

CHEVIOT HILLS HOME OWNERS' ASSOCIATION

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Minutes for the Board Meeting Thursday, April 1, 2021 via Zoom

Directors present: Bob Keehn (President), Jim Gilbert (Vice President), Marty Bischoff (Treasurer), Cindy Kane (Secretary), Margaret Gillespie, Steve Herman, Andrew Oelz, Greg Pulis, Mark Sedlander, Larry Tabb, Omar Tirmizi

Directors not present: Mark Ackerman, Jamila Hasan, Mike Mandel, Brandon Reif

Guests: Angel Izard (CD5 Field Deputy), Kirsten Mattoon (CD5intern), Matt O'Hanlon (Wigtown resident)

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

I. President's Report:

CD5 Update

Kirsten and Angel updated the group on motions CD5 has worked on recently (rental assistance; WNC clean-up efforts; electric vehicle charging stations in new buildings; AB54 prohibit sale of single use disposable food plastics; asked the Planning Dept to report back on feasibility of doing conversion to include commercial buildings into housing; recommending an amendment to adaptive reuse ordinance; Traffic issues – a left hand turn light was installed at Overland and Olympic following the fatality; working on implementing “Rest on Red” measures; permanent speed signs; supporting state bill to do automatic speed enforcement; increase penalties for speed racing).

A. Approval of minutes for March

The minutes were approved and will be posted to the website.

B. Follow-up to presentation by Sean McMillan (West LA Homeless)

At the last meeting the board wanted a date certain for raising the money. July 30th is the date. If they don't meet 80%, they would return the money. They believe they will meet that target by June 30th. The Organization has made headway in raising more money with Google and other businesses. WLAH Organization would like us to send the money to The People Concern. Margaret will draft a cover letter to accompany our donation.

C. Follow-up to Overland donation

The FOO committee was going to send us a mockup before going to print. It will be placed at Ashby and Manning. As a follow-up to last month meeting, Bob spoke with Allyson Saunders to ensure that the California Country Club HOA periodically donates money to Castle Heights elementary school.

D. Renovation at 2706 Wigtown

The resident wants to add space to their home. Because of the existing zoning requirements or historic designation, it requires an exception (variance). The resident approached WNC who sent them to us. We as a board have not dealt with this before. We need to determine what our procedure will be going forward in case this comes up again in the future. We should not be getting into disputes between homeowners. The homeowner Matt joined the zoom call. He stated that he has talked to all neighbors, shared the plans and everyone is ok with their plans. There is not a requirement of written consent. Matt will send Bob confirmation that the neighbors agree. This home is not an “Aiken” home. The designer is Gage (same as the BH City Hall).

E. Completion of Expo greenway between Overland/Westwood

The city has completed the construction between the Overland and Westwood Expo stations. It takes wastewater and reuses it. There is an on-going discussion about replacing the fencing with something more aesthetically pleasing.

F. Proposed increase in development appeal fee for non-applicants

Angel addressed this in her report that Councilmember Koretz is not in support of this fee. It will most likely die. She said not to worry about this.

G. Vista del Mar – soccer field, WNC NFP seat

Vista del Mar is putting in a soccer field. They have also applied to fill the WNC not for profit seat. The seat is currently vacant. More information will be discussed at next week’s WNC meeting.

H. Cell tower issues

Jim said the issue is resolved after their meeting with Verizon. He has not heard anything since that meeting. Verizon has a plan to move antennas and/or camouflage them.

I. Tree Project – All the dead trees have been removed. Bob will follow up with Susan Irving and Patricia Pappanek.

II. SECRETARY’S REPORT/MEMBERSHIP

A. Membership – Stands at 370. Perhaps a mid-year notice to the neighborhood.

B. CPAB update – The Captain reported that burglaries are up. Knock knock burglaries; someone posted on Nextdoor about an entry while they were home. GTA is stabilizing. LAPD is concerned about burglaries. The street racing task force has been effective; making arrests. Getting ready for UCLA basketball game as well as the Chauvin trial verdict.

C. Third Annual Westside Safety & Preparedness Fair – March 7 – was supposed to launch on March 7th. We had 1,400 registrants but the server failed. The information is all available online at www.safetyfair.org. The give aways will happen this Sunday at the park.

III. FINANCIAL REPORT

Not available prior to meeting.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT –

Mark mentioned www.clickpico.com. An effort to get the community to support local businesses on Pico. Mark was seeking help with “door-hangers”. A few board members offered to cover their blocks. Mark will follow-up with an email blast and door-hangers.

Jim provided followed up about the application for an alcohol permit. That is for a home office only. No activities at the residence.

Jim also reached out to Debbie Dyrer Harris. She is going to put him in touch with the designers for the median plans.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.