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Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 14, 2021

Zoom Meeting
(DRAFT)
7:01PM - 8:49PM

Regular Meeting Location:
Currently Zoom Meetings
Meets the Second Tuesday 7:00PM

Zoom Link
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86842396909>

Boardmember		Roll Call	Funding Vote Eligible*	Category
Romana Barajas	Vice-Chair	Present	YES	At-Large
Clint Birdsong	Chair	Present	YES	At-Large
Mack Hill		Absent	YES	At-Large
Ash Kramer	Treasurer	Present	YES	At-Large
Bryan Kramer		Present	YES	At-Large
Javier Lopez		Present	YES	At-Large
Lizette Montes		Absent	YES	At-Large
Teresa Roman		Absent	YES	At-Large
Rebecca Trotsky-Sirr		Present	YES	At-Large
TOTAL: 13		PRESENT 06, Absent 03		

*Funding vote eligibility key: **A**=age less than 18 yrs.; **E**=Ethics training; **F**=Funding training; **N**=not taken; **X**=expired

Items may be addressed out of the order listed. Los temas se pueden abordar en un orden distinto al del listado.

1. Call to Order- The Meeting was called to order by Chair, Clint Birdsong at 7:01PM.
 - 1.1. Roll Call- The Roll was called by the Minute Taker a quorum of five was reached.

NWSPNC Roll Call	
Present- 06	Absent- 03
Barajas, Birdsong, A. Kramer, B. Kramer, Lopez, Trotsky-Sirr	Hill, Montes, Roman

- 1.2. Welcome stakeholders present, acknowledgment of Tongva land, introductions, code of conduct reminder and summary of telephonic meeting procedures. **The agenda and documents for tonight's meeting are available on the website. All of the items above were addressed by the chair including Conflict of Interest. The meetings are translated into Spanish.**

2. Comments from Public Officials

- a. Ricardo Flores, CD1- **The Council Office did a giveaway at Pepper and 27th. They will continue to bring resources to Cypress Park. Saturday at The River Center there will be a Christmas event. The first 100 children will receive a toy. Baskets of produce will also be given. He invited the Board to participate. Starting in January they will begin doing clean-ups, at least once a month. The Rapid Response Team will be picking up dumped items. Send Mr. Flores the locations that need to be cleaned and any community concerns. On January 15, 2022, at the Cypress Park Rec. Center, there will be a meeting with LAPD in regards to crime. It will be an in-person meeting, held outdoors due to Covid. He invited the Board to attend. He will send a flyer.**
- b. Octaviano Rios, DONE- **The CORE Training Modules are complete and are available to watch online. You can find the link in the monthly profile or contact Mr. Rios. Those trainings were optional. The Anti-bias, ABLE training is required by all Boardmembers and is for equity and inclusion, the deadline is January 1, 2022. Members of the Land Use Committee need to do a Planning 101 Training which is also available on Cornerstone. There is a new Bylaws template for your Bylaws revisions. The Deadline is April 1, 2022. Review all of the new language that needs to be added to all Agendas. (AB361)**

Meeting moved to Item 8.3

3. Public Comments- Comments from the Board, stakeholders, and the public on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. – **No public comments on non-agenda Items.**
4. Chair and Vice Chair Report- **Ms. Monte is having trouble attending the meetings. Not sure if she will remain on the Board.**
 - 4.1. Update on member eligibility to vote. - **Everyone is eligible to vote.**

5. Land Use and Housing/Homelessness Committee Action Items

- 5.1. Discussion and Possible Action: Update from CD1 on Ave 27 Unhoused Outreach <https://bit.ly/3EN32j3> **Mr. Kramer presented. There was outreach to the un-housed on Avenue 27. The Council Office is working on it. There is only one team for the District. The beautification project is not related to the homeless issue.**
- 5.2. Discussion and Possible Action: Letter of support for Councilmember Cedillo's CF 21-1415 to increase OD prevention training and resources and support for legislation that helps increase access to treatment and reduces barriers to coordination of care. **Mr. Kramer presented.**

**Public Comment-No Comment
Motion Passed**

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GCPNC ITEM 5.2. Motion to support Councilmember Cedillo's CF 21-1415 Moved: A. Kramer Second: Birdsong

