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LA – 32 NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
Regular Meeting of the General Board
Wednesday, December 3, 2014 - 6PM – 9PM
El Sereno Senior Citizen's Center
4818 Klamath Place, Los Angeles, CA 90032

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1. Welcome, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call and President’s Message
2. General Public Comment- The public may provide comments to the board on non-agenda items within the Neighborhood Council’s subject matter jurisdiction. However, please note that under the Brown Act, the board is prevented from acting on the issue you bring

to its attention until the matter is agendaized for discussion at a future public meeting. (Limited to 2 minutes per speaker – 30 minutes total. Any public comments not reached due to time constraint may be submitted in writing to the Board.)

3. Discussion and possible action – approval of the minutes for the General Meeting of the Board held on Wednesday, October 1, 2014 (tabled), Special Meeting of the General Board held on Monday, August 18, 2014 (previously tabled) and Special Meeting of the General Board held on Monday November 10, 2014.
4. Treasurer’s Report regarding LA 32 finances. Discussion and possible action – approval of the LA 32 NC Monthly Expenditure Report for November 2014 (Attachment A1-A3).
5. Speaker Series – Update from Metro on 710 Freeway – 15 minutes total – 8 minute presentation with 7 minutes questions / answers from stakeholders.
6. Discussion and possible action regarding the following LA 32 Bylaws amendments:
 - A. “That the LA32NC reduce the General Board from 21 members to 15 members.”
 - B. “That the LA32NC reduce the number of each regions from 4 members to 3 members and reduce the At Large Directors from 4 members to 2 members.”

The above two proposed amendments are in reference to Article V, Governing Board Section 1: Composition, which currently reads as: The Board shall consist of twenty-one (21) Stakeholders elected, selected or appointed by the Board and/or Stakeholders. The composition of the Board shall be as follows:

A. Sixteen (16) members to be elected by four (4) Regions, and the remaining five (5) to be elected At-Large.

1. North Region-Four (4) Positions for ANY Stakeholder (who is at least 18 years of age and who lives, works or owns property) that is located or serves this region.
2. South Region-Four (4) Positions for ANY Stakeholder (who is at least 18 years of age and who lives, works or owns property) that is located or serves this region.
3. East Region-Four (4) Positions for ANY Stakeholder (who is at least 18 years of age and who lives, works or owns property) that is located or serves this region.
4. West Region-Four (4) Positions for ANY Stakeholder (who is at least 18 years of age and who lives, works or owns property) that is located or serves this region.
5. At Large-Four (4) Positions for ANY Stakeholder (who is at least 18 years of age and who lives, works or owns property) that serves the LA-32 NC area.
6. Community Interest At Large – One (1) Position for ANY Stakeholder who is at least 18 years of age and who affirms a substantial and ongoing participation within the Neighborhood Council’s boundaries and who may be in a community organization such as, but not limited to, educational, non-profit and/or religious organizations.

C. Each “That the LA32NC quorum be defined as the simple majority of the group: 2 for Committees and 8 for General Board.”

The above proposed amendment is in reference to Article V, Governing Board Section 2: Quorum, which currently reads as: The quorum shall be defined as a simple majority of the given group—two (2) for committee meetings, three (3) for Executive Committee meetings, and eleven (11) for General Meetings. Any official vote can be taken only when a quorum exists. Floating quorums are not allowed.

(All motions made by Bylaws Committee on 9/22/14 and posting period commenced on 9/28/14).

