Board of Governors/General Stakeholders Meeting

Monday Nov. 4, 2013 - 6:45 p.m. to 9:15 p.m.

Mission Area Police Station
Timothy M. Falco Community Room
11121 Sepulveda Boulevard, Mission Hills, CA 91345

• A G E N D A •

1. Call to Order/Introductions. (President) (3 minutes)

2. Pledge of Allegiance. (3 minutes)

3. Roll Call (Minutes Writer). (3 minutes)


5. Reports/announcements from Public Officials, Community Representatives, (5 minutes).

6. Report from LAPD Senior Lead Officer, Phil Ruiz, Basic Car 19A43. (5 minutes)

7. Executive Officer Report(s). (5 minutes) (Last call for Speaker Cards on Non-Agenda Items).

8. Briefing on committee activities. (5 minutes)
   Outreach: Mooshy Ghassedi
   My LA 311 App. “IT’S TIME TO INCREASE OUR COMMUNITY AWARENESS”
   MHNC Mission Hills Bowling Alley Day.

   Public Safety: Betty Ley (5 minutes)

   Zoning & Land Use: Ray Garcia (5 minutes)

   Jesse Martinez (5 minutes).

   Budget Day LA update: Richard Flores and Jose Arevalo. 5 minutes.

Old Business: None

New Business:

10. Presentation by Jane Stanton Executive Director and Ana Duarte Preschool Director from the North Valley YMCA a valuable community based resource. The North Valley Family Y is a non-profit organization committed to helping you live a balanced, healthy life in spirit, mind and body.

   The Y: We’re for youth development, healthy living and social responsibility.

   At the Y, strengthening community is our cause. Every day, we work side by side with our neighbors to make sure that everyone, regardless of age, income or background, has the opportunity to learn, grow and thrive.

   With a focus on youth development, healthy living and social responsibility, the Y nurtures the potential of every youth and teen, improves the nation’s health and well-being, and provides opportunities to give back and support neighbors.

11. Presentation by Nicole Carcel from the Los Angeles District Attorney’s Office. On May 21, 2013 City of Los Angeles voters passed (Proposition D) The Medical Marijuana Regulation and Taxation Ordinance. Ms Carcel will help to explain the LA City Attorney’s list of requirements that dispensaries must adhere to under the recently passed law. LA City Attorney enforcement efforts will also be explained. A question and answer session will follow this presentation.

UPDATE 5/22/2013: City Attorney Carmen Trutanich Statement on Passage of Proposition D

“We will begin the process of making all dispensaries in the city and owners of those properties, aware of the law. We expect a high level of voluntary compliance and we will take steps to ensure that all dispensaries follow the law. In the coming months, we nonetheless anticipate litigation -- both to close illegal shops and to defend the city's new law.”
12. Motion by Brad Klimovitch: To appoint Tom Johnson to the Mission Hills Neighborhood Council as an At-Large Stakeholder.

13. Motion by Brad Klimovitch: To appoint Tom Johnson to serve on the Budget and Finance Committee.

14. Motion by Brad Klimovitch: To participate and partner with the North Valley Military Institute to accept unwrapped toys for any age child at the “1st Annual Toys for Tots” event being held at the Mission Hills Bowl on Saturday Dec. 14, 2013 from 9am to 3pm.

15. Motion for consideration by Brad Klimovitch: To reallocate $191.00 from budget line 37 National Night Out that was not spent to Budget line item 35 Outreach Events.

16. Motion for consideration by Debra Dalton: To participate in the Dec. 7, 2013 CD7/Pacoima Christmas Parade. The Parade theme is “Embracing our Community” starting at 9am.

17. Motion for consideration by Debra Dalton: To allocate $191.00 from budget line item 35 Outreach Events for a trailer rental and decorations to adorn the MHNC Float “Embracing our Community” to be used at the Dec. 7, 2013 CD7/Pacoima Christmas Parade.

