



Pacoima Neighborhood Council

Meeting Location: Pacoima City Hall, 13520 Van Nuys Blvd. Pacoima, CA 91331

Date: October 16, 2013

Call to order, roll call & flag salute

Meeting called to order at: 6:35 pm

Present: MG, IF,MP, VS, RG, OL, EM, JS, BP, MM, ER, JH

Absent: RL, FL, DT, JS (excused), CR, AM (not excused)

Comments/Announcement from Elected officials or their representatives

- Gibson Nyambura, Office of City Council Member Felipe Fuentes

Introducing himself as case worker for council member, and announcing that in the first 100 days, Council Members office have focused on working on quality of life issues for residents. They have worked with the Department of Sanitation on bulky item pick-ups. The office has a website, 7thdistric.net. They have completed the first successful clean up this month in Pacoima and handed out information to residents to inform them how they can access different services available.

- Marcos Sanchez, Office of Assembly Member Raul Bocanegra

Informing everyone present of the projects along the freeway are coming to a close and freeway exits are beginning to open up again. There is also new landscape work off of the 118 freeway that will continue over the next few months.

11/9/13 Assembly Member and Congressman's office will work together to host a Family Health Fair at East Valley High School.

Comments/Announcements from City Departments

- Senior Lead Officer Steve Nunez, Los Angeles Police Department Foothill Division

This is the 3rd year that the entire city has reduced crime overall. Property crimes are decreasing in the city of Pacoima. There have only been 7 crimes this month north of Van Nuys.

10/25/13, there will be a Child Abuse Information Session located at Pacoima Charter School from 6:30 to 9. Presented in Spanish and English. There will be attorneys present for council. There will be a booth for the Cadets Program taking sign up's at the event.



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- Luis Sanchez, Department of Public Works, Bureau of Sanitation

Present to remind Their department participated in community clean up and picked up a total of 18.5 tons of bulky items and trash during the clean-up event.

BUSINESS

- I. (5 min.) Approval of Minutes Presented by Vanessa Serrano

Public Comment: Edwin Ramirez, Michael Gonzalez, Olivia Ledezma

Motion: To approve minutes with recommended corrections and edits for the 9/18/13 PNC minutes.

Made by: Edwin Ramirez, seconded by Imelda Foley

Action: Motion passes (10 aye, 0 nay, 1 Abst (JH, MM))

An Executive meeting report for the month of October was provided.

- II. (5 min.) Translator Presented Juan Salas to add a subcategory to PNC Budget, under the Operations category not to exceed \$250 a month for translation services

Juan called 4 translation departments, only 2 returned called: Axium and Interpreters Unlimited. He talked to DONE who said the translation could come in today. All the equipment has been inspected and its set to start. Next month interpreter will be present. Juan brought an invoice charging for today's payment but the interpreter did not arrive, therefor it is not needed. Both companies are approved by DONE.

Axium (Marlene) charges \$200 a month but may able to translate all flyers at the same price if needed or can lower the price this not necessary. Any contact will continue until June 2014.

Interpreters Unlimited \$230 a month.

Interpretation services will be needed for the following time 6:30p-9:30p (3hrs), once a month.



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- III. (5 min.) PNC to approve our translation agency services for our monthly Board meetings
Presented by Juan Salas.

Tabled until further research is completed by Juan Salas

- IV. (5 min.) Committee Chair Selection (Process: Nominated or Self-nominated, 1 minute speech, and a majority vote for candidates) for 1. Safety and Health, 2. Housing, Economic Development, and Land Use 3. Community Outreach and Communications Committees.

Safety and Health

Self-nomination by Rueben Garcia

Call to Vote by Michael Gonzalez

Unanimous Vote

Housing Economic Development, and Land Use

Ruben Garcia nominates Edwin Ramirez

Edwin Accepts

Call to Vote by Michael Gonzalez

Unanimous Vote

Community Outreach and Communication Committee

Reuben nominates John Hernandez

John Accepts



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Call to Vote by Michael Gonzalez

Unanimous Vote

- V. (5 min.) Selection of Bylaws Committee Members by Bylaws Chair Imelda and a proposal of margining some standing committees.

