



Minutes for November 10, 2014 OPA General Meeting
6:30 – 9:00 PM Joslyn Park
633 Kensington Road, Santa Monica CA 90405

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT (QUORUM):

Judy Abdo, Andrew Gledhill, Patty Godon-Tann, Mark Gorman, Sadat Huq, Jeff Jarow, Jim Lawson, Mary Marlow, Evan Meyer, Marc Morgenstern, Thane Roberts, Mike Salazar, Jodi Summers, David Tann, Bob Taylor

BOARD MEMBER ABSENCES:

David Auch, Michele Perrone

7:00 to 9:00 PM REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

1. Introduction to OPA (Jim Lawson – 1 minute)

- a. Call to order at 7:05pm

2. Membership Announcement (Sadat Huq – 3 minutes)

- a. Encourage membership \$20 HH, \$15 individual, \$5 senior

3. General Announcements

- a. Mary—Citywide zoning meeting Nov. 19 at 6:30, Civic Center
- b. Jodi—Meeting of Zoning group last week; putting together presentation with recommendations
- c. Roger Swanson—Successful clean sweep on Lincoln Blvd last weekend
- d. Judy—Church in Ocean Park started climate change group; third forum at Main Library Sunday; blast out to OPA list
- e. Andrew— “SM Talks” with City Manager on Nov. 13, Nov. 18, 6:15pm
- f. Evan—3 murals up in last month, including Main St.
- g. Judy—Holiday House Party Dec. 7th at 6pm
- h. Patty—Need worksheets for next quarter submission to city for Joslyn Park—second Monday
- i. Sadat--Sat. 18th Wellness Festival at Civic--- good turnout

4. Second Street Preferential Parking Meters Update (Beth Rowlandson, Principal Transportation Planner and SMPD Traffic Services – 10 minutes).

- a. Beth—Issue: Whether to install parking meters on residential streets; residents and their visitors would still use their permits—would it change all-day parking behavior on Second St north of OP Blvd.?
 - i. Committee met; Feedback says don't reduce number of parking spaces

- ii. What's best technology: Pay by space? Where?
- iii. Next steps: Meet with residents on Second St.
- b. Judy—Skeptical, concerned that city hasn't talked with residents yet
- c. Thane—What would prevent problem from moving further east?
- d. Mike—Parking already too dense; plan should have continuity north and south of OP Blvd.
- e. Beth—Issue with marking spaces
- f. Evan—Conduct a survey? Free up the Mormon Church lot?
- g. Jodi and Jeff—Merchant employee beach lot permit a failure since free spots are still available in neighborhood; consider lower \$\$ for beach rather than \$20 permit to incent employees to park there
- h. Judy--it's currently inconvenient for people to get the monthly passes as they have to be bought in person every month

5. Presentation of the Ballot (Patty Godon - Tann – 10 minutes)

- a. Co-chair with Jeff of nominating committee; working with Jan Ludwinski and Iris Moscow as citizens on committee
- b. Key date: Nov. 5—nominations closed; notified every incumbent up for reelection
- c. Requirements: must be resident and dues paying member
- d. 7 seats available; 1 declined to run, 6 incumbents, 4 other nominees
- e. All submitted bios
- f. Ballot draft to every board member and new nominees
- g. Ballot (with bios) will be sent 7 days ahead of annual meeting to all members
- h. Candidates edit down entries to max of 200 words for Election Day ballot

MOTION: To post and distribute candidate ballot with edited biographies to general membership

Moved by Mike; Second by David Tann

Passed unanimously

6. Bylaws Report: (Jeff Jarow – 10 minutes)

- a. Patty--Must receive Board comments by Nov. 22 in order to send to all members 7 days prior to annual meeting
- b. Jeff—Highlighted key changes
- c. Mary—How will it be on ballot? Vote on each change or all or nothing?
- d. Patty—Members to accept recommendation of board for passage
- e. Andrew—Call them “new bylaws,” not “revised”; Need to see document comparing old and proposed bylaws
- f. Mary—Push out membership vote to next year so have enough time to consider; this is too last minute
- g. Jeff—Lots of thought and Committee time went into these changes; if they are off base, let us know
- h. Jim—Set a date for comments based on reading new draft
- i. David T—It's enough time
- j. Judy—Should approved ASAP so have decent bylaws that reflect how we actually operate

