



HACIENDA HEIGHTS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION, INC.  
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## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Date: April 27, 2020

**LOCATION: Hacienda Heights Community & Rec Center, 1234 Valencia Ave., Hac. Hgts., CA 91745.**

1. Due to Covid 19 World-Wide Pandemic – state government guidelines mandate discontinuance of large gatherings. The HHIA Board of Directors monthly meetings will resume when the Governor or the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors allows us to have large gatherings.
2. **From the President:** Scott Martin  
24 April 2020, Congressman Cisneros called me from Washington, D.C, asking if there was anything his office can do for us in Hacienda Heights; his second call the first coming in early April. I shared my appreciation with his having called twice now and his invitation to call him personally for any help. I shared how both Governor Newsom and LA Co. Supervisor Hahn and the balance of the Board of Supervisors are showing great leadership. I shared that I sit in on a weekly conference call with the Industry Sheriff's Station representing HH and that Senator Archuleta's office, being coordinated by Kyle Miller, will be creating a weekly conference call attended by city Mayors and Civic Leaders.
3. **Approval of Past Meeting Minutes:**  
February 24, 2020 meeting – Geri Kleinpell made a motion to accept the minutes. Second made by Diego Loya. Motion carried. Minutes accepted into record by email on April 29, 2020  
March 16, 2020 meeting - Geri Kleinpell made a motion to accept the minutes. Second made by Andrea Gordon. Motion carried. Minutes accepted into record by email on March 30, 2020.
4. **TREASURER'S REPORT: Month Reported: March 2020**  
**Income/Deposit Totals:** \$345.36    **Expenses Total:** \$208.42  
**Account Balance as of Mar. 31, 2020:** \$8,751.40
5. **Public Safety & Law Enforcement Updates**
  - a. LASD Industry Station: Deputy J. Ruano: The following is provided regarding our most recent crime stats. Assaults are down -28% / Robberies are down -76% / Residential Burglaries are down -60% / Overall crime is down -45%. Please remember that theft from opened vehicles is occurring, so lock your vehicles. The theft of Catalytic converters from mostly trucks has also been an occurring trend.
  - b. CHP Santa Fe Springs Station: Ofc. M. Iniguez – Total collision counts for the month of March (444) and citations issued (1696). We issued 294 citations for violation of 22349 (a) CVC, and 52 arrests for DUI – 23152 (a) VC. We have an uptick in stolen vehicles and we are asking everyone to lock their vehicles even though they may be at home due to COVID-19. These thieves do not care if residents are home and residents should go out to check on their vehicles periodically. Many of these stolen vehicles are being used in violent crimes and these thieves lead police officers on pursuits.
  - c. Mountains Recreation & Conservation Authority: Ranger F. Godoy / Mike Hughes: n/a
6. **Public Input:** Valley Vista Services from Angie Valenzuela  
Each residence is provided two free curbside bulky item pick-ups a year in Hacienda Heights. Residents

can call (800) 442-6454 / 626-961-6291 or email (see link below) to schedule a personalized pick-up.

In addition, Valley Vista provides, 4 general bulky item pick-ups = 2 curbside and 2 at Steinmetz Park. The next general curbside bulky item pick up is scheduled for July 11th & 18<sup>th</sup> 2020.

## 7. Community Representatives

### a. Representative 4<sup>th</sup> Supervisorial District: Lauren Yokomizo

- LA County Will Send Vote-By-Mail Ballot to Every Voter
- As a result of a motion introduced by Supervisor Hahn at the Board of Supervisors meeting on Tuesday, the County will send mail-in-ballots to every eligible voter starting with the November election making things run smoother and safer during the election (press release below.)
- Face Coverings for the Community: Face coverings are required for essential workers and whenever members of the public enter essential businesses.
- What Will It Take to Relax the Safer at Home Order?  
LA County must meet the following criteria:
  - The capacity to care for the sick
  - Protection for the most vulnerable
  - Increasing our ability to test, isolate & quarantine
  - The ability to ensure ongoing physical distancing
- Supervisor Hahn's Facebook Live  
Join Supervisor Hahn on Facebook Live where she will provide County updates and answer questions from residents in the Fourth District.  
Taking place every Friday @ 11 AM during the crisis  
<https://www.facebook.com/supjanicehahn/>
- Thank you to residents in Hacienda Heights! We are flattening the curve – thanks to residents who are staying home and adhering to the Safer at Home orders.