Committee is limited to 4 members and 1 chair, to review how the board can be more efficient, and be within Brown Act regulations and follow guidelines and policies. Copies of the bylaws can be found on the DONE website. The committee will make recommendations to the board. Stakeholders can be present at the bylaws committee meetings and meeting date will be posted. This is an ad hoc committee that will not meet at a set date.

Reuben Garcia, Edwin Ramirez, and Imelda volunteer to join the committee.

Copies of the Bylaws were given to community member Pat

- VI. (5 min.) Alex Morehead requesting to collaborate with the PNC on purchasing 10 canopies with PNC logo and not to exceed the amount \$5,000.

Alex Morehead was not present

- VII. (5 min.) Maryley Camacho from Public Art Initiative speaking about the Pacoima Murals Walking Tour Ed and Arts & Cultural Committee recommends the PNC to collaborate and purchase \$270 in bus tokens to assist Pacoima Murals Walking Tour.

Reuben Garcia states we need to adjust to fund something else because we just became aware that we are not allowed to sponsor for transportation. Maryley proposes that the board instead sponsor some of the flyers in color because it shows the murals better than black and white copies.

Reuben motions to amend item 7 to change the language from transportation to flyers which would include the PNC logo for outreach purposes. Maryley agrees to share PNC information on facebook or twitter pages for the organization.



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Leyla Campos from DONE advises to reconvene and fund what is appropriate. At the committee meeting recommendations were approved for both items at the meeting but we asked Maryley to prioritize the need for each and Maryley chose transportation tokens. Neighborhood Purpose Grant apply with PNC informing the board what they will be spending the money for.

Maryley was given contact cards from John Hernandez to meet and adjust her item

- VIII. (5 min.) NC Funding Packet Recommending the approval of 1. Annual Budget 2. Strategic Plan 3. Outreach Survey 4. Updated Roster

No money has been spent this year to date.

Strategic Plan: Accessing newspapers to get more information to them. We have the North-East Valley Reporter. More people need to send in articles to the newspaper. Use Facebook and twitter to reach a broader audience.

Tabled until next meeting because Morris does not have copies of the Annual Budget

Leyla suggest a special meeting to approve all 3 because the funds are frozen. Morris gives Lela a copy of the current roster.

- IX. (5 min.) Pacoima Stakeholder seeking Youth Seat

Motion: Have Rebecca Lopez-Viramontes join the PNC board and take one of the Youth Seat.

Made by: Edwin Ramirez, Seconded by Reuben Garcia

Unanimous Vote

- X. (5 Min.) PNC Board Resolution stating the PNC Board doesn't have original receipts for DONE Presented by Morris Pichon.

Public Comment: Stakeholder, Morris Pichon

Motion: To close debate on subject to proceed with vote and meeting.



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Made by: Imelda Foley, Seconded by Reuben Garcia

Action: Motion Passes-Unanimous

Motion: To approve Morris Pichon resolution stating that PNC Board does not have original receipts for DONE.

Made by: Edwin Ramirez, Seconded by Reuben Garcia

Action: Motion passes (11 ayes, 1 nay (JH), 1 abst (MM))

- XI. (5 min.) Shane Coleman from Heroes of Life Speaking on PNC Showcase Video and Oct. 24th Oktoberfest Committee recommends PNC to collaborate with Heroes of Life on the Oktoberfest Event on purchasing candy, and to not exceed \$700.

Public Comment: Edwin Ramirez

Motion: To take a vote

Made by: Michael Gonzalez, John Hernandez Seconds

Action: Motion passes (11 ayes, 1 nay (ER), 1 abst (JS))

- XII. (5 min.) Pacoima Beautiful Collaboration on a Mural Project Presented by Kristy Sandoval

A new mural will be painted in Pacoima to promote clean energy through the sun. Promoting solar panels and wind mills. The organization is working with environmental defense department. They would like to inform the community about what they are working on and will be sending information to the public. It's expected to be painted in the parking lot of the community center and they are in talks with the owners of the location for approval. There is mural ordinance process to inform the community and have them be a part of the process. Letters will go out to council office, PNC, and other outreach through organizations and the youth.



