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RAMPART VILLAGE **NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

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General Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 15, 2016 – 6:00 PM

Meeting Location

St. Anne's, Anne Floto Class Room 155 N. Occidental Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90026

I. WELCOMING REMARKS:

- **a.** Call to Order: President, David Rockello, called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.
- **b.** Welcoming Remarks: The President welcomed everyone and noted, per Lorenzo Briceno, who was present, and a letter from EmpowerLA, that RVNC is out of Exhaustive Efforts.
- c. Flag Salute: The pledge was recited.

II. LOCAL REPORTS:

- a. Federal, State, County or Mayoral Representatives None Seen, None Heard
- b. LA City Council Districts 1, 10 & 13:

Juan Fregoso, Field Deputy from CM Mitch O'Farrell's office, 13th District:

juan.fregoso@lacity.org 213-207-3015. Juan noted that his work has been largely focused on homeless encampments. He invited us to reach out on these and other issues.

Parkway parking: Though the City was sued for lack of ADA accessibility to homes and put a stop to enforcement on parkways, new legislation will be written on how to enforce again, and may include an opt-in for blocks that want to allow parkway parking on their residential streets. These are seen on Occidental, between Beverly and Third. They are looking into adding more greenery, which may affect the parking.

Dumping on Reno was cleaned up Friday. Please reach out if you see anyone; take a picture of the trucks and send to him. David suggested a RVNC clean up can be coordinated around their larger excavation. (David noted we have an agenda item regarding illegal dumping, affected by City's fine of \$1,000 versus County's \$10,000.)

Aggressive homeless activity at stairwell near & at the incline of the western gateway to Historic Filipinotown: Asked if they could cement off the stairwell to prevent mud from sliding down the hill, David noted this is dangerous for people living there; Juan will find out if it is City or Temple Hospital property.

Security Cameras: Mitchell suggested installing security cameras under the underpass at the 101 possibly in partnership with a Neighborhood Watch, to deter the homeless encampments. Development on Temple: They are meeting (closed) with owner of project next week.

Echo Park Community Parade on December 10th along Sunset. Flyers were available. Improvements: He noted that they have installed lights on Temple Blvd., and expect transportation enhancements to Beverly Boulevard, for pedestrian access, e.g., Occidental, where they may add a median, Beverly from Vermont to CD1; will break ground in 2017. Contact them regarding any issues: Juan noted that they're in the loop with the SLOs. Services for Homeless: They're working with PATH, LAHSA and all other departments; will be promoting what they're doing in the district to help get homeless off the streets. Request for a four-way stop: Stakeholder was told to submit request on DOT website.

c. City of LA Departments:

Andrew Said, Rampart Neighborhood Prosecutor (NP) andrew.said@lacity.org 818-374-3359 Andrew related that he covers area east of Hoover and some Olympic; The NPs look at public safety issues holistically. They liaise with the Police; he could be of service if there's an abandoned building where people are coming from, or with DWP to shut off electricity and water if people are hanging out there. He'd like to hear our problems. He has worked with Veronica Soto, Olympic's NP regarding the homeless encampments south of Lafayette Park, timing cleanups, coordinating with Sanitation, LADP, and social services, including Veteran's Affairs. He noted that "shade tree mechanics" can be reported via 311, DMV and Bureau of Automotive Affairs, and he can follow up on them.

Anna Huizar with Department of Public Works, Office of Community Beautification (OCB) 213-978-0231. Anna related that they oversee graffiti removal in CD1, 2 and 6; she works closely with Andrew Said. They send contractors out daily. Please report graffiti with 311. There is a high priority section of the application, or you can call her. They oversee community cleanups in the city, provide tools free of charge, for up to 5,000 people (e.g, Clean Streets Challenge), and work with department doing weed abatement. Asked if they could get some plants on the parkway, she noted that they have an adopt a neighborhood and an adopt a median. Noted was that from Beverly to 8th there's a lot of graffiti. She confirmed that we should not to attempt to remove graffiti. Anna related that they are hoping to re-establish a grant program for community projects. Contact council district offices regarding murals. They require a two-week notice for cleanups. They have trash-bags, gloves, they deliver and pick up the tools. They also have a paint program for people who have frequent graffiti.

