



PAB MINUTES
City of Los Angeles - Department of Recreation and Parks
MacArthur Park Community Center Park Advisory Board
Monday, July 17, 2024
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, Marco Pacheco- President
, Evelyn Balderas- Vice President
, Angelique Lara- Secretary
, Jennifer Gill- Member
, Deann Placencia- Member

Welcome and introduction.

- i. Call to order at 5:13 pm
- ii. Roll call
 - a. Marco Pacheco- President-Present
 - b. Evelyn Balderas- Vice President-Present
 - c. Angelique Lara- Secretary -Present
 - d. Jennifer Gill- Member-Present
 - e. Not in attendance
 - i. Deann Placencia- Member absent
 - ii. This meeting is not in quorum.
- iii. Approval of Minutes for June
 - a. The board reviewed the minutes for 5 minutes. However, since the board was not in quorum, June minutes will be voted in the following meeting.

Staff Reports: Stephanie Galvez

- i. Report on youth programs, special events, volunteer programs, park, and facility updates.
- ii. Summer- Classes/Sports
 - a. Currently in 7th week of summer programs. The season will end August 9th.
 - b. Soccer started this week.
 - i. 2nd game of the season.
 - 1. Juniors winning 8-0.
 - c. Fishing Club- August 3
 - a. Next date will be Sept 7, 2024.



d. Summer Camp-comes to an end 8/9

1. Pending approval from WSNC for NPG to help families with costs.

a. Thursday Trip to Hurricane Harbor. Asking Westlake South \$30/\$20 for each camper.

b. Staff will be bringing pizza for lunch.

ii. Summer Concerts-

1. Only 6 shows are left.

2. July 27 will be a tribute to Stevie Wonder.

iii. After School Care

1. The schools that are being offered after school care are Esperanza, and Charles White Elementary schools.

2. There is no grant to help cover the cost for the after-school program. With grant money the cost would have been \$15 per student. Now the cost is between \$45-\$60 dollar per student.

3. The after-school program focuses on homework.

iv. Issues/ Concerns

1. Encampments

2. Tagging

a. If you see if you see graffiti or tagging, please e-mail or reach out to Stephanie. Or file online with the 311 app.

Agenda Items: Business

1. LAPD updates/questions-

a. Tagging-

i. Tagging from MS and crazy riders

b. Encampments

c. National night out.

i. August 6th at Rampart station

ii. 5-8pm

iii. There will be a giving away of food and goodie bags.



- 2. CD1- information- Field Rep Diana Vicente**
 - a. Movie Night 7/30/ on 7th Park View**
 - i. By New playground
 - ii. Movie showing is Elemental.
 - iii. CD1 is looking for volunteers to help table at an event.
 - b. Shared a recap of the Lotus festival.**
 - c. Reconnecting MacArthur Park**
 - i. Dianna shared some facts about reconnecting the park. To clear up rumors that have been circling around.
 1. State of California gave a 3 million grant only to conduct studies for 2 years.
 2. The study will consist of closing the street Wilshire 8 times.
 3. There is talk about bringing an event to the street every time it is closed.
 4. Studies that are happening:
 - a. Central City Neighbor Partners (CCNP)
 - i. 30-page report from community and transportation
 - ii. CCNP is looking at creating an advisory meeting
 - d. Clean ups.**
 - i. If more people get involved int the community, possible clean up every month.
 1. Everything will be supplied, just need volunteers.
 - e. Small Business meetings**
 - i. Bringing resources to small businesses every 3 months.
 - f. Quarterly Adoptions**
 - g. E-waste events**
- 3. Round table meeting with CM Hernandez**
 - a. Last week the PAB board voted and approved to start the process on a Town Hall meeting regarding the crime, homelessness, and drugs within MacArthur Park.**
 - b. Field Rep Diana response**
 - i. Councilwoman is on recess.
 - ii. It was mentioned of having a potential date, and time for the Town Hall before August, due to the council woman schedule.
 - iii. Other community entities (example, Levitt) have reached out to the councilwoman office requesting action to be done.
 - iv. Bring all stakeholders, and those who concerns about the park to Town Hall.
- 4. LA Common planter art- representative Beth Peterson.**
 - a. Starting the new mural by the school site.**



Community Comments:

1. Public comments for items on the agenda. 2 minutes maximum per speaker.
 - a. Koreatown Youth Community Center (KYCC)
 - i. August 10 there will be a park clean up with a family Art night.
 - ii. KYCC introduced various members of their MacArthur Park Community initiative to the board.
 1. Two community members voiced a topic to the board from the KYCC initiative program
 - a. Speaker #1 mentioned bringing a community outreach team to MacArthur Park. So, the community can know what resources are out there.
 - b. Speaker #2 mentioned the hazards that food vendors are creating around the park. Which residents are having to walk into streets to avoid hazards.
 - i. Example oil spills.
2. New business, recommendations for future agenda items.
3. **Next meeting:** August 26, 2024
 - a. (Unless possible town Hall meeting is schedule before that)
4. ADJOURNMENT
 - a. 6:40pm

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