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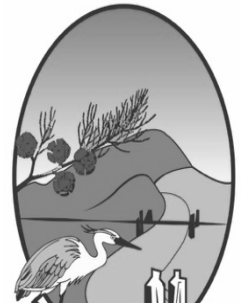
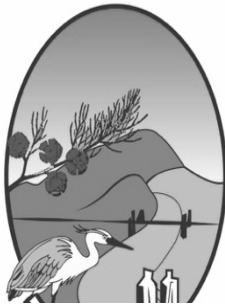
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GREATER CYPRESS PARK NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, December 10, 2024 – 7:00 PM
In Person Meeting



DRAFT MINUTES

Board Members	Roll Call
Ash Kramer	Present
Bryan Kramer	Present
Carmen Morales	Present
Dolores Bernal	Present
Teresa Roman	Absent
Mayra Duque	Absent
Gladys Ascencio	Absent

Call to Order

1.1 Roll Call. The meeting was called to order at 7: 10 PM. by Carmen Morales. Four (4) board members were present at roll call: Ash Kramer, Bryan Kramer, Dolores Bernal, Carmen Morales. Teresa Roman, Mayra Duque and Gladys Ascencio were absent. Quorum was not met.

2. Comments from Public Officials

2.1 Public Safety

LAFD Art Terrengo and Captain Blake gave a presentation discussing the ongoing brush fires in Malibu and red flag warnings; mentioned to stay cautious of brush areas in the hills locally and concluded by advising everyone to check their smoke detectors.

LAPD said people must be aware of their surroundings despite everything going on during this holiday season; they suggested to think about the items you bring and store in your car; LAPD also reminded citizens to always check their doors and windows in their homes before going to bed; they also mentioned to check for overgrown trees and bushes as places where burglars can

use to hide; other safety tips offered were the use of motion detector lights, using Amazon lockers and bins instead of having packages lying around the front door; mentioned that this past Saturday an individual was arrested for stealing mail; also mentioned some Avenue gang members had been caught with guns a few weeks back; mentioned that their efforts in gun confiscation have been working.

- 2.2 Elena Chavez, Field Deputy for Councilmember Eunisses Hernandez. Ms. Chavez reported on various activities her office has been involved in including giveaways and other events. Mentioned that the warehouse slated to be built in Lincoln Heights was stopped; workshops were held throughout the district with meetings in Lincoln Heights with vendors; Ms. Chavez mentioned she was about to complete her first years as Field Deputy and is anxious to find out how she can help the community even more; she discussed elongating red lights in the more dangerous traffic areas of the neighborhood; mentioned 40 tickets had been given out from November 6th to December 6th ; also mentioned that further measures would be taken with consideration given to the suggestions of the Neighborhood council.

Ash Kramer mentioned the Department of Transportation declined their invitation to attend the Neighborhood city council meeting.

Elena Chavez added that speed tables are being considered but assessments need to be completed.

Public Comment 1-

Elena Chavez mentioned there would be a food distribution coming up on December 24th.

Carmen Morales mentioned the site for the proposed distribution site on Pasadena Ave is rumored to be sold off.

Elena Chavez said it is doubtful it can just be sold off.

- 2.4 Erica Gatica Doughty, Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment. Mrs. Gatica Doughty mentioned her presentation to Aragon Elementary and her ongoing engagement with parents and principals as she tries to garner more awareness for the Neighborhood city council; she mentioned she would be speaking next at Nightingale Middle School. Next she discussed the council file which was related to term limits; she said the last two paragraphs of the current file explains what the request is all about; perhaps there could be a motion to request our department work with other departments; she also mentioned the upcoming elections on May 6th ; she mentioned the period to submit candidate forms would be from January 3rd to February 17th.

Public Comment 1-

2.6 100 Acre Partnership – Updates on Rio de Los Angeles were given including on the soccer fields construction scheduled for December 2025; mentioned the G2 parcel was handled by city staff that goes weekly to check on the site. Maggie Jenkins added that Bow-tie construction began on September 23rd and that contaminated soil removal had been done; meanwhile teams would be working on the construction of the wetlands section with construction occurring Monday through Friday from 7 am to 4 pm; also mentioned the Paseo del Rio August 2023 workshop and said they hope to have an update on the next workshop next year.

3.0 Public Comments

Public Comment 1-

Public Comment 2-

4.0 Community Outreach Discussion

4.1-4.2 Carmen Morales reminded attendees to check out the Cypress Park website for upcoming events in the area as well as the Cypress Park Rec Center at laparks.org for upcoming sports and classes as well as the Council website to see the upcoming agenda.

4.3 Carmen Morales gave an update on the Cypress Park Library opening; mentioned that the library will probably be re-opening next month in 2025.

5.0 Chair and Vice Chair Report

5.2 Carmen Morales mentioned the plan to develop a trucking site has been stopped but the struggle continues; mentioned an upcoming zoom town hall meeting on December 11th.

5.3 Carmen Morales gave an update on trucks in the area parked along San Fernando; the trucks will soon be removing sediment from the L.A. River.

5.5 Carmen Morales shared the response from DOT indicating that tree trimming crews would be working in the area in the next month or two; in addition DOT is reviewing the feasibility for speed tables in Cypress Park.

Public Comment 1-

6.0 Treasurer's Report

6.1 Carmen Morales said there is no Vote; moved to next month's meeting.

7.0 Consent Calendar

7.1 Again Carmen Morales mentioned a vote cannot be taken tonight.

8.0 Carmen Morales said Action Items will be tabled until next month.

11. Carmen Morales adjourned the meeting at 7:47 PM.