

ECHO PARK NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
BOARD OF GOVERNOR'S MEETING

Minutes

Tuesday, March 28, 2017,

7:00 P.M.

Echo Park United Methodist Church

1226 N. Alvarado St.

Los Angeles, CA 90026

1. Administrative items

a. Call to Order

The meeting began at 7:00pm with 13 Board members present.

b. Roll Call

Attending Board Members:

Tad Yenawine, Chair

Darcy Harris, Vice Chair

Michael Galano, Treasurer (arrived late)

Paul Bowers, Chief Information Officer (arrived late)

Richard Courtney

Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal

Andrew Knauer (left early)

Jeffrey Kontorovsky

Connie Acosta

Ida Talalla

Margarita Fernandez

Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous

Cheryl Ortega

Mike Jolly (left early)

Andy Griggs

Jim Brown (arrived late)

Andy Griggs

Daniel Heimpel

Non-Attending Board Members:

Jackelyn Valladares, Second Signatory

Alex Meza

Kevin Fisher

b. Adoption of minutes

Mike Jolly made the motion, Jocelyn Geaga-Rosenthal seconded.

VOTE to approve the February minutes

13-0-0

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Richard Courtney
Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal
Andrew Knauer
Tad Yenawine
Jeffrey Kontorovsky
Darcy Harris
Connie Acosta
Ida Talalla
Margarita Fernandez
Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega
Mike Jolly
Andy Griggs

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

None

2. Community/Government reports:

a. Government agencies and officers

Neal, librarian at Edendale branch library:

He gave an update on the myriad activities happening at the library.

b. Community Organizations

Sally, representing the St. Athanasius Church:

She said that she is impressed with the transition of the neighborhood council. We are very interested in doing things with you. She mentioned that the church is feeding people in the park on Wednesday. This gives them hope.

(Note: Treasurer Mike Galano arrived at 7:03pm. There are now 14 voting Board members.)

c. EPNC Chair Report

New Board member Han Lo has resigned, said Chair Tad Yenawine. His open seat will be contested at the next meeting.

Connie Acosta asked did he say why he was resigning? Yenawine replied no.

Separately, he told the audience that we are sitting in the room that we'll speak about later so take a look around.

(Note: Chief Information Officer Paul Bowers arrived at 7:08pm).

We will hold a special meeting for the bylaws, if necessary, said Yenawine.

d. Treasurer Report

Treasurer Michael Galano said that we've spent \$15,000 so far this fiscal year. We will discuss 3 new grants tonight. He added that they will open a seat on the Budget and Finance Committee. Having a third member would help out, he said. Come to next Budget and Finance Committee meeting. We'll announce the seat.

e. Committee Chair and liaison reports

Ida Talalla, Arts and Ageing and Parks Committee: We've been meeting at the Echo Park branch library and the Edendale branch library. We've made progress on identifying resources.

Connie Acosta, Co-Chair of the Planning and Land Use Committee: Last week we had a successful town hall regarding the Mohawk collective.

Jeffrey Kontorovsky, Public Safety Committee: Robert Delario is the new Los Angeles Police Department Senior Lead Officer for the Rampart Division. He is very motivated. We had good conversations with him. Yenawine added that he seemed like a really good guy. We are looking forward to working with him.

Luiza Padilla-Mavropoulos said that there will be a farmers market in April. There is a sign-up sheet for Board members. She added

that on April 9 we are sponsoring a faire for the Echo Park Recreation Center. There is a sign up sheet for that too.

Richard Courtney, Dodgers Committee: There will be a traffic study meeting tomorrow with the Dodgers and a traffic engineer. April 3 is opening day. There will be a hotline for any problems that day.

Yenawine told the audience to call 311 for any City problems that you have.

Vice Chair Darcy Harris, Bylaws Committee: The Committee met 4 times. We'll hopefully look at a package all together.

Andy Griggs, Alliance of River Committees: He attended the Committee meeting last night. There is a new Department of Water and Power customer bill of rights. Consumers are receiving cheques now for billing errors from last year.

There was also a discussion of the purchase of Taylor Yard. They are seeking the participation of our neighborhood council. There could be a town hall gathering about this. They are asking for a \$100 contribution.

There was also a presentation about the Budget Advocate. They have released a Budget White Paper. They are asking neighborhood councils to weigh in on this and pressure City Hall.

Regarding a Council District 1 debate, he added that several groups there said they'd like to cosponsor it.

Cheryl Ortega, Schools and Libraries Committee: They discussed a letter to City officials thanking them for their letter of safe haven for immigrants. However, Los Angeles County Sheriff Jim O'Donnell has changed his position since then. We want to send a letter to express our disappointment.

Paul Bowers said we are looking for new Board members to penetrate into neighborhoods that don't have representation.

*Juan Fregoso, Field Deputy for Council Member Mitch O'Farrell,
Council District 13 (CD13), (213) 207-3015,
juan.fregoso@lacity.org:*

He spoke about the Dodgers and street parking restrictions for their Opening Day. Parking will be limited to two hours. They will be

posted. They are meant to address some of the issues regarding people who've spent the day at bars.

Regarding City Trees in areas with lots of concrete, he asked the audience to contact him if you know of areas that could benefit (around buildings without shade). We'll contract out the watering. That had been an issue in the past.

We are working from the senior center to place 10-15 trees.

He spoke about murals. They are looking to revamp the extension stairs with lighting and by refurbishing the mural.

He recommends calling 311 and then following up with the Council District 13 office when you have an issue. That also goes for potholes. The City wants 72 hour turn around for pothole requests.

3. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

Alejandra Campoverdi, Candidate for Congress on April 4, www.alexandracampoverdi.com, @acampoverdi (Twitter):

She said that she was raised by an immigrant single mother. She is a Harvard graduate who has worked with the Obama Administration. She understands issues. She's worked in media. This community is where I come from. She hopes to have your support.

Lisa:

She said she is a recipient of meals on wheels. That charges about \$2.25 per meals. It's a very significant program. They also provide food for pets.

Thomas Devoe, the first chair of the neighborhood council:

He introduced himself and said that he is an attorney.

