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General Board Minutes

Thursday, September 21, 2023, 7:00pm

Meetings end at 9:30pm unless the Board votes to end earlier or extend the time.

Location: Robertson Recreation Center, 1633 Preuss Street, Los Angeles CA 90035- Room B.

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1. **Call to Order 7:24 pm**
 2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
 3. **Roll Call: Sandy Block, Marlene Katz, Michael Lynn, Terrence Gomes, Ken Blaker, Jon Liberman, Baila Romm, Jason Plummer, Stuart Weiss, Joel Weinberger, Joseph Mollaie, Daniel Ferszt, Barry Levine (Quorum 13)**
Absent: Laurie Levine, Mitch Cohen, Shirley Traum, Benji Karbon
C.Hayes Blackwood joined the board at 8:20 pm
 4. **General Public Comment: Mr. Lee LAUSD District 1 candidate**
 5. **Brief Board Announcements**
 - a. Items for Future Committee or General Board Agendas -Jonah from Supervisor Horvath to address LAHSA, Membership engagement, Community outreach
 - b. Other Brief Board Announcements
 6. **Community Reports**
 - a. LA Police Department (Baker/Ojeda Not Present). **SORO NC Present**
Commander Jonathan Tom Certificate of Appreciation
 - b. LA Fire Department- Battalion 18 (Battalion Chief) Not Present
 - c. Office of Councilmember Katy Yaroslavsky (Zipper) Gave Presentation
 - d. Office of Councilmember Hutt (Guevara) T. Gomes Gave Presentation
 - e. Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (Randell Erving) Not Present
 - f. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (Cupen-Ames) Gave Presentation
 - g. Office of the City Clerk- Election Division (Alvarado) Not Present
 - h. Office of Mayor Bass (VACANT)
 - i. Office of County Supervisor Horvath (Amanda Laflan) Gave Presentation
 - j. Office of State Assemblymember Bryan (Persoff) Sent Update via email
 - k. Office of State Senator Smallwood-Cuevas (VACANT)
 - l. Office of Congressman Kamlager-Dove (Jonathan Echavarria) Not Present
 - m. Other Neighborhood, City and State offices None

7. Board Membership- Selections, Removals, Resignations

- a. Motion to Appoint At-Large Representative (Unfilled Resident Zone 7 Representative - Term expires 2025)
- Sara Messall (GB092123-01) Not Present
Reopen this seat.
Moved Mike second: Joseph
Public Comment: None
Vote: 13 yes 0 no 0 abstain
Yes: Sandy Block, Marlene Katz, Michael Lynn, Terrence Gomes, Ken Blaker, Jon Liberman, Baila Romm, Jason Plummer, Stuart Weiss, Joel Weinberger, Joseph Mollaie, Daniel Ferszt, Barry Levine
Motion passes
- b. Motion to Appoint Zone 4 Representative - Term expires June 30, 2027
- Christopher Hayes Blackwood (GB092123-02)
Moved Terrence Gomes second: Michael Lynn
Vote: 12 yes 0 no 1 abstain
Yes: Sandy Block, Marlene Katz, Michael Lynn, Terrence Gomes, Ken Blaker, Jon Liberman, Baila Romm, Jason Plummer, Stuart Weiss, Joel Weinberger, Daniel Ferszt, Barry Levine
Abstain: Joseph Mollaie
C. Hayes Blackwood joined the board at 8:20 pm
- c. Motion to Elect SORO NC President (GB092123-03)
Michael Lynn self-nominated
Public Comment: None
Moved Michael Lynn second Jon Liberman
Vote: 13 yes 0 no 0 abstain
Yes: Sandy Block, Marlene Katz, Michael Lynn, Terrence Gomes, Ken Blaker, Jon Liberman, Baila Romm, Jason Plummer, Stuart Weiss, Joel Weinberger, Joseph Mollaie, Daniel Ferszt, Barry Levine
Michael Lynn is the president of SORO NC
- d. Motion to appoint a SORO NC representative to the Congressional Council of Congresswoman Kamlager-Dove SORO NC (GB092123-04)
Moved: Terrence Gomes Second: Michael Lynn
Public Comment: None
Motion to appoint Stuart Weiss representative to the Congressional Council of Congresswoman Kamlager-Dove SORO NC (GB092123-04)
Moved: Terrence Gomes Second: Michael Lynn
Vote: 13 yes 0 no 0 abstain
Yes: Sandy Block, Marlene Katz, Michael Lynn, Terrence Gomes, Ken Blaker, Jon Liberman, Baila Romm, Jason Plummer, Stuart Weiss, Joel Weinberger, Joseph Mollaie, Daniel Ferszt, Barry Levine
Motion passes as amended

8. Committees, Liaisons and Alliance Representatives

- a. Committee, Liaisons and Alliance Reports
 - 1. Standing and Ad-hoc Committees: Executive; Education; Land Use; Public Safety; Homelessness; Outreach; Transportation; Business Advocacy & Development; Parks and Recreation; Budget & Finance; Bylaws; Board Development; Elections (Ad-hoc)
Education Committee: Tutoring program requires MOU
Budget Advocates needs two representatives
 - 2. Liaisons and Alliances: LANCC, WRAC, LADWP, Budget Advocates, City Attorney, Public Works, Animal Services, Data
 - 3. Opportunity to Join and/or Change Membership to Board Committees

9. Unfinished Business (*Members of the public can choose to speak on multiple agenda items in this section for no more than one (1) minute total, with the time for each speaker to be determined by- 5min divided by # hands raised*)

- a. None

10. Consent Agenda

- a. Motion to approve August 2023 MERS Report. (GB092123-05)
- b. Motion to approve September 7 General Board Meeting Minutes (GB092123-06)
- ~~c. Motion to send a letter to CD#5 requesting the transfer of city owned property adjacent to Irving Schacter Park to the Department of Recreation and Parks for recreational use. (GB092123-07)~~
- ~~d. Consolidation of Library Committee with Parks and Rec Committee, and rename to Leisure Activity Committee (GB092123-08)~~
Moved: Baila Romm Second: Jon Liberman
Public Comment: None
Vote: 13 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain
Yes: Sandy Block, Marlene Katz, Michael Lynn, Terrence Gomes, Ken Blaker, Jon Liberman, Baila Romm, Jason Plummer, Stuart Weiss, Joel Weinberger, Joseph Mollaie, Daniel Ferszt, Barry Levine
Consent agenda passes items a, b, only

11. New Business (*Members of the public can choose to speak on multiple agenda items in this section for no more than one (1) minute total, with the time for each speaker to be determined by- 5min divided by # virtual hands raised*)

- a. None

12. Adjournment: 8:46 pm