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MCWCC Board Meeting of 4/12/11

Minutes

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Subject to Approval by the Board on 5/10/11

1. **Call to Order:** 7:00pm the meeting was called to order and roll was taken. 25 of the 44 Board Members were present at roll call. More members walked in late (Roll sheet on file)
2. **Opening Remarks from Chair:** Jeffrey Jacobberger made some opening remarks about MCWCC and its role in the community.
3. **Public Comment:**
 - Brian Cornelius and Rick Lemmo from Caruso Affiliated gave a brief presentation about the project at Burton Way and San Vicente, which was followed by a short question and answer period.
 - Stephen Box spoke about Budget LA (4/16/11).
 - Lucille Saunders of the LaBrea Willoughby Coalition spoke about the MCW rules regarding public comment.
 - Joan Taylor, spoke about high speed rail.
4. **Announcements from City Representatives:**
 - Leyla Campos of DONE Senior Project Coordinator introduced herself and said that she was making the rounds of the NC's. She announced the DONE deadline regarding Demand Warrants and NPG's and the DONE eblasts that are sent around regularly with updates and information.
 - Nicole Carcel from Assemblyman Mike Feuer's Office announced a job fair on 5/20/11 from 9:00am-1:00pm at the Women's Club of Hollywood.
 - John Darnell of Councilman Paul Koretz's Office made a few announcements about the repaving of Crescent Heights, parking problems on Rosewood, new Senior Lead Officer Hector Marquez, graffiti cleanup, and new sewer pipe installation this summer. He also left some Department of Aging fliers on the back table.
5. **LAPD Report:** Officer Art Gallegos gave a crime report and announced the National Night Out event on 8/2/11 from 6:00pm-8:00pm at Poinsettia Park and encouraged all to attend.
6. **Approval of March 8, 2011 Minutes:** A motion to approve the minutes was made by Barbara Pflaumer and seconded by Bob Abrahams and passed unanimously with a note to

fix the margins/spacing.

7. **Election to Fill Board Vacancy Government Seat:** There was only one candidate present, Teresa Diep. She spoke about herself briefly and a motion to seat her as Government Representative was made by Bruce McCormick and seconded by Paul Lerner. The motion passed with a vote of 26 in favor, 0 opposed and 4 abstentions.
8. **Presentation by Christopher Koontz, Planning Deputy for Paul Koretz:** Mr. Koontz gave an update on issues such as medical marijuana, helicopter landings at the Sofitel Hotel, Community Care Ordinance and the Hollywood Community Plan. There was a brief question and answer period.
9. **Modified Parking Requirements District Proposed Ordinance:** Chair, Jeff Jacobberger yielded the chair to 2nd Vice Chair, Bruce McCormick. Tim Deegan, the Chair of TPS Committee, spoke about the TPS motion to reject the MPR as proposed. PLUC Chair, Michael Barba also spoke regarding their motion to oppose the MPD proposal and then amended his motion to accept the TPS language. Cary Brazeman moved to approve the TPS and PLUC motion, which was seconded by Paul Kuzinsky. The Public Speakers on this issue stated that they would only speak if the substitute motion was presented. There was Board discussion and comments. Jeffrey Jacobberger then introduced a substitute motion to support the MPD proposal with conditions, which was seconded by Michael Barba. Public comment against the substitute motion were made by Lucille Saunders, Jim O'Sullivan, Robert Chernob and Seymour Singer. After Board comments and discussion, the substitute motion failed with a vote of 2 in favor, 18 against, and 13 abstentions. The primary motion to reject the MPD Proposed Ordinance made by TPS and PLUC passed with a vote of 17 in favor, 3 opposed and 13 abstentions.
10. **Budget Committee:**
 - a. Sheryl Turner presented the financial reports, including review and approval of purchasing card transactions. Paul Lerner made a motion to approve the reports which was seconded by Stefani Poretz and it passed unanimously.
 - b. The motions to support the NPG's and other year end spending were presented by Sheryl Turner as follows:
 - i. Hancock Park Booster Club NPG for \$3,125.00 to help fund the Rooster Club Program. Motion made by Fathia Macauley and seconded by Michael Darner passed with a vote of 34 in favor, 1 opposed and 0 abstentions;
 - ii. Los Angeles Neighborhood Initiative NPG for the San Vicente Median Project in the amount of \$4,700.00. Cary Brazeman made the motion to support this NPG, which was seconded by Michael Darner and passed with a vote of 30 in favor, 1 opposed and 3 abstentions;
 - iii. Pacific Graffiti Solutions funding for enhanced graffiti removal in the MCW area in the amount of \$2,525.00. Motion was made by Bob Abrahams and seconded by Michael Barba. Paul Lerner made a friendly amendment to the original motion which was for a lesser amount to the current \$2,525.00 and he changed the language to add that the graffiti removal would not affect legally sanctioned urban art. Robert Emerson spoke in support of the motion and there was Board comment and discussion after which it passed along with the CERT's Neighborhood Team Program purchase of emergency supplies in the amount of \$1,100.00 and the modified 2010-11 Budget, with a vote of 31 in favor, 0 opposed and 3 abstentions.