(Note: Jim Brown arrived at 7:25pm)

Jessica Salans, former candidate for the Council District 13 Election, Jessica@GroundGameLA.org, www.facebook.com/groundgamela

She now represents Ground Game LA (www.groundgamela.org, @groundgamela) a group that aims to build hyper local relationships within the community. We work on issue based campaigns. We're connecting with organizations and with nonprofits in the area to connect

them with the community. That includes the neighborhood council. The group will be part of the Congress of Neighborhood Councils at City Hall in September. They want \$500 to \$1000 for the Congress.

Marcie Rose, Glassell Park Neighborhood Council:

She is concerned about a bill to prevent people from renting rooms in their homes. I don't appreciate that the City is suggesting that they have control over what I do in my home. She also runs a home business that the City has issue with.

She is a member of the Glassell Park Neighborhood Council. They have chosen to say to the City to keep out of her business.

Sally, St. Athanasius Church:

We're social activists. We are a sanctuary church to provide immigrants with help.

We have a sanctuary task force. We have ongoing workshops that allow immigrants to meet with attorneys. We want to help immigrants with child care and food, temporary housing, and local schools to provide resources for immigrants.

7-11 Owner:

On April 29, 8:30am -11am, we will host "Coffee With A Cop" at our store. We're located at the Glendale and Berkeley location, he said.

4. Selection of Board member to fill vacancy of District One Seat

Daniel Heimpel is the only candidate.

Ida Talalla said we don't know him.

Daniel Heimpel said that he lives in District 1. His political feelings were inspired by the shock of the Trump election. He has worked with the neighborhood council with small important issues regarding immigrant rights. He has worked as journalist and with nonprofits for years. He wants to work with the neighborhood council and with City officials. He said that he would love to be a part of the neighborhood council.

Cheryl Ortega added that Heimpel is member of the Schools and Libraries Committee. I whole heartedly support him, she said.

Luiza Padilla-Mavropoulous commented that from what I've heard about you, I'm very impressed. Treasurer Michael Galano concurred.

Jim Brown asked what's your nonprofit? Fostering Media Connections, replied Heimpel. We produce stories and distribute them to mainstream news sites.

VOTE for Daniel Heimpel
15-0-1
PASSED

Yes Votes:

Tad Yenawine
Darcy Harris
Michael Galano
Richard Courtney
Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal
Andrew Knauer
Jeffrey Kontorovsky
Connie Acosta
Margarita Fernandez
Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega
Mike Jolly
Andy Griggs
Jim Brown
Paul Bowers

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

Ida Talalla

(Note: Daniel Heimpel now joins the Board. There are now 17 Board members, however, neither Heimpel nor Chief Information Officer Paul Bowers are eligible to vote on budget or finance related issues because they haven't completed their finance training.)

5. BOG Liaisons and Committee Chairs

a. Appointment for Co Chair of PLUC

Chair Yenawine nominated Vice Chair Darcy Harris.

Mike Jolly said that he's worked with Harris. She's pretty damn smart. She's professional and on time.

VOTE for Darcy Harris

15-0-0-2

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Tad Yenawine
Darcy Harris
Michael Galano
Richard Courtney
Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal
Andrew Knauer
Jeffrey Kontorovsky
Connie Acosta
Ida Talalla
Margarita Fernandez
Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega
Mike Jolly
Andy Griggs
Jim Brown
Paul Bowers
Daniel Heimpel

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

None

6. [SLCO] Discussion and/or possible Action on the following

- a. Restatement of letter of support for immigration policy in Los Angeles County in light of Sheriff O'Donnell's stated change of policy

Yenawine wants to postpone this to the next meeting. Harris seconded.

VOTE to postpone

17-0-0

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Tad Yenawine

Darcy Harris
Michael Galano
Richard Courtney
Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal
Andrew Knauer
Jeffrey Kontorovsky
Connie Acosta
Ida Talalla
Margarita Fernandez
Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega
Mike Jolly
Andy Griggs
Jim Brown
Paul Bowers
Daniel Heimpel

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

None

b. Motion supporting the activities of St Athanasius Church regarding immigration workshops

Cheryl Ortega said we'll have to postpone. We are seeking a grant application.

Harris seconded.

VOTE to postpone

17-0-0

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Tad Yenawine
Darcy Harris
Michael Galano
Richard Courtney
Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal
Andrew Knauer
Jeffrey Kontorovsky
Connie Acosta
Ida Talalla
Margarita Fernandez

Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega
Mike Jolly
Andy Griggs
Jim Brown
Paul Bowers
Daniel Heimpel

No Votes:
None

Abstentions:
None

7. [Public Works] Discussion and/or possible action on the following

a. Submitting a suggestion to the Waze Suggestion Box that Lake Shore Avenue and Baxter Street be removed from rush hour routes and possibly all route times on GPS app such as Waze due to the dangerous grades. Copies to CD13 and possibly other officials.

Bowers said this is a dangerous place. We want to remove that.

Yenawine offered a substitute motion: Authorize Paul Bowers for this. Padilla-Mavropoulos seconded.

Juan Fregoso said to send it to our office as well. We have information on that.

A Man said that Waves is difficult to reach. But they are usually quick to change legitimate issues.

Galano said they are looking into making it a no left turn area to alleviate some of the problem.

Mike Jolly asked Bowers what kind of success have you had in the past?

Galano said it must be a City closure. It would take something like a sign.

Mike Jolly asked do we have to go to the City for signs?

Fregoso said there is a Council motion to have the City leverage their data sharing agreement with Waves. Council Member Paul Koretz, Council District 5, is chair of the Transportation Committee.

Jolly said that he wants to add to “contact City Council and and the Transportation Chair” to the motion. Bowers seconded that amendment.

VOTE for amendment

17-0-0

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Tad Yenawine
Darcy Harris
Michael Galano
Richard Courtney
Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal
Andrew Knauer
Jeffrey Kontorovsky
Connie Acosta
Ida Talalla
Margarita Fernandez
Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega
Mike Jolly
Andy Griggs
Jim Brown
Paul Bowers
Daniel Heimpel

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

None

VOTE for amended motion

17-0-0

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Tad Yenawine
Darcy Harris
Michael Galano
Richard Courtney
Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal
Andrew Knauer
Jeffrey Kontorovsky

Connie Acosta
Ida Talalla
Margarita Fernandez
Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega
Mike Jolly
Andy Griggs
Jim Brown
Paul Bowers
Daniel Heimpel

No Votes:
None

Abstentions:
None

b. Requests from the Bureau of Street Services for street repair including potholes within the EPNC boundaries. Solicit suggestions of locations for repair from other Board Members.

