

November OPNC Board Meeting Minutes

Date: November 4, 2024

Location: LAPD Wilshire Division Community Room
4861 Venice Blvd, Los Angeles CA 90019

Type: Board Meeting

1. Call to order and roll call 7:05pm

Present: (14) Samuel Bark, Jessica Celious, Robert Creswell, Mitch Edelson, Nathan Freeman, Michael Hagerty, Sheila Hill, Gerry Pass, Paul Rogoff, Beverly Rowe, Guy Toley, Clem Wright, Frank Larrazaleta, Ramsay Goyal

Absence: (4) Geoff Birchfield, Natasha Fung, Yimu Ren Xue, Max Hawkins

Quorum

2. PRESENTATION FROM GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

Office Harris Cho gave comments about LAPD efforts in the community: mentions of increased burglary activity in Country Club Park, car thefts, and individuals experiencing homelessness accessing crawls spaces under houses.

Officer Rodríguez reported that crime trends are down, although aggravated assault is still an issue, as well as burglaries targeting homes

3. General Public Comments

4. New Business

a. NPG for OBA Foundation Shoes for Santa

Motion: Mitch Edelson moves to approve the NPG for OBA Foundation in an amount of up to \$2000.00

Second: Sheila Hill

Public Comments: No Public Comments

Vote: Yes (13) – Jessica Celious, Robert Creswell, Mitch Edelson, Nathan Freeman, Michael Hagerty, Sheila Hill, Gerry Pass, Paul Rogoff, Beverly Rowe, Guy Toley, Clem Wright, Frank Larrazaleta, Ramsay Goyal

Ineligible (1) : Samuel Bark

(Yes 13, 1 Ineligible)

b. Letter to City leaders in support of the gates in Country Club Park

Motion: Mitch Edelson moves to write a letter of support to the city officials to maintain the gates in Country Club

Second: Sheila Hill

Public Comment: More than 50 members of the public provided public comment across a diverse range of perspectives on the issue.

Vote: Yes (8) – Samuel Bark, Jessica Celious, Mitch Edelson, Nathan Freeman, Gerry Pass, Beverly Rowe, Frank Larrazaleta, Ramsay Goyal

No (3) – Robert Creswell, Michael Hagerty, Clem Wright

Recused (3) - Guy Toley, Sheila Hill, Paul Rogoff

(Yes 8, No 3, Recused 3)

c. Naiessa Abbassi Presentation

Unanimously tabled with no discussion

d. Outreach Committee members and chair

Unanimously tabled with no discussion

5. Finances

a. Treasurer Report

Unanimously tabled with no discussion

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

Items C and E only

Vote: Yes (13) – Jessica Celious, Robert Creswell, Mitch Edelson, Nathan Freeman, Michael Hagerty, Sheila Hill, Gerry Pass, Paul Rogoff, Beverly Rowe, Guy Toley, Clem Wright, Frank Larrazaleta, Ramsay Goyal

Ineligible Samuel Bark

(Yes 13, 1 Ineligible)

Item D - Name plates

Motion: Mitch Edelson

Second: Nathan Freeman

Public Comment: Stakeholder noted that it could be wasteful

Vote: Yes (10) – Robert Creswell, Mitch Edelson, Nathan Freeman, Michael Hagerty, Sheila Hill, Beverly Rowe, Guy Toley, Clem Wright, Frank Larrazaleta, Ramsay Goyal

No (1) Gerry Pass

Ineligible (1) Samuel Bark

Abstain (1) Jessica Celious

(Yes 10, No 1, Ineligible 1, Abstain 1)

7. Announcement

- Healthy Streets Bike Lane on next month agenda
- Country Club Park Drive Sinking between Westchester and 3rd Ave

Meeting adjourned 9:13pm