7. Discussion and Possible Action – Motion “That the LA32NC does not support the development located at 5639 E. Huntington Drive North and recommends LA32 prepares a Community Impact Statement on the historical value of the location.”
8. Discussion and possible action on using a new vendor for website maintenance.
9. Status / update of LA City and LA County development of the Biomedical corridor (along Valley Blvd) which is now being proposed by Councilmember Huizar – Council file 14-1278. (requested by stakeholder)
10. Creation of Adhoc Committee to conduct research and make recommendations to the Bylaws Committee and to create Standing Rules (submitted by member of Executive Committee).
11. Discussion and Possible Action identifying the 12 streets in need of repair. The Bureau of Street Services has asked the LA 32 NC to identify streets that are in need of repair. These streets will be part of a scheduled for small asphalt repairs. (No longer applicable)
12. Discussion and possible action – Motion “that the LA32NC extend the deadline for NPG applications to 11/17/14.” (Motion approved on 10/20/14 by Budget and Finance Committee 2-0-0). (Budget and Finance is withdrawing the motion)
13. Discussion and possible action – Motion “LA32NC to send a letter to Councilman Huizar to provide the NC with his office surveillance policies, reporting process, camera locations and if any signs have been posted to notify the public within LA32 of the surveillance cameras.” (Motion approved on 11/1/14 by Public Safety Committee 3-0-0).
14. Discussion and possible action – Motion “That the LA32NC to send a letter to County Supervisor Gloria Molina, who oversees the Public Health Department and request her input/ impact if any Health factors regarding City Council Motion #13-14193, 13-0980 and 08-001183.” (The original motion was presented by Councilman Huizar to legalize street vending). Motion approved on 11/1/14 by Public Safety Committee 3-0-0)
15. Discussion and possible action regarding the findings for Ms. Roxy Melgar who has missed the following meetings: October 1, 2014 and September 3, 2014. No board action is required for these absences per the LA 32 NC bylaws. The LA 32 NC will follow the following Article V, Secion 7 of LA32 NC bylaws:
Any Director who misses two (2) consecutive regularly scheduled General Meetings or, optionally, three (3) total Board meetings during any twelve (12) month period will be automatically removed from the Board. Each Director’s absence shall be recorded in the LA-32 NC meeting minutes or other manner of LA-32 NC record keeping, and that, upon missing the required number of Board meetings for removal, the LA-32 NC Presiding Officer shall notify the Board Director and provide notice to that Director that their seat has been declared vacant. Expulsion from the Board shall not affect the Stakeholders LA-32 NC member status.

16. Discussion and possible action – resignation and replacement of Victor Ayala as Chair from Public Safety Committee, resignation and replacement of Raymond Diaz from Executive Board and Chair of Bylaw Committee.
17. Discussion and possible action – Motion “That the LA32 NC approve the purchase of business cards for the new board members – Yolie Garcia, Luisana Valdez and Cecelia Villareal (Attachment B). (Motion approved by Budget and Finance Committee 11/15/14 2-0-0).
18. Discussion and possible action – Motion “That the LA32N approve the purchase of a memory card for the LA32NC digital cameral for an amount not to exceed \$45.00 (see attachment C).” (Motion approved by Budget and Finance Committee 11/15/14 2-0-0)
19. Discussion and possible action – Motion “That the LA32NC participate on December 13, 2014 with CD14 for the Lighting of the Christmas Tree to include use of the LA32 Canopy, Directors chairs, table and supplies needed for a snowflake booth.” Snowflakes will be made with items LA32NC already has in storage.” (Motion submitted by Membership / Outreach Committee 2-0-0).
20. Discussion and possible action – Motion “That the LA32NC help participate on December 19, 2014, from 6-8pm to help set up for the December 20th event with El Sereno Park and Recreation for a breakfast with Santa. This will include helping set up, running a booth, registration, Santa booth and on December 20th from 7-11am to volunteer in activity booth, registration booth or serving in kitchen.” (Motion submitted by Membership and Outreach Committee 2-0-0).
21. Discussion and possible action – Motion “That the LA32NC approve the creation of an Ad Hoc Committee to address the following concerns:
 - Audit of all equipment in LA32NC storage including labeling, tagging and creating an inventory list.
 - Audit wishlist and reconcile with DONE any items that have yet to be received.
 - Audit prior inventory list submitted by Anthony Manzano and identify missing equipment for prior board to determine whether any action is needed.
 - Report back to General Board with findings..

*Please note that in order to be able to vote on any of these items, Board members are required to have taken the Ethics and Funding Trainings.