Bowers said there's been a lot of rain, lots of potholes. Use 311 and contact me too. Yenawine said we'll send out an email and ask for pothole locations.

c. In response to Willits vs. City of LA Settlement, form a subgroup of disabled stakeholders (members of the class named in the suit) to identify and submit suggestions regarding sidewalk improvements.

Bowers said that he wants to get the word out about a big settlement about dangerous sidewalks. The more people who submit, the higher priority this will receive. There could be a separate committee formed. We want to identify the most dangerous places. Always submit this to the 311 app.

Andy Griggs commented that because of the settlement, there is discussion about outreach to the disability committees. There are events that are not accessible. Not many people attend meetings. Maybe have the Outreach Committee have a forum or town hall about this?

Padilla-Mavropoulos said to be aware that we have many events coming up. None of them were accessible last year. She'd like to see something that addresses that.

Ida Talalla mentioned the crosswalks around Glendale and Montana, Alvarado and Glendale. Some of these are Caltrans' responsibility. Caltrans has failed.

d. Discussion and/or possible action requesting \$200 for public works literature and materials including My311 LA for promotion and distribution in the community.

Talalla said I object to Mike Jolly's hand gesture to try to move the meeting along.

Yenawine said that he wants to postpone this. Harris seconded.

VOTE to postpone

17-0-0

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Tad Yenawine
Darcy Harris
Michael Galano
Richard Courtney
Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal
Andrew Knauer
Jeffrey Kontorovsky
Connie Acosta
Ida Talalla
Margarita Fernandez
Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega
Mike Jolly
Andy Griggs
Jim Brown
Paul Bowers
Daniel Heimpel

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

None

8. [PLUC] Discussion and/or possible action on the following:

a. Recommendations regarding Mohawk Collective project/application for master CUP -Planning Case No. ZA-2016-4077-MCUP (2106, 2110,

2112, 2114, 2118, 2124, 2128 and 2134 West Sunset Boulevard, 1041 North Alvarado Street, & 1030 and 1032 North Mohawk Street)

(Note: Michael Galano left the room at 7:49pm.)

Connie Acosta said that there are 15 of them, including one on Alvarado and 2 on Mohawk. We had a town hall meeting about this and wrote a letter of recommendation regarding the concerns of stakeholders.

Harris explained the issue. Alcohol and the hours are a concern. The Planning and Land Use Committee wants no alcohol sold until 4pm on weekdays. No sale after midnight on weekends. She also wants them to have security guard. Parkihng issue. They offered supported with those qualifications.

Acosta noted that the driveway is 25 ft from a school entrance. That's very close.

Harris made the motion. Richard Courtney seconded.

Geaga-Rosenthal had questions regarding the hours when alcohol is to be served. Harris answered them.

VOTE
11-3-1
PASSED

Yes Votes:

Tad Yenawine
Darcy Harris
Richard Courtney
Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal
Andrew Knauer
Jeffrey Kontorovsky
Connie Acosta
Cheryl Ortega
Mike Jolly
Jim Brown
Daniel Heimpel

No Votes:

Andy Griggs
Luiza Padilla-Mavropoulos
Margarita Fernandez

Abstentions:
Ida Talalla

(Note that Paul Bowers and Michael Galano are not in the room and did not vote.)

9. [Outreach] Discussion and/or possible action on the following

a. [Outreach 3-0-0] Approve and Send letter drafted by Daniel Heimpel and edited by Outreach Committee asking Mayor Eric Garcetti to name Los Angeles a Sanctuary City.

Padilla-Mavropoulos read the letter but not in its entirety as Yenawine objected with the understanding that everyone had a copy. They did not so Padilla-Mavropoulos passed them out.).

Geaga-Rosenthal made the motion. Ortega seconded.

A Man thanked the neighborhood council for taking steps to push the Mayor to make Los Angeles a sanctuary city. There was applause.

Daniel Heimpel noted that Attorney General Jeff Sessions said people will get their money back. He wants this added to the letter referencing Sessions' tough talk.

(Note: Michael Galano returned to the room at 7:59pm.)

Harris said that this is a great idea. Mayor Garcetti has since issued a stronger directive. It's 5 pages. We should look at this new executive directive more and tailor the letter to that. Yenawine seconded and called for a postponement.

Acosta noted that the Los Angeles Times said that California is the greatest economy. We ship 99% of our food to other states. They are dependent on our undocumented workers.

Bowers referred to the sanctuary city definition by Mayor Garcetti.

Griggs said yes, we must be careful. He made a motion to refer the issue back to committee. Yenawine said this is an amendment. Refer this back to the Outreach Committee.

Heimpel asked is there an inter-meeting mechanism to deal with this?

Michael Galano offered a suggestion but Yenawine said it was too broad. There is no immediate deadline, he added.

VOTE to refer back to outreach for redrafting and to postpone to next regular meeting.

17-0-0

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Tad Yenawine
Darcy Harris
Michael Galano
Richard Courtney
Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal
Andrew Knauer
Jeffrey Kontorovsky
Connie Acosta
Ida Talalla
Margarita Fernandez
Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega
Mike Jolly
Andy Griggs
Jim Brown
Paul Bowers
Daniel Heimpel

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

None

b. [Outreach 3-0-0] Outreach Asks board members to sign up for staffing help of the Echo Park Farmers market booth. The booth is in operation each Friday from 3p-7p. Sign sheet to be circulated during BOG meeting.

c. [Outreach 3-0-0] Outreach Asks board members to sign up for staffing help at the Echo Park Spring Fair and Egg Hunt, Sunday, April 9. Sign up sheet to be circulated during BOG meeting.

Galano made a motion to not talk about this.

David Rockello said this is a great idea!

