



HACIENDA HEIGHTS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION, INC.
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING MINUTES

April 16, 2018

LOCATION: Hacienda La Puente Unified School District at 15959 E. Gale Avenue in the City of Industry, CA. 91716-0002.

- 1 A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** Time is 7:00 P.M. and HHIA meeting is held in the District Conference Room chaired by Mr. Scott Martin, Vice President.
- 2 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Pledge led by audience member Hank Pedragon.
- 3 ROLL CALL:** Jennifer Kelley
PRESENT BOARD MEMBERS: Ted Chang, Shou Jen Kuo, Scott Martin, David Salcedo, Sandy Keat, Joan Licari, Lucy Pedregon, Joan Snyder, Jim Kleinpell, Jeffrey Lin, Jennifer Kelley.

ABSENT BOARD MEMBERS: Mike Williams
- 4 MEETING MINUTES:** A motion made to approve the minutes by Scott Martin as presented, approved by Joan Snyder second by Lucy Pedregon and Joan Lacari . No objections, motion carried.
- 5 TREASURER'S REPORT:** Joan Snyder reported HHIA holds an account at US Bank located at 2040 So. Hacienda Boulevard in Hacienda Heights, CA. 91745. The report of Income/Deposits total to the amount of \$170.67 while the amount of expenses total \$119.99 to concluding to a balance of \$16,129.06 For itemization of details refer to Website: www.hhia.net

6 PUBLIC SAFETY & LAW ENFORCEMENT UPDATES:

- a. California Highway Patrol** – Officer Jeremy Tolen reported the “Every 15 minutes” simulation of an emergency with first responders held at Los Altos High School was a success. Students were impacted by the event and it gave new perspective. This event will also be held at Rowland High School soon. Officer Tolen gave an update that on the East bound 60 freeway there will be a new on and off ramp at Lemon Ave opening soon, after signal testing has been completed. The west bound on ramp will remain at Brea Canyon Rd and the off ramp will be permanently closed. For the latest update follow CHP on twitter @CHP_SFS. An email inbox will be up and running soon for traffic complaints. In other news Officers have been made aware of commercial truck violations and have been monitoring certain areas that have been pointed out in our community. This past month there have been tickets written for 18 wheelers on residential streets such as Los Robles Ave, 7th Ave and Turnbull Canyon Rd. Officer Tolen expressed if you see a violation please snap a photo, preferably with a sign in the picture that proves the violation. Directors Joan Snyder and

Scott Martin requested for some attention to be put on Stimpson Ave in regards to monitoring speed. The directors also requested that the Mobile Radar Enforcement Trailer be used in this area as a deterrent. Director David Salcedo brought up in order to enforce radar an official traffic survey needs to be done. Officer Tolen in addition explained engineering traffic surveys and writing citation. It's National Distracted Driver Month and officers will have zero tolerance for distracted driving!!!

- b. Los Angeles Sheriff Department** – Lieutenant Alex Conchola reports we are up 5% in our crime rate. Assaults are down but rapes are up, partially due to a change in classification from FBI. Burglaries are up with no specific high impact areas. We are down in grand theft and petty theft. Auto thefts are slightly up. Lieutenant announced in the middle of May we will have a summer crime enforcement team for all of the unincorporated areas for LA County focused on the first and fourth district with six Deputies and one Sargent for this additional coverage through September. In recent days there have been Burglar Suppression Enforcement Operations performed with success resulting in 4 arrests. This is great success for this proactive activity. The Trail Task Force funded by Supervisor Janice Hahn's office has made a mark this year with enforcing 1600 parking citations, 79 traffic violations, 16 felony arrests, 16 misdemeanors arrest, 64 vehicles towed. More than doubled the tows to send a message. Public Crime Data feed that supports the statistics for the www.crimemapping.com has been temporarily disabled. It is currently being updated and verified to reflect the official crime data on a monthly basis. The data feed will be resumed in the near future. For the official department statement on Crime Mapping go to www.lac.org. In review Lieutenant Conchola reports there has been 3,000 calls for service in addition 2,400 observations since the beginning of the year. The Sheriff's Department is focused on Cannabis Dispensaries working along with side regional planning and city council since this is a potential area for crime. Sheriff's Department is also focused on a Fireworks Campaign since January getting the word out through Neighborhood Watch groups, schools and public venues. Lieutenant Conchola addressed that there have been some complaints about substandard service in regards to the Sherriff's Department. Lieutenant is asking citizens for specifics when presenting a compliant so that these complaints can be investigated and resolved. Director David Salcedo addressed Lieutenant Conchola starting a discussion on dissatisfactory service and what steps can be taken. This discussion was not completed but will be picked up again in the near future. In other news Alex Conchola will be transferred out of the area this month. We thank Lieutenant Conchola for his service and wish him well in his future endeavors!!!
- c. Mountains & Recreation & Conservation Authority** – Ranger Francine Godoy shared the Trailhead Clean Up Event on March 31 was a success with 30 participants cleaning 3 miles of the trail. Save the Date for Earth Day which will be hosted at Powder Canyon on April 28, from 8am -11am.

