

**East Hollywood Business Improvement District
DRAFT BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**Tuesday, May 14, 2019
3:00 PM**

Governors Attending: Ellen Zaman (Chair), Aguilar, Massachi, Song, Tashjian, Zarrinnam

Staff: Ghadban, Jauregui

Guests: George Hakopiants, Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell; Barbara Goodhill, Fountain Theatre; Sharyn Romano, LABT; Baydsar Thomasian, Senator Maria Elena Durazo.

I) **Call to Order**

Zaman called the meeting to order at 3:05 pm. The group members in attendance made self-introductions.

II) **Public Comment**

Jauregui informed the committee that Susanna Furios has resigned and will bring forward a replacement.

III) **Fountain Theatre Presents Walking the Beat**

Barbara Goodhill from the Fountain Theatre presented on their upcoming season and their Summer Program, "Walking the Beat," a 9-week summer laboratory that brings together police officers and youth.

IV) **Reports from Public Agencies**

SD-24 District Coordinator Baydsar Thomasian informed the board that her office has been monitoring legislation, including SB 58 and SB 50. The Senator has brought forth a Healthcare for All bill, SB 29. She will return with further updates as the legislation moves through the legislature.

CD-13 Field Deputy George Hakopiants informed the group that the City Council motion that asks DWP to shut off power for dispensaries that are operating illegally has passed and residents can report dispensaries through their local Councilmember. He added that the plastic straw ban ordinance is already in place and will begin the transition from plastic straws. A new community garden will be opening in East Hollywood this month according to Hakopiants. He closed his report by informing the group that LACC is working to implement programs to assist homeless students, including a safe parking program. On-site caseworkers will be working with the students to find them housing.

V) **March and April Financial Report**

Ghadban reviewed the financial reports for March and April 2019. She noted that the BID had a beginning balance of \$318,503.89 in March and ending balance of \$280,423.30 in the bank. She added that in April the BID had a beginning balance of \$280,423.30 and ending balance of \$239,726.62.

She informed the group that the Chamber's contract with the accounting firm had lapsed and they hired a bookkeeper in house.

Motion by Zarrinnam, Seconded Tashjian to move the accounting services to the Chamber's in-house accountant for the continued \$300 a month

Motion carried.

VI) **Workforce Development Discussion**

Zaman engaged the group in a discussion on workforce development for East Hollywood. Thomasian informed the Board of the Work Source Center recently had a job fair and suggested that the group invite their Director Phil Star. The group agreed to continue this discussion at the next meeting.

VII) **LABT Cleaning Contract Update**

Romano informed the group that the irrigation system on the Vermont Triangle had been vandalized and had to be replaced.

Romano explained that one of the new medians cannot drain and trees cannot be planted as a result. She added that one of the medians had been hit by a car and requires repair.

Motion by Zarrinnam, Seconded Aguilar by to allocate up to \$5,000 to repair the Vermont Medians and \$2,000 to install bollards.

Motion carried.

VIII) **Hollywood Chamber of Commerce Economic Development Summit**

Jauregui informed the group that the Chamber will be holding its annual Economic Development Summit at the W Hotel on June 20th and asked if the BID was interested in coming on as a sponsor again this year.

Motion by Zaman, Seconded by Aguilar to sponsor at the Gold Level for \$1,800.

Motion carried.

Motion by Tashjian, Seconded by Zarrinnam to allocate \$200 to a EHBID pop-up banner.

Motion carried.

IX) **Hollywood Chamber Foundation's Heroes of Hollywood**

Jauregui also informed the group that the Chamber's Foundation will be holding its annual Heroes of Hollywood event at the Taglyan Complex on June 6th and asked if the BID was interested in coming on as a sponsor.

Motion by Tashjian, Seconded by Zarrinnam to sponsor at the Silver Level for \$1,800

Motion carried.

X) **Next Meeting Date**

The annual meeting of the EHBID will be held on Tuesday, June 18th at 3:00 pm.

XI) **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:28 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Lily Weiner
BID Coordinator

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

DATE: 11/11/2011

TO: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

FROM: LILY WEINER, BID COORDINATOR

SUBJECT: ADJOURNMENT