Padilla-Mavropoulos said that the first Echo Park Farmers Market Booth will be staffed April 7.

d. [Outreach 3-0-0] Outreach submits for the Board's consideration three design proposals, as requested by the council, for the EPNC logo redesign. Materials showing designs to be submitted during BOG meeting (The Old Design, The New Design, and a Third Option).

Dominic said the third option is new. At the Council District 1 Forum at the Sotomayor Academy, he sat halfway back. Only one of them could be easily read from that distance (the artichoke).

He favors the third option because it is something from the neighborhood.

Rockello asked please bring us back to chili and the lotus. Johnmichael Hull did a great job. That lotus is iconic. Others have used it in their promotion of Echo Park. Don't throw out the baby with the bath water.

A Man said I agree with what he said. He's involved in the Lotus Festival. Echo Park is so diverse. We must not lose the core of what the community was.

Ida Talalla said there are two designs there (1,2). In terms of tradition. #2 is the one that people recognize. However, she likes #1 (artichoke).

Michael Galano asked is it possible to get some white in there for differentiation? Dominic commented that it would definitely be a two tone two color logo. Mike Jolly suggested reversing colors.

Yenawine noted that the third design has clear lettering that people can see. Dominic added that this is something specifically from the neighborhood. Jolly said that branding is important.

Padilla-Mavropoulos said we've had so much taken from our community yet so many people remember the traditional Echo Park. She didn't like that people asked whether the design was an artichoke or an asparagus. We've lost a lot of tradition. Please keep our traditional logo with the red chili peppers. (design #2)

Richard Courtney said I agree with Padilla-Mavropoulos. However, branding is so important. In a room with 500 people, the only banner that was clear was ours.

Jim Brown said it's absurd that we're spending so much time on this. I'm embarrassed to be a part of this. However, I think #2 is the most definitive of these.

Geaga-Rosenthal said that from a sentimental perspective (she was part of the founding Echo Park Neighborhood Council Board in 2002), she likes #2.

Griggs said that design #1 stood out at that meeting was because of the color. So if there was color in #2, it would also stand out. Galano commented that that would leave us in logo limbo.

Yenawine said that if we agree in concept on one design, we can look at more versions of that. Ortega commented that this community is in so much flux. Bowers said that the #1 design doesn't have to have the lettering where it is. You can put that to the side. You can encircle where the artichoke is. He said that he favors the original logo.

A Man asked can we have copies of what you're looking at? You are the only ones with copies.

Harris suggested to take the logo and use a new font. There is color. Acosta commented that in designs #1 and #2, the circle seems isolated. They are not integrated. For #2, you could move the lettering down a bit.

Talalla said that the second design is the lotus on the lake. The crest on the back misrepresents the lotus. She likes Acosta's idea.

Galano made a motion to pass this back to the Outreach Committee with the second design as having the most teeth. Geaga-Rosenthal seconded. Heimpel said when they come back, use the second design.

Yenawine offered an alternate motion: this include Galano's motion and authorizes the use of this design on business cards right now. He likes the clarity of placing words to the side. This would look good on business cards if we had a clear image. Jolly said to have Echo Park follow our design.

Yenawine said that he will vote against his own motion.

We had some business cards printed prematurely with the wrong logo. Yenawine is asking people to vote no.

VOTE to print with this logo and refer the design back to outreach

1-16-0

FAILED

Yes Votes:

Jim Brown

No Votes:

Tad Yenawine

Darcy Harris

Michael Galano

Richard Courtney

Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal

Andrew Knauer

Jeffrey Kontorovsky

Connie Acosta

Ida Talalla

Margarita Fernandez

Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous

Cheryl Ortega

Mike Jolly

Andy Griggs

Paul Bowers

Daniel Heimpel

Abstentions:

None

Yenawine withdrew his motion. Galano withdrew his motion.

Yenawine said to refer this back to Outreach.

VOTE to refer this item back to committee with design #2

17-0-0

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Tad Yenawine

Darcy Harris

Michael Galano

Richard Courtney

Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal

Andrew Knauer

Jeffrey Kontorovsky

Connie Acosta
Ida Talalla
Margarita Fernandez
Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega
Mike Jolly
Andy Griggs
Jim Brown
Paul Bowers
Daniel Heimpel

No Votes:
None

Abstentions:
None

10. [BFC] Discussion and possible Action on the following

a. [Outreach 3-0-0] Discussion and possible action re: approving Up To \$1,800 for possible location costs, food costs, beverage costs, and flyer costs to host a CD1 Runoff Election Town Hall with the remaining candidates Gil Cedillo and Joe Bray-Ali. The Town Hall will be held in District 5 of the EPNC map, at a location TBD, or somewhere also suitable within the Echo Park boundaries. The Date of the Town Hall is TBD dependent on the candidates' and location schedules. Upon approval, Outreach will engage with other neighborhood councils to seek financial and staffing assistance and participation, in order to lessen our financial obligation.

Galano said the total budget for this event is \$1,600 but you're being asked by the Outreach Committee to approve \$1,800 in case other neighborhood councils can't handle this. The Budget and Finance Committee recommended approval of \$750. We weren't sure how many neighborhood councils would be involved. Potentially there could 4-5 of them participating.

Acosta wants to amend the motion to \$400. Jolly wants to amend it to zero. Acosta and Kontorovsky seconded Jolly's motion. Harris said that 6-7 other neighborhood councils are interested in co-sponsoring the event.

Candidate Jo Bray Ali can't possibly without this, said David Rockello. The election date is May 15. Spend the money, he urged.

Dominic said they won't pay for this themselves as Jolly suggests. He added that it's difficult to get Council Member Gil Cedillo to attend. This is standard practice. The original \$1,800 was for us to pay for the entire event without help from other neighborhood councils. We do need to pony up.

Marcie Rose, a Glassell Park Neighborhood Council Board Member, said that she would talk to them.

Ortega asked what actually determines the \$1,800 amount?

Dominic said that the cost of the last one for CD13 was \$1,300 with total budget of \$2,400. There were more than two candidates involved with several neighborhood councils involved, said Yenawine. This would be a good public service, he added.

Griggs said this is very important. Galano noted that we have \$5,000 in budget for events. We have a good amount of money for this kind of thing. Budget and Finance Committee meetings are where we decide these things.