MOTION- The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, Center for Health Impact Evaluation released a report on Recent Trends in Mortality Rates and Causes of Death Among People Experiencing Homelessness (PEH) in Los Angeles County, January 2021. Drug overdose has been the leading cause of death among people experiencing homelessness (PEH) since 2017. For the combined years of 2017-2019, PEH were 36 times more likely to die of a drug overdose than people in the general LA County population. The drug type involved in the highest percentage of overdose deaths in 2018, 2019 and the first seven months of 2020 was methamphetamine, but the only drug involved in increasing percentages of overdose deaths across all three years was fentanyl, which was involved in more than twice as many overdose deaths in the first seven months of 2020 as in all of 2019. The first seven months of 2020 saw an alarming increase in overdose deaths in this population. 273 PEH died of overdoses from January through July of 2020, compared to 205 during those same months in 2019-a 33% increase. This increase was driven largely by the more frequent involvement of fentanyl in overdose deaths among PEH in 2020 compared to the prior year. While there was no change from 2018 to 2019 in the percentage of overdose deaths involving fentanyl among white PEH, among Black and Latinx PEH fentanyl involvement in overdose deaths doubled. Then during the first seven months of 2020, fentanyl involved overdoses increased precipitously across all the three racial/ethnic groups. The data presented in this report demonstrates the urgent need for our systems of care and support for PEH in LA City and County to include a focus on preventing premature death for people using substances to cope with street life and trauma and struggling with substance use disorders.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority be directed to identify and report in 30 days all agency staff and contracted providers that received naloxone training and distribution along with frequency and status and opportunities to expand and require naloxone training and distribution to all contracted street-based services and shelter sites (Interim, WSP, A WS, PRK., PHK.) and their participants. I FURTHER MOVE that the Chief Legislative Office be directed to identify and report in 30 days all City departments that have contact with or provide services to people experiencing homelessness and indicate if the department provides employees with naloxone training and distribution along with frequency and opportunities to expand at existing departments and new departments. 2021:

I FURTHER MOVE that the Chief Legislative Office be directed to identify any current and future 2021-2025 years County, State, and Federal legislation for the City Council to consider taking an official position that would:

- Decrease the amount of time required to secure Drug Medi-Cal certification for new residential and non-residential service sites to enable the more rapid expansion of substance use disorder treatment networks to meet the needs of people experiencing homelessness.

- Decrease wait times between substance use disorder screening and treatment admissions by funding and improving LA County contracted providers' timely reporting of available beds using the Service Bed Availability Tool (SBAT), a web-based platform that tracks substance use disorder services in LA County.
- Increase federal matching dollars for services for people experiencing homelessness that are currently covered by Medi-Cal and explore opportunities to change Medi-Cal reimbursement policies to allow billing for services provided by multidisciplinary teams treating people experiencing homelessness in non-clinical settings like multi-disciplinary outreach teams.
- Increase distribution of naloxone to people experiencing homelessness in street settings and shelter/interim housing settings, and to those exiting jail and correctional facilities.
- Increase education of homeless service providers and people experiencing homelessness about the signs, symptoms and dangers of overdose.
- Increase investment in Recovery Bridge Housing (RBH) to ensure that all people experiencing homelessness receiving outpatient substance use disorder treatment services

<p>have access to interim housing for the duration of their treatment. o Expand syringe exchange programs into areas with high concentrations of overdose deaths among people experiencing homelessness to reduce overdose deaths, HIV, hepatitis C, and other infectious diseases in this vulnerable population.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expand and enhance LA County contracted substance use disorder provider utilization of LAHSA's HMIS to improve coordination of care and housing focused case management for people experience homelessness. PRESENTED BY: Gl ~ ~ ~A.CEDILLO Councilmember, 1st District SECOND EGL~ 			
Yes -06	No-00	Ineligible-00	Absent-03
Barajas, Birdsong, A. Kramer, B. Kramer, Lopez, Trotsky-Sirr	None	None	Hill, Montes, Roman

The meeting was moved to Item 8.1

6. Treasurer’s Report- **Ms. Kramer- thanked Ms. Barajas for her work on submitting the NPG’s**

1. Approval of the November 2021 Monthly Expenditure Reports

**Public Comment-No Comment
Motion Passed**

<p>GCPNC ITEM 6.1. Motion to approve the November 2021 Monthly Expenditure Reports Moved: A. Kramer Second: B Kramer</p>			
Yes -06	No-00	Ineligible-00	Absent-03
Barajas, Birdsong, A. Kramer, B. Kramer, Lopez, Trotsky-Sirr	None	None	Hill, Montes, Roman

2. Update on current state of funding-**No Update**

7. Consent Calendar

- a. Approve November Regular Meeting Minutes-**Item Postponed**

8. Action Items

- 8.1. Discussion and Possible Action: Presentation from Staff Attorneys at Public Counsel on legal resources offered by their organization including the Audrey Irmas Project for Women and Girls' Rights. **Mallory Sepler-King-We provide Pro Bono Legal Services for women, girls and transgender women. Housing, Justice, Human Rights, Sexual Abuse and Children’s rights are some of the issues they address. The services they provide are free. Their website provides a list of services and more information. They now have a new hotline. They would like to reach out to other organizations also.**