### b. Representative 39<sup>th</sup> Congressional District: Erika Flores

- Rep. Cisneros Delivers Testimony to Small Business Committee Urging for Improvement of PPP and EIDL  
WASHINGTON, DC - Last week, Representative Gilbert R. Cisneros, Jr. (CA-39) delivered testimony during a House Small Business Committee hearing before a vote on the Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act. He urged the Committee to improve the PPP and EIDL to provide more certainty and better serve small businesses, including those owned by people of color, women, and veterans.  
To view or download the video, click [here](#).
- Rep. Cisneros Hosts Town Hall Focused on AAPI Resources and Combating Anti-AAPI Hate  
On April 28<sup>th</sup> 2020 Representative Gilbert R. Cisneros, Jr. (CA-39) hosted a Zoom/Facebook Live Town Hall with Rep. Judy Chu (CA-27), Chairwoman of the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus, and several Asian American Pacific Islander organizations to educate the public and provide resources for those who have experienced anti-Asian racism, discrimination, and physical violence. Two California 39 District residents shared their experiences dealing with discrimination and racism amid the coronavirus. To view the Town Hall, click [here](#).
- Rep. Cisneros Secures Priority COVID-19 Testing Status for First Responders  
Following a request from Representative Gilbert R. Cisneros, Jr. (CA-39) and 31 bipartisan Members of Congress, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) added the nation's first responders to the list of those eligible for high priority COVID-19 testing. Earlier this month, the bipartisan Members of Congress sent a letter to Vice President Mike Pence and CDC Director Robert Redfield requesting first responder testing priority. First responders who show symptoms of COVID-19 are now eligible for testing, joining hospitalized patients, healthcare workers, and workers and residents in congregated facilities or long-term care facilities.

Read the letter [here](#).

New guidance can be viewed [here](#).

- To receive all updates from Congressman Cisneros subscribe to our e-newsletter [here](#) and follow us on all our social media platforms.  
[Representative Cisneros Website](#) , [Facebook](#) , [Instagram](#) , [Twitter](#)

**c. 57<sup>th</sup> State Assembly District:** Ramon Luquin Jr.

Covid-19 Resources

- Our office has coordinated the 57th Assembly District's [COVID-19 Resources Center](#) where you can find up-to-date and accurate information about the current public health crisis. You can access this information at the following link on our website, <https://a57.asmdc.org/coronavirus-what-you-need-know>.
- Our office continues to be available to serve our communities and provide assistance with state resources. You can reach us by calling our District Office at (562) 692 – 5858 or by email at [Assemblymember.Calderon@assembly.ca.gov](mailto:Assemblymember.Calderon@assembly.ca.gov).

Legislative Update

- Assembly Bill 2004 (Blockchain/COVID-19 Testing)
  - This bill would authorize medical institutions and testing sites to provide individuals with COVID-19 test results through verifiable credentials (a secure method to transfer information).
  - Status- The bill is currently in the Assembly Committee of Privacy and Consumer Protection.
- Assembly Bill 2424 (Notaries Public: Disclosures)
  - The bill hopes to protect undocumented individuals targeted by notary fraud.
  - It would require the client to sign a disclosure acknowledging that the notary publics are not trained legal professionals and cannot provide legal assistance.
  - Status - This bill is currently in the Assembly Rules Committee.
- Assembly Bill 2016 (Personal Income Tax: Financial Aid)
  - The bill would establish a net calculator on the Student Aid Commission website for prospective students to utilize and compare the out-of-pocket costs of attending the colleges of their choosing.
  - This information will help students and parents make informed decisions and weigh their options financially before they select to enroll at a higher institution.
  - Status – This bill is currently in the Assembly Committee of Revenue and Taxation.

**d. 32<sup>nd</sup> State Senate District:** Kyle Miller

The office of Senator Bob Archuleta has always been a reliable source of help and assistance for the constituents of the 16 cities of Senate District 32 including Hacienda Heights. During this pandemic it will be no different. We are focused on providing useful information and meaningful representation during these unprecedented times

Our communications team has focused on providing timely information through our social media and email channels as well as our Senate website. We also have an email newsletter that will bring you additional information about the district. You can subscribe to our newsletter from our website and like all of our social media channels to receive the latest information.

We have positioned additional staff to address the increasing caseload demand from constituents affected by the Covid19 virus. Whether it is state unemployment issues, DMV problems, or some other issue in which you think the Senate office could be helpful please contact our office. Even though our staff is working remotely to be safe, we are ready to be of service.

Senator Archuleta will be foregoing most public events in order to comply with the Governor's order and keep himself safe. However he is working fulltime remotely with city and state leaders in order to make sure the 32<sup>nd</sup> Senate District receives resources and support to navigate through this

crisis. Thankfully conference calls and platforms like zoom allow the Senator to stay connected to help the district.

You should also know that the Senator has been selected by Governor Newsom to serve on a Legislative Coordination Group focused on the Coronavirus. This group will work closely with a Unified Command Group to keep the Governor’s team informed and prepared to act with confidence. With the selection of Senator Archuleta, the 32<sup>nd</sup> Senate District will have a seat at the table as strategies are developed and plans are made to fight this pandemic. Our office is extremely proud of the this appointment by the Governor and we hope our fellow constituents in Hacienda Heights are as well.

Senator Archuleta as well as the entire Senate staff are dedicated to providing the best help and assistance during this difficult time.

Please do not hesitate to contact us at our district office. Your call will be forwarded to one of our capable staff members who are ready to help.