- **d. DONE / BONC:** As noted above, Lorenzo Briceno confirmed that RVNC is out of Exhaustive Efforts. He remained available for the evening. The Board thanked him.
- e. LAFD/ CERT None seen / None heard
- f. LAPD:
 - i. Olympic Station SLO Officer Dikran Melkonian: 31366@lapd.online
 Officer Melkonian gave update, that the main crimes are burglary from motor vehicles
 and thefts, about 70/month, average 17 crimes with a victim/week. He related that there
 are five gangs minimum in this area. They're working with individuals with mental
 health problems. Encampments at 5th & Commonwealth got cleared up today. New
 phase of LAPD is to work with the homeless to find out why they're homeless, and help
 accordingly. They are working with the County, City and CDs on homelessness-related
 crimes, e.g., drugs, breaking into cars, etc. Officer Melkonian related a success story
 about a couple from Oregon who were at crisis level. They were close to getting tickets
 home for them with LAHSA, when the couple bought their own and left for Oregon.

They thanked him for his help. **December 15th – "Operations Shoes from Santa"** [CPAB meets 1st Thursday of the month at the Olympic Station.]

- ii. Rampart Station SLO None seen, None heard [C-PAB meets the 1st Tuesday of the month at Rampart Police Station.]
- **g.** NCSA Sustainability Report Sustainability Rep; Cool Blocks; Joselyn Geaga Rosenthal: Joselyn requested, that we approve the letter she distributed at last meeting, for 100% renewable energy by 2030 (below) and mentioned city-sponsored Cool Blocks program, to help and educate each other on reducing our carbon footprint. www.Coolblock.org
- h. NC Budget Advocates Report Budget Reps Mitchell Gutman, Uver Santa Cruz None seen, None heard
- i. Community and Stakeholder Organizations

Giovanni Diaz, PHFE, Youth Development Services, 323-286-9431. Giovanni related that they have a gang reduction & development program, they assist with community cleanups at Rampart 1, Rampart 2, East Hollywood and Olympic. They are doing something for Christmas.

Vince Leus, Community Organizer with Koreatown Youth Community Center vleus@kyccla.org 680
South Wilton Place, LA 90005; www.kyccla.org 213-365-7400 x 5116. Services include but are not limited to low-income tax clinic, pre-school & afterschool programs; substance abuse and environmental prevention, resources to increase compliancy on alcohol-related laws. On December 17th, they're holding annual holiday carnival at the Leo Politi Elementary School in Pico Union. Mitchell recommended that they send in NPGs to partner with them. Clean-ups: Vince would like to do a cleanup at the "alleyway" in January. Mitch noted that we would like to do monthly or bimonthly cleanups, to partner with different organizations.

III. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

a. Roll Call – RVNC General Board Officers:

<u>Present 6</u>: David Rockello, Velinda Rockello, Mitchell Gutman, Joselyn Geaga Rosenthal, Jeff Jamison, and William Greene.

Absent 5: Uver Santa Cruz, Angela Joo, Dom Dacong, Carlos Villa, and Jose Sanchez.

DONE Staff: NEA, Lorenzo Briceno present

b. Review and Adoption of Minutes of General Board meeting 10/18/2016

Moved by Mitchell and seconded by Joselyn: By a vote of 6 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstentions, and with 5 absences: Uver Santa Cruz, Angela Joo, Dom Dacong, Carlos Villa, and Jose Sanchez, the minutes were approved as presented

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Mithun Govind, related there are bulky items by the freeway wall at Parkman and Reno, off Temple. Another stakeholder reported the same. Neighborhood Prosecutor, Andrew Said, offered him assistance. Mitch Gutman related that we have a Public Safety Committee, and opened this to Methin. Public Comment on nonagendized items was then closed.

V. RECOGNITIONS & PRESENTATIONS:

a. Alexander Sanchez Executive Director of Homies Unidos Inc. presents their project "The Central American Youth Leadership Conference"; possible funds request at next meeting asanchez@homiesunidos.org 213-383-7484 Alex spoke on the upcoming Central American Youth Leadership Conference, on December 2, 2016 from 9-5pm, at Cal State University Los Angeles, Student Union. They provide services to kids who have fled violence in Central America and extreme poverty; the kids are unaccompanied minors, high school- and middle school-aged at risk youth, having difficulty integrating. They are bringing them resources on social, mental health, health, legal and educational issues. LAUSD will help on educational conferences and recreational activities, with artists and high schools participating. They are looking for sponsors to help with cost of the conference. There will be booths to welcome the youth with services. Their mission is to help the kids understand their own culture, be proud of who they are and be able to transition into this culture.

