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JOINT GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETING MINUTES Telephonic and Online January 23, 2023

Revised January 31, 2023

Attendance: Aida Abkarians, Faye Barta, Clarice Chavira, Saif Mogri, Steve Randall, Myrl Schreiber, Joan Trent, Brad Vanderhoof, and Joanne Yvanek-Garb

Committee Members Absent: Mark Neudorff

Other Board members in Attendance: Glenn Jennings, and Char Rothstein

- Co-chair Joanne Yvanek-Garb called the meeting to order at 7:33 PM. A quorum was established.
- The December minutes were approved.
- Comments from the Co-Chairs: Joanne stated Jose Huizar was sentenced to prison.
- Public Comment: Lionel Mares spoke on the upcoming CicLAvia event in the Valley.

NEW BUSINESS

- Assembly Bill 2449 ("AB 2449"), effective as of January 1, 2023, regarding teleconference participation by members of legislative bodies for and during public meetings: Myrl moved to request a continuance of virtual meetings for five months. Faye seconded.

Aida Abkarians – Yes, Faye Barta – Yes, Clarice Chavira – Abstain, Saif Mogri – No,
Mark Neudorff – Absent, Steve Randall – Yes, Myrl Schreiber – Yes, Joan Trent – Yes,
Brad Vanderhoof – Abstain, Joanne Yvanek-Garb – Yes
Yes – 6, No – 1, Abstain – 2, Absent – 1, Ineligible – 0, Recused – 0
The motion is approved.

- Council File 23-0002-S16, Los Angeles Neighborhood Council System / Remote Meetings / Ralph M. Brown Act Amendment (to allow Neighborhood Councils to meet virtually in perpetuity):

CIS in support;

Saif asked for an amendment to include in the comment section an option to meet in person and not disclose the location or any personal information of Board members who meet virtually.

Aida Abkarians – Yes, Faye Barta – Yes, Clarice Chavira – Yes, Saif Mogri – Yes,
Mark Neudorff – Absent, Steve Randall – Yes, Myrl Schreiber – Yes, Joan Trent – Yes,
Brad Vanderhoof – Yes, Joanne Yvanek-Garb – Yes
Yes – 9, No – 0, Abstain – 0, Absent – 1, Ineligible – 0, Recused – 0
The amendment is approved

Roll call vote on the amended CIS;

Aida Abkarians – Yes, Faye Barta – Yes, Clarice Chavira – Yes, Saif Mogri – Yes,
Mark Neudorff – Absent, Steve Randall – Yes, Myrl Schreiber – Yes, Joan Trent – Yes,
Brad Vanderhoof – Yes, Joanne Yvanek-Garb – Yes
Yes – 9, No – 0, Abstain – 0, Absent – 1, Ineligible – 0, Recused – 0
The CIS passes and will be sent to the WHNC Board .

- Council File 23-002-S17, Local Legislative Bodies / Virtual Meetings / Ralph M. Brown Act Amendment (to allow Neighborhood Councils to meet virtually in perpetuity): No action taken.

- Proposed statement regarding the need of Neighborhood Councils to continue to meet virtually: No action taken. A letter will be prepared for the February meeting.
- Assembly Bill 2647, regarding Distribution of Public Meeting Materials: No action taken.
- Senate Bill 1100, regarding Removal of Disruptive Individuals: No action taken.

Co-chair Joanne Yvanek-Garb adjourned the meeting at 7:31 PM.

The next meeting of this committee is February 13, 2023 at 7:30 PM, online and telephonic.