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BOARD OF NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, MAY 3, 2016 - 6:00 P.M.

LOCATION: Boyle Heights Technology Youth Center

1600 East 4th Street

Los Angeles, CA 90033

These minutes state who attended the meeting and the actions taken. For more detailed information, the full audio is online at EmpowerLA.org.

1. Introduction (5 minutes) Commission President Shaffer presided over the meeting.
2. Call to Order and Commission roll call (1 minute) Meeting called to order at 6:15 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Shaffer
Lipmen
Grant
Atkinson
Rubio (Arrived at 6:32pm)

ABSENT

LaFarga

There was a quorum of 4 Commissioners.

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3. 6:20pm Approval of the Minutes of the Regular of 04/04/16. Click on the link to view a copy of the documents.) <https://empowerla.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/Board-of-Neighborhood-Commissioners-Regular-Meeting-Minutes-Draft-03.21.161.pdf> (3 minutes)

Public Comment

Wayne from Encino
 Carlos Montes

Action: Motion to approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting of March 1,2016.

VOTE	Mover	Atkinson	Second	Lipmen
Commissioner	Ayes	Nays	Abstention	Absent
Atkinson	x			
Grant	x			
Lipmen	x			
LaFarga				x
Rubio	x			
Shaffer	x			
Total	4			1
Motion	Carries	X	Fails	

4. 6:28pm Verbal updates from representatives of the Mayor and Los Angeles City Council. (10 minutes).

Public Comment

Wayne from Encino

Recess taken at 6:30pm. Returns to Agenda item #5 at 7:30pm.

5. 7:30pm Verbal updates from representatives of the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates. Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates provide input to the City on the City’s Budget. Additional information regarding the Budget Advocates is available at <http://ncbala.com/>. (10 minutes).

Annual Budget Day, Saturday. July 30, 2016.

Public Comment

Wayne from Encino

6. 7:40pm General Public Comments - Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board’s subject matter jurisdiction. This agenda item will last a total of 15 minutes and no individual speaker will be allowed more than three minutes. (15 minutes)

Public Comment

Gail Bleckman
Dr. Armando Herman
Lisa Sarkin
Judy Price
Wayne from Encino
Elvina Beck

7. 8:00pm General Manager's Report. (10 minutes)
 1. Briefing on Departmental activities.
 2. Staffing, budget and other operational matters.
 3. Civic U 2.0.

Report given by Policy and Government Relations Director, Mike Fong.

Budget and finance deliberations are currently happening in Council. Thank you to the Budget Advocates for your leadership and efforts on the budget process.

Our Dept has been proceeding various election challenges. All of the Valley NCs have been certified except Studio City NC.

Neighborhood Councils are still being encouraged to submit Community Impact Statements on Council Files including CF 16-0093 which relates to a proposed ballot measure to amend the Los Angeles City Charter and Administrative Code to restructure the governance of the Los Angeles Department of Water & Power (DWP).

Thank you to all the NCs for your work and efforts on elections.

Public Comment

Lisa Sarkin
Wayne from Encino

8. Discussion on the request from City Council President Herb Wesson that Neighborhood Councils, Alliances, and citywide committees agendaize and submit Community Impact Statements regarding the Department of Water and Power (DWP) Reform. (Click on the link to view a copy of Council President Herb Wesson's Letter.)
<https://empowerla.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/DWP-Reform-Letter-Council-President-Herb-Wesson.pdf>

Public Comment

Wayne from Encino

9. 3:04pm **PUBLIC HEARING:** Discussion and possible action to provide further clarification for the Neighborhood Council Stakeholder definition regarding the term “substantial and ongoing” for the Community Interest Stakeholder. (20 minutes)

Public Comment

Cindy Cleghorn

Danielle Sandoval

Cindy Cleghorn

Wayne from Encino

10. 3:12pm Commission Business - Comment from Commissioners on subject matters within the Board’s jurisdiction. (15 minutes)

1. Comment on Commissioners’ own activities/brief announcements.
2. Brief response to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising their general public comment rights/ask staff questions for clarification.
3. Introduce new issues for consideration by the Commission at its next meeting and direct staff to place on the agenda.
4. Ask staff to research issues and report back to the Commission at a future time.
5. Discussion and possible action to discontinue the Ad Hoc Committee on Outreach.

Public Comment

Wayne from Encino

11. 3:23pm General Public Comments - Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board’s subject matter jurisdiction. This agenda item will last a total of 15 minutes and no individual speaker will be allowed more than three minutes. (15 minutes)

Public Comment

Cindy Cleghorn

Danielle Sandoval

Wayne from Encino

12. 3:24pm Adjourn.

Public Comment

Wayne from Encino

ACTION: Motion to adjourn.

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