7 PROGRAM:

- a. LA County Agricultural Commissioner/ weights & measurements-** Jim Hartman discussed Coyote safety and shared a few important tips. Coyotes are one of the most common mammals and their population has expanded. Coyotes can tolerate our presence and it's important to keep them wild. Coyotes can eat everything from rodents, trash, fruit and unprotected pets. Fish and game wants us to understand "a feed one is a dead one". Coyotes need to continue to fend for themselves. It is important to not encourage coyotes to interact with humans or feed them. It is illegal to feed Coyote. Coyotes can be intimidated... if you run into a Coyote make eye contact, throw things at them and let them know you are in charge. Sheriff department does have the right to respond to Coyote if a person is in emanant danger. Contact Biologist at (562) 622-0448 or Mr. Jim Hartman (626) 575-5462 for any Coyote questions or issues.
- b. LA County SEA Program-** Iris K. Chi, Regional Planner reports the Department of Regional Planning is currently reviewing the SEA Ordinance that was last reviewed in the 1980s. The Public Review Draft is out for a 60 day review from March 14, 2018 to May 14, 2018. To download public review documents and find updates, maps, and meeting schedules go to

www.planning.lacounty.gov/sea. Ms. Chi touched on Exemptions, the SEA Assessment Process and Development Standards. For a full list of exemptions see pages 11-13 of the SEA Ordinance (Public Review Draft). For more info on SEA Assessment Process see Chapter 2 of Implementation Guide and to read more about Development Standards, see pages 17-22 of the SEA Ordinance (Public Review Draft). In the Question and Answers section audience members brought up the Native American cultural resources and conveyed that this research should consider touching on the Native American culture. Ms. Chi explained although this study has an emphasis on biology the county is interested in connecting with the Native American cultural aspects of this land. Any information is welcome and Ms. Chi can direct anyone with information to contribute to the correct resources.

