**Agenda for November 9, 2015**

**OPA General Meeting**

**7:00 – 9:00 PM Joslyn Park**

**633 Kensington Road**

**Santa Monica CA 90405**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Judy Abdo, David Auch, Mark Gorman, Sadat Huq, Kate Kennedy, Jim Lawson, Mary Marlow, Evan Meyer, Marc Morgenstern, Mike Salazar, Jodi Summers, Roger Swanson, Patty Godon-Tann, Dave Tann

1. Introduction to OPA (Jim Lawson – 1 minute)

* Called to order at 7pm

2. Membership Announcement (Sadat Huq – 3 minutes)

3. Community Comments/The Neighborhood Voice: Public Inquiries, Questions, Concerns

* Jodi: Ozone Park event great success
* Patty: Detailed Park upgrade over two years
* Jim: Introduces nephew

4. Actions Taken Since Last Board Meeting

* Patty: Permits confirmed for Joslyn Park

5. Expo Line Information (Stacy Yamato-Jasmin Metro Community Relations Mgr. - 30 minutes)

* Stacy: 7 new stations, 3 in SM; 6.6 miles, 46 minutes to downtown LA
* 3 park and ride lots; 1 in SM at 17th and SMC
* Opening spring 2016, still testing and training of personnel
* $1.75 reg fare, tap cards
* Trains stop at red lights, go 25 mph on Colorado Blvd.
* No left turn and U turn signs; no left turn lanes
* 12 minute frequency of trains
* Projected ridership year one = 20,000

6. OP Library News (Karen Reitz - 10 minutes)

* Karen: First phase of strategic plan completed, going to Council Dec. 8
* 4 key focus areas:
	+ Library as vibrant learning center (literacy for children and adults, training grant for staff)
	+ Wellbeing Cultivator, inc. more community collaboration
	+ Dynamic Third Place--customer experience, WiFi connectivity
	+ Community and Cultural Connector: Be a part of neighborhoods, help job seekers and home-based workers
* Jodi—Homeless in front garden of OP Branch
* Karen—Trying to do more city events on front lawn

7. “Team OPA” (Dave Tann - 5 minutes)

* Working on concept--non political, community outreach for people in need, offshoot of Ozone community
* Looking for board member involvement and collaboration
* Jodi—align with other groups like Kiwanis
* Ideas: volunteer beach cleanup, adopt pocket park
* Patty—visibility for OPA, small and big things beyond parade
* Evan—“Team OPA” brand whenever we are involved in event or volunteer experience

8. Lincoln Boulevard Update (Roger Swanson - 15 minutes)

* Presentation to City Council meeting 11/24
* Workshop in Jan., then to Planning Commission in March-April
* Highlights include—streetscape improvements such as medians, new bike racks, new crosswalks, storefront facade improvements
* Utility box artwork with Olympic HS students, curbside planter program
* Creating Business Improvement district
* Action teams to address assaults centered at Lincoln and Pico

9. Website Review and Administration (Jodi Summers/Jessica Eriksen - 10 minutes)

* Jodi—All content to flow through Jodi, with form for when it’s on and off website

10. Ocean Park Mini Parks - Action Item - OPA Endorsement (Phil Brock - 10 minutes)

* Phil—Thanks Patty and Ozone Park community
* OP resident reported areas of neglect on OP Blvd between 3rd and Highland
* They won’t be neglected if added to park system; also better policed
* Requests OPA support for adding plots of land to park system
* Judy—parcels there because OP Blvd used to be narrow street and were left over from traffic management scheme
* Bob Taylor—never designated as parks
* Mark G—Jurisdictional change, not new green space
* **DAVID A: MOTION TO APPROVE AND SEND LETTER (ATTACHED BELOW)**
* **MARY SECONDED**
* **PASSES 14-0**

11. Bergamot Advisory Committee (Mary Marlow – 10 minutes)

* Exploring kinds of uses for community space at Bergamot
* Artist display areas, art classes, musical groups, dance performances, theater workshops
* Mike—Passive garden space to deal with run off
* Next Meeting 11/16 1:30pm at Bergamot
* Mary--Bergamot Station missing community support

12. Report from Neighborhood Council Meeting (Mary Marlow – No Report)

13. Approval of Minutes from October 12th Meeting (Marc Morgenstern - 2 minutes)

MEETING EXTENDED

**APPROVAL OF OCTOBER MINUTES**

**MOTION BY: Mark G. SECONDED BY: Mike S.**

**APPROVAL BY ACCLAIMATION**

14. Treasurer’s Report (Patty Godon-Tann - 5 minutes)

* No expenditures
* $155.56 donations and membership received

15. Committee Reports:

• Ocean Park Zoning (Judy Abdo - 5 minutes)

--Issue resolved: Bottom of Highland and Marine, OP’s lowest point floods, being watched by City as part of El Nino preparations

• Lincoln Boulevard Task Force (See Item 8 above)

• Membership (Sadat Huq – 5 minutes)

 --Holiday Party—Jeff working on arrangements for Lula

--Mixer at Enterprise Fish Co. went well

--Planning January mixer

• Communications (Jodi Summers – 5 minutes)

• General Plan (Mary Marlow – 5 minutes)

--Planning Commission intro to master plan last week; different organizations want different things

• Beautify Earth (Evan Meyer – 5 minutes)

--Lincoln utility boxes—three classes with students and professional artists; seven boxes before Christmas

--OP Blvd. boxes, multiple letters in support

--City Council to vote to pilot utility box project for Lincoln and OP Blvds.

• Santa Monica Airport (Mike Salazar – 5 minutes)

--Oct. city meeting re: emissions; Council directed staff to enforce unleaded fuel only; remediation required for flight schools and other lessees

--Council considering ending fuel sales completely; looking at other airports

--Looking at eliminating flight schools

--Council directed staff to look at passenger, pilot access and security

• Tree Committee (Andrew Gledhill – 5 minutes)

 --OP Blvd. trees ordered by forester; palms at Second and Fourth

• Main Street Committee (Marc Morgenstern – 5 minutes)

 --Zach working on cards and signs

--Judy—2 parklets under consideration

• OP 125 (Mike Salazar – 5 minutes)

 --Shotgun House opening in January

 --Dispute about dates

December Meetings: Saturday December 5, 2015 at 4:00 – 6:00PM at Lula’s on Main Street (OPA Holiday Party)

Monday December 14, 2015 at 7:00 – 9:00PM at Joslyn Park

Refreshments December: ???

MOTION TO ADJOURN

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:15pm

OPA Board Voting Roster

Item: Letter in Support of Ocean Park Blvd. Parklets

Motion: To send a letter to City Council supporting change in designation of five parcels on Ocean Park Blvd. to parkland

Made by Dave A ; Seconded by: Mary

Date:11/9/15 At Meeting\_\_\_X\_\_ On line\_\_\_\_\_\_

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| **Board Member** | **Y** | **N** | **Abstain** |  | **Board Member** | **Y** | **N** | **Abstain** |
| David Auch | X |  |  |  | Evan Meyer | X |  |  |
| Judy Abdo | X |  |  |  | Marc Morgenstern | X |  |  |
| Andrew Gledhill | X |  |  |  | Roger Swanson | X |  |  |
| Patty Godon-Tann | X |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mark Gorman | X |  |  |  | Mike Salazar | X |  |  |
| Sadat Huq | X |  |  |  | Jodi Summers |  |  |  |
| Kate | X |  |  |  | David Tann | X |  |  |
| Jim Lawson | X |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mary Marlow | X |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

**Totals: Yes 14\_\_\_ No 0\_\_\_Abstain\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Absent\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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