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LA32 NEIGHBORHOOD
COUNCIL
GENERAL BOARD
MEETING AGENDA
Wednesday
October 5, 2022
6PM

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Topic: 10-05-22 LA32NC General Board Meeting Agenda

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AGENDA

Opening Remarks

1. Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance/ Roll Call
 - a. Sylvia Cruz, President
 - b. Johnny Gurski, Vice President
 - c. Erika Crenshaw, Treasurer
 - d. Frances Burgoin, Corresponding Secretary
 - e. Alexander “AK” Kirkpatrick, Recording Secretary
 - f. Charlene McDonald, North Region Director
 - g. Rick Acosta, North Region Director
 - h. Akhila Ananth, South Region Director
 - i. Bruce Wilson, South Region Director
 - j. Graco Hernandez Valenzuela, East Region Director
 - k. *Vacant*, East Region Director
 - l. Marleen Fonseca, West Region Director
 - m. Jose Medina, West Region Director
 - n. Carmen Tata, At Large Regional Director
 - o. Ester Petschar, At Large Community Organization Director

2. Community / Government Reports and Announcements:
 - a. LA City Council District 14 Representative
 - b. LAPD Senior Lead
 - c. Government Departments/Agencies/DONE
 - d. Community Organizations
 - e. Budget Advocate
 - f. LAUSD Representative

3. Reports from Committee Chairs and Treasurer; (1) Minute Maximum:
 - a) Executive Committee
 - b) Land Use and Development Committee
 - c) Beautification Committee
 - d) Public Safety Committee
 - e) Environmental Green Committee
 - f) Bylaws Committee
 - g) Inventory Committee
 - h) Veterans Day Ad Hoc Committee
 - i) Treasurer Report
 - j) Arts and Culture Committee
 - k) NC Election Committee

4. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda items: Comments from the public on nonagenda items must be within the Board’s jurisdiction. Each speaker will be allowed two (2) minutes.

5. Consent Calendar: One motion and one vote.

Note: Consent calendar items are considered to be non-controversial and will be treated as one agenda item. There will be no discussion on these items unless an item is removed from the consent calendar, in which case it will be considered as time allows on the regular agenda. Any member of the Board may request that an item be removed.

- a. Approval of the Minutes from the 9-07-22 General Board Meeting.
- b. Approval of payment up to \$200 invoice payable to Apple One Employment Services for the 9-07-22 General Board Meeting Minutes.
- c. Approval of the September 2022 MER if available.

OLD BUSINESS

6. None.

NEW BUSINESS

7. Discussion and possible motion to **appoint an East Region Director to the vacant seat.**
The 2022 LA32NC Bylaws provide: “The order of selection of Directors is as follows:
A. Runners-up for Same Region – The Board first nominates from the pool of candidates in the same Region who did not win a seat in the previous election, but who are still interested in serving;
B. Top Runners-up for Any Other Region – If there were no losing candidates from the same Region, the Board nominates from the top runner-up candidates from other categories (Region or At-Large);
C. Nominated Stakeholders – Directors may nominate Stakeholders, or any Stakeholder can request consideration for filling a vacancy; and **D.** Board Approval – The Board votes and approves all nominations to fill vacancies by a simple majority vote. The Director selected in this way will serve out the remainder of the original term.”
8. Discussion and possible motion to approve the LA32NC having a booth at the **Vision Screening Fair** at Cal State LA on Saturday October 15, 22 open to everyone and all ages in El Sereno and all LA32 neighborhoods for free tests for Retinol Blastoma from possible toxicity overexposure from plastic water bottles, and for glaucoma and diabetes related blindness and macular degeneration. There will be a blind DJ, blind musicians and blind yoga demonstrations.
9. Discussion and possible motion to approve the NPG funding application up to \$363.33 payable to the nonprofit organization **Coyotl Macehualli** for general operational costs for community educational events including the **Takaape’ Waashut Trail Hike on October 29, 2022**, open to all. Hike will begin at Elephant Hill, move through Hermon, and end at Debs Park for the culminating event. The Takaape™ Waashut Trail Hike will provide education about: 1) the California BWT and its relationship to its environments: animals, other plants, humans; 2) Indigenous knowledges about the BWT and relationships between humans and natural environments; 3) existing ordinances related to BWT protection and the need for their enforcement to protect the trees; 4) reimagining city planning in relation to our lived environment; and 5) environmental issues in the NELA area. A speaker will discuss preservation efforts on Elephant Hill as the hike provides the opportunity for educating and deepening relationships between the people of NELA and our natural environment. *This motion includes approval to post this event on the la32nc.com website and participation in the Hike.*
10. Discussion and possible motion to approve the NPG funding application up to \$500 payable to the El Sereno Rec Complex for general operational costs for the **El Sereno Town of Halloween event at the El Sereno Recreation Center on Friday October 28, 2022 from 4:30pm to 8:30pm** to provide safe Halloween activities for families.
11. Discussion and possible motion to approve to \$5000 payable to the **El Sereno Bicentennial Committee** for the **Annual El Sereno Tree Lighting and Winter Jubilee on Saturday December 10, 2022** to assist with expenses associated with this completely free community event comprised of carnival style games, snacks, entertainment, activities, toy tent, senior tent.
12. Discussion and possible motion for the Board to discuss whether it is feasible to include all Directors’ names on the 1st page of General Board Meeting agendas and letters and if so, whether to approve.
13. Board Director brief announcements up to 1-minute maximum.
14. Motion to adjourn.