



## ARLETA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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### **Minutes of the Arleta Neighborhood Council General Board Meeting Tuesday, May 21, 2019**

President Jaime Gallo called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

**Roll Call: Board Members Present:** Jaime Gallo, Margaret Shoemaker, Loyce Lacson, Gary Gallon, John Hernandez, Jesse Ramos, Mary Oberg, Burt Hunter, Barbara Berumen, Raymond Duran (arrived at 6:45 p.m.), Jesus Torres (arrived at 6:45 p.m.).

**Board Members Absent Excused:** Joshua Duran

**Board Members Absent:** Jose Pumay

President, Jaime Gallo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Comments/Announcements from Government Officials:**

**State Assembly District 39** – Arturo Garcia thanked board members for their service and presented certificates of appreciation to board members. He spoke about “STEAM,” an event at Valley Plaza Library/Park on Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 – noon, offering free educational activities.

**Department of Neighborhood Empowerment** – Jose Galdamez swore in newly elected board members.

President Jaime Gallo spoke about the “Jaws of Life” dedication at LAFD Station 7. He shared a certificate of appreciation given to the ANC in thanks for the contribution of the lifesaving tool.

**Report from L.A.P.D. Senior Lead Officer** – Senior Lead Officer Tracy Ware spoke about AB516 and the ongoing problem with abandoned vehicles. If AB516 passes, they will not be allowed to tow abandoned vehicles, making the problem significantly worse. Officer Ware gave a crime report for Arleta. There has been a rise in Grand Theft Auto (GTA) – 35 cars in all of Mission Division, 8 in Arleta. She announced that there is a Branford Park Advisory Board meeting this Thursday, May 23, 2019. She advised of upcoming events including a flyer detail to advise that fireworks are illegal.

**DONE** – Jose Galdamez swore in newly elected board member Jesus Torres and spoke about upcoming training. He gave funding deadlines for this fiscal year.

**CD 6** – Loyce Lacson reported for Lorena Bernal – Osborne paving is scheduled for this summer and should be completed by October 2019. Canterbury between Osborne and Terra Bella – will be posting “No Oversized Vehicles” signs. Weeds on LADWP property has been reported. Lorena will send out New “Green Zones.”

**Nominations for President of the ANC** – John Hernandez nominated Raymond Duran and he accepted the nomination. Jesse Ramos nominated Jaime Gallo and he declined the nomination. Jaime stated that it has been an honor to serve as president and would like to give the opportunity to others.

**Motion 1/Seconded/Carried** – Margaret Shoemaker – move to approve Raymond Duran as the president of the Arleta Neighborhood Council. (Second by Loyce Lacson). The motion passed unanimously.

**Nominations for Vice-President of the ANC** – Margaret Shoemaker nominated Jaime Gallo and he accepted the nomination. Loyce Lacson nominated Jesse Ramos and John Hernandez nominated Gary Gallon. Both nominees declined.

**Motion 2/Seconded/Carried** – John Hernandez – move to approve Jaime Gallo as vice-president of the Arleta Neighborhood Council. (Second by Loyce Lacson). The motion passed unanimously.

**Nominations for Secretary of the ANC** – Loyce Lacson nominated Margaret Shoemaker and she accepted the nomination.

**Motion3/Seconded/Carried** – Loyce Lacson – move to approve Margaret Shoemaker as secretary of the Arleta Neighborhood Council. (Second by John Hernandez). The motion passed unanimously.

**Nominations for Treasurer of the ANC** – Margaret Shoemaker nominated Loyce Lacson and she accepted the nomination.

**Motion4/Seconded/Carried** – Margaret Shoemaker – move to approve Loyce Lacson as treasurer of the Arleta Neighborhood Council. (Second by Burt Hunter). The motion passed unanimously.

Newly elected president Raymond Duran asked that newly elected vice-president Jaime Gallo continue to chair the meeting.

**General Public Comments** – None.

## **Board Business:**

**Motion 5/Seconded/Carried** – Loyce Lacson – move to approve the ANC General Board Meeting Minutes dated April 16 April 16, 2019 as corrected. (Second by Jesse Ramos) The motion passed unanimously.

