

# HCNNC



## HISTORIC CULTURAL NORTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL CHINATOWN • EL PUEBLO • SOLANO CANYON • VICTOR HEIGHTS

**BOARD DISCUSSION NOTES**, Monday, May 22, 2023  
Approved June 26, 2023

\* Note: this event did not have a quorum; the City Attorney designated such events as "discussions," not "Meetings" and the record of them as "notes," not "Minutes."

Document copies were available at <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1S8cld8ATwfDmvd0oGXreNe6V1-z4Twke>.

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### **1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL.**

Chair Wilson Gee started the discussion at 5:19 p.m. Translation interpreters were available. Roll Call was taken by Treasurer Valerie Hanley. Eight of the 16 Board Members were present at the Roll Call, which is not a quorum: Miho Murai, Tony Quon (1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Chair), Ne Hung Hom (2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair), Paul Hanley, Valerie Hanley (Treasurer), Wilson Gee (Chair), Huiling Cai and Phyllis Ling. Bryce Louie, Mei Wah Lau, Xiao Ping Liang, Wai So Yuan, Tuong Hoang, Norma Garcia, Steve Rice and Don Toy were absent. The HCNNC quorum (the minimum number of Board Members needing to be present to take binding votes on Agendized Items) is nine (see the Bylaws link at <https://empowerla.org/hcnncc>), so at this time the Board could only take public comments, could not have any official discussions, and could not make any Motions or take any votes. Sixteen of the 17 Board Seats were filled (by election or appointment). One Board Seat [Victor Heights Residential Representative] was vacant; to apply, contact [Gee.HCNNC@gmail.com](mailto:Gee.HCNNC@gmail.com); [TonyQuon1@gmail.com](mailto:TonyQuon1@gmail.com); and [VHanley.HCNNC@gmail.com](mailto:VHanley.HCNNC@gmail.com); or Mr. Galdamez). Also attended: approximately 12 Stakeholders and Guests.

### **2. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items.**

Sam Billimoria spoke about the "Vision of Health" diabetes prevention program and left information fliers.

### 3. **GOVERNMENT REPORTS.**

#### a. Public Safety

There was no report.

#### b. City Council Representative

Jorge Plascencia, Field Deputy for L.A. City District One Councilmember

Eunisses Hernandez [213-473-7001; [Jorge.Plascencia@LACity.org](mailto:Jorge.Plascencia@LACity.org); <http://CD1.LACity.org>],

No representative was present; there was no report.

#### c. Government Departments/Agencies, including Department of Neighborhood Empowerment.

Jose Galdamez, a Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate of the L.A. Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE; 818-374-9895;

[Jose.Galdamez@LACity.org](mailto:Jose.Galdamez@LACity.org); [www.EmpowerLA.org](http://www.EmpowerLA.org)), reported that DONE released the HCNNC from Exhaustive Efforts. The City's Community Impact Statement dashboard is available for submissions. The State still is considering Senate Bill 411 regarding teleconference meetings. Newly-elected Neighborhood Council Boards can be Seated starting in July.

### 4. **Liaisons Reports.**

Ms. Murai reported that LANCC [Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils Coalition; [LANCC@EmpowerLA.org](mailto:LANCC@EmpowerLA.org); [www.LANCC.org](http://www.LANCC.org)] is creating a Neighborhood Councils Bill of Rights.

### 5. **Presentation** by Redcar Properties, regarding case numbers are ZA-2023-1644-CUB, ZA-2023-1247-CUB, and ZA-2023-1244-CUB. All three of the spaces are contained within the 843 N. Spring Street project. The building on the site is currently under development but is nearing completion.

#### a. Unit 101 - ZA-2023-1244-CUB. A proposed restaurant requesting a conditional use permit for the on-site sale and consumption, as well as off-site ancillary sales, of beer and wine in connection with a 1,556 SF restaurant. The proposed restaurant will have 42 seats, all of which are indoors. Proposed hours are 9AM-12AM Monday through Thursday, 9AM-1AM Friday and Saturday.

Developer representative Chris Manasserian presented. There would be one restaurant on the first floor and two on the second. There would be a security guard and some on-site parking. Information handouts were available.

