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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD WITH

THE RULES AND ELECTION COMMITTEE

Thursday March 7, 2013 · 6:30pm · Ramona Hall, 4580 North Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, CA 90065

AGENDA

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL** (1 min.) Chair Jack Fong
- 2. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT** The public may provide comments to the board on nonagenda items within the Committee's subject matter jurisdiction. However, please note that under the Brown Act, the committee 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.)
- 3. BYLAWS PHILOSOPHY** (Ivan Spiegel) Overview of reasoning behind Bylaws creation, the big picture.
- 4. REPORT ON RULES & ELECTION COMMITTEE MEETING 2/28/13** (Jack Fong) Summary of matters discussed and voted on during the previous session that will be referred to the board of the Arroyo Seco Neighborhood Council's at its next meeting on April 1, 2013.
- 5. ISSUES COMMITTEE ESTABLISHMENT** (ASNC Board 2/25/13) Discussion and possible action approving Bylaws language to define the Issues Committee and its functions. (Note: Additional Standing Rules may need to be reconsidered and revised based on this motion's outcome.) [Continued from 2/28/13]
- 6. MOTION PROCESS** (ASNC Board 2/25/13) Discussion and possible action approving Standing Rules language to describe the process whereby a motion may be included on the ASNC Board Agenda. See ASNC Bylaws, Article VIII, Section 2 AGENDA SETTING. [Continued from 2/28/13]
- 7. STANDING RULES REGARDING FUNDING PROCESS** (ASNC Board 2/23/13) Request that ASNC funding procedures be provided in writing in the ASNC's Standing Rules. Recommend that all procedures and/or processes that are in use or considered by custom to be in use but not appearing in the Standing Rules be written by the Rules & Elections



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Committee and approved by the Board for the benefit of board members, stakeholders and for maximum transparency of board activities. [Continued from 2/28/13]

- 8. BOARD MEMBER TERM LIMITS.** (Martha Benedict) Discussion and possible action approving proposed changes to the ASNC Bylaws description regarding term limits. **Current:** “SECTION 4: TERMS AND TERM LIMITS A. Geographic Representatives shall serve a term of two (2) years or until their successors take office. No Geographic Representative shall serve more than two (2) consecutive terms. B. At Large Representatives shall serve a term of two (2) years or until their successors take office. No At Large Representative shall serve more than two (2) consecutive two (2) year terms.” **Proposed:** ASNC board members shall serve a term of two (2) years or until their successors take office. SECTION 4: TERMS AND TERM LIMITS No ASNC board member shall serve more than two (2) consecutive two (2) year terms. Individuals having served the maximum two consecutive terms in any position are not eligible to run for election or be appointed by the ASNC Board to fill a board vacancy for two years after the completion of their maximum term. [Continued from 2/28/13]
- 9. STANDING RULES REGARDING ORGANIZATIONAL AFFILIATIONS & LIAISONS** (Martha Benedict) Discussion and possible action to approve the proposed change to the rules adopted 6/26/06. **Current:** • Motions to endorse or affiliate with another organization require a simple majority vote, take effect upon passage, and remain in effect until the next June 30th, at which time they automatically expire. Motions to renew the ASNC’s endorsement or affiliation may be made at any Board meeting and, following passage, take effect on the July 1st immediately following the June 30th expiration. • If an organization which the ASNC has endorsed or affiliated with takes an action that is a departure from that organization’s basic philosophy or stated objectives, the ASNC Board must be so informed and the Board may then consider withdrawing its endorsement or affiliation or demand that the ASNC name not be associated with the action. **Proposed:** Motions to endorse or affiliate with another organization require a simple majority vote and take effect upon passage. Motions to end endorsement or affiliation with another organization require a simple majority vote and take effect upon passage.
- 10. STANDING RULE REGARDING BOARD MEMBER COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT** (Martha Benedict) Current custom appears to be violating the standing rule regarding members’ committee participation adopted 6/28/10. Discussion and possible action to change the rule. **Current:** At the first meeting of each fiscal year, all Board representatives not assigned/elected to chair one of the existing standing committees shall be assigned to be members of at least one standing committee, other than their own community’s Local Issues group. Assignments may be voluntary or by the President’s appointment. **Proposed:** At the first meeting after a general election, all Board representatives will choose at least one standing committee to serve in order to participate as fully as possible in the work the Council.
- 11. BYLAW REGARDING AD HOC COMMITTEES** (Martha Benedict) Discussion and possible action to approve proposed change to Article VII, Section 2 AD HOC. **Current:** Ad Hoc Committees may be established by the Board. Subject to Board approval, the President shall appoint chairs of ad hoc committees, except for ad hoc committees dealing with grievances. **Proposed:** Ad Hoc Committees may be established by the Board. Subject to Board approval, the President shall appoint chairs of ad hoc committees, except for ad hoc committees dealing with grievances. Ad hoc committees may only be formed to address a specific task, existing until the task is completed as expeditiously as possible. The Board may dissolve an ad hoc committee at its discretion by a simple majority vote at any time.

11. ADJOURNMENT

