



**Minutes of the 135th Meeting of the
Palms Neighborhood Council (PNC) and its Representative Assembly
Special Meeting, Wednesday, March 4, 2015
IMAN Center, 3376 Motor Avenue, Palms, California**

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I. WELCOMING REMARKS

Call to Order (Stewart)

President Marisa Stewart called the Meeting to order at 8:58 p.m.

II. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

A. Roll Call (Nguyen)

The Roll Call was the same as for the immediately preceding General Assembly Meeting. Seven of the nine Board Members were present at the beginning of the Meeting: Willie Bell, Nick Greif, Faye Johnson, Eli Lipmen, Len Nguyen, Cat Stevens and Marisa Stewart. Two Board Members were absent: Dr. Wayne Byrd and Paulina Quaranta. The PNC quorum (the minimum number of Board Members needing to be present to take binding votes on Agendized Items) is seven (see <http://empowerla.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/07/Palms-NC-Bylaws.pdf>), so the Board could take such votes. Nine of the 13 Board Seats were filled (by election or appointment). Four Board Seats were vacant (Vice-President, and Business 1, 2 and 3). Also attending: four Stakeholders and guests.

III. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. Green (Miller) – MOTION: [see below].

MOTION (by Ms. Stewart, seconded by Ms. Stevens): The Palms Neighborhood Council supports the following Resolution: Whereas the 20 year So Cal Gas Company franchise agreement will be soon coming before the Los Angeles City Council for approval; and whereas recent studies find that the main sources of methane in L.A. air are attributable to: 1) leaks from pipeline distribution systems (aka, So Cal Gas Company), and 2) Emissions from oil and gas drilling operations; therefore, the Palms Neighborhood Council contends that any natural gas pipeline distribution franchise agreement entered into by the City of Los Angeles include strong and required leak mitigation measures and strong short and long term benchmarks for moving away from natural gas to renewable energy alternatives.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Stevens reported that the Committee discussed this; “this is . . . asking them to do their job.”

MOTION to CALL FOR THE QUESTION (by Ms. Stewart). There was no objection.

MOTION PASSED with no objection; one abstained (Lipmen).

B. Planning and Land Use (Anderberg) – MOTION: [see below].

MOTION (by Mr. Lipmen, seconded by Ms. Stewart): The Palms Neighborhood Council supports the Overland Avenue Street Design Charette.

AMENDMENT to the MOTION (by Ms. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Lipmen): to add the following wording to the above Motion: “on March 11, 2015 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Vintage Wine + Market, 3300 Overland Ave., and March 15, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at the Motor Avenue Farmers Market, Motor and National.”

MOTION to CALL FOR THE QUESTION (by Ms. Stewart). There was no objection.

AMENDMENT to the MOTION PASSED with no objection; one abstained (Greif).

MOTION to CALL FOR THE QUESTION (by Ms. Stewart). There was no objection.

AMENDED MOTION PASSED with no objection.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Stakeholder Lee Wallach commented that community project request copies are available.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Stewart declared and it was agreed to **ADJOURN** the Meeting at 9:19 p.m.

Minutes written by DL, possibly edited by PNC. *The first paragraph of some Items may be directly copied from the Agenda.*