

Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates 2015/16 – Meeting #12

Neighborhood Empowerment Office, City Hall

200 North Spring Street, Suite 2005, Los Angeles, CA 90012

February 1, 2016 – 7 pm

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1. Roll Call – Linda, Danielle, Dr. Seamans, Terry, Harvey, Joanne, Barbara, Jon, Scott, Marisol, Kevin, Ayana (Thomas), Liz, Nelson, Brett, Marcus, Krisna, Brandon
2. Public Comment - can't continue with help, Terry set meetings: police 11/2, Terry talked to lappl, Terry to send confirmation, 5/2 David Ryu 1330 5/2 #425, Paul Koretz 1530 2/2, Wesson 16/2 14 district office; **DWP 33% payment to install solar;**
3. Approval of minutes – none; August 15th, December 19th, January 4th, January 16th
4. Treasurer's report – (Howard) Howard did not turn paperwork in, no exclusions; pay and allocate after the fact, Terry to follow up
5. Report back on timely tracking of payments, response from DONE accounting & Controller's office (Howard)
6. TABLED Budget Advocate funding ad-hoc committee report (Krystee) – approach to targeting NCs who did not expend funding/did not fund BAs; list of targeted items to fund including updating technology to access venues across City for events and in case of emergency
7. Housekeeping issues: New business cards (Linda & Terry) – Linda to recirculate
8. Status on electing new Budget Advocates for Regions 5 (Punam is a board member, last week Elvina et al selected as BA, not BR, quorum issues), has not heard from 9 & 12 (Glenn/Linda)
9. Update meeting dates with Councilmembers/Chiefs of Staff, who attending
10. **Push till K available** Report back service report card results, suggestions to recognize neighborhoods who had highest turnouts (Krystee)
11. **Postponed Brandon n/a** Report back on plan for radio show, discuss tentative speakers, solicit volunteers (Brandon) – is this effective, don't do Arbitron on stand-alone shows; get recording to post as podcast on website; positive since enhanced credibility since got attention of GMs & elected; plant questions or eliminates
12. Motion to approve radio show dates & budget (Terry) - Terry advised \$1200 was trying to reduce to \$1K/show, dates set 27 & 10, or 10 & 24 latter; Barbara; & Linda 2nd, amend Barbara, Joanne 2nd; Brett, Patrick & Harvey abstain, approved
13. TABLED Motion on statement about Porter Ranch gas leak (Glenn, Becky, Jon, Liz) Glenn did not see Becky)
14. TABLED Motion opposing Twin Tunnels water project based on its cost to Los Angeles ratepayers (Liz)
15. Status of White Paper reports and recommendations (*list those remaining as of Monday am*) e-mail Ayana library format, amendments on Aging (323) 343-4785 e-mail Linda update; real concern in San Pedro police support; response time coverage, jail issue, wants response to letter to BAs; need to address [theme building jails, libraries, parks needs to include funding for staff & maintenance since no \$ in operations – use as example] – recommend Danielle chair; Terry, stakeholder; recommendations

- specific to concern; DA union, Brown wants to reduce terms 25%; AB 8109 finance component; benefits n/a to dishonourably discharged vets or homeless with prison records;
16. Discussion on White Paper (Liz/Scott) – notes successes, disappointments, challenges, opportunities; approval of points; reports to departments for input?
Jennifer re: \$100M 5% of what's needed where is the rest coming from;
 17. Motion to move next meeting or set special meeting for all Budget Advocates to discuss the White Paper > 13th – 10 + with lunch; love/hate/comments; conflicts PlanCheck 10-12
 18. Procedure for sending reports and recommendations to departments (Terry) courtesy of committee heads cc; Terry
 19. Update on Homelessness committee (Barbara) Gil Cedillo – gentrification, supportive housing, zoning issues, land use, etc. HCID-LA, placements, embarrassed, skid row 1% of country's population; LA County significant #s
 20. Report back on template Budget Advocate timeline & resources (Scott & Liz) master scheduler?
 21. Report back on updating of NCBALA website/tweaked version for mobile use (Scott & Elvina);
 22. TABLED Update on budget-related Council File identification, recommendations & sending through BRs to NCs for CIS support (Glenn)
 23. Initiate discussion on education (or lack thereof) being more of an impact than taxes & regulations on attracting and maintaining businesses in SoCal? How can we address? very complex, ask City Attorney,
 24. Wage theft by companies paying employees as independent contractors (Liz) hipster, Uber, raise it as a question;
 25. e-mail Patrick Libraries
 26. Adjournment 2103

Next scheduled meeting TBD – see above