VI. MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

(Old Business)

1. Discussion and/or Possible Action on – The recommendation to report all broken RVNC Outreach Banners to Point Person, Carmen Medina, so she may negotiate their repairs ASAP; report to Secretary or will Ms. Medina be comfortable with her information becoming public? Mitchell noted that Carmen emailed him; they are in touch with Sam's Signs; the banners have all been looked at and repaired.

(New Business)

2. Discussion and/or Possible Action on – The invitation & recommendation from the Echo Park Community Parade Committee (that is not affiliated with the EPNC) for the RVNC to join the EPC Parade on December 10th; the President & VP of the RVNC will already be in the parade; does the rest of the Board want to be in parade? Possible funds request for a vehicle rental; this is a 3 mile parade & if you're all up for a walk with our RVNC bbanner; no other events are going on in RVNC that day that we can attend but if stakeholders want to donate to Extraordinary Families that is having a private event on that day; forms & information to be posted & handed out at this meeting for donations of toys

David Rockello & **Velinda Rockello** recused themselves because they are working on the EPCP 2016 Organizing Committee this year. The gavel was given to Mitchell. Mitchell related that he is not in favor of financially supporting this but members can participate as individuals. Jeff asked why to do this other than as an outreach opportunity; committing to having a presence. Mitch noted that we do not have enough of a presence to make an official entry to the parade; we can notify those stakeholders who wish to come.

<u>Motion</u>: To send a Constant Contact email blast notifying board members and stakeholders of the event, that we will give them a free RVNC tee shirt.

<u>Moved</u> by Mitch, <u>seconded</u> by Jeff. 4/0/2 David and Velinda, recused; returned after vote The gavel was given back to President Rockello

3. Discussion and/or Possible Action on – The invitation & recommendation from the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) to join the LA Homeless Count this year on January 26th; possibly partner with Bresee Foundation & or People Assisting The Homeless (PATH) in the The Greater LA Homeless Count that will be happening again this year in our area on Thursday, January 26, 2017; LAHSA & PATH wants the RVNC to participate again; Volunteer at: www.TheyCountWillYou.org; can we get commitments from the RVNC stakeholders & all RVNC Board members tonight to work on this annual evening

event starting at 8pm?

Public Comment: Former RVNC Boardmember Ronee Reece likes the opportunity to help and see what's out there. Public comment closed. At 8:00 pm meet at Bresee Foundation or PATH and they'll give us a seminar, snacks and instructions on how to count the homeless. We count them; they'll give us a precinct and we'll walk. Joselyn recommended having a sign-in sheet at next meeting, and agendize for next meeting.

<u>Motion:</u> To do this; <u>moved</u> by Jeff; <u>seconded</u> by Mitch. Joselyn recommended agendizing for and having a sign-in sheet at our next meeting. <u>6/0/0</u>; <u>Passed</u>

[Motion: To take agenda item #4 first then 10 through 14; moved by Mitchell; Seconded by Joselyn: 5 yes, 1 no, 0 abstentions. Motion; Passed]