*Mr. Gee **TABLED** the remainder of the Agenda Items because there was no quorum. A Special Board Meeting will be called to consider funding items.*

#### b. Unit 201 – ZA-2023-1644-CUB. A proposed restaurant requesting a conditional use permit for the on-site sale and consumption of a full line of alcohol in connection with a 5,117 SF restaurant. The proposed restaurant will have 57 outdoor seats spread throughout three patios, as well as 91 indoor seats.

Proposed hours are 9AM-12AM Monday through Thursday, 9AM-1AM Friday and Saturday.

- c. Unit 202 - ZA-2023-1247-CUB. A proposed restaurant requesting a conditional use permit for the on-site sale and consumption of a full line of alcohol in connection with a 3,032 SF restaurant. The proposed restaurant will have 36 outdoor seats across two patios, as well as 54 indoor seats. Proposed hours are 9AM-12AM Monday through Thursday, 9AM-1AM Friday and Saturday.

*Mr. Gee **TABLED** above Item #'s 5. b. and c. because there was no quorum.*

- 6. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION** to fund operational expenses as listed below for up to \$3,540.00 for the purpose of conducting meetings smoothly and efficiently:
  - a. Projector up to \$620.00 from Amazon.
  - b. Large timer for time-keeping at meetings up to \$100.00 from Amazon.
  - c. Laptop to contain NC records, display agenda and documents at meetings, take notes up to \$700.00 from Amazon (To be City inventory and to be owned by the Neighborhood Council and no individual Board Member).
  - d. Voice recorder for recording meetings when minute-taker is not available up to \$100.00 from Amazon.
  - e. Translation equipment up to \$2,000.00 from Amazon.
  - f. Gavel up to \$20.00 from Amazon.

*Mr. Gee **TABLED** above Item #6 because there was no quorum.*

- 7. **Discussion and possible action** to contribute up to \$10,000 to the NC Congress. Presentation by Teresa Y. Hillery, member of the Los Angeles Congress of Neighborhoods. The Los Angeles Congress of Neighborhoods is a conference for our Neighborhood Councils that will be returning to City Hall this year, taking place on Saturday, September 23, 2023. The them[e] is "A New Era: Reimagining Leadership."

*Mr. Gee **TABLED** above Item #7 because there was no quorum.*

**8. Consent Calendar.**

- a. Discussion and possible action to approve the Draft Meeting Minutes Historic Cultural North NC Regular Board Meeting of April 24, 2023.
- b. Discussion and possible action to approve the Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for the March 2023.
- c. Discussion and possible action to approve the Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for the April 2023.
- d. Discussion and possible action to approve expenditure for outreach supplies of up to \$500 to UltraPress to produce/purchase 26 t-shirts with HCNNC logo for board members to wear at outreach events.

- e. Discussion and possible action to approve expenditure for outreach promotional items of up to \$2,500 to DTLA Print to purchase HCNNC branded tote bags.
- f. Discussion and possible action to approve expenditure for outreach promotional items of up to \$1,250 to Garuda Promo to purchase HCNNC branded pens.

Mr. Gee **TABLED** above Item #8 because there was no quorum.

9. **Discussion and possible action** to approve payment of up to \$300 per month to rent a storage unit at Extra Space Storage (1000 N Main St, Los Angeles, CA 90012) for the storage of neighborhood council equipment and supplies.

Mr. Gee **TABLED** above Item #9 because there was no quorum.

10. **Discussion and possible action** to approve USPS P.O. Box, located at Terminal Annex Finance – Post Office, 900 N Alameda St, Los Angeles, CA 90012, up to \$600.00.

Mr. Gee **TABLED** above Item #10 because there was no quorum.

11. **Discussion and possible action** to authorize up to three board members to access the storage unit.

Mr. Gee **TABLED** above Item #11 because there was no quorum.

12. **Discussion and possible action** to authorize up to three board members to access the postal office P.O. Box.

Mr. Gee **TABLED** above Item #12 because there was no quorum.

13. **Discussion and possible action** to amend the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Admin Budget Packet.

Mr. Gee **TABLED** above Item #13 because there was no quorum.

#### 14. **Announcements**

Mr. Gee **TABLED** above Item #14 because there was no quorum.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Gee ended the discussion at 5:46 p.m.

*The first paragraph of some Items, Motions/Resolutions and other wording may have been copied from the Agenda.* Discussion notes written by DL, possibly edited by the HCNNC. The HCNNC Board Meeting Minutes page is <https://hcnn.org/agendas-and-minutes>.