



MINUTES
Neighborhood Council Organization (INCO)
General Membership Meeting
Wednesday, June 7, 2023

A. ROLL CALL

At 6:00 p.m., Chair Diana Velzy called the meeting to order.

Present were: Christopher Bissonnette (*remote*), Blackstock South; Jon Huycke, Bryce Canyon North; Doug Partello, Cabrillo; Len Shulman, Carriage Square; Ronald Arruejo, East Village; Pat Brown, Five Points Northeast; Dave Ebbit, Fremont North; Jack Villa, Hobson Park East; Diana Velzy, Orchard Park; Lissa Hewitt, Oxnard Dunes; Rosanna Biggerstaff, Pleasant Valley Estates; Tim Gingrass, Rio Lindo; Paul Scheneblen, Riverpark; Amanda Meere, Wagon Wheel; Michael Gleason, West Village

A quorum of members was present.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES May 3, 2023

Motion by Meere, seconded by Villa. Minutes of May 3, 2023, approved with corrections (pg 2 Tim Gingrass misspelling)

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments were received from:

None received.

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. SUBJECT: Neighborhood Council Budget Program

RECOMMENDATION: That the INCO General Membership receive a verbal report from Samantha Shapiro, followed by Q&A

Ms. Shapiro provided an update. A Q&A session followed.

2. SUBJECT: INCO Booths at City Events

RECOMMENDATION: That the INCO General Membership discuss coordinating and staffing an INCO booth at City events

The General Membership discussed ways to increase INCO outreach, such as staffing a booth at City events. Several members of the General Membership offered to volunteer at City events.

3. SUBJECT: INCO Subcommittees

RECOMMENDATION: That the INCO General Membership discuss and recruit volunteers to serve on the new INCO Subcommittees on Arts, Budget, Governance, Parks, Public Safety, and Transportation

Chair Velzy introduced the item. 2nd Vice-chair Meere provided an update on the new subcommittees. Lively discussion ensued! Ad-hoc versus standing committee madness!

4. SUBJECT: INCO Bylaws

RECOMMENDATION: That the INCO General Membership discuss and vote on new INCO Bylaws, including policies and procedures

Discussion ensued amongst the General Membership.

A motion was made by Meere, seconded by Tim Gingrass, to approve the draft policy with corrections. Approved unanimously by General Membership.

A motion was made with Chair Velzy to immediately have this policy go into effect seconded by 1st Vice-chair Villa. Approved unanimously by General Membership.

F. NEIGHBORHOOD CHAIR REPORTS

Jack Villa, Hobson Park East - June 10 neighborhood meeting at 10 am at the PACC

Doug Partello, Cabrillo - June 15 neighborhood meeting at Cabrillo Park

Len Shulman, Carriage Square - reelected neighborhood chair in latest neighborhood election

Paul Scheneblen, River Park - last neighborhood meeting included Santa Clara River fenceline; annual election upcoming

Jon Huycke, Bryce Canyon North - last meeting with Bryce Canyon South did not have a quorum

Ronald Arruejo, East Village - will be having a Zoom meeting in July, and an election meeting in September

Pat Brown, Five Points Northeast - will be having a new meeting on the new apartment buildings being built in the neighborhood

Diana Velzy, Orchard Park - next neighborhood cleanup is in October

G. EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORTS

2nd Vice-chair Meere - thanked everyone for their support at the new Wagon Wheel brewery; thanked Chair Velzy for her leadership

1st Vice-chair Villa - if there are any problems with getting volunteers for neighborhood cleanups, call Rebecca Guevara with the City Environmental Resources division; thanked Chair Velzy for her efforts; the INCO should start recognizing residents in the City that do community and volunteer work

Chair Velzy - neighborhood cleanup volunteers assistance

H. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Douglas Partello - Special Districts item

Jon Huycke - Water adjudication lawsuit

I. ADJOURNMENT

Without objection, Chair Velzy adjourned the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Adam Smith
Executive Secretary