- 4. Discussion and/or Possible Action on The recommendation from the Los Angeles NC Sustainability Alliance (NCSA) that supports the recommendation that the City of Los Angeles transition to 100% renewable energy by 2030 with a letter of support from the RVNC to be sent to Mayor Eric Garcetti, & the DWP that demands the DWP not make more expenditures on methane as energy; the DWP still plans to build a structure to store liquid natural gas as a goal of 100% renewable by 2030, & before the DWP finalizes their plans for sourcing energy into the following years by mid-November 2017; & because the DWP has not produced a feasibility study & are aiming only for 50% renewable by 2035, which the NCSA feels is not enough; & because in 20 years the global allowance of carbon dioxide will push us over the edge of global warming & extreme climate change the City should act now. Motion: To support the letter moved by Mitchell; seconded by Joselyn: 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions. Motion; Passed
- 5. Discussion and/or Possible Action on The recommendation from LANCC to take a position on the possible Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) misuse of public funds; on November 1, 2016, CBS Investigative Reporter, David Goldstein, in a TV news report charges LAHSA with spending \$ 99,318.29 in funds meant to relieve homelessness & hunger; LAHSA is a joint agency of LA City & LA County; because serious allegations have been brought forward the City & County should conduct an independent audit of the agency within the next 60 days; & unless these expenditures were anticipated by the funding source & or sources then the Executive Director of LAHSA, Peter Lynn, should be replaced immediately. Public Comment: Stakeholder would like to see them be held accountable. Mitchell would like to see the internal audit. Randee let them know we have their back. Jos agreed with inquiring and expressing our concern. Mitch noted this is being audited. Motion: Take no position. Moved by Mitch; seconded by Jeff; 5 yes /1 no David; Passed
- 6. Discussion and/or Possible Action on The recommendation from LANCC to take a position on supporting a portion of CF 16-1060 to create a seven-member Citizens Oversight Committee (COC) to ensure effective oversight of the Homelessness Reduction and Prevention, Housing & Facilities solution Motion: To table to next meeting and to refer to the Council File Moved by Mitchell, seconded by Joselyn; 6/0/0; motion to table passed
- 7. Discussion and/or Possible Action on The recommendation from LANCC to take a position on supporting CF 15-1138-S11 & encourages the RVNC Board to establish a Homeless Advocate Program, & or Homeless Advocate Liaison that will go to the Homeless Liaison meeting on November 30th at the DONE office at 6pm to discuss this dyer crisis; Homeless Advocate Liaison; choose one (1) Ronee Reece volunteered to be Homelessness Liaison

and attend the first meeting.

<u>Motion</u>: To appoint **Ronee Reece** the Homelessness Liaison, and to table discussion and possible action on the council file to next meeting.

Moved by Mitchell; seconded by Velinda; 6/0/0; Passed

8. Discussion and/or Possible Action on – The recommendation from LANCC to take a position on supporting the State of California's lead to sever all financial ties with Wells Fargo Bank; the City of Los Angeles pays the Wells Fargo \$15,000,000 a year for banking services; during the contract, the Controller has found incidents of charges for services never performed for \$500,000 & the City Attorney has had to take Well Fargo to court for fraud; Wells Fargo has lost the trust of the people of Los Angeles & can no longer be allowed to perform services on their behalf; we request that the Los Angeles City Council make a motion to sever all ties with Wells Fargo & their subsidiaries & to contract with a bank that will put the needs of Los Angeles first & uphold their fiduciary duty

Public comment opened and closed. William doesn't feel the NC should take a position on this. **Motion**: To table the issue. **Moved by Joselyn. Public Comment:** Ronee Reece recommended doing an eblast outcry in recognition of this.

<u>Motion</u>: To take no position on this. <u>Moved</u> by William; <u>seconded</u> by Velinda; <u>5 yes</u>; <u>1</u> <u>opposed</u> David; <u>0 abstentions</u>. Motion to take no position; <u>Passed</u>

9. Discussion and/or Possible Action on – The recommendation from LANCC to take a position on supporting CF 14-1499-S4 that directs the City Council to pass the motion to improve quality of life for the resident of Los Angeles; the City Council needs to be proactive & enact similar laws as the County & State. California Penal Code 374.3 makes illegal dumping on public & private property punishable by a fine of up to \$10,000.; aalso, pursuant to Section 117555 of the California Health & Safety Code, a person who dumps illegally is punishable by up to six months in jail; in addition, in August 2005, the County of Los Angeles adopted an ordinance that allows the Sherriff to seize a vehicle if it is used in the act of illegal dumping. Public Comment: Ronee related that it was explained to him that the only way people get convicted on dumping is when they set up stings, as they have to see it. Another stakeholder (lady) asked how will you know who is dumping? She would like Police to patrol and catch the people. David noted that the City fine is \$1,000 and County fine is \$10,000, and people dump at the City line, and feels that a larger punishment may have an impact as a deterrent.

