

CNC June 7, 2017

Present: Andre, Jeff, Vicki, Anna, Dorothy, Kamesh, Darlene, Paul, Nick, Michael, Martina, Linda, Jim, Dean, Ann, Matt

Excused: Shekhar, Rudy, Dan

Resigned: Lucie

Jeff leading meeting tonight.

Announcement: Lucie resigned. Too late to get on agenda. Will be addressed at August board meeting. 1 vacancy

Treasurer's report. May expenditures. **MOTION** to Approve. **PASSED**

Budget – at our retreat, approved amended budget, but wasn't on agenda. **MOTION** to Approve amended budget. **PASSED**

Matt – **MOTION** to approve \$300 for COLT for food. More sign ups than last year, 300 more. Concerned about food. Canopies are borrowed from other organizations, but don't have them. Nick and others volunteered to share their canopies.

Judy – question – how do you know what you'll need?

Vicki – Will have to order before, due to credit card issue.

PASSED

Presenter – Beverlee Gale from LAWorks

Nonprofit outreach coordinator for volunteers 55 and over. Manage volunteers for 80 nonprofits all over LA. Joined with CASA –Court Appointed Special Advocate. Partner with a child for 2 years, 15-20 hours per month to know about court and family issues. Wed June 28th Canoga park Child institute info session.

Kathleen – DONE budget day on June 24th 7:30am-4pm, priorities of NC's, budgets of other departments. Breakfast/Lunch provided. Beyond NC's 26th from 6-9, in CD9. Inventory of NC storage on June 30th.

Glen – date of purchase listed on portal.

Kathleen – it's ok if you don't have that info. NC 101 trainings happening. Also Sept 9th NC Congress. Kathleen.Quinn@LACity.org 818-374-9893

Jill Stewart – requests a letter, not present yet.

Letter Carriers Food drive last month. This year was a significant drop in donations. This year there were no bags, and this probably affected donations.

Committees

Nick – Homeless Liaison – Pastor George went to LA meeting, Tim went to a facility off of Glen Oaks Blvd. There are still unanswered questions. Downtown meetings include statistics on how money is being spent: housing, families. But nobody is asking about the communities being affected by the homeless. We have a representative in Sylmar who will represent the Valley. Looking for large lots for housing. Wants to start a committee to give ideas to LA City. Nick @LosTorros.com

David Mesa from So Cal Gas – Public Affairs Manager covers DTLA to Valley. Will be attending Valley NC's meetings to answer questions. Brought brochures with useful info, i.e. shutting off meter, solar water heater, etc...

Question – about if gas leak is affecting water well.

David – gas stored in natural rock under ground and doesn't expand from that.

Dean – do you have a strategic plan for earthquake?

David – we have infrastructures in place to prevent damage.

Vicki – what about pipe breaks?

David – there is a shut off that can be done manually or with computer system, and other shut off points.

Dean – stored underground, but not a tank. How can it be contained?

David – possibility of that happening is unlikely. It is condensed and cannot ignite.

Dean – is there a plan to change storage?

David – No, this is the safest and most effective way to store gas.

Community member – I have a horse boarding facility and I have lost customers due to gas leak.

Who is allowing the constant building?

Vicki – Property values are not going down. Properties are still selling.

(more discussion)

Land use – didn't meet in May. Liquor license requests, expansions present next time.

Enhancement didn't meet in May, in June Chatsworth HS is going to want an NPG for food for orientation freshman class.

Public Safety & Transportation – Working on crosswalks on Devonshire, letter to CD12 and Dept of Trans, & LAPD to discuss traffic issues. Neighborhood watch event in discussion, waiting for budget proposal. Might change date of meetings due to conflicts with Kiwanis, etc...

Equestrian – ideas of how to save Chatsworth St. for equestrians, map of suggested locations and signs for slowing traffic for equestrians, will working on DOT representative.

Vicki – why not send rep to public safety.

Dean – will do that.

Darlene – I was told to go to equestrian committee.

Dean – also upgrade to equestrian trails in the works.

Ted – Horses have the same rights as automobiles. People have to be educated to slow down, and stay 3 feet away.

Beautification – Trimming Olive Trees next project, Octoberfest project.

Outreach – Purchase of flashlights.

Legislative – more regulators than participants. Not having any meetings until there is leadership.

Selections – April 27th met. Glenn: emailed facts/figures, recommendations to board, and issues discussed last meeting: need selection worksheet earlier, i.e. Oct., faxes, candidate statements, forum a separate night, poll workers, curbside voting, provisional voters, stakeholder letters, clarifying electioneering, challengable-ness, portable toilets. Dorothy has a connection to provide toilets.

Paul – Proposes increased pay for NTP at least \$1,500.

Public comments:

Glenn – Kathleen mentioned Congress of Neighborhoods, bookmarks have dates Sept 9th.

Dean – Minutes for committees vs. general board what is public access?

Glenn – Policy is for board not committee minutes.

Kathleen – VANC only requires minutes for general board, sent to NC support and not being reviewed.

Michael – follow up on retreat, thanking for ideas to post on Facebook. Need all committee chairs to read through description of committees and email you can be reached by. May have found way to locate old meeting minutes to post on website.

Matt – COLT routes, registration 7:45, kickoff 9am. Raffle prizes. Walkers take off 9:40.

Cyclists at 9:30am. 690 signed up.

Nick – Kiwanis clean up on June 17th. Bring gloves and hat. Meeting at Mason Park, 9am.

Jill Stewart – advocate for more transparency for City Planning. Requesting letter to Mayor to hold public meetings. Open space element is being requested from Mayor.

Andre – will condense the letter.

Dean – can they videotape the meeting?

Andre – it's the input we are going for.

MOTION to approve letter. **PASSED**

Linda – not on the list for the 2017 plan, and concerned about that.

David – Gas Co has big space available for meetings.

Ann – LAPD report Captain thanks for COLT invite, Captain Katie Burns will come walk it.

Captain Liam wanted to remind to not leave keys in cars. June 13th All Basic Car meeting at 6:30pm, Shepard of the Hills Church.

Ann – correction to last month's minutes on motion.

Linda – took motion off the agenda.

Dean – did we send the letter to Danny?

Andre – yes.

MINUTES APPROVED.

ADJOURNED 8:30pm