- k. Marc—If redline copy is distributed tomorrow, can we have comments by Nov. 22?; board would need to approve by email vote before put on annual meeting ballot or postponed
- l. Thane—Post redlined markup on website for consideration before vote

SUBSEQUENT MOTION BY EMAIL ON NOV. 27, 2014: To submit the revised Bylaws to a vote by the Voting Membership at OPA's Dec. 6, 2014 Annual Membership Meeting

Moved by: Marc; Seconded by: Jodi

EMAIL VOTE CLOSED ON NOV. 29, 2014
MOTION REQUIRED SUPERMAJORITY OF 12 VOTES
VOTE WAS: 11 Yes, 6 No, 0 Abstain (Tally attached)
MOTION DID NOT CARRY

7. Actions taken since last Board meeting

- a. Holiday Party Dec. 6 at Lula's
- b. Need Sign-in table
- c. Marc—Use Evite or Eventbrite and only send postcards to those without email addresses
- d. Jodi—volunteers to do; starting with save the date
- e. Patty—need to vote on budget if over \$250; last year's food = \$1,100
- f. Evan—charge \$5 for food/drinks?
- g. Jim--\$1200 food budget from membership budget

MOTION: Approving \$1,200 budget for annual meeting

Made by: Mike; Seconded by: Jodi

Passed unanimously

8. Report from October 2014 Neighborhood Council Meeting (Mary Marlow – 5 minutes)

- a. Planning Dep't website shows proposed amendments: primarily to get rid of Tier 3 (highest density) on boulevards; affordable or mixed use housing allowed in office zones; activity centers (2 eliminated on Wilshire, OP Blvd. at Lincoln Blvd. still proposed)
- b. Meeting Weds. Nov 19 to discuss
- c. Drought restriction meeting held; options submitted to Council in January
- d. Bergamot Station—Mary wants board support to be on advisory committee—Board approves by consensus

UNANIMOUS VOTE TO EXTEND MEETING PAST 9pm

9. Approval of Minutes from October Meeting (Marc Morgenstern – 3 minutes)

MOTION: To approve October Minutes

Made by: Jim; Seconded by: Jeff

Approved unanimously

9. Treasurer's Report (Patty Godon-Tann – 3 minutes)

- a. Patty: Closed books on parade
- b. No membership account additions last month
- c. \$2,634 in membership account
- d. Waiting to hear about neighborhood grant

11. Committee Reports:

- Ocean Park Zoning: (Judy Abdo – 5 minutes) [Mentioned above]
- Lincoln Boulevard Task Force: (David Tann – 5 minutes) [No Report]
- Membership: (Sadat Huq – 5 minutes) [Already Covered]
- General Plan: (Mary Marlow – 5 minutes) [Already Covered]
- Communications: (Jodi Summers – 10 minutes) Newsletter Update to go out next week
- Bylaws Committee: [Jeff Jarow - See above]
- Santa Monica Airport: (Mike Salazar – 5 minutes)
 - Leasing policies being updated for July 1
 - Considering amended environmental standards
- Tree Committee: (Andrew Gledhill – 5 minutes)
 - Urban forester invited to OPA party
- Main Street Committee: (Marc Morgenstern – 5 minutes)
 - Met with Gary Gordon of Main Street Merchants; main issues surround parking and sidewalk displays
 - Will organize committee meeting to set priorities

Next meeting on Monday, December 8, 2014 at 7:00PM at Joslyn Park.

Refreshments December:

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Meeting Adjourned at 9:15

OPA Board Voting Roster

Item: Email Vote on Bylaws revision submission

Motion: *To submit the revised Bylaws to a vote by the Voting Membership at OPA's Dec. 6, 2014 Annual Membership Meeting*

Made by: Marc; Seconded by Jodi

Date: 11/27/14 Email Vote

Board Member	Y	N	Abstain		Board Member	Y	N	Abstain
David Auch	X				Evan Meyer	X		
Judy Abdo	X				Marc Morgenstern	X		
Andrew Gledhill		X			Michele Perrone		X	
Patty Godon-Tann	X				Thane Roberts		X	
Mark Gorman		X			Mike Salazar		X	
Sadat Huq	X				Jodi Summers	X		
Jeffrey Jarow	X				David Tann	X		
Jim Lawson	X				Bob Taylor	X		
Mary Marlow		X						
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Totals: Yes 11 No 6 Abstain 0 Absent 0
Motion does not carry