<u>Motion</u>: The Rampart Village Neighborhood Council supports CF 14-1499-S4 and directs the City Council to pass the motion to improve quality of life for the residents of the RVNC and the other residents of the City of Los Angeles. Further Move that the Rampart Village Neighborhood Council supports the City of Los Angeles adopted ordinance that allows the Sherriff and/or the LAPD to seize a vehicle if it is used in the act of illegal dumping.

<u>Moved by William Greene; seconded by Jeff Jamison</u>. Discussion was held. William noted there is free pickup with 311. Mitch noted two issues: deterrence and people leaving trash on the street; that we have funds allocated for a Neighborhood Watch and asked if we shall put cameras in the community in high-impact places. He recommends agendizing this at PSHT & BFG. 6/0/0, and the LANCC motion; Passed

10. Discussion and/or Possible Action on – The recommendation from the NC Budget Advocates (NCBA) to link the NCBA site to the RVNC Website as soon as possible; refer to

Carolyn Burlson for execution. <u>Moved</u> by Jeff; <u>Seconded</u> by William: <u>6 yes</u>, <u>0 no</u>, <u>0</u> <u>abstentions</u>. Motion; Passed

- 11. Discussion and/or Possible Action on The recommendation from DONE Contract Liaison, Jeff Brill, to pick a web development contractor from the list of City approved web development contractors to relaunch the RVNC Website; refer to CROSN for recommendations. Mitch suggested Kristina, whom Vera recommended. Following public comment, motion to <u>table & refer</u> to the Budget Finance Committee & CROSN; <u>No action</u> taken
- 12. Discussion and/or Possible Action on The recommendation from the Executive Committee to move forward with the RVNC News Letter redux; refer to CROSN for recommendations. Mitch gave update that we have already paid for the newsletter and have credit for a number of newsletters and design. Public comment was opened and closed. Noted was the need to call out for content. (David suggested there may be a publishing subcommittee to report back to Velinda's main meeting.) Motion: To go forward with newsletter to CROSN moved by Mitch; seconded by Jeff; 6/0/0; Passed
- 13. Discussion and/or Possible Action on The recommendation from the Executive Committee to conduct an immediate community cleanup on the alleyway behind the Hungry Pig at Reno & Temple; partner with CD-13, PHFE, KYCC, SIPA & any other organization that has asked or will ask for money in the form of an NPG; refer to PSHT for recommendations for future RVNC cleanups

David noted that though this was cleaned up, per Juan Fregoso this evening, we can move forward with this. **Public Comment**: Stakeholder recommended getting kids from the Vista Charter School involved in cleaning up. Jeff recommended tabling this until contacting and working in concert with Anna Huizar, Vince, Juan Fregoso and others, and to amend the motion that this be done in coordination with CD13 and office of Neighborhood Beautification.

<u>New Motion</u>: To put this on the agenda for CROSN, BFG and/or PSHT to agendize a clean-up in December or January, involve CD13, The Office of Neighborhood Beautification, Vista Charter School, PHFE, and any other community organization, to be agendized in December for December or January.

<u>Moved</u> by Mitchell; <u>seconded</u> by Velinda. Public Comment: Randee said you can still "just do it" now. Joselyn and David agreed that the purpose of this is to engage other organizations. William would like to create activities that are more fun for at risk kids. Vote was taken: <u>5 yes</u>; <u>1 no</u>; <u>0 abstentions</u>; <u>Passes</u>

14. Discussion and/or Possible Action on – The recommendation from the Executive Committee to repair the RVNC projector; buy replacement parts for the RVNC Outreach Cart; buy new batteries for the RVNC Walkie-Talkies & Translation Devices & et al RVNC Equipment & Property that needs immediate repair & or replacement; create wish list for perches of expendables on or before or after release from EE; refer to BFG for recommendations

<u>Amended Motion</u>: To create an itemized list of these expenses so we can agendize at the next BFG meeting (the meeting is November 29th.)