Acosta said that she wants to make motion for \$400. Council Member Gil Cedillo is head of the Citywide Housing Committee so this is very important.

Padilla-Mavropoulos said that people are upset about the amount of money. We didn't have a high turnout at the last election. If we can make a difference, we should do this. If anyone can give a little guy a hand, Cedillo won't go out and do it.

Jolly said this is important. If we put money towards this, it's important for other neighborhood councils to do so too. Other neighborhood councils must pitch in.

Acosta suggested to donate a maximum of \$400. Yenawine said that he wants to postpone this if we can't come to consensus. Acosta said that at past events, she saw lots of food go to waste.

Talalla said that when you have candidates talking, let's use some of that money towards buying equipment.

Courtney said that at the last town hall, we were trying to rebrand and become legitimate neighborhood council. This is a great way to do so. We can rebrand. We have to be responsible for what's going on.

Harris said that she helped coordinate the Council District 13 Forum. We spent \$2400. The last one took 3 months to organize. If we want to make it happen, we must have the flexibility to get started now. It would be great to get this done.

Brown said let's vote on the original amount. Griggs agreed. Ortega wants a postponement. Yenawine said there is another amendment for \$1,800.

Rockello urged to spend the money. A Man said it's better outreach than anything I've heard in the last two meetings.

VOTE to amend to \$1800

14-1-0-2

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Tad Yenawine
Darcy Harris
Michael Galano
Richard Courtney
Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal
Andrew Knauer
Jeffrey Kontorovsky
Ida Talalla
Margarita Fernandez
Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega
Mike Jolly
Andy Griggs
Jim Brown

No Votes:

Connie Acosta

Abstentions:

None

Ineligibles:

Paul Bowers
Daniel Heimpel

VOTE for amended motion

14-1-0-2

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Tad Yenawine
Darcy Harris
Michael Galano
Richard Courtney
Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal
Andrew Knauer
Jeffrey Kontorovsky
Ida Talalla
Margarita Fernandez
Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega
Mike Jolly
Andy Griggs
Jim Brown

No Votes:

Connie Acosta

Abstentions:

None

Ineligibles:

Paul Bowers
Daniel Heimpel

Dominic said that May 2, 3, or 9 are the most probable dates. The election is May 15.

b. Translator services/equipment discussion/recommendation

Galano said there is no motion.

c. Discussion/recommendation re: Friends of the Echo Park Library NPG application, \$1,000 to add to the Filipino Heritage and Spanish Language book collections, to be purchased through gift cards purchased by the Friends of the Echo Park Library to be delivered to Echo Park Library librarians.

Geaga-Rosenthal is recusing herself.

Galano said we received the application last month.

Harris made the motion. Padilla-Mavropoulos seconded.

Rockello urged to please spend the money.

A Man from Friends of Echo Park branch library noted that there is a difference between the Edendale proposal and ours. Half of the \$1,000 is to purchase books for the Philippine Heritage Collection. This is the only branch in library system with this. We're missing some very important titles.

VOTE
14-0-0-3
PASSED

Yes Votes:

Tad Yenawine
Darcy Harris
Michael Galano
Richard Courtney
Andrew Knauer
Jeffrey Kontorovsky
Connie Acosta
Ida Talalla
Margarita Fernandez
Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega
Mike Jolly
Andy Griggs
Jim Brown

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

None

Ineligibles/Recusals:

Paul Bowers
Daniel Heimpel
Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal

d. Discussion/recommendation re: St. Vincent Meals on Wheels NPG application, \$5,000 to benefit Echo Park Seniors struggling with hunger.

Galano said that's not in our grants budget. He recommends \$1,000. He also mentioned the community improvement projects budget. There is quite a bit of money there. Yenawine warned that we have \$23,000 to spend by June or it goes back to the City.

A Man said we have 174 elderly people affected. We're asking for more because they are benefiting on a daily basis.

We're doing this as far away as El Segundo. We're preparing 4000 meals per day. The budget would be for the 174 elderly. The total budget is much more than \$25,000, asked Yenawine. Three months funding would take \$3,400 alone for Echo Park. So the request should be for \$5,000, asked Yenawine.

Harris made a motion for \$2,000. Galano seconded.

Rockello asked can't you make it more? This is a great idea. With President Trump threatening to eliminate Meals on Wheels. Make this an age friendly city. Also, appoint Talalla to the committee.

Talalla said she must recuse herself from this. She is leaving the room.

Acosta said we should do the whole \$5000. That amount should be good. Fernandez seconded.

Paul Bowers recused himself.

Padilla-Mavropoulos said there has been an increase of senior citizens being fed at Echo Park, not just the homeless. She wants to vote for \$5,000. Courtney said that he also wants \$5,000 to be spent. It's an amazing program. Ortega said Meals on Wheels doesn't just feed the homeless. This saves lives. Griggs said that he was in favor of \$5,000. Will we need budget reconciliation too, he asked.

Bowers said he is not recusing himself.

VOTE for amended amount of \$5,000
14-0-0-3
PASSED

VOTE for amended motion
14-0-0-3
PASSED

Yes Votes:
Tad Yenawine
Darcy Harris
Michael Galano

Richard Courtney
Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal
Andrew Knauer
Jeffrey Kontorovsky
Connie Acosta
Margarita Fernandez
Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega
Mike Jolly
Andy Griggs
Jim Brown

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

None

Ineligibles/Recusals:

Paul Bowers
Daniel Heimpel
Ida Talalla

e. Discussion/recommendation re: Mayberry School Garden NPG application, \$2,500 for maintenance of the edible garden in partnership with EnrichLA.

Galano said that he recommended \$1,000. The school is on the border of Echo Park and Silver Lake. It is seeking \$2,500 from each neighborhood council. Geaga-Rosenthal had concerns about number of students who could benefit.

Yenawine noted that we just allocated \$7,800. We have roughly \$19,000 left in the budget.

Rockello urged to spend the maximum amount. Give the city only \$200 back. Ortega noted that this is the lowest economically based school in Echo Park.

Galano made a substitute motion for \$1,000. Jolly suggested to divide money between all 7 schools. Yenawine said he hopes that other schools will submit applications but we can't do that without applications. Ortega asked could we give \$7,000 if all schools apply?

