Minutes of the
MISSION HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (MHNC)
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
Saturday, April 13, 2013
at the LAPD Mission Area Police Station, Timothy M. Falco Community Room
11121 Sepulveda Boulevard, Mission Hills, CA 91345

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1. **Call to Order/Introductions**
   President Brad Klimovitch introduced himself and called the Meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
   Mr. Samuelson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **Roll Call**
   Roll Call was taken by the Minutes Writer. Board Members in attendance at the Roll Call were: Debra Dalton, Craig Forry, Raymond Garcia, Jerrilyn Hayashi, Brad Klimovitch, Roberto Martin, Jesse Martinez, John Samuelson and Clint Scott. No Board Members were absent. Five Board Seats were vacant. Also attending: three Stakeholders and Guests.

   All nine of the nine Board Members were present at the beginning of the Meeting. The MHNC quorum (the minimum number of Board Members needing to be present to take binding votes on Agendized Items) is seven, so the Board could take such votes.

4. **Report and discussion** on possible action to [see below motion].
   Mr. Klimovitch explained that funding is available for a possible second Mission Hills sign/monument. Mr. Scott related that L.A. City District Seven Councilman Richard
Alarcon (818-485-0600; Richard.Alarcon@LACity.org; http://CD7.LACity.org) recently unexpectedly offered funding for a second monument. Mr. Klimovitch clarified that the funds cannot be combined to improve the first already-approved monument. He explained that the Councilman was willing to pay for the balance due above the $10,000 already allocated by the MHNC. He noted that, if the Board wants a second monument, it must decide now or the funds will not be available. The monument could be installed at Sepulveda Blvd. and Lemarsh St. or Lassen Ave., tilted toward Sepulveda. He distributed copies of photos of and reviewed possible locations in regard to traffic impact, pedestrian safety and other considerations. The contractor and the L.A. Bureau of Street Services recommended that a monument be installed where there’s “a good setback” and “a good clear view.” Mr. Klimovitch described that the monument would have two plaques, one saying “Mission Hills Neighborhood Council” and one saying Los Angeles “City Council District Seven.”

Mr. Samuelson would like to allocate the funds on something else such as youth programs or street repairs. Mr. Forry opposes funding a monument that will need additional funding for maintenance. Mr. Martinez pointed out that MHNC Committee Members and Stakeholders “that voted for this . . . are all taxpayers.”

**FUNDING MOTION** (by Mr. Klimovitch and seconded): The Mission Hills Neighborhood Council will erect a second Mission Hills Monument Sign at the northern median of Sepulveda Blvd. and Lassen Ave. (the southern entrance to Mission Hills) with the understanding that, after the MHNC’s contribution, City Council District Seven will pick up the balance.

**FUNDING MOTION FAILED** by a hand vote with three in favor; six opposed.

Mr. Klimovitch said he “will tell Councilman Alarcon that the money can be sent back to the General Fund.”

5. **Housekeeping/Council Business**
   There was no additional business.

6. **General Public Comments**
   There were no public comments at this time.

7. **Adjournment**
   Mr. Klimovitch declared the Meeting **ADJOURNED** at 6:03 p.m.

Minutes written by DL.