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**DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
24 HR SPECIAL VIRTUAL MEETING MINUTES - DRAFT**

Wednesday, February 1st, 2023 – 6:30 PM

Contact: claudia.oliveira@dlanc.com for more information

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

- Meeting called to order at 6:35pm

Patti Berman	H, ALT	Ryan Afari	A	Allen Gross	A
Claudia Oliveira	H	Ana Carril-Grumberg	H	Leonel Aguilar	A
Tony Hoover	H	Samir Bitar	H	Cody Nowak	A
Wendell Blassingame	A	Melynda Choothesa	A	Jim Sarratori	H
Robert Martinez	A	Tyler Murphy	A	Jehan Reagan	A
Scott Miller	H	Pablo Fontoura	H	Debby Zhou	H
Nathan Mahaffey	H	Christian Dittmer	H	James Wilde	A
Wendy Celaya	H	Damion Wagner	H	Area wide homeless seat - Vacant	-

2. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

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3. Declaration of Ex-Parte Communications

4. President’s Report

5. Speakers

- a. City/County/State/Federal elected officials or representatives
- b. Liaisons Reports - Open positions: LLANC, Purposeful Aging, Data, DWP MOU, Plan Check, Budget Representative

6. Board Seats (all items subject to discussion and possible action) - None

7. Minutes - None

8. Consent Calendar - None

9. Old Business - None

10. New Business (all items subject to discussion and possible action)

a. Treasurer Items:

- i. Approve four expenditures not to exceed \$500.00 each, and not to exceed a total of \$2,000, for activity vendors for DLANC Wellness Day. Monies to come from the Outreach Budget line item. Vendors like wisdom.la, bohemia yoga.

Outreach Vote: Y(4), N(0), Abs(0), R(0)

Exec/Budget Y (7), N (0), Abs (0)

Tony motioned. Jim seconded.

Patti Berman	Abs	Ryan Afari	A	Allen Gross	A
Claudia Oliveira	Y	Ana Carril-Grumberg	Y	Leonel Aguilar	A
Tony Hoover	Y	Samir Bitar	Y	Cody Nowak	A
Wendell Blassingame	A	Melynda Choothesa	A	Jim Sarratori	Y
Robert Martinez	A	Tyler Murphy	A	Jehan Reagan	A
Scott Miller	Abs	Pablo Fontoura	Y	Debby Zhou	Y
Nathan Mahaffey	Y	Christian Dittmer	Y	James Wilde	A
Wendy Celaya	Y	Damion Wagner	Y	Area wide homeless seat - Vacant	-

Motioned passed. 11 Y, 2 Abstain.

- ii. Approve an expenditure not to exceed \$200 for refreshments and pre-packaged snacks for the DLANC Wellness Day. Monies to come from the Outreach Budget line item. Vendors like Smart and Final, Target, or CVS.

Outreach Vote: Y(4), N(0), Abs(0), R(0)

Exec/Budget Y (7), N (0), Abs (0)

Wendy Motioned. Tony seconded.

Patti Berman	Abs	Ryan Afari	A	Allen Gross	A
Claudia Oliveira	Y	Ana Carril-Grumberg	Y	Leonel Aguilar	A
Tony Hoover	Y	Samir Bitar	Y	Cody Nowak	A
Wendell Blassingame	A	Melynda Choothesa	A	Jim Sarratori	Y
Robert Martinez	A	Tyler Murphy	A	Jehan Reagan	A
Scott Miller	Y	Pablo Fontoura	Y	Debby Zhou	Y
Nathan Mahaffey	Y	Christian Dittmer	Y	James Wilde	A
Wendy Celaya	Y	Damion Wagner	Y	Area wide homeless seat - Vacant	-

Motion passed. 12 Y, 1 Abstain

- iii. Approve an expenditure not to exceed \$1,000 for elections banners, vendors like banners.com, lookouraway.com, nextday flyers. Monies to come from the Elections Budget line item.

Outreach vote: Y(4), N(0), Abs(0), R(0)

Exec/Budget Y (7), N (0), Abs (0)

Tony Motioned. Samir seconded.

