Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates

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Zoom Meeting November 20, 2021, 9:30 a.m. Meeting #9 Minutes



Board Members	Roll Call	Region	Board Members	Roll Call	Region
Kevin Davis	Absent	1	Barbara Ringuette	Present	7
Lanira Murphy	Absent	1	Ronee Reece	Absent	7
Emilie Hill	Absent	1	David Hunter	Present	7
Brian Allen	Excused	2	Jamie Tijerina	Absent	8
Glenn Bailey	Present	2	Liz Amsden	Present	8
Garry Fordyce	Present	2	Lynda Valencia	Present	8
Carol Newman	Present	3	Elias Garcia	Absent	9
Lee Blumenfeld	Absent	3	Elice Hennessee	Absent	9
		3	Leslie Gamero	Absent	9
		4	Jennifer Goodie	Excused	10
Howard Katchen	Present	4			10
Brandon Pender	Absent	4	Hugo Rodriguez	Absent	10
Jack Humphreville	Present 10:02	5	Jay Handal	Present	11
		5	Kay Hartman	Excused	11
Daniel Perez	Absent	5	Jon Liberman	Present	11
Ernesto Castro	Absent	6	Danielle Sandoval	Absent	12
		6	Sheryl Akerblom	Present	12
Margarita Lopez	Absent	6	Gina Martinez	Absent	12

- I. <u>Welcome and Call to Order:</u> The meeting was called to order by Co-Chair Glenn Bailey at 9:38am, with 11 members in attendance. Quorum was not reached.
- II. <u>Roll Call:</u> See above for Roll Call.
- III. <u>Public Comment on non-agenda items:</u> None.
- IV. <u>Elections To Fill Vacancies (Regions 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, and 10) Update:</u> Region 8 has been filled and will be removed from the list. A contested election could occur in Region 4. Region 3 will be addressed next.

A. <u>Welcome Lynda Valencia:</u> Lynda has been appointed as the new Budget Advocate for Region 8.

V. <u>NC Visits & Reports:</u> A Neighborhood Council Report was distributed for November and will be made available every month. Those needing specific issues addressed should contact Liz and provide Council File numbers for their request. Contact Elice with questions on the spreadsheet. Members should continue keeping notes about their visits, while adjustments are being made online.

VI. Departmental Reports/White Paper:

A. Update from the Editors:

1. <u>Where to send reports:</u> Reports should be sent to Liz for distribution to editors. All reports needing changes will then be returned to committee for review. Reports are needed by the beginning of December.

B. <u>Updates on meetings:</u> The Google document has been updated with information received so far. Contact Barbara with queries, meeting details and recommendations to be inputted. Recommendations were due yesterday, to Jennifer. Barbara will provide a list of resources to anyone available to conduct meetings on Engineering, Transportation and the Bureau of Sanitation.

Sheryl will help with reports and meetings for those departments. Liz will schedule a meeting with the Bureau of Sanitation and Sheryl will write the report. All Budget Advocates will be contacted, requesting help in these areas.

C. <u>White Paper topic:</u> The Editing Committee proposed the additional topic of "Surviving /Coming Back From COVID." Kay will write a first draft on the report, and Liz will write a second draft. This and other suggestions will be discussed at the next meeting.

VII. Committee Reports:

A. Outreach:

- 1. <u>Sign ups for Outreach Committee:</u> More members are needed. Those interested should contact Kay, Glenn or Jennifer.
- 2. <u>SLAANC presentation:</u> Item postponed to next meeting.

B. <u>Bylaws Committee:</u> Work is finished on Article 3, regarding Membership. The first reading will be held at the next meeting. The committee is now starting to work through the Bylaws from the beginning and the next committee meeting will be held on November 27, at 4:00pm. The reading will be distributed when it becomes available.

C. Budget and Finance Committee:

1. <u>October 2021 Financial Report:</u> Item postponed to next meeting. Those with comments or suggestions should contact Lanira, copying Glenn, Jennifer and Liz.

2. <u>Update on payments to vendors:</u> A backlog of payments was made a few weeks ago. Payments are not listed on DONE's report until the Controller notifies the office that they have been paid.

D. <u>Budget Day Planning Committee June18th, 2022</u>: A planning committee meeting will be scheduled before December 18. Co-chairs will be selected at that time. Those with suggestions, or interest in participating, should contact Glenn and Jennifer. Liz will join the committee as a member and will circulate the Budget Day manual. It is to be determined whether the event will be held virtually, or in person.

E. Quarterly Meeting for Regions:

- 2. <u>1 & 2 in November:</u> A meeting is slated for Regions 1& 2, likely before the end of the year.
- 3. <u>Any other regions scheduled?</u>: No other regions are scheduled.
- F. Upcoming Meetings and Events:
 - 1. <u>BONC Tuesday, December 07, 2021 6:00 PM:</u> Jennifer might be able to attend. Backup volunteers are welcome.
 - 2. <u>BONC Monday, December 20, 2021 1:00 PM:</u> This meeting is covered.
 - 3. <u>Budget Day June 18th, 2022:</u> A reminder that the event will be happening.

VIII. Adjournment: Glenn adjourned the meeting at 10:31am. No quorum was reached.

Requests for the next agenda:

-Discussion of alternate ways Neighborhood Councils can show support for Budget Advocates, such as engaging in regional and citywide Town Halls and backing the group's concerns through writing Community Impact Statements.

-Barbara will send a request for updates regarding any addition of committee members, participation in additional committees, holding a meeting, writing a first draft and willingness to participate in work on Transportation, Engineering or Sanitation.

-Request that the Budget Day Committee send an invitation to all Neighborhood Councils inviting them to participate in Budget Day.

Next meeting is December 6th 7:00 pm

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

Minutes of Budget Advocate meeting #9 (Nov. 20)

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