC to choose one “main posting site, “Wong’s, Elysian United, Elysian Valley Rec. Center, Rick’s, Andy’s, Bob’s, Gary’s (Discussion and possible action).**

- a. Christine Rodriguez suggest an outreach committee, mailing post cards, and speaking with local churches.
- b. Joe suggested changing the paper color to ensure that the sign stands out.
- c. Robert suggested posting in more locations.
- d. *Robert motioned to keep the 5 locations listed adding 2 additional locations. Adrienne seconded.*
  - i. **Motioned denied. The council will keep the 5 posting sites used in the past.**

5. **Public Comment on non-agenda items**

- a. Andy mentioned that he handed the keys to the storage unit to Roman. Equipment items are in his possession.
- b. Roman stated that another organization had possession of the stereo. He is also working on getting an inventory list completed.
- c. Christine made a public request for the council to disclose where money had been spent and where the equipment was located. This request needs to be processed within 48 hours and answered within 10 days.

6. **Adjournment - 8:40**

- a. *Robert moved to adjourn the meeting. Adrienne seconded.*

7. **Meeting Penalty**

- a. Bob Berg behaved in an inappropriate manner by throwing 2 envelopes to Roman Gomez and Joe Lovelis during the public comment section of the agenda. He was spoken to after the incident to ensure that he acknowledged his behavior.