

## Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates 2015/16 – Meeting #13

West Los Angeles Municipal Building

1645 Corinth Ave #201, Los Angeles, CA 90025

February 13, 2016 – 10 am

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1. Call to order 1021 > Roll Call – call-in: Kevin, (Brett), Scott, Krisna, CR, Marcello, (Jeanette), Juan, Brandon, Nelson, Patrick (on late, had WiFi issues; at West LA: Liz, Terry, Danielle, Jon, Barbara, Harvey, Glenn (on phone after 1140 till about 1235), Krystee, Howard, Fanny; Guests: Lydia, Mike, Freddy Cooper-Ames NHWestNC
2. Public Comment - none
3. Approval of minutes – January 16<sup>th</sup> approved with changes; those for August 15<sup>th</sup>, December 19<sup>th</sup>, January 4<sup>th</sup>, February 1<sup>st</sup> were not distributed; deerrd to February 29<sup>th</sup>
4. Treasurer’s report (Howard) DONE side \$3K+ spent, \$6K outstanding Zapata King translation cost \$200; Marisol reimbursement needs originals \$97 still to come; show radio costs, need to include business card;
5. Status on electing new Budget Advocates for Regions 5, 9 & 12 (Glenn/Linda) – Glenn has not heard back from Linda, will do next weekend; Joan Jacobs will try to make suggestions for Region 12, Terry has asked Joy Atkins to make suggestions; Liz to e-mail Budget Reps & updated contact list to Glenn; coordinating solicitation of NC funds in conjunction with Congress, on Congress agenda today, Mike to get form for this fiscal year for donations to Glenn asap;
6. Status on meetings with Councilmembers/Chiefs of Staff; scheduling of meetings with CD 2 (Krekorian) Krisna still trying to confirm meeting with Matt Hale 18<sup>th</sup> 11 – Terry to set, CD 6 (Martinez) 19<sup>th</sup> Krystee, Jon Terry 1430; CD 7 (Fuentes) nothing from Krystee, call Lena, CD 9 Price – Terry to call Herb Jr, CD 12 (Englander) Glenn will talk Nicole Bernson Deputy Chief of Staff; CD 13 O’Farrell) David Giron legislative person – need to set time mid-day 16<sup>th</sup> 1130?, will confirm time, CD 14 (Huizar); motion on due date for reports 19/3 (Harvey/Jon), format for reports motion on due date for reports (*CM priorities, planning for future, financial health, areas needing focus, survey points*), who coordinating = Danielle (Liz/Terry) – **LIZ to send around; HOUSING MISSING GRANTS NOT FILLING IN, PROVIDING NECESSARY BACKUP**; need to address Citywide, improvements, address fiefdoms  
\*\* (was 10) Motion to move next meeting to Monday, February 29<sup>th</sup> to plan for meeting with Mayor 19-0
7. Report back on service report card results, suggestions to recognize neighborhoods who had highest turnouts ; CERTIFICATES TO NCs, PUT ON WEBPAGE BANNER ON NEXT BUDGET DAY, DONE awards (Krystee) – STILL HAVE 46 PAGES OF COMMENTS; PUT IN AS ADDENDUM TO WP; PUT SURVEY MONKEY ; HAVE TAKEN SURVEY, IMPROVEMENT SINCE TAKING SURVEY; from Budget Day get people to commit to getting surveys out; look at electronic ; mass mailing, add in LA Times online
8. Report back on plan for radio shows #s 1 & 2, motion to move dates to Saturdays, April 16<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> ( if 23<sup>rd</sup> is a problem because of Passover, what about the 30<sup>th</sup>), finalized budget just shows increase Harvey/Barbara , sponsor will supply food, tentative speakers - Miguel Santana, Kevin James, Ron Galperin all interested Terry to check on Matt Szabo, Craig Lally LAPPL, Brian Dossee??, spots to help fund solicit volunteers (Brandon) 19 Harvey & Brandon abstain

9. Motion to add an additional show on May 14<sup>th</sup> focusing on issues stakeholders should contact their Councilmembers on after Budget & Finance Committee hearings and before City Council vote on budget for FY 2016-17 budget (Terry/Brandon) -
11. To whom should the completed draft of the White Paper be sent and when? Mayor, CAO, Council Districts, department heads, news media? (Terry, Krystee) Mayor, CAO, Controller, CMs & departments; Krystee to research; hand delivery in City Hall; Liz \$750, Harvey 2<sup>nd</sup>, 19 Y 2 NRdiscussion Kevin use a view-only google doc;
12. Status of missing reports: *update on Aging – who?, City Attorney meeting 16th, City Clerk – 19th, Cultural Affairs – waiting on info 22nd, Emergency Management Department – next week, Employee Relations Board set next week, Finance – need to see Harvey to call Joanne? - questions Jon, Terry, Harvey, pm 17th, General Services, Airports Monday, Libraries GLEN, LAFD – still need to set meeting; LAPD – Nelson needs support, Proprietary Departments, Public Accountability, Public Works, Board of Public Works, Transportation, LAPPL - Terry, other Unions (Coalition, Fire Department - supplement, Engineers & Architects & DONE)*
13. In depth review of current draft of the White Paper:
  - (a) additions to ideas
  - (b) approval of ideas
  - (c) any more to consider  
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  - (d) structure/format pass
  - (e) approval/remaining issues

Discussion of all submitted comments to create a finished submission (Liz)

14. Adjournment 1902

Following are 25 ideas we identified. If you have others to add, there will be an opportunity at the beginning and end of the discussion on the content. Once these are resolved, we hope to take a brief break then review the paper from beginning to end tightening up structure and format issues.

- Theme: Building Trust in City Hall
- Require 10 and 30 year Budgets
- Require 85 year infrastructure plan including maintenance identifying real costs and expected life
- Identify all costs of failing infrastructure
- Identify costs of climate change impacts and potential savings from mitigations
- Pursue 2020 recommendations on accountability, transparency, resolving underfunding of pensions, updating community plans, and controlling special interests
- Mandate interdepartmental collaboration and eliminate duplication of efforts
- Emphasize the importance of pursuing a centralized multijurisdictional effort to resolve homelessness
- Work with LAUSD and other entities to expand educational opportunities for all Angelenos
- Move towards a living wage for all Los Angeles workers
- Protect workers' rights by closing loopholes that allow corporations and individuals to skirt labor laws
- Revisit Mobility 2035 Plan to emphasize safety for all those using our streets and sidewalks
- Implement multiple approaches to shift reliance away from private commuting
- Explore free public transit
- Explore placing solar panels wherever viable
- Build resilience for the City and its stakeholders, reduce dependence on outside resources
- Maximize grant opportunities
- Improve and expand local business opportunities encouraging a cooperative model and avoiding monopolistic methods
- Consider developing a public bank for the city of Los Angeles
- Eliminate loopholes that allow outside developers and real estate speculators to leverage sweetheart deals
- Take steps to reduce legal liability with proper training and well-maintained facilities
- Move proactively on health and safety issues
- Make DWP subservient to stakeholder interests
- Audit the DWP and IBEW Local 18's books and ensure suitable oversight to protect ratepayer interests
- Require DWP focus on only on core utility providing activities and make rate hikes contingent on their meeting set metrics