Minutes of the
MISSION HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (MHNC)
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING #1 of 2, Monday, December 11, 2017
at Bermuda Mobile Home Park, 15445 Bermuda St, Mission Hills, CA 91345

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1. **Call to Order/Introductions.** (Facilitator)
Kathleen Quinn, Project Coordinator, L.A. Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) (818-374-9893; Kathleen.Quinn@LACity.org; www.EmpowerLA.org), called the Meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Five Board Members were present at the Roll Call: Dean Anderson, Jose Arevalo, Savannah Pinedo, Ed Sentowski and Niranjala Tillakaratne. Jose Castillo was absent (excused). The MHNC quorum (the minimum number of Board Members needing to be present to take binding votes on Agendized Items) is seven (see the Bylaws at https://lacity.quickbase.com/db/bj3apxsp3?a=q&qid=32&qskip=0&qrppg=1000&dltasu46~). Six of the 14 Board Seats were filled (by election or appointment). Eight Board Seats were vacant [At-Large (3), Business Owner (2), Homeowner (2), and Organizational Stakeholder/Employee]; to apply, see http://mhnconline.org/about-mhnc/board. Also attended: 20 Stakeholders and Guests.

2. **Welcoming Remarks**
Ms. Quinn explained the Neighborhood Council and procedures and encouraged volunteering to be on the Board.

3. **Public Comments on Non-agendized items.**
Laura Rathbone, MHNC Homeless Liaison, reported that the Pacific Homeless Shelter was open. Also, homeless people are cleaning streets for the City through their “Clean Streets, Clean Starts” program, of which she is the Director. She would
like to apply for a Neighborhood Purposes Grant to support the program. A Mayall St. resident reported that “they've got multiple families living there” in a motor home and that drivers are speeding.

4. **Discussion and possible action on vacant At-Large Stakeholder Seats in order to re-establish quorum**: Per MHNC Bylaws this position is open to Stakeholders at least eighteen (18) years of age who live, work or own real property in the neighborhood and also to those who declare a stake in the neighborhood as a community interest stakeholder. The voting process will repeat until all vacancies in the category are filled or until there are no longer qualified candidates.

Copies were distributed of a “Mission Hills Outreach Report” describing “Outreach . . . conducted within the [MHNC] Boundaries by [DONE] to identify candidates to fill eight (8) vacancies.”

a. Candidates will be able to speak on the public benefit they provide to the community by becoming a member of the Neighborhood Council. Ms. Quinn read the Board Seat qualifications. Stakeholders Mangwi Atia and David Kritzer described their backgrounds and desires to serve.

b. The Board will vote on who they believe to be the best candidate. The candidate with the most votes wins.

The Board voted to appoint Mangwi Atia and David Kritzer to At-Large Seats as Board Members, making a quorum of seven Board Members present.

c. The Department will confirm their selection.

Ms. Quinn “confirmed” Ms. Atia and Mr. Kritzer as Board Members.

5. **Adjournment** (Facilitator)

Ms. Quinn declared the Meeting **ADJOURNED** at 7:18 p.m.

_This Special Meeting was immediately followed by another Special Meeting. [See separate Meeting Minutes.]_

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