11. **Arts and Recreation Committee:** Shawni Dracoules announced the 4/16/11 Miracle Mile Art Walk and asked for volunteers.
12. **Public Safety Committee:** Paul Lerner made some announcements about the success of the last CERT Class and the next National Night Out on August 2, 2011.
13. **Communications and Outreach Committee:** Bob Abrahams announced that the Communications Committee is working on a policy regarding website content. The committee would entertain suggestions and/or ideas from the Board. He also asked for volunteers needed as technical backup in case he is unavailable. The committee would welcome some more members.
14. **Planning and Land Use Committee:**
 - a. **5467 Wilshire Boulevard (Walgreens)ZA-2011-284-CUB:** Michael Barba presented the motion to oppose the application for a CUB to allow for the sale and dispensing of beer and wine for off-site consumption unless the applicant meets the original conditions of approval for store, including door on Wilshire that complies with Community Design Overlay, and change to non-conforming electronic blade sign on Wilshire. Matt Dzuree, applicant's representative spoke on behalf of Walgreens. Public comment against the motion was made by Robert Chernob and Jim O'Sullivan. After Board discussion and comment, the motion passed with a vote of 30 in favor, 0 opposed and 2 abstentions.
 - b. **5575 Wilshire Boulevard (RiteAid):** Michael Barba presented the motion to oppose the request for a conditional use permit renewal to allow the continued off-site sale of beer, wine and distilled spirits, unless the previous conditions of approval are adhered to, the Wilshire Blvd. entrance is activated and operable during business hours, and the Wilshire Blvd. entry modified to be more street and pedestrian friendly, in compliance with the local Community Design Overlay Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Michael Darner. Sherrie Olson, applicant's representative spoke on behalf of Rite Aid and agreed to comply with PLUC's conditions. There was Board comment and discussion followed by public comment in favor of the motion with enforcement of the conditions by Robert Chernob and Jim O' Sullivan. The motion passed with a vote of 30 in favor, 0 opposed and 2 abstentions.
 - c. **5757 Wilshire Boulevard, #108(Mixt Greens)ZA-2010-2442-CUB:** Michael Barba presented the motion to support the application for a CUB for the sale and dispensing of beer and wine for on-site consumption in a new 2,047sq.ft.restaurant. The motion was seconded by Michael Darner. The motion was amended with regard to hours and passed with a vote of 31 in favor, 0 opposed and 2 abstentions.
 - d. **7475 & 7469 W. Beverly Boulevard(Buddha's Belly)ZA-2011-402-CUB:** Michael Barba presented the motion to support the application to renew an existing CUB to continue the sale of beer and wine for on-site consumption in an existing restaurant. The request for a CUB was amended to a 5 year term. Michael Darner seconded the motion. Robert Chernob spoke against the motion. Board comment and discussion followed and the motion passed with a vote of 25 in favor, 4 opposed and 3 abstentions.
 - e. **989 & 939 N LaBrea(Sit N Sleep)ZA 2011—103-ZV:** Michael Barba

presented the application for a zone variance to allow a retail furniture store in the MR-1 zone for which PLUC took no position. Applicant's representatives Robert Lamishaw, Neil Golub, and Doug Keys presented their application. Public comment against the project was made by Hilda Goldsmith and Lucille Saunders. A motion to oppose the application was made by Teresa Feldman and seconded by Stefani Poretz and after Board discussion and comment, her motion failed with a vote of 10 in favor, 17 against and 4 abstentions. A second motion was offered by Paul Lerner to support the application with street trees and was seconded by Vincent Autiero. That motion passed with a vote of 18 in favor, 9 opposed and 4 abstentions.

- f. **110 S. Fairfax Avenue Unit A-16 (The Veggie Grill):** Michael Barba presented the application requesting a conditional use permit for on-site sale and consumption of beer and wine (type 41ABC License) for a new fast casual restaurant for which PLUC took no position. Earnest Mauritson recused himself. Elizabeth Valerio spoke on behalf of the applicant. Robert Chernob spoke against the project. Mr. Barba discussed the issues that came up with regard to the legality of additional CUBs for Caruso Grove and Gilmore, and offered a motion to support the application, which was seconded by Michael Darner. After Board discussion and comment, the motion to support the application passed with a vote of 16 in favor, 12 opposed and 0 abstentions.

15. **Bylaws/Grievance Committee:** Charles Lindenblatt gave an update on the status of the grievance filed against Jeffrey Jacobberger and the bylaws revision.

16. **Public Comment:**

- Lucille Saunders thanked Charles Lindenblatt for all of his time and hard work.
- Robert Chernob reminded Board Members that they are protected by the City Attorney.

17. **Board Comments:**

- Yudy Machado read an email that she received.

18. Meeting adjourned 10:55pm