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TREASURER

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**DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
IN-PERSON MEETING AGENDA**

**City Hall East - Controller's Room 350
200 N Main St, Los Angeles, CA 90012**

Tuesday, June 11th, 2024 – 6:30 PM

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

Si requiere servicios de traducción, favor de avisar al Concejo Vecinal 3 días de trabajo (72 horas) antes del evento. Por favor contacte Secretaria BellaNaomi Ostby por correo electrónico bellanaomi.ostby@dlanc.com para avisar al Concejo Vecinal.

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Instructions on how to sign up for public comment will be given to listeners at the start of the meeting.

1. Call to Order/Roll Call : 6:44

Melynda Choothesa		Alisha Henderson		Hakeem Parke-Davis	
Claudia Oliveira	x	Ana Carril-Grumberg		Leonel Aguilar	x
Jens Midthun	x	Fashion District Business - Vacant		Allen Gross - alternate	x
Center City East Business - Vacant		"Russian Rick" Young	x	Lori Aliksanian	x

Damion Wagner	x	Tyler Murphy	x	Ben Bass	x
Pablo Fontoura	x	Samir Bitar	x	Debby Zhou	x
BellaNaomi Ostby	x	Luis M. Gonzalez-Salas		Lawrence Carroll	x
Scott Miller		Christian Dittmer	x	Sara Eastwood	x

2. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

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3. Declaration of Ex-Parte Communications

BellaNaomi | Jens | Claudia

4. President's Report

- thank you to Lawrence for 1st Ed Symposium
- thanks to Alisha and Jens for first Neighborhood Nights
- thanks Christia for outreach events
- thanks to Damion for website security and aesthetics
- thanks to Samir as is last meeting and measures that have been taken for treasurer and PLUC

5. Speakers

- a. City/County/State/Federal elected officials or representatives
 - Field Dept : helped African American Firefighter Museum host first car show | rehousing project of el pueblo, secured housing for existing individuals and moved to use 41.18 | March for justice for johnny wacker at 9am | please reach out for any 311
 - Homelessness and Housing : report back on HepA measures - continued double clean of portapotties, one additional case in a Single Room Occupancy building, | send email and take picture to Jarvis for repairing all potholes and and missing utility covers | looking at reassessment of locations of porta potties
 - addressing hole on 3rd and San Pedro | Porta Potty not being fully cleaned at 4th and San Pedro
 - DONE : last month approved bylaws were updated sent to the NC, article 14 section 2 update of new trainings and requirements June 3rd deadline has been extended to July 1st | NC map was updated with Mayor Karen Bass's name | LIVE ethics training will be on June __ at Rampart Police Station from 6-8 | elevation of June 20th is last day to use NC FY23-24 funds | FY 24-25 July 1st NCs can begin to upload new administrative packet | Congress of Neighborhoods is _ for city depts and other NC members to interact with one another in breakout sessions, will be put out by
- b. Liaisons Reports - Open positions
 - Public Works Resilience Liaison- happy to hear update with majestic
 - 7th update next phase will be olive to grand to begin hopefully late in June, trees and lights will be in a second phase coming on board hopefully sept and october | contact info@dlanc.com for ongoing and issues
 - Issue of downed lights have been linked to copper wire theft, 311 outage alerts have been coming into the office, please continue to send 311 requests.

-311 information is a tool with resources, please continue to address 311
(Claudia asks for clarity on painting of curbs)
Budget Liaison - Budget day is coming up as well as dog days this weekend

c. Presenters - none

6. Board Seats (all items subject to discussion and possible action)

a. Selection of open seats - Central City East Business Director Seat : Jessica Garza
Board Vote Count:Y(11), N (), Abstain (3), Ineligible(2)

-Kristen, Ben, and Jessica take oaths

MOTION PASSES

b. Announcement of Fashion District Business Seat vacancy

c. Nomination of a Treasurer, effective for July 1st, 2024

MOTION: to table by Samir and Seconded by Damion till later in meeting

Board Vote Count:Y(15), N (), Abstain (), Ineligible(2)

MOTION PASSES

MOTION: to Confirm Pablo as treasurer by Claudia and seconded by Lawrence

Board Vote Count:Y(15), N (), Abstain (), Ineligible(2)

MOTION PASSES

7. Approval of Minutes

a. Approval of 4/9/2024 [Minutes](#)

MOTION: christian and seconded by Lawrence

Board Vote Count:Y(15), N (), Abstain (), Ineligible(2)

MOTION PASSES

b. Approval of 05/14/2024 [Minutes](#) – no name on minutes

MOTION:Damion moved seconded by Lawrence

Board Vote Count:Y(15), N (), Abstain (), Ineligible(2)

MOTION PASSES

8. Consent Calendar (all items subject to discussion and possible action)

ask by previous chair for MOTION: to vote a,b,c, by consent: pablo and seconded by tyler

Board Vote Count:Y(14), N (), Abstain (), Ineligible(3)

MOTION PASSES

NEW MOTION: to bundle a and b, pull c Lawrence and seconded by Damion

Board Vote Count:Y(14), N (), Abstain (), Ineligible(3)