Senator Archuleta advises to continue to follow the Governor’s stay at home order. These measures have been successful in reducing the spread of this virus in California. We will get through this together

Below is the contact info for the office of Senator Bob Archuleta as well as our social media channels. We look forward to hearing from you.

FB: @senatorbobarchuleta

[https://www.facebook.com/senatorbobarchuleta/?modal=admin\\_todo\\_tour](https://www.facebook.com/senatorbobarchuleta/?modal=admin_todo_tour)

IG: @senatorbobarchuleta <https://www.instagram.com/senatorbobarchuleta/?hl=en>

Twitter: @SenBobArchuleta: <https://twitter.com/SenBobArchuleta>

Web site: <https://sd32.senate.ca.gov/district>

Email: [Senator.Archuleta@sen.ca.gov](mailto:Senator.Archuleta@sen.ca.gov)

**e. Hacienda Heights Librarian:** Christina Cabrera-Labrador

All LA County Library locations are currently closed until further notice. Due dates for borrowed materials will automatically be extended and no late fines will be assessed. Customers can return materials when the Library reopens. Customers can contact their local LA County Library by phone with questions about resources and services -- Library staff will be available Monday – Friday, 9 am – 6 pm. Visit us online at [LACountyLibrary.org](http://LACountyLibrary.org) for more updates.

**f. Hsi Lai Temple:** Gena Ooi (report collaborated on w/Lucy Pedregon)

While the community remains home due to the spread of Covid-19, as ordered by the Los Angeles County Public Health Department for protection and safety, the Fo Guang Shan Hsi Lai Temple has been prompt to respond to the needs of the community and neighboring communities. They too have been ordered to close the temple from the public but inside the facility, you would be amazed at what has been accomplished through other means of outreach and communication.

First of all, Venerables, volunteers, members and employees follow the request by the county to wear face masks at all times to protect themselves and others. Active events among the temple have now become video broadcasts in which religious merits are returned to the family’s health, safety and good fortune. To discuss the issue of the pandemic crisis, Buddhist and Catholics representatives have communicated through “Zoom” discussions concluding in Prayer for Blessings.

Furthermore, regarding Covid-19, the headquarters Fo Guang Shan Master Hsing Yun Cultural and Educational Foundation, Buddha’s Light International Association (BLIA) and our Fo Guan Shan Hsi Lai Temple, have joined palms to donate N95 (special surgical masks), protective clothing to many locations within the United States! To name a few of the recipients, they are as follows; UCLA, Whittier Hospital, Whittier PIH, St. Jude Hospital, Methodist Hospital – Arcadia, Garfield Hospital, San Francisco and University of the West His Lai School - California. Outside of California, the outreach in offering donations has been to states as New York, Dallas, Austin, Houston – Texas, Las Vegas-Nevada, Phoenix – Arizona and Denver- Colorado. Our local recipients, through the generous donation from the Hsi Lai Temple, include the following; Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department-downtown, City of Industry

Station, East San Gabriel Valley Coalition for the Homeless, L.A. County Public Service employees: mail services, school teachers, and San Luis Obispo Nursing Home. Presently, the Hsi Lai Temple continues to provide surgical masks to our “First responders”!

Food has not been overlooked! Senator Ling Ling Chang has offered a bread-pastry distribution coming from La Brea Bakery and J.J. Bakery businesses. The bread was donated to a local food bank called the Shepard Foundation as well as the Whole Child Foundation and East San Gabriel Valley Coalition for the Homeless. Hacienda Heights was not forgotten in the bread distribution. On Monday, April 20, 2020, was the second bread distributed at the temple gate for residents. Thank you Hsi Lai Temple!

As you can see, the Fo Guang Shan Hsi Lai Temple has been working diligently in providing needs to all communities and will continue their services. Hacienda Heights is very fortunate to have the temple as part of the community. The temple has always demonstrated generosity, kindness and they are very welcoming. HHIA has established a great partnership with the temple in supporting each other’s events and in communications. On behalf of HHIA;

“Thank you” for the actions you have taken in preventing the spread of Covid-19 by providing our hero’s and others surgical masks through your generous donations along with food for many families”.

**g. LA Co Parks & Recreation:** P & R Representative – n/a

- 8. Treasurer’s Report: Consent Items:** United States Liability Insurance Company. This annual required expense does not need consent. This should have been under New Business for information only.
- 9. New Business:** Lucy Pedregon: I Love America – 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade Planning Update - “The 4th of July Parade committee is still in the works. The previous meeting was held by virtual means. It is in progress in hopes that by that time the "Stay home" mandated request will be cleared and a good reason to celebrate even more so when it is all over.

**10. COMMITTEE REPORTS:** Please refer to HHIA website [www.hhia.net](http://www.hhia.net) for details of Board Member reports.

Thanks you, Scott Martin, for gathering all the reports from the various representatives and organizations.

Minutes Submitted by : Eleanor Haan, Secretary  
May 5, 2020