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)
     o Leasing policies being updated for July 1
     o Considering amended environmental standards
   - Tree Committee: (Andrew Gledhill – 5 minutes)
     o Urban forester invited to OPA party
   - Main Street Committee: (Marc Morgenstern – 5 minutes)
     o Met with Gary Gordon of Main Street Merchants; main issues surround parking and sidewalk displays
     o 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
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

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Totals: Yes 11 No 6 Abstain 0 Absent 0

Motion does not carry