Talalla asked in 3 months are they going to grow a garden? Who will garden during the summer? Nobody goes to school in summer.

Galano asked is anyone here from the school? Ortega asked why didn't they come to committee? *Galano made a motion to refer this to committee since they didn't show up.*

VOTE to refer to committee
15-0-0-2
PASSED

Yes Votes:

Tad Yenawine
Darcy Harris
Michael Galano
Richard Courtney
Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal
Andrew Knauer
Jeffrey Kontorovsky
Connie Acosta
Ida Talalla
Margarita Fernandez
Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega
Mike Jolly
Andy Griggs
Jim Brown

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

None

Ineligibles:

Paul Bowers
Daniel Heimpel

f. Approval of up to \$2,000 plus up to \$100 ongoing monthly fee for hosting and admin services to redo website with city approved vendor.

Yenawine said that the actual written quote was for significantly less than this. Bowers said this person has been doing this for 12 years and also handles several other neighborhood councils. (Christina Smith of the Mail Room is the person.)

Galano said we recommended \$600. Harris pointed out that some things weren't included in the quote. *Yenawine made a motion to amend for up to \$1000 with \$130 monthly. Bowers seconded.* Padilla-Mavropoulis said this has been long in coming.

VOTE for amendment
\$1,000 plus up to \$130 per month for hosting and administrative services.
15-0-0-2
PASSED

Yes Votes:

Tad Yenawine
Darcy Harris
Michael Galano
Richard Courtney
Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal
Andrew Knauer
Jeffrey Kontorovsky
Connie Acosta
Ida Talalla
Margarita Fernandez
Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega
Mike Jolly
Andy Griggs
Jim Brown

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

None

Ineligibles:

Paul Bowers
Daniel Heimpel

VOTE for amended motion
15-0-0-2
PASSED

Yes Votes:

Tad Yenawine
Darcy Harris
Michael Galano

Richard Courtney
Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal
Andrew Knauer
Jeffrey Kontorovsky
Connie Acosta
Ida Talalla
Margarita Fernandez
Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega
Mike Jolly
Andy Griggs
Jim Brown

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

None

Ineligibles:

Paul Bowers
Daniel Heimpel

- g. Discussion re: Sunset Bridge Mural (SBM) CIP.
- h. Discussion/recommendation of \$250 for design deposit of SBM CIP Project for the completion of a design rendering for a “Welcome to Echo Park” mural to be painted on the north-facing side of the Echo Park bridge over Glendale.
- i. Reimbursement of Darcy Harris \$29.56 for Homeless Count Water.
- j. Reimbursement of Darcy Harris \$46.84 (EPNC retreat food).

Galano said that he wants to scrap agenda items g, h, i and j. Harris seconded, saying that we can do them later.

However, Rockello noted that the speaker for items i and h is here, sitting patiently the whole time. Ernesto Villaragoso is the artist. He says that the mural is under attack right now.

Galano said this is a personal project of mine that I’m working on, a community improvement project. I have an artist to volunteer. The Chamber of Commerce also has an artist. There is also a third artist. He asked for a \$250 deposit for design. It would be awesome. This is the only thing that needs a motion.

Acosta said that she wants to make a motion.

Galano wants to refer this to the Community Improvements Project Committee, which doesn't exist. *Yenawine said that we're postponing and referring.*

Talalla asked can we get a request for proposals from all of the artists? Galano said we have \$2,500 for the entire project. \$250 would go to one artist for design. That's not the project budget.

Griggs said this sounds ideal. It's great outreach. Call for designs. We should refer it. Maybe push it into next year and get the community involved raising money for awards?

Padilla-Mavropoulos asked Villaragoso you made the mural in the Edendale library? He replied yes. There was applause.

**VOTE to refer and postpone item h
15-0-0-2
PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Tad Yenawine
Darcy Harris
Michael Galano
Richard Courtney
Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal
Andrew Knauer
Jeffrey Kontorovsky
Connie Acosta
Ida Talalla
Margarita Fernandez
Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega
Mike Jolly
Andy Griggs
Jim Brown

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

None

Ineligibles:

Paul Bowers
Daniel Heimpel

k. Authorization of up to \$1300/month for long term contract to rent portion of bottom floor of Echo Park United Methodist Church for EPNC meeting and office space and to make available to other community organizations and events, including possible joint agreement with other community organizations to share the space.

Yenawine said this is the room that we are talking about. We would have 24 hour access. We could receive mail here. For \$1,300 it offsets about \$450 in expenses a month right now. It's great for committee meetings. There is air conditioning. There is a possibility of finding a community partner to share expense.
Courtney seconded.

A Woman said I think it's a lot of your yearly budget. Also, parking is a problem. A Man asked what about other committees?

Sally said we have lots of parking at the St. Athanasius Church, which would be a great location for you. What is your need? Yenawine said small, about 200 sq ft. She said she'll ask tomorrow.

A Man expressed concern that this would be 1/3 of of the annual budget. Not a lot of people attend meetings. Rockello said I said no to this, the long term contract. This might be the right location but there are other possibilities.

Talalla commented we talk about having community groups here. Do we have a commitment? Can we charge them enough? Galano said we have to come up with creative ways to do that.

Yenawine said I have an email into the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) asking whether people can donate to the church for us? We don't know yet. We're already spending \$450 per month. It's a huge chunk of our budget but we can find ways to offset it.

Acosta said she had a concern about the bylaws but she can't find the issue now. She said that she is worried that we would be violating our bylaws. Yenawine said that's not true according to DONE. Feel free to abstain from voting, he suggested.

Kontorovsky said this is a perfect space. Padilla-Mavropoulos asked about ideas for charging people to use the facilities.

Yenawine said we can't charge anyone anything. We can't accept donations.

Harris said that next year, people can find creative solutions. The Executive Committee spent a lot of time on this. It's frustrating that this is what I have to spend my time on. Right now, no one knows where our meetings are. Having an office in same space would make things so much easier.

Yenawine said we have stuff in storage that we don't use. This would consolidate everything in one place.

DONE representative Thomas Soong said that his colleague Jeff Brill is working on ways to deal with this.