**Motion 6/Seconded/Carried** – John Hernandez – Move to approve the Monthly Treasurer’s Report (M.E.R.) for the month of April 2019. (Second by Margaret Shoemaker). The motion passed unanimously.

**Motion 7/Seconded/Carried** – Loyce Lacson – Move to approve a Community Impact Statement (CIS) regarding the Arleta Neighborhood Council’s position on State Senate Bill 50 (SB50) – Planning and Zoning.: Housing Development Incentives. (Second by Margaret Shoemaker). The motion passed unanimously.

**Motion 8 – TABLED** - regarding the State Senate Bill 50 (SB50) – petition for outreach so that residents within the boundaries of the ANC can sign and formally oppose SB50. The board unanimously decided to table this motion.

**Motion 9/Seconded/Carried** – Raymond Duran – move to approve the ANC purchase anti-fireworks yard signs to advise the public that fireworks are illegal in Los Angeles. Cost not to exceed \$600.00. (Second by Gary Gallon). The motion passed unanimously.

**Motion 10/Seconded/Carried** – Loyce Lacson – Move to approve the Arleta Neighborhood Council purchase a P.A. system. Cost not to exceed \$1,000.00. (Second by Margaret Shoemaker). The motion passed unanimously.

**Budget Representative** – Jaime Gallo announced that there is one opening for a Budget Representative for the ANC. He stated that this position is open to stakeholders as well as board members. There were no volunteers. DONE representative, Jose Galdamez stated that, if no-one is appointed, the president and treasurer will be appointed by default.

**Possible motion to add committee members** – Board Members and Stakeholders were invited to participate as committee members in our Outreach and Community Improvement/Land Use Committees.

**Motion 11/Seconded/Carried** – Margaret Shoemaker – move to approve John Hernandez and Jesus Torres as members of the Outreach Committee. (Second by Jesus Ramos). The motion passed unanimously.

## **Committee Reports:**

**Outreach Committee** – Raymond Duran stated that he is circulating a paper requesting board members give their shirt sizes and information they want on their business cards. He spoke about National Night Out and options for a location.

**Community Improvement (CIC)/Land Use Committee**– Jesse Ramos spoke about SB50 and the CIS petition. He stated that a representative from Food and Water Watch – renewable energy

and greenhouse gases attended and spoke at the last CIC/Land Use committee meeting. In addition, he spoke about AB516.

**General Public Comment:** None.

**Board Member Comments:** Board Members welcomed new and returning board members and thanked exiting board members for their service. Board members and stakeholders in attendance were thanked for their participation. Jesse Ramos spoke about the need to take up the issue of SB 946 because of health and safety concerns as well as the unsanitary conditions at these vendor sites – no hair nets, gloves, or hand wash stations or bathroom facilities. He added that the propane tanks and barbecues on our streets is a big safety concern noting that one nearby exploded bringing fire and police to the scene. The vendors left the scene leaving it in flames. Burt Hunter spoke about the resurfacing of Osborne Street. He has been observing since 1976 that every time it rains there has been a problem with potholes. John Hernandez asked the executive committee to consider an ad hoc bylaw committee to make needed changes in the ANC bylaws. Margaret Shoemaker added to Jesse Ramos' statement about SB946. She added that it is unfair that these vendors are able to cause small businesses to shut down because they cannot compete since vendors set up business in front of their stores and do not have to comply with the same health and safety laws. "Papas and Tacos" at Laurel Canyon and Osborne was forced out of business for that very reason. Loyce Lacson suggested that Burt Hunter contact Council District 6 regarding the ongoing pothole problem on Osborne. Raymond Duran would like to add to community impact statements from the Community Improvement Committee. Mary Oberg spoke about National Night Out – Osborne Neighborhood Church is open to partnering with the Arleta Neighborhood Council and hosting an event for National Night Out. She added that they are looking into ways to cool it down. Gary Gallon spoke about Measure EE on the Special Election Ballot. He encouraged voters to read about the issue and consider how it will negatively affect renters as well as homeowners. Barbara Berumen thanked everyone for their welcoming statements – she is looking forward to working with everyone.

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.