18. Motion for consideration by Brad Klimovitch: “The Department of Neighborhood Empowerment is to be permanently placed in charge of administering elections for neighborhood councils.”

19. Motion for consideration by Brad Klimovitch: “Neighborhood Council board members be required to complete Ethics, Financial Policy, Sexual Harassment, and ADA Compliance training, and that the Department offer classes including, but not limited to leadership, City government basics, parliamentary procedures, land use, and candidate training.”

20. Motion for consideration by Brad Klimovitch: “There be a citywide standard period of time from date of seating, not to exceed 90 days, that a Board member will have to pass the required training, and that this be enforced by the Neighborhood Council bylaws, which shall prohibit voting on any matter coming before the Neighborhood Council board. Inability of any board member(s) to vote for failure to timely complete training will not affect quorum.”

22. Motion for consideration by Brad Klimovitch: “An Early Notification System be established by each city department, commission, and the City Council, and its committees to provide Neighborhood Councils with a minimum of 60 days notice of any proposed action.

For any proposed ballot measure or ordinance Neighborhood Councils must receive at least 60 days notice.”

23. Motion for consideration by Brad Klimovitch: “Neighborhood Councils should have the right to open Council files. No Neighborhood Council board member shall be required to file a financial disclosure form for a Neighborhood Council to open a Council file. There shall be no limit on the number of Council files that a Neighborhood Council may open each year.”

24. Motion for consideration by Brad Klimovitch: “The Board of Neighborhood Commissioners, with the aid and advice of citywide Neighborhood Councils, will adopt policies establishing best practices for monitoring the delivery of City services.”

25. Motion for consideration by Brad Klimovitch: “City agendas should once again include the full text of the brief Community Impact Statement (CIS) from each NC submitting one, with links to any background materials that were provided as support. Any time a CIS is, for whatever reason removed from a subsequent agenda, the City Clerk will send a notice to the Neighborhood Council.”

26. Motion for consideration by Brad Klimovitch: “Official Neighborhood Council or Neighborhood Council Alliance representatives addressing the City Council, its committees, City commissions, and boards be granted up to 5 minutes of presentation time separate from general public comment, to present the official view of the Neighborhood Council Board or Alliance. Neighborhood Councils should receive priority as city entities and be called for comment before general public comment.”

27. Motion for consideration by Brad Klimovitch: a. “Unexpended Neighborhood Council funds should be kept in the Neighborhood Council system, received and administered by the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment.”
b. “Neighborhood Councils should be allowed to provide funds to City departments provided that the equipment benefits stakeholders, that in addition to the initial requestor there is documentation of the need from a higher level of the department, and that the transfer is accompanied by an MOU, agreement, or a form similar to a neighborhood purposes grant.”

c. “Overriding principle should be that in the absence of conflicts of interests, the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment should be empowered to seek and receive funds appropriate to their mission and support their operations.”

28. Housekeeping/Council Business: (5 minutes) Introduce new issues for consideration by the Council at its next meeting for placement on the next Board/Stakeholders meeting agenda.

29. General Public Comments - Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board’s subject matter jurisdiction and purview. This agenda item will last a total of 10 minutes and no individual speaker will be permitted more than two minutes. (10 minutes)

30. Adjournment

PLEASE NOTE: General Public Comments: The public is requested to fill out a “Speaker Card” to address the Board on any item of the Agenda prior to the Board taking action on an item. Comments from the public on Agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the Agenda that is within the Board’s subject matter jurisdiction will be heard during the Public Comment period. Public comment is limited to two minutes per speaker, unless waived by the presiding officer of the Board.

Thank you for coming!

The power to make changes and improvements in Mission Hills comes from within our own neighborhoods.

Looking for a few good

Volunteers!

Senior Outreach, Public Safety, Zoning & Land Use, Community Outreach, Beautification & Cultural Affairs, Budget & Finance, Primestor/Mission Plaza Subcommittee.

Please consider serving on one of our MHNC Committees.

For Information: 818-639-2071

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