Jim Brown said this is a great space but an unreasonable expense. Geaga-Rosenthal noted that the offset would be \$850 times 12 months. Griggs expressed his concern. I love this space. But it's not acceptable because of parking. I'd like to see a one year cap for this in order for me to vote for this. He recommends a commitment of 6 months. He will help to negotiate.

Bowers said that's a great offer. This will allow us to really do our work. It's too hard right now to find locations. This could be a game changer. The alternative would be a struggle.

Ortega said we can possibly find cheaper space. What if we vote yes now and Sally finds out tomorrow about St. Athanasius?

Yenawine said this allows us to begin negotiations. If we negotiate with Sally's church, we can do this or not. If we don't approve it, we can't do it.

This is a wonderful room but parking is an issue. It's not safe to walk around here, said a Woman. Yenawine conceded that there are definitely draw backs to this space but it is ADA (Americans With Disabilities Act) approved. Talalla asked if we go to St. Athanasius Church instead of here, what about storage?

Yenawine proposed an alternative motion. Take out the words "portion of the bottom floor of Echo Park Church" and insert "portion of space". Jim Brown seconded.

Acosta asked why are we worried about other community organizations? We should worry about ourselves.

**VOTE on amendment
“to rent space for ENPC meetings and office” with
authorization of up to \$1,300 per month.**

14-0-1-2

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Tad Yenawine
Darcy Harris
Richard Courtney
Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal
Andrew Knauer
Jeffrey Kontorovsky
Connie Acosta
Ida Talalla
Margarita Fernandez
Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega
Mike Jolly
Andy Griggs
Jim Brown

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

Michael Galano

Ineligibles:

Paul Bowers
Daniel Heimpel

l. Authorization of up to \$1200 (\$50 per board member plus tax) for hosting of new email addresses (@echoparknc.com) integrated with new website and using gmail browser. This is a yearly expense.

[Communications 2-0-0]

Alternative motion: Discussion and possible action re: approving up to \$1200 for printing business cards for all Board members with updated email addresses in lieu of switching email address hosting (including Griggs and Lo) [Yenawine/Harris]

m. Bank Account switch from Union Bank discussion/recommendation.

n. Discussion re: details on planned basketball court restoration project at the Echo Park Recreation Center (1632 Bellevue Ave).

o. Review and discussion of New CIP form.

(Note: Mike Jolly left the meeting at 9:30pm.)

Galano wants to postpone items l to o.

Griggs said that he wants to give everyone his new email address:
andy.g.epnc@gmail.com

Geaga-Rosenthal seconded the postponements.

**VOTE to postpone items 10.l, m, n, and o
14-0-0-2
PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Tad Yenawine
Darcy Harris
Michael Galano
Richard Courtney
Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal
Andrew Knauer
Jeffrey Kontorovsky
Connie Acosta
Ida Talalla
Margarita Fernandez
Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega
Andy Griggs
Jim Brown

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

None

Ineligibles:

Paul Bowers
Daniel Heimpel

(Note: Andrew Knauer left at 9:32pm.)

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Geaga-Rosenthal made the motion. Galano seconded.

VOTE for Monthly Expense Report (MER)

13-0-0-2

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Tad Yenawine
Darcy Harris
Michael Galano
Richard Courtney
Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal
Jeffrey Kontorovsky
Connie Acosta
Ida Talalla
Margarita Fernandez
Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega
Andy Griggs
Jim Brown

No Votes:

None

Abstentions:

None

Ineligibles:

Paul Bowers
Daniel Heimpel

11. Discussion and/or possible action on Bylaws Amendments:

- a. Bylaws, Article III, §2 to set the boundary between District 5 and District 6 at Glendale Blvd [BSR 2-13-17 5-0-0; reconsidered 3-21-17 3-1-1]

Yenawine said that a Bonnie Brae boundary makes more sense but Glendale Boulevard is where most people feel there would be less resistance.

Geaga-Rosenthal made the motion. Kontorovsky seconded. They are both District 5 representatives.

David Rugal spoke in Spanish with an English translation. He said that he lives at Temple and Belmont. He is concerned about injustice. We Latinos are 60% of the population of that area. Filipinos are less at 40%. We Latinos did not participate. We all

pay taxes. We need to be included in District 6. He then continued in English: It's unfair. We want some seats. We have a right to participate in our community. He wants the dividing line at Bonnie Brae.

A Woman spoke in Spanish with translation. She said she wants the boundary on Bonnie Brae or Alvarado. The area is mostly Latino. She's lived there for over 40 years.

Carmen Medina asked why are we making this an issue? The neighborhood council should represent the boundaries of the neighborhood council. Look at the map. Pulling it back does a disservice. Stick with Alvarado.

Rockello reminded that the Temple-Beaudry area was created in 2002. It's District 5. District 6 is Historical Filipino Town. Having a district with two different council members makes no sense. A woman expressed objection.

Margarita Fernandez said that she wants the boundary to be Bonnie Brae. Acosta seconded.

Kontorovsky said I agree with the Bylaws decision.

Mavropoulos said traditionally the boundary was Bonnie Brae. It became an issue when the two sides were not sharing money equally. She said that she wants the 5th district to get the appropriate amount of money. She is in favor of amendment.

Jim Brown said to keep things as they are. Geaga-Rosenthal said that a statement of the Bonnie Brae area population is arbitrary. We would need data. Yenawine said that according to data, 15% of Historic Filipino Town is Filipino.

Gaega-Rosenthal said that District 5 has a certain population. The Glendale boundary is part of the City's process. She is supporting the Glendale boundary for historical and justice reasons.

Bowers said that he favors the Glendale Boulevard boundary. He wants to create fair representation. He wants a main street as a boundary. He wants District 6 to be smaller to create more power for people in that area.

Acosta said that historic Filipino town starts at Hoover Street. We should go by terrain, not by population. She wants the boundary to be Bonnie Brae.

Talalla said this issue has been festering for years without reconciliation. Bonnie Brae is the place to make it fair and equitable.

Yenawine said the eastern part of District 5 often underserved. All of district 5 is frequently underserved on this Board. That's a huge issue. This is an attempt at reparations. He supports the Glendale Boulevard boundary. If we don't agree on a boundary now, we will need a special meeting. Padilla-Mavropoulos suggested to have a town hall meeting.