MOTION PASSES

MOTION: approve ab bundle Lawrence and seconded by Pablo [felicity absent]

Board Vote Count:Y(8), N (1), Abstain (4), Ineligible(1)

MOTION PASSES

incorrect vote recorded, missing 3 votes

a. Approve Teresa Hillary as a member of PLUC

Board Vote Count:Y(), N (), Abstain (), Ineligible()

b. Approve Camille Elston as a member of PLUC

Board Vote Count:Y(), N (), Abstain (), Ineligible()

c. Removal of Christian Dittmer from PLUC

MOTION: none made

Board Vote Count:Y(), N (), Abstain (), Ineligible()

d. Appointment of Debby Zhou as Chair of Planning and Land Use Committee, effective for July 1st, 2024

MOTION: by Samir and seconded by Lori
 Board Vote Count:Y(15), N (), Abstain (), Ineligible(2)

MOTION PASSES

9. Old Business - None

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

a. President's items

- i. Discussion and possible action to submit a letter of support to designate the intersection of 1st and Hope Street as Frank Gehry Square.

MOTION:Samir seconded by Damion

Board Vote Count:Y(4), N (5), Abstain (6), Ineligible(2)

MOTION FAILS

b. Treasurer's Items: (All items subject to discussion and possible action)

- i. Approval of April MERS

Samir ask for MOTION: to approve April and May MERS pablo and damion seconds

Melynda Choothesa	-	Alisha Henderson	-	Hakeem Parke-Davis	-
Claudia Oliveira	Y	Ana Carril-Grumberg	-	Leonel Aguilar	Y
Jens Midthun	Y	Fashion District Business - Vacant	-	Allen Gross - alternate Felicity	IN
Jessica Garza	IN	"Russian Rick" Young	Y	Lori Aliksanian	Y
Damion Wagner	Y	Tyler Murphy	Y	Ben Bass	IN
Pablo Fontoura	Y	Samir Bitar	Y	Debby Zhou	Y
BellaNaomi Ostby	A	Luis M. Gonzalez-Salas	-	Lawrence Carroll	Y
Scott Miller	-	Christian Dittmer	Y	Sara Eastwood	Y

Board Vote Count:Y(13), N (0), Abstain (1), Ineligible(3)

MOTION PASSES

- ii. Approval of May MERS

-bundled with i

- iii. Discussion and possible action to reallocate \$2100 from the Pico Triangle Project, under the CIP budget line to the Office budget line to fund translation services.

MOTION: NO MOTION MADE

- iv. Discussion and possible action to approve the Admin. Packet for Fiscal Year 24/25.

MOTION:moved by Debby and seconded by Lori

—made aware by DONE Rep we must have our budget reflect 32,000 without the role over 10,000

Melynda Choothesa	-	Alisha Henderson	-	Hakeem Parke-Davis	-
Claudia Oliveira	Y	Ana Carril-Grumberg	-	Leonel Aguilar	Y

Jens Midthun	Y	Fashion District Business - Vacant	-	Allen Gross - alternate Felicity	IN
Jessica Garza	IN	"Russian Rick" Young	Y	Lori Aliksanian	Y
Damion Wagner	Y	Tyler Murphy	Y	Ben Bass	IN
Pablo Fontoura	Y	Samir Bitar	Y	Debby Zhou	Y
BellaNaomi Ostby	Y	Luis M. Gonzalez-Salas	-	Lawrence Carroll	Y
Scott Miller	-	Christian Dittmer	Y	Sara Eastwood	Y

Board Vote Count:Y(14), N (), Abstain (), Ineligible(3)

MOTION PASSES

NEW MOTION and FINAL MOTION:to approve the second admin packet minus 10,000 that lawrence and seconded by pablo

—asked after new motion to approve before vote of new motion

Amendment Motion: to move all money from business cards into translations by BellaNaomi seconded by pablo

Melynda Choothesa	-	Alisha Henderson	-	Hakeem Parke-Davis	-
Claudia Oliveira	Y	Ana Carril-Grumberg	-	Leonel Aguilar	Y
Jens Midthun	N	Fashion District Business - Vacant	-	Allen Gross - alternate Felicity	IN
Jessica Garza	IN	"Russian Rick" Young	Y	Lori Aliksanian	Y
Damion Wagner	Y	Tyler Murphy	Y	Ben Bass	IN
Pablo Fontoura	Y	Samir Bitar	N	Debby Zhou	Y
BellaNaomi Ostby	Y	Luis M. Gonzalez-Salas	-	Lawrence Carroll	Y
Scott Miller	-	Christian Dittmer	Y	Sara Eastwood	Y

Board Vote Count:Y(12), N (2), Abstain (), Ineligible(3)

MOTION PASSES

Final MOTION:to approve the second admin packet minus new 10,000 that lawrence and seconded by pablo

Melynda Choothesa	-	Alisha Henderson	-	Hakeem Parke-Davis	-
Claudia Oliveira	Y	Ana Carril-Grumberg	-	Leonel Aguilar	Y
Jens Midthun	Y	Fashion District Business - Vacant	-	Allen Gross - alternate Felicity	IN
Jessica Garza	IN	"Russian Rick" Young	N	Lori Aliksanian	Y

