



**ECHO PARK
NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**



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**GEPENC BOARD OF GOVERNOR'S
MEETING**

**Tuesday, May 31, 2016,
7:00 P.M.**

MEETING LOCATION

**Logan Span School
2511 Montana St, LA CA 90026**

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DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES

Paul Bowers	D1	Andrew Knauer	D3	Jocelyn Geaga-Rosenthal	D5	At Large Reps:
Johnmichael Hull	D1	Vacant	D3	Mike Jolly	D5	David Rockello Rosen
Kevin Fisher	D1	Vacant	D3	Jeffrey Kontorovsky	D5	Darcy Harris
Jim Brown	D2	Tad Yenawine	D4			Mary Jane Hunter
Richard Courtney	D2	Vacant	D4	Community Interest rep:		Manuel Pool
Cheryl Ortega	D2	Vacant	D4	Jackelyn Valladares		Connie Acosta

Minutes of meeting

1. Welcome: Meeting called to order at 7pm Thomas Soong, DONE representative chaired the meeting and made welcoming remarks.
2. Seating of the new NC Board
 - a. Roll Call

Present: P. Bowers; J. Hull; K. Fisher; J. Brown; R. Courtney; A. Knauer; T. Yenawine; J. Geaga-Rosenthal; M. Jolly; J. Kontorvsky; D. Rockello; D. Harris; M. J. Hunter; M. Pool; C. Acosta; J. Valladares

Absent: Cheryl Ortega
 - b. NC Oath
3. Community/Government reports and announcements:

None
4. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

Anonymous Joe: talked about the Brown act, specifically about public comment; Exhaustive efforts.

Matthew Sharp: Learn how the city departments function, it will help our work.

Ida Tallala: urged respect for stakeholders and the community; noted former boards did not.

Andy Griggs: Is concerned about Echo Park; raised issues of accessibility and ADA requirements/parameters; suggested agenda was not posted with sufficient time to address accessibility issues; discussed the upcoming ordinance on short term rentals.

Isa Mencken: Noted poor election turnout; noted that there are other community orgs that represent the neighborhood and we should connect with them; discussed respect for stakeholders and the community, and public comments.

Jay Handel: alleged that time limits on public comments are inflexible per the Brown Act. His citation was not backed up with documentation, he is not an attorney, or an expert on the Brown Act.

5. Presentation by DONE: NC orientation

Presented by Thomas Soong

8:07 pm Jackelyn Valladares left

6. Discussion/possible action re: creating a list of 15 problem areas on local streets to be considered for small asphalt repairs, etc, to be submitted by June 23 deadline.

T. Yenawine motioned to open discussion

D. Rockello Motioned that EPNC request that the repairs be made per community suggestions; J. Geaga-Rosenthal seconded;

T. Yenawine amended the motion to include Authorization for P. Bowers to speak and act on behalf of the Board and act as Liaison with BSS and the community; K. Fisher seconded the amendment.

There was discussion.

Amended motion passed unanimously, 15-0-0

Motion passed unanimously, 15-0-0

7. Update on FY 2015-2016 funds:

Thomas Soong: The NC has between \$2k and \$3k left. He suggested using the money on an office/storage/possible meeting space. Suggestions were made about possible locations in the

neighborhood. Donated space by board members is not legal; churches may be problematic as well.

Items 8 and 9 were combined, Board member comments and future agenda items.

R Courtney: Transparency, budget report from DONE; filling vacant seats (prior to selecting officers)

K Fisher: Asked for a “resources” discussion item to clarify board inventory/capacities; Suggested a timeline/calendar discussion item about committee meetings/timeline.

M Jolly: Selection of officers and committee chairs

J Hull: Subcontracting web site/accounting/minutes/translation

M J Hunter: Concurred with what had been said so far.

D Rockello: DONE report on Exhaustive Efforts and generation of public report on investigation findings.

D Harris: Presence at Lotus Festival in the form of a booth; Parade, also.

C Acosta: CIS for “air b and b” initiative

J Kontorovsky: Public safety

J Geaga-Rosenthal: Adding “Sustainability” to the title and mission of the Parks and Public Works committee.

A Knauer: Brown Act access and information

T Yenawine: Ad Hoc Committee for Film LA to discuss guidelines for production companies in Echo Park; Dodgers operations; Bylaws and Standing Rules; Short term rentals: formation of District 6

P Bowers: Email selection and dissemination; Communications/web manager; business cards; video taping, with potential for broadcast or posting to youtube

Isa Mencken: Civic resources listings; newsletter; community/city/county priority set for purposeful living for seniors

Andy Griggs: Air B and B; oral and written report from DONE on Exhaustive Efforts and Bylaws changes;

Clay Bush: Planning office update—EPNC does in fact exist!; absences by board members

10. Adjournment: Motion by J Gaega-Rosenthal, second by J Kontorovsky 8:55 pm