Yenawine reminded them that there is a motion on the floor, a motion to amend the boundary to Bonnie Brae (from Glendale Boulevard).

VOTE for Bonnie Brae boundary amendment:

7-6-2

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Tad Yenawine
Richard Courtney
Connie Acosta
Ida Talalla
Margarita Fernandez
Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega

No Votes:

Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal
Jeffrey Kontorovsky
Darcy Harris
Jim Brown
Andy Griggs
Paul Bowers

Abstentions:

Michael Galano
Daniel Heimpel

Padilla-Mavropoulos said that she is in favor of the Bonnie Brae boundary. Listen to the people, she implored.

VOTE for amended motion

10-4-1

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Tad Yenawine
Darcy Harris
Richard Courtney
Connie Acosta
Ida Talalla
Margarita Fernandez
Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega
Paul Bowers
Daniel Heimpel

No Votes:

Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal
Jeffrey Kontorovsky
Jim Brown
Andy Griggs

Abstentions:

Michael Galano

Yenawine said this may become an issue in the future.

Harris pointed out an issue regarding the outcome of the vote because of the neighborhood council's Bylaws.

Yenawine made a motion to reconsider the amended motion it because of the Bylaws. 11 votes are needed under the bylaws. There are only 10 votes. This is a procedural issue.

Griggs asked is there a deadline? Yenawine said May 1.

Geaga-Rosenthal said that she objects to this reconsideration. Kontorovsky also objects.

VOTE to reconsider the vote for the amended motion

11-4-0

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Tad Yenawine
Darcy Harris
Richard Courtney
Connie Acosta

Ida Talalla
Margarita Fernandez
Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega
Michael Galano
Paul Bowers
Daniel Heimpel

No Votes:

Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal
Jeffrey Kontorovsky
Jim Brown
Andy Griggs

Abstentions:

None

Galano said that he wants a special meeting.

(Note: Yenawine called for a 5 minute break at 9:59pm. The meeting resumed at 10:10pm.)

Geaga-Rosenthal said that Glendale Boulevard is the boundary for Council Districts 1 and 13. There is much historical precedence for this boundary.

Griggs said the boundary is what convinces me. He added that he is disappointed about the strong arming and the threats of a special meeting regarding this issue. The deadline is May 1. There is time. He also said that he appreciates what the Bylaws Committee has done. An extra meeting wouldn't hurt.

Acosta informed the group that Council District 13 extends west to Temple Street.

Second VOTE for amended motion

10-5-0

FAILED

Yes Votes:

Tad Yenawine
Darcy Harris
Richard Courtney
Connie Acosta
Ida Talalla
Margarita Fernandez

Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega
Paul Bowers
Daniel Heimpel

No Votes:

Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal
Jeffrey Kontorovsky
Michael Galano
Jim Brown
Andy Griggs

Abstentions:

None

b. Bylaws Article V, Section 4 – Terms, term limits and staggered elections to establish four year, over lapping terms that are vacated in alternating election years without term limits for BOG members [BSR 2-13-17 3-2-0]

Yenawine explained that the problem is the reconstitution of the Board every two years. This offers continuity.

Harris made the motion. Courtney seconded.

Rockello said this neighborhood council is not ready for 4 year terms. There is a reason for term limits. A Man commented that we want people to participate in District 6.

Talalla said the 4 year term is far too long. Staggering for continuity gives power to chair. This change needs to be discussed.

Acosta said this is very ambitious but not realistic. We've been back one year and half the board has already changed. Can we go another year without dropouts?

Jim Brown said that four years is too long. Ortega said that there has been continuity. Bowers said I'm conflicted. He has doubts that he would want to serve four years.

Harris commented that many people will drop out no matter what but this would allow mentoring and continuity versus paralysis. When you are not up for elections, we must have an Elections Committee with people who are not running.

Fernandez said that 4 years for volunteers is too much. People have been dropping out. We must have term limits.

Yenawine said I've been through one board transition. None of funding items left over were dealt with. All that money went back to the City. Regarding concerns about serving for a 4-year term, he said you don't have to do all four years. There can be a graceful process of recruiting new members. The point is to make the board in service to the community. Term limits amendments would be fine with me. He favors this as written.

Talalla said a 4-year deal is bad. It doesn't give the community a chance. This board went through exhaustive measures, intervention that should have happened with the prior Board. Yenawine interrupted her, asking what is the point?

Geaga-Rosenthal said I support this. The other changes address how to remove Board members. She likes the whole package of Bylaws changes.

Yenawine said that we will need 11 votes in order to make this change.

VOTE
11-4-0
PASSED

Yes Votes:

Tad Yenawine
Darcy Harris
Michael Galano
Richard Courtney
Joselyn Geaga-Rosenthal
Jeffrey Kontorovsky
Luiza Padilla-Mavropolous
Cheryl Ortega
Andy Griggs
Paul Bowers
Daniel Heimpel

No Votes:

Connie Acosta
Ida Talalla
Margarita Fernandez
Jim Brown

Abstentions:

None

c. Bylaws Article V, section 1 Board Composition

d. Bylaws, package, approval of remaining Bylaws Committee recommendations, with authority to Bylaws Committee Chair to make corrections to make ensure BOG approved changes consistent throughout the Bylaws

e. Authorization for Bylaws Committee chair Darcy Harris and BOG Chair Tad Yenawine to complete and submit all forms and submissions regarding Bylaws to DONE on behalf of EPNC

f. Recommendation to DONE and BONC that DONE establish Grievance procedures separate from NC operations applicable to all NCs equally

*Yenawine made a motion to postpone the rest of the meeting.
Ortega seconded.*

12. Announcements

Harris said that there will be a special meeting next Tuesday, April 4, at 8pm.

13. Future Agenda Items

Ortega said that she wants board members to say immediately whether they are in favor of a motion when discussing it.

Harris said that we should weigh in on the DONE plan to change the voting age and changing the timing of elections.

Griggs said that he wants to start meetings at 7:15pm. (parking controls end at 7pm)

Rockello said that he wants you to consider the Mayor's recommendation to make Los Angeles an age friendly city.

14. Adjournment

Acosta made a motion to adjourn.

The meeting ended at 10:32pm.