

LAND PARK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
Monthly Meeting Minutes
Eskaton Monroe Lodge, 3225 Freeport Blvd
March 18, 2015

Meeting started at 6:37 pm with call to order and introductions.

Members present: Ken Mennemeier (President), Pinki Cockrell, Evan Gage (Treasurer), Anthony Gugino, Jane Richardson, Lisa Riley, Craig Rutledge, John Schade, Beth Sherman (Secretary), Michelle Smira Brattmiller, Don Sronce, Art Taylor, Steve Winlock, and Sydney Young.

Treasurer's Report. Evan Gage reported that we have \$47,745.93 in our accounts.

President's Report. Ken gave the President's Report. Ken shared notice of the Upper Land Park – Broadway Choice Neighborhoods Initiative community meeting set for Saturday, March 21, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm at the Marina Vista Community Room, at 240 Seavey Circle, Sacramento. The purpose of the meeting is for the planning team to present their first draft of a "Site Plan Overview." This is the next step in a planning process that dates back to early 2014, and will be the first time a draft site plan will be presented. It is expected the draft site plan will reflect comments, suggestions, and input received through numerous prior community meetings, task-force meetings, and other planning sessions. Refreshments and a BBQ lunch will be served. Ken encouraged everyone to attend. More information on the Upper Land Park – Broadway Planning Initiative can be found at <http://ulpbroadway.com/>.

LPCA Board Election. The election for new Board members was held. Seven seats were up for election. At the outset, Ken thanked the three incumbent board members not standing for re-election: **Evan Gage, Anthony Gugino, and Jane Richardson**. Four board members stood for re-election: **John Schade, Don Sronce, Art Taylor, and Steve Winlock**. Two community members stood for election: **Stephanie Duncan and Barry Hogan**. All six candidates introduced themselves. The election was conducted, and all six candidates were elected.

Visitor Presentations:

City Water Main Replacement Project: Presentation by **Michelle Carrey** and **Melissa Marshall** of the City Department of Utilities and **Dan Stoloski** of Teichert Construction regarding the status of the project. Currently about 55% of the homes in Land Park are metered. All of Sacramento will be metered by 2020. For questions or additional information, or to share thoughts or concerns about the project, contact the project manager, Melissa Marshall, at mmarshall@cityofsacramento.org.

Spring Egg Hunt: **April Meszaros** reported on the Spring Egg Hunt, which will be Saturday, March 28, 2015, 9:30 am – 11:00 a.m., in William Land Park near Riverside between 12th and 13th Avenues. Volunteers are needed for clean-up, hat parade judges, egg hunt area monitors, egg recycling area monitors, gift basket coordinators, and playing Mr. Cottontail. To volunteer, contact April at aprilcm1@gmail.com.

Councilmember Steve Hansen's office: **Consuelo Hernandez** and **Peter Fenolio** of Councilmember Steve Hansen's office provided the report.

First, regarding the proposed tree ordinance, Consuelo reported the draft ordinance was heard last week in the Council's Law & Legislation Committee. The Committee apparently asked staff to re-visit its proposed ordinance change. The Committee sent the proposal back to staff for further consideration.

Second, regarding Cervantes Plaza Park, Ken introduced the City's current proposal, and Peter Fenolio added comments. Ken presented an image of the site plan and a photograph of a bronze sculpture created by Tony Natsoulas (titled "Balancing Act, Too"; previously located in the Downtown Plaza Shopping Mall) proposed for the site. Ken indicated that at LPCA's April meeting he would entertain two motions, one to indicate LPCA's approval and support of the site plan and a second to indicate LPCA's approval and support of the proposal to bring the referenced piece of art to the site. Comments were received from Board members and the public. No one voiced opposition to the site plan. Regarding the proposal to bring "Balancing Act, Too" to the site, several speakers expressed support and one expressed opposition. A picture of the sculpture "Balancing Act, Too" can be seen at www.solutions4sacramento.com. For more information about artist Tony Natsoulas, his website address is <http://www.tonymatsoulas.com/index.htm>.

