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## ARROYO SECO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (ASNC) MINUTES

Monday January 28, 2019 · 7:00pm · Ramona Hall, 4580 Figueroa Street, Los Angeles CA 90065  
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### 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL ASNC President Lynda Valencia 7:05pm

**Present:** Steven Austin, Jason Berlin, Teri Bonsell, Ted Cannon, Jessica Craven, Valerie Harragin, Jim Henderson, Cindi Lynch, Haeyoung Moon, Drew Paonessa, Yvonne Sarceda, Keenan Sheedy, Lynda Valencia

**Absent:** Neiel Norheim, Rider Strong

### 2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF November 26, 2018

*Approved Unanimously*

### 3. PRESENTATIONS FROM PUBLIC OFFICIALS (5 minutes each)

**4. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT** The public may provide comments to the board on **NON-AGENDA ITEMS** within the Neighborhood Councils subject matter jurisdiction. However, please note that under the Brown Act, the board is prevented from acting on the issue you bring to its attention until the matter is agendaized for discussion at a future public meeting. (Limited to 2 minutes per speaker.)

### 5. PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Nominations are open for monthly Certificate of Recognition for individuals/businesses/organizations that best represent the character and values of the Arroyo Seco communities. Nominations are made at Outreach meetings and voted on at monthly Board meeting. Printing of the Certificate is paid with Operations funds.
- Young Storytellers will be returning for a spring term at Latona Ave Elementary. Discussion of volunteers needed as well as future plans for area schools.



**6. LIME PRESENTATION** (10 minutes) Karla Owunwanne shares information on dockless mobility devices.

**7. TREASURER'S REPORT** Motion to Approve November & December 2018 Monthly Expense Report (MER).

*Approved Unanimously*

### **8. OLD BUSINESS**

Flat Top: Update by Sylvia Robledo, who has been monitoring weekly the progress of conveying the Flat Top property in Montecito Heights to the ownership of the City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation & Parks.(see <http://www.asnc.us/2016-archive/02-Feb/88363.pdf>) The Board and stakeholders request an update at this time.

### **9. NEW BUSINESS**

a. Motion to Approve: award to Maxx Capps head mentor of Young Storytellers, this month's ASNC Certificate of Recognition.

*Approved Unanimously*

b. Motion to Approve: \$100 in Outreach funds for expenses of the School Board District 5 Candidate Forum 2/12/19 at MWES Multi Purpose Room in collaboration with the Mount Washington Homeowners Alliance and Friends of Mt. Washington School.

*Approved Unanimously*

c. Motion to Approve: up to \$300 in Outreach funds for refreshments for the Montecito Hts Senior Center open house Saturday 2/2/19.

*Approved Unanimously*

d. Motion to Approve: up to \$500 to reprint ASNC brochures by Quick'r Print'r or similar using Clean Streets funds.

*Approved Unanimously*

e. Motion to Approve: up to \$700 in Outreach funds for ASNC tote bags by Discount Mugs or similar.

*Approved Unanimously*

f. Motion to Approve: up to \$351 for four 10' x 4' ASNC election banners by Quick'r Print'r or similar using Clean Streets funds.

*Approved Unanimously*

g. Motion to Approve: a letter to Councilmember Cedillo urging his support to restore two park rangers to Debs Park, which is currently plagued by vandalism, intrusions of motorbikes, off-leash dogs, homeless encampments and other public safety issues. This request comes from the Debs Park Advisory Board.

*Approved Unanimously*

h. Motion to Approve: letter of approval regarding a new residence to be built at 754 N. Ganymede Drive.

*Approved Unanimously*

i. Motion to Approve: letter of approval regarding a project at 4548 E. San Andreas.

*Approved Unanimously*

j. Motion to Approve: letter of approval regarding a project at 358 Museum Drive.

*Approved Unanimously*

k. Motion to Approve: letter to Planning Dept. withholding final judgment on proposed development at 3800 Pasadena Ave. but urging immediate action to reject the applicant's request to merge adjacent green spaces containing three mature oaks and two sycamore trees, constituting a private taking of a public asset the project.

*Approved Unanimously*



1. Motion to Approve: letter to Councilmember Cedillo withholding final judgment on proposed development at 3800 Pasadena Ave. but urging immediate action to reject the applicant's request to merge adjacent green space containing three mature oaks and two sycamore trees, constituting a private taking of a public asset, into the project.

*Approved Unanimously*

## **10. COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENTS Motion to Approve: 2019 City Budget Resolution CR 19-0600 and**

**any Council File that addresses childcare for Neighborhood Councils:** The Arroyo Seco Neighborhood Council (ASNC) requests the city amend the proposed budget to fund a program of childcare in the neighborhood council system. The "Plan For A Citywide System Of Neighborhood Councils" lists the need for childcare as one of two "Mitigating barriers to participation" (Article VII, Item 12, sub-section D) in the formation and development of Neighborhood Councils. The ASNC believes that this "barrier" continues past the point of certification and as such maintains an unequal level of access to the services of the Neighborhood Council system. Such a program would serve the monthly Neighborhood Council Board meetings by providing 2 qualifying adults for 3 hours at a rate of \$15/hr. Furthermore the ASNC believes that the city should provide a system to access these caregivers for meetings outside of monthly Board meetings, such as town halls and committee meetings. The cost of which to be paid out of individual council budgets

*Approved with 11 Yes Votes and 1 Abstention.*

## **11. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a) Sustainability Alliance – Jessica Craven
- b) Alliance of River Communities (ARC)
- c) Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) - Cindi Lynch
- d) City Attorney Liaison – Valerie Harragin
- e) Health, Public Safety and Welfare
- f) Education and Youth – Drew Paonessa
- g) Transportation - Keenan Sheedy
- h) Recreation, Culture and the Arts – Rider Strong
- i) Planning and Land Use - Lynda Valencia
- j) Local Issues
  - i. Monterey Hills – Jim Henderson
  - ii. Montecito Heights – Steve Austin
  - iii. Mount Washington – Jessica Craven
- k) Budget Representative – OPEN (2)
- l) Communications and Outreach – Teri Bonsell

## **12. ADJOURNMENT 9:00 pm**

Funding requests: Unless otherwise stated in the approved motion, any funds appropriated for community projects as a result of this meeting's actions: (1) will be drawn from the 2018-19 ASNC budget. The public is requested to fill out a "Speaker Card" to address the Board on any item of the agenda prior to the Board taking action on an item. Comments on Agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the Agenda that is within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction will be heard during the Public Comment period. Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker, unless waived or adjusted in the interest of fairness, by the presiding officer of the Board. The agenda is posted for public review at Mount Washington Elementary School Bulletin Board and Budd Weiner Park Bulletin Board, as well as the ASNC's official Website at [www.ASNC.us](http://www.ASNC.us). As a covered entity under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Los Angeles does not discriminate on the basis of disability and upon request, will provide reasonable accommodation to ensure equal access to its programs, services, and activities. Sign language interpreters, assistive listening devices, or other auxiliary aids and/or services may be provided upon request. To ensure availability of services, please make your request at least 3 business days prior to the meeting you wish to attend by contacting the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (ASNC Project Coordinator), at (213) 978-1551. Process for Reconsideration: The Board may reconsider and amend its actions on items listed on the agenda in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order.