

Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates

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Zoom Meeting December 5, 2022, 7:00 p.m. Meeting #11 Minutes

Board Members	Roll Call	Region	Board Members	Roll Call	Region
Kevin Davis	Present	1	Barbara Ringuette	Present	7
Cindy Cleghorn	Present	1	David Hunter	Present	7
Vacant Seat		1	Vacant Seat		7
Brian Allen	Present	2	Lynda Valencia	Excused	8
Garry Fordyce	Present	2	Samantha McBride	Absent	8
Scott Wright	Excused	2	Vacant Seat		8
Glenn Bailey	Present	3	Elias Garcia	Absent	9
David Uebersax	Absent	3	Vacant Seat		9
Vacant Seat		3	Vacant Seat		9
Howard Katchen	Excused	4	Jennifer Goodie	Present	10
Brandon Pender	Excused	4	Vacant Seat		10
Myrra Bolla	Present 8:17 p.m.	4	Vacant Seat		10
Jack Humphreville	Present	5	Jay Handal	Present	11
Vacant Seat		5	Kay Hartman	Present	11
Vacant Seat		5	Adriana de la Cruz	Present	11
Ernesto Castro	Absent	6	Sheryl Akerblom	Present	12
Vacant Seat		6	Vacant Seat		12
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- I. <u>Welcome and Call to Order:</u> The meeting was called to order by Co-Chair Jennifer Goodie at 7:06pm, with 13 members in attendance.
- II. <u>Roll Call:</u> See above. Also in attendance was guest Lars Hansen.
- III. <u>Minutes:</u> Vote on minutes from meeting #9 November 7th and meeting #10 November 19th, postponed due to lack of quorum.
- IV. Public Comment on non-agenda items within subject matter jurisdiction None
- V. <u>Vacancies</u> One vacancy each remains in regions 1, 3, 7, and 8 and two each in regions 5, 6, 9, 10, and 12.
 A. <u>Reach out to Glenn Bailey, Kay Hartman, and Jennifer Goodie</u>
 - 1. Anyone aware of someone interested in participating should contact Glenn. Members are asked to send the most current information regarding all Neighborhood Council Presidents, Treasurers and Budget Representatives to <u>labudgetadvocates@gmail.com</u>.
- VI. Update on CF 11-1020-S3
 - A. <u>Ordinance suggested by Elise Ruden</u> A letter was sent requesting a meeting with Councilmember Krekorian. Jack Humphreville will forward a letter to Heidi **NEED HER LAST NAME AND OFFICE**

detailing objections to Item C and requesting it be eliminated from consideration. Members are asked to participate in responding to the issue by adding a written public comment to the council file, and attending and commenting at a Budget and Finance committee meeting, and/or asking their Neighborhood Council to write a Community Impact Statement (CIS).

- VII. <u>Second Financial Status Report was issued:</u> Jack Humphreville delivered a brief presentation on the mayor's report. The meeting recording is available, itemized by agenda item number. Members are asked to review the contents.
 - A. Please make the time to take a look
- VIII. Department meetings
 - A. <u>Spreadsheet</u> Committee members provided status updates on the process of scheduling department meetings. Barbara encouraged members to use the Education Book as a guide in preparing and submitting questions. Reports are due on December 9. Anything written after this month is unlikely to be included.
- IX. Committee Reports
 - A. <u>Executive Committee</u> Jenner Goodie and Kay Hartman
 - The committee discussed Council File #11-1020-S3, as well as the meeting requested between General Manager Beltrán and the Budget Advocates Treasurer and Co-Chairs. Monthly reports will be re-established and sent to members by region, requiring each Budget Advocate to distribute the reports to all their Neighborhood Councils. The next Executive Committee Meeting will be held on Friday, December 9th, at 5:30 p.m.
 - B. Finance Committee Brian Allen
 - <u>Reconciliation with DONE</u> Brian completed the document, culminating in a complete reconciliation of all known financial activities between DONE and the Budget Advocates since the group's 2012-13 original term.
 - <u>November 2022 Financial Report</u> A vote on the report will be postponed until next meeting, due to lack of quorum. Brian will schedule a meeting of the Budget Advocates' Finance Committee. Jennifer Goodie will collect reimbursement from Man-Qin
 - C. Outreach Samantha McBride Not present
 - D. Bylaws Glenn Bailey
 - 1. A committee will be organized once department reports are written. More information will be available in January.
 - E. <u>Budget Day</u> June 17, 2023
 - 1. Volunteers needed for chair and committee
 - The event is scheduled for June 17, 2023. Volunteers are needed for Chair and committee. In-depth planning will begin in January. The date has been posted on social media and on the Budget Advocates website and is being announced at neighborhood council and alliance meetings such as Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC), as well as at the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (BONC). Mayor Bass was contacted to arrange a meeting.
 - F. <u>Training and Education</u> Barbara Ringutette
 - 1. Barbara is available to assist with all aspects of the departmental reports, including scheduling meetings, understanding budget documents, preparing questions, leading department meetings, and writing reports.
 - G. Ad Hoc Restructuring David Hunter
 - 1. The committee met and discussed the work structure of existing committees. The next meeting will be held in January.
- X. Informational Items:
 - A. Controller Report Relative to Recommendations to more effectively Prepare the City of Los Angeles for Emergencies <u>CF 22-1258</u>
 - B. 1st Financial Status Report released CF 22-0600-S96
 - C. 2nd Financial Status Report released <u>CF 22-0600-S99</u>
- XI. Upcoming Meetings and Events
 - A. BONC Tuesday December 6th, 6:00 p.m.

- B. Budget Advocates Saturday December 17th, 9:30 a.m.
- C. Budget Day June 17, 2023.
- XII. <u>Items for Future Meeting Agendas</u> Please send items for future agendas to <u>labudgetadvocates@gmail.com</u>.
 - A. The 31st session of the Empowerment Congress will be held on January 14th, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
 - B. Mayor Bass has established a portal to apply for paid and volunteer and commission positions at <u>jobs.lamayor.org</u>. Other positions are available on the Personnel page. People may apply for multiple commissions but may serve on only one commission at a time.
- XIII. <u>Adjournment:</u> Jennifer Goodie adjourned the meeting at 8:19 p.m.

Next meeting will be December 17, 2022, at 9:30 a.m. – This meeting has been canceled in consideration of the holidays.

Minutes of Budget Advocate meeting #11 (December 5) ELSPETH WEINGARTEN December 15, 2022