Other Business:

Update on Taste of Land Park: The Taste of Land Park will be Sunday, June 7, 2015. Sydney Young gave an update on event planning; tickets will again be available for purchase at Vic's Ice Cream and Espresso Metro. Tickets will also be available for purchase online at www.landpark.org. Tickets will be \$30 in advance or \$40 at the door. Tickets sales are limited to 600. Pinki Cockrell reported on her efforts to arrange the raffle for the event, and she requested raffle prize donations. John Schade reported on sponsorships, indicating that 19 businesses have committed \$12,200 in sponsorships to date. The current list of sponsors includes:

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Capital Road Race Management

Mill at Broadway (formerly Northwest Land Park)

Connoisseur Level (\$1,000)

Councilmember Steve Hansen

Fleet Feet (J Street)

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Trey Bonnetti, Cook Realty

Palate Level (\$500)

Anonymous

Greater Broadway Partnership

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Teichert & Sons, Inc.

Sample Level (\$250)

Avid Reader

Jill P. Telfer, Law Office of Jill Telfer

Dr. John Schade

Sacramento Republic, FC

Savor Level (\$100)

Union 76, Sutterville Road

Ruhkala Monument Company

Steve Schaidt, Schaidt & Associates

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Update on the LPCA website: Jane Richardson gave a preview of the new LPCA website, which is scheduled to go live on Monday, March 23. The concept for the new website is for it to be simple, engaging, and informative.

LPCA Ad Hoc Committee Re LPCA Grants: Barry Hogan delivered the report of the Ad Hoc Committee established at LPCA’s February 2015 meeting. The Ad Hoc Committee was comprised of Barry Hogan, Lisa Riley, and Art Taylor. A copy of the Committee’s report is attached and appended to these minutes. The Report concluded with a recommendation that the Board:

1. Adopt the proposed Grant Program Guidelines as shown in Exhibit 1 [to the Committee’s memo to the Board];
2. Establish an annual Grant Program for the next three years giving the Board the authority to modify or discontinue the program at any time during those three years;

3. Establish July 1, 2015 as the start of the first year of the Grant Program;
4. Direct the President to nominate three members of the Board and two at large members as the Grant Program Committee and bring those nominations back to the Board at its April 2015 meeting for Board approval;
5. Establish \$10,000 as the total annual amount for the Grant Program;
6. Direct the Grant Program Committee to provide the Board periodic written reports on the progress of the Grant Program including, but not limited to the list of groups, organizations, institutions and individuals that were invited to apply; the number of and types of applications received; an annual report on the status of all of the grants awarded and the progress toward completion; and finally an annual audit of the funds, by category, that have been awarded and to whom it was awarded.

MOTION MADE/PASSED: A motion was made/seconded to approve the Committee's recommendation. The motion passed.

Although not part of the motion, the suggestion was made that the Grant Committee be comprised of persons from different geographic parts of the Land Park community.

Potential Neighborhood Safety Program: Art Taylor presented a public/neighborhood safety program he is putting together. The idea is for LPCA to partner with the Crocker-Riverside PTA to organize, sponsor, and host a presentation by the Sacramento Police Department on issues of neighborhood safety and crime prevention, to include discussion of neighborhood watch programs and nextdoor.com. Art has already been in contact with representatives of both the Crocker-Riverside PTA and the Sacramento PD about potential dates. The anticipated venue for the presentation is Crocker-Riverside School. The goal is to schedule the program for May, before the school year concludes. More details to come later.

Results of Board Election: Barry Hogan and Stephanie Duncan were welcomed as new board members. John Schade, Don Sronce, Art Taylor, and Steve Winlock were re-elected as board members.

LPCA Land Use Committee: Jon Jensen reported that there hasn't been a committee meeting since the last board meeting. He urged people to attend the Upper Land Park – Broadway Choice Neighborhoods Initiative community meeting scheduled for Saturday, March 21, that Ken previously mentioned.

Meeting adjourned at 9:07 p.m. Next meeting is April 15, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.