Patti Berman	Abs	Ryan Afari	A	Allen Gross	A
Claudia Oliveira	Y	Ana Carril-Grumberg	Y	Leonel Aguilar	A
Tony Hoover	Y	Samir Bitar	Y	Cody Nowak	A
Wendell Blassingame	A	Melynda Choothesa	A	Jim Sarratori	Y
Robert Martinez	A	Tyler Murphy	A	Jehan Reagan	A
Scott Miller	Y	Pablo Fontoura	Y	Debby Zhou	Y
Nathan Mahaffey	Y	Christian Dittmer	Y	James Wilde	A
Wendy Celaya	Y	Damion Wagner	Y	Area wide homeless seat - Vacant	-

Motion passed. 12 Y, 1 Abstain.

- iv. Approve an expenditure not to exceed ~~\$300~~ Amended to ~~\$850~~ for election posters amended to **add Artwork**. Vendors like Nextdayflyers, Uprint, Vista Print. Monies to come from the Elections Budget line item.

Outreach vote: Y(4), N(0), Abs(0), R(0)

Exec/Budget Y (7), N (0), Abs (0)

Tony motioned. Jim seconded.

Patti Berman	Abs	Ryan Afari	A	Allen Gross	A
Claudia Oliveira	Y	Ana Carril-Grumberg	Y	Leonel Aguilar	A
Tony Hoover	Y	Samir Bitar	Y	Cody Nowak	A
Wendell Blassingame	A	Melynda Choothesa	A	Jim Sarratori	Y
Robert Martinez	A	Tyler Murphy	A	Jehan Reagan	A
Scott Miller	Y	Pablo Fontoura	Y	Debby Zhou	Y
Nathan Mahaffey	Y	Christian Dittmer	Y	James Wilde	A
Wendy Celaya	Y	Damion Wagner	Y	Area wide homeless seat - Vacant	-

Motion passed. 12 Y, 1 Abstain.

- v. Approve an expenditure not to exceed \$500 for printed advertisement. Vendors like DTLA Weekly, DT News, Downtowner. Monies to come from the Elections Budget line item.

Outreach Vote: Y(4), N(0), Abs(0), R(0)

Exec/Budget Y (7), N (0), Abs (0)

Tony motioned. Jim seconded.

Patti Berman	Abs	Ryan Afari	A	Allen Gross	A
Claudia Oliveira	Y	Ana Carril-Grumberg	Y	Leonel Aguilar	A
Tony Hoover	Y	Samir Bitar	Y	Cody Nowak	A
Wendell Blassingame	A	Melynda Choothesa	A	Jim Sarratori	Y
Robert Martinez	A	Tyler Murphy	A	Jehan Reagan	A
Scott Miller	Abstain	Pablo Fontoura	Y	Debby Zhou	Y
Nathan Mahaffey	Y	Christian Dittmer	Y	James Wilde	A

Wendy Celaya	Y	Damion Wagner	Y	Area wide homeless seat - Vacant	-
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Motioned passed. 11 Yes, 2 Abstain.

b. Livability

- i. Discussion and possible action to submit a CIS in support of [CF 23-0066](#): AB 1290 / Pico Triangle Improvements Project / South Park Business Improvement District / Downtown Los Angeles Neighborhood Council / Council District 14

Debby motioned. Jim seconded.

Patti Berman	Abs	Ryan Afari	A	Allen Gross	A
Claudia Oliveira	Y	Ana Carril-Grumberg	Y	Leonel Aguilar	A
Tony Hoover	Y	Samir Bitar	Y	Cody Nowak	A
Wendell Blassingame	A	Melynda Choothesa	A	Jim Sarratori	Y
Robert Martinez	A	Tyler Murphy	A	Jehan Reagan	A
Scott Miller	Abs	Pablo Fontoura	Abs	Debby Zhou	Y
Nathan Mahaffey	N	Christian Dittmer	Y	James Wilde	A
Wendy Celaya	Y	Damion Wagner	Y	Area wide homeless seat - Vacant	-

Motion passed. 9 Y, 1 N, 3 Abstain

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12. Board Members and Committee Announcements.

13. Next Meeting February 13th, 2023

14. Adjourn

- a. Meeting adjourned at 7:24pm.

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speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer.

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