

Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates

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**Telephonic Meeting
March 21, 2020, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.**



Meeting #18 Minutes

Board Members	Roll Call	Region	Board Members	Roll Call	Region
Kevin Davis	Absent	1	Connie Acosta	Present	7
John DiGregorio	Present Left 11:14	1	Tony Michaelis	-----	7
VACANT	-----	1	Barbara Ringuette	Present	7
Brian Allen	Present	2	Dentis Fowlkes	Absent	8
Glenn Bailey	Present	2	Brian McCain	Absent	8
Garry Fordyce	Present	2	Jamie Tijerina	Present	8
Jeffrey Mausner	Present	3	Elias Garcia	Present	9
Carol Newman	Present	3	VACANT	-----	9
Joanne Yvanek-Garb	Absent	3	VACANT	-----	9
Jeanette Hopp	Present	4	Tracey Brown	Present	10
Howard Katchen	Present	4	Carol Derby-David	Present	10
Brandon Pender	Present 9:41	4	Jennifer Goodie	Present	10
Jack Humphreville	Absent	5	Jay Handal	Present 9:48	11
Patrick Seamans	Present 10:06 – 11:20	5	Jacqueline Le Kennedy	Present	11
Charles Taylor	Absent	5	Jon Liberman	Present	11
Ernesto Castro	Present	6	Melanie Labrecque	Present	12
Nina Smith	Present 9:42	6	Danielle Sandoval	Present	12
VACANT	-----	6	Dr. Princess Sykes	Absent	12

1. Call to order: The meeting was called to order by Co-chair Carol Newman at 9:33 a.m., with a full quorum reached at that time.
2. Roll Call: See above. In addition, Budget Representatives present were: Josh Nadel (Stakeholder, Palms NC) and Kay Hartman (Palms NC).
3. Public Comment: None.
4. Approval of minutes from Meetings #13 and 17 (Carol Newman and Kay Hartman): Postponed until next meeting.

5. Treasurer's report (Howard Katchen): After some discussion, Jon Liberman moved for approval of the report, Barbara Ringuette seconded. One abstaining, two opposed. MOTION PASSED.

6. Update on "meetings" of the Budget Advocates (Carol Newman): Discussion on the issue. John DiGregorio agreed to set up a Zoom account and to set up Zoom for the next six meetings through June. He will also send all members a link from the Google Play Store to identify the correct app to download. Carol Newman moved to approve a payment of \$15.00 month for Zoom and to use Zoom for meetings for the foreseeable future. John DiGregorio seconded. No abstentions, no oppositions. MOTION PASSED.

7. Vacancies in Regions 1, 6, 7 and 9 (Carol Newman and Brian Allen):

- a. Report from Brian Allen on Region 9 election and nominations in other regions: Discussion on the issue. Brian Allen said he would fill the two vacancies in Region 9 with the two candidates from Region 9 by the next meeting.

8. Report on meeting with the no-show Mayor March 12 (Jack Humphreville): Discussion on the issue.

9. Effect on the City budget of the coronavirus and resulting economic chaos (Jack Humphreville): Discussion on the issue.

10. Distribution of hard copy of White Paper to NCs (Carol Newman): Discussion on the issue. Discussion postponed until the next meeting because there was no consensus among the members.

11. Status of Budget Day (Carol Newman): Discussion on the issue. Determination to proceed with planning for a virtual Budget Day instead of an in-person Budget Day. This will begin with Barbara Ringuette holding a Budget Day Committee meeting to discuss the possibility for a virtual Budget Day as well as the possible aspects of regular breakout sessions, larger breakout sessions, what Brian Allen has proposed in terms of elections, what will be done, and how it will be done. Existing speakers will be made aware of a changed topic, once the committee meeting has confirmed details.

12. Plans to hold elections for Budget Advocates if Budget Day does not take place (Carol Newman and Brian Allen): Carol Newman reminded members that the election can be done by e-mail and doesn't have to be done at the same time as Budget Day. She also asked that the Bylaws Committee put new language in place to address procedures during an emergency state.

13. Outreach (Danielle Sandoval & Committee): Tabled until the next meeting.

- a. Getting save-the-date out to NC's and their webmasters
- b. Getting White Paper out to all NC board members with Howard's cover letter
- c. Trifold
- d. Thumb drives – (a) purchase accomplished?
(b) what should be on the thumb drive

11. Budget Day (Carol Newman, Jack Humphreville & Committee): Tabled until the next meeting.

a. Confirmed speakers: Susan Shelley, Jack Homphreville, Tommy Newman (United Way – homelessness), Kelly Cavanaugh (L.A. Times – tentative), Jay Handal, Kevin James

b. Proposed speakers: Mayor Garcetti (Jack Humphreville)

Nury Martinez – Jack (Ackley)

David Ryu – Barbara

Rich Llewellyn and/or others from CAO’s office – Barbara Ringuette

Ron Galperin – Barbara Ringuette

Paul Krekorian – Joanne Yvanek-Garb

HHH/homeless speaker – Tracey Brown

Any others?

c. Video to be presented at Budget Day

d. Review of Liz’s Budget Day Manual (Carol Newman)

12. Bylaws Committee – new proposed bylaws? (Brian Allen): Carol Newman asked that anything sent regarding bylaws be sent again, and that any proposed changes needed to be written up, including amendments that address citywide emergency and election procedures. Members who have bylaws requests or suggestions should send them to Brian Allen a week before the next meeting.

13. CityWatch (Jack Humphreville and Carol Newman): Postponed until the next meeting.

14. Update on BA visits to NCs (Carol Newman): Postponed until the next meeting.

15. Point person for each Council district (Carol Newman): Postponed until the next meeting.

16. Working with Budget Reps (Carol Newman): Postponed until the next meeting.

a. Meeting with Budget Reps

17. Housing Committee: Postponed until the next meeting.

18. People to attend alliances and BONC: Postponed until the next meeting.

19. Updates from NC alliances, NCs and BONC: Postponed until the next meeting.

20 New business: Discussion on Kay Hartman’s CIS and her proposal to attach it to the White Paper for distribution to all Neighborhood Councils.

21. Adjournment: at 11:27 a.m.

Next meeting – April 6, 2020

Deadline date for future agenda items to be submitted: April 2, 2020