



OLYMPIC PARK NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING: **December 1, 2014** at 7:00 pm

NOTE NEW LOCATION: Legal Aid Foundation 1102 Crenshaw Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90019



OPNC December 1 2014 MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Roll (7:00 PM) (see OPNC_12.1.14_Vote_Item#1_Roll Call)
2. Approval of Minutes minutes approved subject to corrections
3. Officer Cho speaks to board: topics:
Crime has stayed at typical levels. Reports of packages being stolen from doorsteps and porches are expected to increase during the holidays. Catalytic Converters continue to be stolen from Toyota trucks and certain other model vehicles including the Honda Element. Thieves can remove the converters from vehicles in about a minute without entering them. Some home robberies continue, mainly during the day.
4. b) Treasurer's Report: Pamela Whittenbury guides the line item review of the treasurer's report .
c) Vote approved the MER (Monthly Expenditure Report) (see OPNC_12.1.14_Vote_Item#_4c.pdf)
5. Public Comments were moved to later on the agenda (see item 11)
6. Applicants Representative from Trejo's Taco's City of L.A. Zoning Case #ZA 2014-0759-CUB explained their proposal to remodel 1048 So. La Brea Ave into a 16 interior seat and 46 uncovered outdoor patio seat restaurant on the site of a previous Taco Bell that has stood vacant for at least 10 years. As per the request of the Zoning Administrator Ms. Chang, the board, stakeholders (8) were present, as well as members of the PLUM committee(5). The business owner's reps have capitulated to earlier requests from the OPNC PLUM Committee, stakeholders and Ms. Chang to reduce hours, mitigate the potential to the adjacent residential neighborhood and provide for more valet parking at a neighboring lot. Two landscaped, concrete block walls, 6' & 10', will be built to block and absorb sound. Music levels in the patio will be monitored. Only beer and wine will be served, and only with food. The restaurant will close at 11PM on weekdays. The outdoor patio area has been reduced from 2300 sq. ft. to 540 sq. ft. Trash Pick up and delivery will occur only at stipulated workday hours, expected staff, no more than 5-7 employees at peak hours. Employees will park in the valet lot. Discussion took place regarding the traffic patterns and valet parker's route. The stakeholders explained the challenges of maneuvering across La Brea in that neighborhood. A request was made that there be a live, accountable individual, with a posted number, for neighbors to contact in the event of problems. No big screen T.V.s. The staff is STAR trained. Owner's representative stated that private parties are not expected or likely. Litter was a concern. Stakeholders were encouraged to express any additional concerns. The board meeting recessed so that the PLUM Committee could leave for a sidebar meeting and vote.
The PLUM Committee exited. Amy Mucken of Heal One World had an informal discussion with the board and stakeholders about the recent OPNC Health Fair-Celebrate our Neighborhood Nov. 8th event. 10 minutes later the PLUM Committee returned and the OPNC Board meeting resumed. The PLUM Committee reported to the OPNC Board and stakeholders that they had unanimously voted to approve support of Trejo's Tacos CUB with three conditions above and beyond the presented proposal distributed to those present: 1) That a contact number with a live person be posted for the neighbors to notify a specific staff member of problems 2) That Trash they have generated be monitored and picked up in a two block radius 3) That the applicants meet with the board 6 months after opening to monitor whether conditions are being met and address any additional ongoing problems.

The OPNC Board votes to give their support and approval of Trejo's Taco's CUB request. (See: OPNC_12.1.14_Vote_Item#_6)

7. Officer Cho explains the Shoes from Santa Event. He requests an NPG of \$720 to the Olympic Booster Association, a non-profit, for specific materials. The board votes to unanimously approve the request. (See: OPNC_12.1.14_Vote_Item#_7)

8. John Jake leads a discussion about whether the Board owes PIPS Restaurant additional monies for overages. It is determined, based on the contact information collected at the event that more people attended than were expected. The number is estimated to have been closer to 105. The board votes to approve an additional payment of \$1000 to Pips restaurant in compensation for authorized food service extended to guests above and beyond the number in the original agreement. (See: OPNC_12.1.14_Vote_Item#_8)

9. RACO (Reserve Animal Control Officer) discussion is tabled.

10. Health Fair – Celebrate our Neighborhood Event discussion took place earlier.

11. Item tabled until Anya Adams is present. Public Comments are requested. Jacqueline White asks about available board positions. The protocol for joining the board is discussed and recommended.

12. Meeting is adjourned.(9 PM)

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