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Minutes of October 3, 2006 meeting

1. Call to Order – by M. Arias 7:02 p.m.

Board members present: Acherman, Arias, Buchanan, Ciancimino, Coffin, Dalton, Donell, Doyle, Ehlers, Farland, Ferro, Gray, Lyon, Maleman, Marcellus, Mickelson, Niles, Rose, Ruhlen, Santos, Schneider, Voss, Webster

Board members absent (excused): Callinan, Vergari, West (unexcused): Allen, DeArmas

2. Pledge of Allegiance - David Coffin

3. Election of Vice President

Discussion was had regarding the NCWPDR succession plan and the by-laws regarding succession to the vacant President position. Two nominations were made (G. Maleman: M-Voss, S-Coffin) (R. Acherman: M-Mickelson, S-Rose). Each nominee made a brief statement. Maleman was elected interim Vice President 13-7. (Maleman – Buchanan, Coffin, Donell, Doyle, Farland, Ferro, Gray, Lyon, Maleman, Marcellus, Ruhlen, Voss, Webster; Acherman – Acherman, Dalton, Ehlers, Mickelson, Rose, Schneider, Niles)

4. Appointment of Tom Flintoft to Service Club & Fraternal Organizations seat.

Discussion was had. Dalton moved to table, S-Schneider. Motion failed 17-3 (for – Acherman, Dalton, Schneider; against – Buchanan, Coffin, Donell, Doyle, Ehlers, Farland, Ferro, Gray, Lyon, Maleman, Marcellus, Mickelson, Rose, Ruhlen, Voss, Webster, Niles). Tom Flintoft spoke regarding his desire to serve and his qualifications. Motion per agenda – Voss, S-Ehlers. Passed unanimously. Flintoft was seated as a board member and joined the board on the dais.

5. Appointment to fill Residential District #5 seat. No suitable nominee was available. The issue was tabled.

6. Approval of minutes.M-Acherman, S-Schneider. Passed unanimously.

7. Public comment Gordon Michael Mego, candidate for U.S. Congress, spoke regarding his candidacy.

- 8. City Representative Reports
 - i. Lisette Covarrubias reported regarding DONE
 - ii. Laurie Sale reported regarding Councilman Bill Rosendahl
- iii. Rez Akef reported regarding Congresswoman Jane Harman
- 9. Motions:

Consent Items:

- i. Letter to LAWA re: Westchester Golf Course
- a. M per agenda Schneider, S-Doyle. Passed unanimously.
- ii. Motion to opposed DWP rate increase
- a. M per agenda Acherman, S-Rose. Passed unanimously.

Action Items:

- i. Bylaw modification regarding definition of non-residential seats
- a. M refer this issue to by-laws committee by Acherman, S-Dalton. Passed unanimously.
- ii. Modification on agenda posting locations
- a. M per agenda Acherman, S-Mickelson. Passed unanimously.
- iii. LAPD Pacific Division public safety project request for funding
- a. M per agenda Schneider, S-Gray. Sue Slaton presented request on behalf of LAPD public safety project

- Quake Cottage. Discussion was had. Passed unanimously.

10. Committee Reports:

Reports were made per the agenda.

Treasurer's Report

i. Treasurer Donell presented the report. M to receive - Schneider, S-Ruhlen. Passed unanimously.

Appoint NC Congress Representative, Alternate

i. M to nominate Acherman as NCWPDR Representative to Neighborhood Congress - Dalton, S-Schneider. Passed unanimously. M to nominate Niles as Alternate to Neighborhood Congress - Schneider, S-Acherman. Passed unanimously.

11. Discussion Items

i. BONC – Voss presented regarding the BONC discussion about conflict of interest issues related to Neighborhood Councils.

ii. Mayor's Budget Survey – Schneider reported that the budget survey was distributed at the election and encouraged all board members and members of the public to complete and return the survey.

iii. Lack of handicapped accessible corners on 77th/Sepulveda – Arias presented the concern about handicapped accessibility. Issue was referred to Governmental Affairs Committee.

iv. Offensive billboard on Sepulveda – Arias presented response from Mike Bonin in Councilman Rosendahl's Office that the billboard is being dealt with through his office and should be removed soon.

v. Installation of wireless facility on Covenant Presbyterian Church – Arias presented announcement that T-Mobile planned to install a wireless facility. Issue was referred to Planning/Land Use Committee.

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12. Announcements

Announcements were made per the agenda.

13. Adjournment M to adjourn - Gray, S-Acherman. Passed unanimously. Adjourned 9:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Geoff Maleman Vice President