Moved by Mitch; seconded by Joselyn; vote taken: 6/0/0; Passed

15. Discussion and/or Possible Action on – The recommendation from the Executive Committee to create a spending strategy for RVNC NPG's & other future RVNC projects; on or before or after release from EE; refer to BFG for recommendations

Mitchell wants a comprehensive list of organizations to partner with for NPG spending; asks stakeholders to help us reach out to them. He mentioned Camino Nuevo School in the district, noting that we've talked about Vista Charter today. Refer back to BFG. <u>Moved</u> by Mitchell; <u>6/0/0</u>; <u>Passed</u>

16. Discussion and/or Possible Action on – The recommendation from the Executive Committee to increase: Public Art, Urban Gardening & Civic Engagement by taking stakeholder suggestions for new Beatification Projects within the RVNC; refer to CROSN & PSHT for recommendations

Public Comment: None given. Mitch stated that this falls along same lines as prior items proposing partnerships; 15 & 16 go hand in hand. <u>Motion</u>: That individual committees actively come up with taking proposals. **Moved by Mitchell 6/0/0; Passed**

17. Discussion and/or Possible Action on – The recommendation from the Executive Committee to plan a calibration of the RVNC10 year anniversary on Sunday March 5th; Venue & costs for the event TBD; refer to CROSN for recommendations

Public comment: Ronee asked how about outreach to the alumni of the RVNC, bring people back in. Public comment closed. Joselyn asked if we could make this a town hall meeting, combine it to be not just a party. Joselyn likes idea of public art; David has reached out to galleries. Refer to CROSN & BFG:

Moved by Mitch, seconded by Joselyn; 6/0/0; Passed

Mitch reiterated that items #15-17 are all in the same boat; need to get these into committees and also involve the stakeholders.

VII. REPORTS:

- a. Treasurer:
 - (i) Monthly MER Statement Board to receive, review; Aproved & filed as presented
 - (ii) Union Bank reconciliation screen shot review; Aproved & filed as presented
 - (iii)Lloyd services reconciliation review; Aproved & filed as presented
 - (iv)2015-2016 Final Spend Down Report as presented None seen / None heard
 - (v) Budget, Finance & Grants; Mitchell Gutman, Chair
 - Recruit (1) Member, (4) Members, BFG Committee; Meetings: 1st Tuesday of the month; 6pm
 - Future Funding Policies Report (review in 6 months) None seen / None heard
 - Quarterly Report (review every quarter) Given at last meeting

Treasurer, Mitch Gutman, related that we are solvent now and out of Exhaustive Efforts. He has the bank card now; it will be easier for him to make regular payments. They're starting to look forward to the future, make the most of their resources, with CIPs and NPGs. He'd like to lower the cost of operations, and needs help from the community to help finding alternatives. He welcomes stakeholders and board members to find ways to spend the funds wisely and notes that it will help us to have requests coming in from multiple places, from the various committees.

<u>Motion:</u> To approve the Monthly Expenditure Report and backup documentation as listed above. <u>Moved</u> by William; <u>seconded</u> by Joselyn. <u>6 yes:</u> Jeff, Joselyn, Mitch, Velinda, David & William. <u>0 opposed</u>; <u>0 abstentions; 5 absences</u>: Uver Santa Cruz, Angela Joo, Dom Dacong, Carlos Villa, and Jose Sanchez, and the October MER was Approved

b. Standing Committees;

- i. Planning, Parks, Public Works & Land Use; William Greene, Chair
 - Recruit Members, PPPWLU Committee; Meetings Schedule 3rd Monday of the month; 6pm

William apologized noting that there was no quorum. They are rescheduling the meeting to the 4th Monday. David was there and said it was productive, though they couldn't go forward with votes. William gave a report on a project that he has followed for six months, involving a rehab building that requested CUPs and now have to have more parking. The house behind the building has been demolished; will have a parking lot there, restaurants, retail, foot traffic. A stakeholder brought up parking problem in his neighborhood. Joselyn invited the stakeholder to attend the PSHT meeting Saturday.

ii. Community Relations, Outreach & Social Networking; Velinda Rockello, Chair

- Recruit Members, CROSN Committee; Meetings: 3rd Wednesday of the month; 6pm
- Velinda noted that the meeting is tomorrow 6:00 pm.
 Will meet for first time tomorrow & getting things together for that meeting

iii. Public Safety, Housing & Transportation; Uver Santa Cruz, Chair (Absent/No report)