Damion Wagner	Y	Tyler Murphy	A	Ben Bass	IN
Pablo Fontoura	Y	Samir Bitar	Y	Debby Zhou	Y
BellaNaomi Ostby	N	Luis M. Gonzalez-Salas	-	Lawrence Carroll	Y
Scott Miller	-	Christian Dittmer	A	Sara Eastwood	Y

Board Vote Count:Y(10), N (2), Abstain (2), Ineligible(3)

MOTION PASSES

c. **Rules & Selections - None**

d. **PLUC - None**

e. **Livability - None**

f. **Outreach - None**

g. **Urban Needs & Resources - None**

h. **Domestic and Foreign Affairs**

- i. Discussion and possible action to submit a CIS **in support** of Council File: 23-0056- Mental Evaluation Unit (MEU) / Domestic Abuse Response Team (DART) / Los Angeles Police Department / Capacity and Response Times
DFA Committee Vote: (Y) 5, (N) 0, (A) 0, (Absent) 0

MOTION: to bundle and vote as stated hi,hii,hiii,hv by leo and seconded by lawrence

Board Vote Count:Y(14), N (), Abstain (1), Ineligible(2)

MOTION PASSES

- ii. Discussion and possible action to submit a CIS **in support** of Council File: 23-1354- Emergency Calls / Police Service Representative (PSR) Recruitment /Non-English Speaker Outreach / Top 10 Languages
DFA Committee Vote: (Y) 5, (N) 0, (A) 0, (Absent) 0

bundled

Board Vote Count:Y(14), N (), Abstain (1), Ineligible(2)

- iii. Discussion and possible action to submit a CIS **in support** of Council File: 23-0002-S134 - Child Care Subsidy / Reimbursement Rate / Alternative Methodology

DFA Committee Vote: (Y) 5, (N) 0, (A) 0, (Absent) 0

bundled

Board Vote Count:Y(14), N (), Abstain (1), Ineligible(2)

- iv. Discussion and possible action to submit a CIS **in support** of Council File: 24-0537 - College Campus Protests / USC / UCLA / April 24 - May 6, 2024 / After Action Report / Los Angeles Police Department

DFA Committee Vote: (Y) 5, (N) 0, (A) 0, (Absent) 0

MOTION:leo pablo

Board Vote Count:Y(14), N (), Abstain (1), Ineligible(2)

MOTION PASSES

- v. Discussion and possible action to submit a CIS **in support** of Council File: 23-0002-S129 - ACA 16 (Bryan) / State Constitution Amendment / Clean Air and Water Right / Healthy Environment
 DFA Committee Vote: (Y) 5, (N) 0, (A) 0, (Absent) 0
[bundled](#)
 Board Vote Count: Y(14), N (), Abstain (1), Ineligible(2)

- vi. Discussion and possible action to submit a CIS **against** of Council File: 24-6000 - Budget Proposal Fiscal Year 2024-25
 DFA Committee Vote: (Y) 3, (N) 1, (A) 1, (Absent) 0
[MOTION: leo seconded by pablo](#)
 Board Vote Count: Y(5), N (2), Abstain (4), Ineligible(3)
MOTION FAILS
[Incorrect vote recorded- discrepancy in the Ineligible count, one vote should live elsewhere](#)

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- j. **Board Members and Committee Announcements.**
- k. **Next Meeting: July 9th, 2024**
- l. **Adjourn 9:20 PM**

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CONSENT ITEMS: *There will be no separate discussion of Consent items as they are considered routine and will be adopted by one motion. If a member of the Board, Committee, or a stakeholder requests discussion on a particular item, that item will be removed from Consent and considered separately. Such items will be moved to the end of the agenda.*

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stakeholder grievance policy, or any other procedural matters related to this Council, please consult the DLANC Bylaws. The Bylaws are available at our Board meetings and our website www.dlanc.com.

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SB411 UPDATES: *If a Neighborhood Council has a quorum of board members in a physical location, board members who wish to join the meeting via teleconferencing must adhere to AB 2449 rules and regulations. If a Neighborhood Council does not have a quorum of board members in a physical location, they must adhere to SB 411 rules and regulations. In the event of a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting to members of the public using the call-in option or internet-based service option, or in the event of a disruption within the eligible legislative body's control that prevents members of the public from offering public comments using the call-in option or internet-based service option, the eligible legislative body shall take no further action on items appearing on the meeting agenda until public access to the meeting via the call-in option or internet-based service option is restored. Actions taken on agenda items during a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting may be challenged pursuant to Section 54960.1. The eligible legislative body shall not require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the legislative body and offer comments in real time. Notwithstanding Section 54953.3, an individual desiring to provide public comment through the use of an internet website, or other online platform, not under the control of the eligible legislative body, that requires registration to log in to a teleconference may be required to register as required by the third-party internet website or online platform to participate. (i) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph , to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed. (ii) An eligible legislative body that does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to subparagraph (D), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment. (iii) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed general public comment period that does not correspond to a specific agenda item shall not close the public comment period or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), until the timed general public comment period has elapsed.*