



ALTADENA TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes

December 17, 2013

7:00 p.m.

Altadena Community Center 730 East Altadena Drive • Altadena, California 91001

1. CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Diane Marcussen

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance _____ Council Member Sandra Thomas

1.2 Roll Call _____ Recording Secretary Brent Musson

Attending – Brent Musson, Ed Meyers, Okorie Ezieme, Billy Malone, Damon Hobby, Judy Matthews, Sandra Thomas, Ron Adams, Amy Cienfuegos, Richard Moon, Reggie Wilkins, Jamie Bissner, Sylvia Vega, Diane Marcussen

Excused Absence – Gretchen Seager

Unexcused Absence – Bernardean Broadous

1.3 Approve Today's Meeting Agenda – motion to approve Billy Malone, Sylvia Vega second – unanimous vote

1.4 Approve October 2013 meeting minutes – move to approve as revised Ron Adams moved, Sandra Thomas seconds – unanimous vote

1.5 Approve November 2013 meeting minutes – Richard Moon moves, Damon Hobby second – unanimous vote to approve

2. OFFICERS' REPORTS

2.1 Chairman _____ Diane Marcussen – Thank you to those councilmembers for the expanded refreshments, Executive Committee is almost done reviewing the Bylaws and expect to have review within ATC beginning of next year.

2.2 Vice Chairman _____ Okorie Ezieme – Executive Committee report agenda approved, Website will have expenses coming up – approximately \$360 to renew hosting for 3 years and email expansion will probably be about \$200. ATC collects about \$30 per month so we are budgeting for this expense.

2.3 Recording Secretary _____ Brent Musson – no report

2.4 Treasurer _____ Amy Cienfuegos – funds are the same as last month

2.5 Corresponding Secretary _____ Richard Moon – ATC members please pick up your mail, 4 emails from website this month including one from the County Graffiti Abatement Program. They would like ATC to help get the word out about this effort. Altadena Library is offering free downloadable fiction and non-fiction audio books. Anita Emerson is looking for her relative who at one point lived on Braeburn Rd. Her name is available upon request.

3. PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

3.1 California Highway Patrol _____ Officer Thomas Miller – November stats reviewed

3.2 Altadena Sheriff's Station _____ Lt. Eric Lasko – They have made several arrests of suspects with stolen items. Joint FBI, LASD and PPD task force had a raid on Harriet Dr and arrested the suspect with stolen property. The same task force performed a large raid in December which resulted in 25 federal indictments and 16 arrest warrants. The County Supervisors has authorized funds to continue the task force.

3.2.1 **CERT** – Holly Rundberg – Ready or Not here it Comes meeting on 1/9 at Community Center to help Altadena prepare for a disaster. Any piece of furniture or appliances that are taller than they are wide should be secured because it can become a projectile.

4. SPECIAL PRESENTATION

4.1 Elliot Performing and Visual Arts Magnet Program – PUSD - Karen Klages – Integrating Arts into their core classes such as math. They will have open house on 12/18 at Elliot.

4.2 City/School/Community Work Plan – Pasadena Education Foundation - Linda Machida – There are needs for coordination, communication and organization in the effort that she is heading to integrate city/school/community as part of the PUSD work plan.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

5.1 Land Use – Ken Roberts, Chair – **Diane Marcussen reported on the actions in the absence of Ken Roberts.**

5.1.1 CUP T2012-00055 3085 Ridgeview Drive - Presentation and ATC Question & Answer
The applicant did not attend the meeting.

5.1.2 Public Comment – One resident was opposed to the project, no residents were present to support.



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5.1.3 ATC Vote on CUP - **Unanimous vote to recommend to Regional Planning that the application be denied.**

5.2 Community Standards District Committee ____ Chairman Ed Meyers – Committee is making good progress and they will be sending a letter to commercial property owners to see what specific issues they may have.

6. ALTADENA COMMUNITY REPORTS

6.1 Altadena Public Library _____ Pauline Dutton – on 12/14 Barbara Pierson, director of the Altadena Library District Passed away. No funeral information is available at this time. Condolences can be sent to her daughter. Please contact the library for an address.

6.2 L.A. County Department of Parks + Recreation _____ Meliza Hernandez – there are quite a number of events ongoing at this time. All program information is listed on their website at parks.lacounty.gov or Ms. Hernandez can be reached at 626-298-5451

6.3 Altadena Chamber of Commerce _____ Ed Meyers – Citizen and Business of the year has been chosen and will be announced shortly

6.4 Relay for Life of Altadena – Heather Morrow – organization has been in existence in Altadena for the last 6 years and the relay will be held on 5/31/2014. Relay is to raise funds to find a cure for cancer.

7. CENSUS TRACT REPORTS

7.1 **4603.01** – Judy Matthews and Damon Hobdy are working on signs to be placed at the county park for county events. They will also be working with the county to investigate the possible opportunities for additional sidewalks on Lincoln and Altadena Drive in their census tracts and will be working to get the appropriate signatures from the community.

7.2 **4601** – Ed Meyers was contacted by a constituent about speeding in the area behind Aveson school. The County did a study and determined that due to the slope in the street and the fact that most cars are not speeding they will not be able to put in speed bumps so they will be painting speed limit signs on the street.

8. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

During a General Public Comment period, any person may address the Altadena Town Council concerning any item that is or is not listed on the agenda. The Altadena Town Council welcomes public participation and input. Council members may ask clarifying questions from speakers.

Speaker participants are asked to state their names and town/city of residence for the record; comments are limited to two [2] minutes, or such time limit declared by the Chairman in order to facilitate an orderly and timely meeting.

9. ADJOURNMENT