- Recruit Members, PSHT Committee; Meetings: 3rd Saturday of the month; 10am
- iv. Any other written RVNC Reports; Officer's Reports; President's Report David stated that he hopes everyone can stay thankful on Thanksgiving! He also provided a written President's Report with warm holiday wishes, noting that December's meeting will be held on December 13th in the Foundation Room, encouraging everyone to invite neighbors for the festivities and to make new friends here at the RVNC. Jeff asked David to reach out to the rest of the council to let them know we almost didn't have a quorum this evening.

c. Ad-hoc Committees, Liaisons & Updates;

- i. Creation of any possible Ad-hoc committees for 2016-2017; choose Chairs (Ad-hocs reviewed every 6 months)
- ii. RVNC Election 2018 Outreach Chair; choose one (1)
- iii. Marijuana Issues Liaison; choose one (1) Ronee volunteered and will attend City Hall meeting on Marijuana on 11/29/2016; Ronee appointed Liaison
- **iv.** Update on the St. Anne's Lease Agreement status: **Jeff Brill** will give update at next meeting.
- v. Update on the return of all RVNC intellectual & real property still outstanding: **Table**

- vi. Update on the RVNC inventory; schedule inventory TBD: **David** gave update that no official inventory has yet been done; need to agendize times for inventory.
- vii. Update on the status of the three (3) NC training documents; Vice President: Code of Conduct, Funding & State Ethics Training: Angela Joo; William will re-do his training; need to send email reminders to those not in compliance. Dom hasn't sent it to the proper people.
- viii. Update on Attendance of Board members; Secretary & VP: Absences discussed.
- ix. Animal Services Liaison; choose one (1) Kat Namely nominated; noted Kat wants to do Public Works also
- x. Public Works Liaison; choose one (1) Kat Namely volunteered in abstention... Confermation at next meeting
 Tabling all the rest of the issues: xi through xxvi:
- **xi.** Transportation Liaison; choose one (1)
- xii. Arts & Cultural Affairs Liaison; choose one (1)
- **xiii.** Youth Issues Liaison; choose one (1)
- **xiv.** Purposeful Ageing Liaison; choose one (1)
- **xv.** Disability Liaison; choose one (1)
- xvi. Conservation Core Liaison; choose one (1)
- **xvii.** Mayor's Volunteer Core Liaison; choose one (1)
- xviii. Planning/ Plancheck NC Liaisons; Uver SC + choose two (2)
- xix. CIS Filing Reps; David R, Joselyn GR, Uver SC
- xx. Regional Grievance Panel; William G
- xxi. City Attorney Liaisons; David R, Jeff J
- xxii. DWP-MOU Rep/ DWP-AC Rep; David R, Velinda R. alternate
- xxiii. LANCC Rep; David R, Velinda R. alternate
- xxiv. Emergency Preparedness Liaison; Carolyn B, Uver SC. alternate
- xxv. ARC Rep; Peter Q, Julio S. alternate
- xxvi. Location & Filming/Film LA Liaisons; Mitchell G, Jeff J, William G

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) Training @ St. Barnabas Senior Services' Echo Park Senior Center, 1021 N. Alvarado St. Los Angeles, CA 90026; 5 Week Training: November 4th, 18th, December 2nd, 9th, & 16th @ 1:30pm to 3:30pm; for information call: (213)413-0508
- b. Thanksgiving Day Dinner; 34th Annual Westside Community Dinner; Free Dinner, Clothing Blankets, Haircuts, Shaves, Kids' Carnival, Parking for everyone that attends! No ID or reservations required; Thursday November 24th, 11am to 3pm; VA Greater Los Angeles Health Care System, 11301 Wilshire Blvd, at Sepulveda, just west of the 405 Freeway; Free Parking enter via Constitution Ave off Sepulveda, north of Wilshire Blvd. www.WestsideThanksgiving.org
- c. The Rules, Elections, Intergovernmental Relations & Neighborhoods Committee: Council President/ CD-10 CM, Herb Wesson JR., Chair; invites all to attend the committee hearings to discuss Cannabis; Tuesday, November 29th @ 6pm LA City Hall, Council Chambers, 200 N. Spring St. LA, CA 90012; Wednesday, December 7, @ 6pm Van Nuys City Hall, Council Chambers, 14410 Sylvan St., 2nd floor Van Nuys, CA 91401; parking @ Martin Braude Building.
- IX. ADJOURNMENT: Mitch moved; Jeff seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm