

CNC Board meeting October 5, 2016

Attendance

Present: Andre, Vicki, Anna, Dorothy, Kamesh, Chekhar, Jeff, Larry, Paul, Nick, Rudy, Mel, Linda, Lucie, Dean, Matt

Absent: Dan, Jim, Michael H.

Excused: Michael P., Carol

Announcements –

Veterans day event at Lawrence school. Nov. 11th.

Official Survey for street lighting, increase taxes \$271.87, if assessment is approved the lights will remain on at night, if not approved then not repaired, and some lights will be turned off. Vicki – we pay taxes and it doesn't go to what it's supposed to. Matt – Andora experienced this twelve years ago, lights were turned off and stayed dark for two months. There was a re-vote, and the lights were back on, and on the bill.

Monthly profile Empower LA – has list of board members who don't have a valid ethics certificate, signed code of conduct, and funding certification. Andre will forward to board members. There are some things that have changed and are not relayed to CNC, but these need to be signed.

Motions:

Budget package – CNC is in the system, and approved. It's a strategic plan. It's for City purposes, not for us. Communicating about homeless problem, police issues, etc...

September Budget - **MOTION PASSED**

\$500 for CNC DOTH and CNC COLT Copyright – **MOTION PASSED**

Matt – what will this allow us to do/not do

Vicki – it will protect the name

\$400 for VAGLA Female Veteran Military Luncheon 11th Annual – **MOTION PASSED**

Judy – Sepulveda VA, contributed money goes for paper products, help with luncheon

Chatsworth Kiwanis \$2,000 for annual parade and festival, theme of American Celebration – **MOTION PASSED**

Vicki – what do we get for \$2,000? – last year we were promised the back- side of the front page, and we didn't get it.

Kiwanis rep – lists what it will get...i.e. front cover, etc...

December 11th 11am

Outreach

\$1,000 for promotional items – pens, flashlights – **MOTION PASSED**

Give them away at any place CNC has booth

\$500 for t-shirts for board members and volunteers – **MOTION PASSED**

Beautification – Kamesh –

\$1,500 Trimming Historic Olive trees, like every year. Original cuttings from San Fernando Mission – were planted to be the driveway to the Gray Estate. A vendor is going to do it. **MOTION PASSED**

Public Safety

Mel – COLT budget comparisons, how the event has grown 330 attendees at first, now expecting 700. Asking for \$5,000. **MOTION PASSED.**

Vicki – question – there were lots of sandwiches left over.

Matt – budget was different.

Vicki – That’s a lot of money for give aways/caps. Budget adjustment suggested.

Mel – Caps – Halo company – increased cost because logo in front and back of cap, and does come out to \$400.

Larry – where are old caps.

Mel – we hadn’t looked at variations in logo embroidery. We want to be identifiable.

Dorothy – Are they regular baseball caps?

Mel – yes.

Linda – the drinks will be donated?

Matt – yes. This was a new CNC giveaway idea that might be cycling related.

Dean – did you get the sandwiches right?

Matt – the year before, people took too many, so we served them, and weren’t going as fast.

Andre – we’ve been very successful with COLT and DOTH, and we learn. And if drinks are free, cost of caps can be offset. And with the volume of people there, it is successful.

Paul – it’s a \$240 increase from last year, cost per participant is less than last year.

Matt – we’ll have some new people from flyer.

Linda – Date?

Matt – June 11th.

Letter to City of LA about Homeless Issue **MOTION PASSED.** (2 opposed)

Kiwanis member question – was there going to be a no parking sign?

Mel – it’s not up yet.

What are times on the signs? 10pm-8am

Mel reads letter.

Andre – use CNC letterhead. Likes the tone of the letter.

Judy – Train station is under jurisdiction of sheriff’s dept. Include them and the train station in the letter.

Linda – now LAPD also has contract with the train station.

Nick – Encampment on Plummer – Is there an ordinance to not block sidewalk?

City Rep – Letter has to go to a specific dept, or it will kick it back to local liason.

Andre – Should go to the mayor and city attorney. Include Captain Pratt.

Jeff – CNC – we will endorse this letter, but what are the best outcomes?

Discussion

Nick – there's been a number of town hall meetings on this issue, I think these letters should be directed to law makers, judges, because they are deciding the laws, and allowing this to happen. We need to be able to protect ourselves from these people. But we are being told we can't do anything. It's not right.

Kiwanis – they put the transient and homeless people in the same category.

Linda – for those of us who remember – there was an incident when a child was abducted by a couple in an old motor home.

Dean – in this letter – maybe we can ask for more description, hard facts on how to spend the money and where is the oversight.

Vicki – Ron – my question to you is – what agency can we include due to the mental health issue.

Ron – the HOPE TEAM, and has to happen at a local level.

Lucie – if they don't implement laws, if there is no money, nothing will happen.

Jeff – question – this letter has sent out numerous well-written, well thought-out letters, has anyone tracked the success of response of the letters?

Judy – we got a great response from State Legislature about trailers with signs.

Linda – Signs on Canoga and Rinaldi.

Judy – few and far between, when there is a response, it is good and vigorous.

Public Safety – Letter to LAPD about illegal pedestrian crossings **MOTION PASSED**

Mel reads letter.

Ron – why is that area a problem?

Mel – the timing of the lights needs to be looked at.

Ron – DOT can change that quickly.

Selection Committee

Andre – Manual for Selection Committee, prepared by Judy.

Judy – the board needs to form a committee, and get going, because the rules for next March will need to be submitted by the end of December. Manual is meant to be updated...dates...timeline.

Andre – bylaws are on the website.

Glen – if the CNC doesn't do this process on time, there will be default values, not how you want to do it.

Andre – if you're not running next year, then you can be on this committee. If you are running, you have to step down from the committee. There should be 11 who are not running.

VOLUNTEERS - Paul, Linda, Shekhar, Nick, Vicki

Paul will lead the group and read the manual.

Judy – it's all on-line, and I can send you a copy.

Land use – Linda – no motions – next meeting will have reps or B Canyon, and shopping center at Mason & Lassen

Equestrian – Ron – Rec & Parks fixed sand in Aliso Equestrian Arena

Enhancements - pass

Legislative – pass

Judy - CIS – community impact statement –if it's filed, can tell 100% of city council about the issues CNC cares about, allowed a seat at the table. It's done from a portal on City site and need a password.

Glen – this allows you to present, once you filed that. I would be happy to give input.

Dean – looking for instrument to put Old Mission Trail on cultural landmark.

Linda – that's the conservancy.

Andre – defer that to your committee

Political Rep

Ron – CNC is very effective, and letters are symbolic, but you have influenced a lot. Largest Urban Park at Chatsworth Park South. Legislated – So Cal Gas Settlement. Homeless issue – 7-8 people were sheltered. Have sanitation come and talk about 5611. Operation Gratitude – Oct twenty seventh 6:00pm, general manager of building and safety.

Larry – has anyone considered privatizing dealing with the homeless

Ron Rubine – San Fernando Rescue Mission and others.

Public Comments

Ann Weaver – Kiwanis – does everyone know how to use 311? Can report homeless and bring HOPE team out. MyLA311 app.

Deirdre Bolona – Volunteer with Save Porter Ranch, resident of Porter Ranch, for 18 years. GAS storage facility, plans to inject gas faster. Residents don't get gas from that facility, and it doesn't have to be stored. It needs to be shut down. Oct 23rd 1-year anniversary event. We need politicians to see that people care about the chemicals, methane seeps out from every connection and intentional venting. Trichlorethylene causes cancer, others....

Patricia LaCarra – Porter Ranch for twenty seven years, live across the street from the site of So Cal Gas, had to retire because of illness, Oct 23rd anniversary. We would like to put flyer on CNC website.

Andre – can't put it on website.

Silva Reyes – with family – a month ago, left corporate life and started business. Provide in home shopping experience, stylish and comfortable clothes. Lula Row – movement to empower women without having to give up time with families. Also, participates in charities and fund raising.

Lucie – 9th anniversary of emergency fair, Kiwanis, Jeff came to help... others...Thank you, very successful.

Linda – Nov 5, Santa Susanna trail days guided hikes at Andora trail head. Moderate level. Library is having book sale in October, also car show Friday night 21st, celebrating Munch Box. Pioneer Day was very successful, raised \$5,500.

Glen – Santa Susanna Trails Day – doing it for several years, hikes that start at Andora are done with 3rd graders, so it's not difficult.

--Board members --- Board of neighborhood commissioners, yearly schedule says first Tuesday of the Month, suggestion of place to meet... none of the neighborhood councils in the valley attended. E-mail commissioner, copy the mayor, councilman. Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils should take action.

Thank women from Porter Ranch for help setting up.
Thank you to Pastor.

Kelly – Oct 15th, North Valley Voters alliance candidate forum for supervisors candidates, will be posing questions to them. Everyone is invited.

Adjourned 8:47pm.

