

## Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates 2019-20

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1645 Corinth Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90025

Saturday, November 16, 2019

9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

### Meeting #10 Minutes

Board Members	Roll Call	Region	Board Members	Roll Call	Region
Kevin Davis	Present/Phone	1	Brian McCain	Present/Phone	8
Vacant	-----	1	Dentis Fowlkes	Excused	8
John DiGregorio	Present 10:00	1	Liz Amsden	Present	8
Brian Allen	Present	2	Elias Garcia	Absent	9
Glenn Bailey	Present	2	Evelyn Valdez	Absent	9
Garry Fordyce	Present	2	Vacant	-----	9
Jeffrey Mausner	Present	3	Carol Derby-David	Present	10
Carol Newman	Present	3	Tracey Brown	Excused	10
Joanne Yvanek-Garb	Present/Phone	3	Jennifer Goodie	Present	10
Jeannette Hopp	Present/Phone 9:45	4	Jay Handal	Present/Phone 10:20	11
Howard Katchen	Present/Phone	4	Jacqueline Le Kennedy	Present/Phone 10:40	11
Brandon Pender	Present/Phone	4	Jon Liberman	Present	11
Jack Humphreville	Present	5	Melanie Labrecque	Excused	12
Patrick Seamans	Absent	5	Danielle Sandoval	Present	12
Charles Taylor	Present	5	Dr. Princess Sykes	Absent	12
Vacant	-----	6			
Nina Smith	Present 9:44	6			
Ernesto Castro	Absent	6			
Tony Michaelis	Excused	7			
Barbara Ringuette	Present	7			
Connie Acosta	Present	7			

1. Call to order: Co-chair Carol Newman called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m.

2. Roll Call: Quorum was met at 9:34 with 19 members present at that time. Other members arrived after the start of the meeting. Budget Representatives present were: Josh Nadel (Palms NC), Tina Chinakarn (Palms NC); and Kay Hartman (Palms NC). John Darnell (DONE Representative) joined by phone at 10:05 a.m.

3. Public Comment: Glenn Bailey brought chairs from City Salvage and will look for additional chairs going forward.

4. Approval of minutes from Meetings #7, #8 and #9 (Nina Smith): Postponed until the next meeting.

5. Treasurer's report (Howard Katchen): Howard Katchen moved to approve the report, and Jon Liberman seconded. **Motion passed** with one opposed.

6. Vacancies in Regions 1, 6 and 9 (Ms. Newman and Tony Michaelis):  
No nominations have been received. John DiGregorio will follow up regarding Arleta.

7. Vacancy for Recording Secretary (Ms. Newman): Nina Smith did not resign after all, and so this agenda item was rendered unnecessary.

8. Status of Department Reports (Ms. Newman): Two more reports were received: Building & Safety and DONE.

9. Status of Editing Reports (Ms. Newman and Kay Hartman): Editing is underway.

10. Discussion of Departmental Meetings (Ms. Newman): A discussion took place regarding working within teams and submitting one final report from the whole team.

11. Meeting with L.A. Times and L.A. Times Editorial (Jack Humphreville): The co-chairs met with the L.A. Times last Thursday and will next meet with Susan Shelley of the Daily News. Jack Humphreville will contact The L.A. Times to see if they can participate in Budget Day. Copies of the White Paper should be sent to these publications.

12. Motion to declare Mayor and City Council to be fiscally irresponsible (Jay Handal): Jay Handal proposed to declare the Mayor and the City Council to be fiscally irresponsible. Jack Humphreville and Jay Handal will work together on a written motion to present at the next meeting.

13. Status of CIS.Motion for the Budget to be presented by Feb. 1 (Mr. Humphreville): Barbara Ringuette will follow up on the status of the CIS with Region 7, Brian McCain with Region 8, Carol Derby-David with Region 10, Jon Liberman with Region 11 and Danielle Sandoval with Region 12.

14. BA liaison to NC Emergency Preparedness Alliance (Ms. Newman and John Darnell): John Darnell requested a Budget Advocate liaison to attend meetings with this Alliance. The consensus was that someone from the Alliance should request the Budget Advocates to work with them. Glenn Bailey agreed to follow up with the Alliance.

15. Artwork for White Paper (Ms. Newman): Jay Handal moved to allocate up to \$1,000 for a graphic artist to create artwork for a design for the White Paper and for a subcommittee to give direction to the graphic artist to regarding the artwork for the White Paper, seconded by Jon Liberman. The motion passed with 6 opposed. The subcommittee will consist of Barbara Ringuette, Connie Acosta, Jon Liberman, Jennifer Goodie, and John DiGregorio. Barbara Ringuette asked that people funnel ideas to her.

16. Outreach (Danielle Sandoval): Postponed until the next meeting.

17. Bylaws committee (Mr. Michaelis): The committee will meet in December.

18. CityWatch (Mr. Humphreville, Liz Amsden): A discussion took place regarding the three-month CityWatch project. Articles are in process. Jack Humphreville requested that the Budget Advocates submit articles based on the Departments they interviewed, and Liz Amsden asked that all Budget Advocates submit bio's to her of a few lines each, focusing on who they are, what they do, and what they are passionate about.

19. Update on BA visits to NC's (Ms. Newman): Postponed until the next meeting.

20. Budget Day 2020 (Ms. Newman):

a. Reserving rooms (Glenn Bailey): John Darnell reported that the Budget Advocates have authorization to use the Council Chambers for Budget Day, parking, and the use of the 10<sup>th</sup> floor. He said that a letter would also be sent to Sanitation soon to reserve trash cans, but that this will have to be done at the beginning of the year. He requested that the details be reviewed at a meeting in January.

b. Danielle to prepare letter for Joanne to hand out: Carol Newman will prepare a "Save the Date" letter to City Council members and other City officials for Budget Day 2020 and give it to Joanne Yvanek-Garb for distribution.

c. Joanne: Wesson, Krekorian, Mayor, Galperin, CAO: Joanne Yvanek-Garb will distribute the "Save the Date" letter to City officials.

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

22. Website – hire graphics consultant? (Ms. Newman): Postponed.

23. Working with Budget Reps (Ms. Newman): Postponed.

a. Meeting with Budget Reps

24. People to attend alliances and BONC: Postponed.

25. Updates from NC alliances, NC's and BONC: Postponed.

26. Business cards (Melanie): There was a discussion about the fact that the business cards had not yet been received from the City printer. Next year's board will determine what to do about business cards.

27. New Business:

a) Liz Amsden stated that she was resigning as a Budget Advocate. The Budget Advocates thanked her profusely for her years of service, including serving as Co-Chair for several years.

b) Glenn Bailey asked Budget Advocates to commit to attending the BONC meetings as those meetings occurred in their regions.

28. Adjournment: at 12:08 p.m.

Next meeting – December 2, 2019

Deadline date for future agenda items to be submitted: November 25, 2019