8 COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES:

- a. **Representative 4th Supervisorial District** - Field Deputy Lauren Yokomizo reports San Gabriel Valley Civic Alliance Award was presented to Supervisor Hahn. Supervisor will be meeting in D.C. this week to advocate for a number of issues including the 57/60 interchange. The Supervisor invites us to attend the Earth Day celebration on Saturday April 21, 2018 at Schabarum Park. There is no permanent field office to date for the Supervisor and for that reason on Wednesdays there is a pop-up booth for residents to meet, discuss issues and get resources at Schabarum Park from 9am-12pm starting the first week of May 2018.
- b. **Representative 39th Congressional District** - Field Deputy Lauren Pong has been transferred to Washington D.C. to date no replacement has been named.
- c. **Representative 57th State Assembly District** - Field Deputy Ruby Duenas representing Ian Calderon reports there is planning taking place for their College Career Fair with 60 admission reps to speak to future college students. This fair is intended to prepare students and provide access to scholarships applications. Ms. Duenas announces the next community office hours are April 17 in La Mirada and May 8 in South El Monte. Assembly Bill 1884 "Straw upon Request" is still a focus of Assembly Majority Leader Calderon.
- d. **Representative 32nd State Senate District** - Field Deputy was absent
- e. **Representative Mt. San Antonio College** – Mr. Don Sachs was excited to give recognition to the Forensics team at Mt. Sac that won 15 awards at 2018 California Community College Forensic Association State Championship Tournament in Sacramento which sends them to compete in the Nationals. At the California College Media Association Awards Banquet Mt. Sac students swept the competition winning 25 awards. It has been reported recently Walnut and Mt. Sac finally came to a settlement in building the stadium for Mt. Sac which includes the city approved moving 130,000 cubic yards onto the west parcel. In this agreement Mt. Sac will not be allowed to build the solar farm they were planning for. Director Jim Kleinpell recognized Mt. Sac as one of our new life members of HHIA.
- f. **Hacienda Heights Librarian** – Ms. Amy Boteilho highlights a few upcoming important dates to note including May 5 at 3pm Pet First Aid for all ages, Memorial Day the Library will be closed and the "Friends of the Library" Book Sale will be held in May. The Sale starts on Wednesday May 16 from 5pm-8:30pm (members only) then May 17-19. The sale will be going on during library hours with the sale ending every day a half an hour before the library closes.
- g. **Hsi Lai Temple, Project Coordinator, IBPS** – Ms. Gena Ooi thanks the community and HHIA for attending the Encyclopedia Arts Exhibit Event which was very successful with 200 people in attendance. The Hsi Lai Temple donated a set of Encyclopedias (20 volumes in total) about Buddhism, Art and Culture to the Hacienda Heights Library. Hsi Lai Temple is offering a Summer Camp for kids from May 29 to August 3, 2018. There is also a weekend Summer Camp "Courage and Compassion" from June 22-24 for kids ages 6-10 years old. Auditions for the youth orchestra are coming up on June 25 and August 25. Ms. Ooi also invites all residents to join the Victorian Fair at the Homestead on April 28 where the Youth Orchestra will be performing. Finally an update on the new construction on Hacienda Blvd and Colima

Blvd at the former Ralph's the Hsi Lai Temple is planning a new community center and it is still in the planning phase with progress being made. For more information on events and classes for the Hsi Lai Temple visit <http://www.hsilai.org>.

9 CANDIDATES INTRODUCTION:

- a. Sam Jammal
- b. Bob Huff

10 OLD BUSINESS: No Old Business

11 NEW BUSINESS: No New Business

12 COMMITTEE REPORTS: Please refer to HHIA website for details of Board Member reports.

13 PUBLIC INPUT:

- a. Mr. Maurey Edwards from Hacienda Heights Kiwanis invites everyone to Ribfest 2018 which is the 18th Annual Scholarship Dinner and Miss 4th of July Pageant held on May 6, from 5pm-9pm at the Hacienda Heights Community Center for \$35 for tickets. Proceeds to go to the scholarship fund. Maurey also invites community members who may be interested in participating in the 4th of July Parade for Hacienda Heights to grab an application and turn it in.
- b. Ms. Anita Dunbar HHIA member asked about the road being repaired on Camino Del Sur because it is very bumpy and difficult to drive. Ms. Dunbar states she asked about it last year at an HHIA meeting and she was told it will be worked on at the beginning of 2018 and she sees nothing has been done to repair it. James Yang with Public Works responded there are no current plans for work to be done and we currently do not have enough funds for all project that are needed.
- c. Hacienda Heights resident reported sidewalks are buckling in their neighborhood by Turnbull Canyon Rd. Vice President Mr. Martin suggested calling 211 to get this information out to the county and be persistent with following up.
- d. Hacienda Heights resident spoke about leading an inter-faith youth group to do small community projects and asked for guidance on how to go about picking projects and what permission is needed from the city. Mr. James Yang from public works explained there needs to be a permit to clean public streets, Mr. Edwards from Kiwanis suggested looking into Adopt-a-Highway and Director Mrs. Pedregon mentioned the up coming Jim Davis Beautification Day the week before the 4th of July is always looking for more participants.
- e. Director Mr. Kleinpell announced that at the Hacienda Heights Community Center there will be a Judicial Candidates Forum on April 28, 2018 at 10am hosted by Charles and Martha House. Also...Please Save the Date for "Concerts in the Park" Series at Schabarum Park starting July 3, 2018.

14 ADJOURNMENT: HHIA meeting declared closed at 9:09 P.M. by Mr. Scott Martin, Vice President. Thank you all for attending the meeting!

Respectfully Submitted by,
Jennifer Kelley, Secretary