The meeting was returned to Item #6

- 8.2. Discussion and Possible Action: The California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) recently released the Final Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS). **Item Postponed**
- 8.3. Discussion and Possible Action: 100 Acre Partnership, Taylor Yard, and any other LA River area updates
 - a. Miguel Paredes- **We are continuing to engage as many stakeholders as possible until the**

end of the year. The release of information from the Community Advisory Committee and the Community Organizer position will be released shortly. Please check them out on the internet and FaceBook. The Bow Tie Design, State Parks is working on getting a design team. And is working on a conceptual design they can present to the public in early 2022. The Paseo Del Rio G-2 Design, the notices have been sent out for the selection and non-selection for the Task Order Solicitation for proposers and those for the Prop O Water Quality Project. Negotiations are on-going. The Bureau of Engineering have completed the IFR and will be presenting to the City Council. Mr. Paredes read from a letter he received that had additional information. Mr. Paredes will be at Saturday's Holiday Event.

- b. Ms. Barajas-Concerns were raised about Sixty gas and extraction wells that have not been located. How does that effect the design? There are lead levels in the dirt, is that being taken into consideration? They are moving forward but we don't know how safe it is. In G-1 there is a plating company. This can further contaminate the river. There is no transparency.**
- c. Juan Corral- asked about contamination and dust. Partner by purchasing air monitors. This is near parks and schools. Does design dictate contamination or does decontamination dictate design**
- d. Brian Baldauf, MRCA- We start with design and deal with issues as they come up. Early in 2022 we will have community meetings. We want to defer a town-hall. We are hosting small meetings, and have been meeting with Neighborhood Council Presidents and Vice Presidents in the project area. The letters given from the MRCA were for people on their property. There is no camping allowed on their property and it is enforced. At Taylor Yard there will be a pilot study to test a new system to clean the soil.**
- e. Mr. Kramer- Unhoused folks were receiving letters they would be arrested. There needs to be resources offered.**
- f. Sarai Jiminez- spoke about the TNC demonstration project and the involvement of Toxic Waste and Substances**

The Meeting was returned to Item #3 Public Comment

9. New Business and ideas for future meetings- No Comments

10. Upcoming Meetings and Events:

- a. Governing Board Meeting: Tuesday, January 11, 7:00PM**
- b. +Land Use and Housing/Homelessness Committee Monday, January 3, 6:00PM**

11. Adjournment- Meeting Adjourned at 8:49PM

**Next Greater Cypress Park General Board Meeting
January 11, 2022 at 7:00PM**

Copy of Chat

19:04:37 From Clint Birdsong (he/him) to Everyone:
<http://cypressparknc.com/dec21/>

19:12:19 From Clint Birdsong (he/him) to Everyone:
<http://cypressparknc.com/dec21/>

19:12:46 From Miguel Paredes to Host and Panelists:
Miguel Paredes of Lee Andrews Group for the 100 Acre Partnership Update

19:22:01 From Miguel Paredes to Everyone:
Q- What time is the Unidos event on Saturday?

19:26:03 From Ricardo (CD1) to Host and Panelists:
Hi, I'm sure most already have my contact information. Re-sending my telephone # (323) 770-8002.
This is the fastest way to get a hold of me.

19:26:34 From Ricardo (CD1) to Everyone:
HI Miguel - Event starts at 5:00 pm.

19:36:08 From Ricardo (CD1) to Host and Panelists:
Miguel - Please send me your contact information re: Unidos Por NELA Event. I want to connect you with the lead organizer. They have a set layout. Thank you,

19:39:05 From J Corral to Host and Panelists:
https://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/deliverable_documents/5065169394/Tasks%20for%20Soil%20Gas%20Well%20abandonment.pdf

19:40:02 From J Corral to Host and Panelists:
Wells abandonment workplan from the DTSC website

19:41:15 From Miguel Paredes to Host and Panelists:
Miguel Paredes 213-804-2127 mparedes@leeandrewsgroup.com

19:54:30 From Miguel Paredes to Everyone:
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19:54:39 From Miguel Paredes to Everyone:
Will do

19:57:24 From Miguel Paredes to Everyone:
I heard it

19:57:29 From Miguel Paredes to Everyone:
Duly noted

20:08:47 From Rebecca Trotzky to Host and Panelists:
Exodus contracts w county

20:19:36 From Clint Birdsong (he/him) to Everyone:
<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=21-1415>