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XIII. (5 min. Treasures Report by Morris Pichon)

Current Balance presented by Lela is about \$30,000-33,000

Motion: To approve the treasures report.

Made By: Edwin Ramirez, Seconded by Imelda Foley

Action: Motion passes (11 ayes, 1 nay (RG), 1 abst (MM))

XIV. (5 min.) Operation Expense for 2013-2014 PNC Year (\$75 worth of food for the monthly meetings)

Public Comment: Edwin Ramirez, John Hernandez, Reuben Garcia

Motion: To discontinue all funds for food until our funds are un-frozen. We can authorize the \$75 expense to 1 person so that not everyone is spending money for the same meeting.

Made by: Imelda Foley, Seconded by Michael Gonzalez

Action: Motion passes (Unanimously)

Olivia Ledezma steps out with valid excuse 8:43p.m.

XV. Roll Call by Vanessa Serrano

Rebecca Long, Fannie Long, Dora Tate and Jeffrey Stanfield all have excused absences for missing this meeting.

Carlos Rivera and Alex Morales do not have an excused absence for missing this meeting.

Motion: To approve Roll Call

Made by: Michael Gonzalez, Seconded by Imelda Foley

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XVI. Comments on non-agenda items. Please fill out speaker's card (2 minutes per person)

Phillip Siordia, Pacoima Chamber, Parade/Mixer/ Grant \$5000

(JH recuses and steps out because he is a member of the chamber)

Holiday parade and mixer is seeking volunteers on Thursdays at 2pm. Business mixer next Thursday at Sam's club. He is referred to Outreach Committee.

Armand Santos, Prometheus Dev. Grp.. Outreach Technology

Promoting his services and ability to create an application for the council. They currently work with Sylmar NC and help their outreach. Referred to outreach committee.

Polo Coron, Pacoima Beautiful, Green workshop

10/24 Green Business Benefits Workshop to help business become more environmentally friendly.

Karl Cruz, Victory Outreach, Peace March

Peace march 10/26 to celebrate the peace in the community over the last 3 years. Present to invite the community and the council.

Lucio Cruz, Social Justice, Upcoming Community Events & Abuso Infantil

Not Present



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Kristy Sandoval, Pacoima Beautiful, Possible mural project on Van Nuys and Glenoaks

Already Spoke

Cristina/Marisol, Parents of H. Humphrey Pool, Pool

Present to check on the status on the \$1,000 for summer scholarship and \$4000 scholarship for winter showed approved on budget but only received \$200 from Edwin Ramirez from a local business. Referred to Morris Pichon

Particia Esquivel, Phoenix House, Public Comments & Community Outreach/Free Trainings

Received a grant to provide free services to the community of Pacoima and Arleta. Working with liquor stores to remind them not to sell alcohol to the underage. They offer Anti-drug services for children at schools and informing parents to monitor alcohol at their party.

Elsa Viramontes, Church of the Nazarene, Health Fair/Invitation to SF Church of Nazarene

Health Fair 10/20 for the community at the church

Kevin Davis, Foothill Trails District NC, Community Event Updates: Invitation to Nov. re-opening LKVW Museum

Meeting tomorrow night for their NC. Discovery center will be having new tenants. Attend the next meeting in November. Election in March 8, get template on the agenda Lake View Terrace Park 3rd Thursday from 7 to 8:30 pm

Ruth Martinez, Stakeholder



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Pacoima resident wants to join the NC board, she is seeking home owner position. Her name will be added to next month's agenda.

Lela, DONE

All election information is on the newsletter. Advices to engage the stakeholders to continue their participation. She recommends we follow up with Melvin to conduct a board retreat and have a refresher for the policies and guidelines. 10/19 Brody building in Van Nuys, outreach and emergency preparedness 8-12pm 6262 Van Nuys Blv.

XVII. Board Member Comments

Board Member Comments by:

Juan Salas, Reuben Garcia, Martha Martinez, Edwin Ramirez, John Hernandez, Morris Pichon, Mike Gonzalez, Imelda Foley, Esther Mena, Vanessa Serrano, Rebecca Lopez-Viramontes

XVIII. Adjourn

Meeting Adjourned at 9:00 p.m.