



Minutes for May 8, 2017 OPA General Meeting  
7:00 – 8:45 Joslyn Park  
633 Kensington Rd. Santa Monica 90405

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Judy Abdo, Mark Gorman, Jodi Summers, Patty Godon-Tann, Dave Tann, Sadat Huq, Kate Kennedy, Bianca Mitchell, Zachary Gaidzik, Evan Meyer, Roger Swanson, Jeff Jarow.

**NOTICED BOARD MEMBER ABSENCES:** Andrew Gledhill, Jim Lawson, Mike Salazar.

**7:00 to 8:45 PM: REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING**

1. Call to Order: 7 p.m.
2. Introduction to OPA - Kate Kennedy
3. Membership Announcement - Sadat Huq
  - a. We do good things.
4. Community Comments/The Neighborhood Voice: Introductions, Public Inquiries, Questions, Concerns
5. Approval of Minutes from March and April Meeting - Kate Kennedy
6. March Minutes.
  - a. Patty approved.
  - b. Zach 2<sup>nd</sup>.
7. April Minutes.
  - a. Zach approved.
  - b. Mark 2<sup>nd</sup>.
8. Treasurer's Report & Grant Volunteer Hours - Patty Godon-Tann
  - a. 1Q income \$4,156.09
  - b. 1Q spending \$1,280.74 dollars – storage, refreshments, donations to pony league, lease of Joslyn Park.
  - c. April took in \$967.67 Spent \$1,660 on Board Insurance
  - d. Account balance on April 30<sup>th</sup> was \$4700.89 (?) \*\*
9. Grant reconciliation.
10. Volunteers Talley Sheet – Please fill it out.
11. Sadat and I ordered Sunscreen and hand sanitizer
12. Quorum of boardmembers at the last parade meeting and the quorum allowed the funds to be spent.

**6. Actions Taken Since Last Board Meeting**

Zach did the newsletter.

Websites have been moved to an Ocean Park Association Account now own it.

Lincoln Blvd. Task Force got a commendation from the city, and the plan was approved by the City.



● **Lincoln Boulevard Task Force (Roger Swanson**

Lincoln Blvd. Task Force no longer exists.

OPA Residents' Survey.

Asking residents what we would like us to be doing for you.

In addition, hopefully get everyone more involved.

Lincoln Cleanup on May 20<sup>th</sup>.

How you travel around the city.

Kate – suggestion box on the snack table.

Whatever it will make this meeting better.

Sadat – last email 1052 people 211 paid members

Evan – leverage the resources at the library

Mark audience – development plan

Zoning Ordinance.

Judy – Long ago people and Ocean Park got together and decided what kind of zoning they wanted in Ocean Park and got it approved by the City.

● **Main Street Committee (Jodi Summers – will follow up with an email after Wednesday's meeting.**

Mark – 8 vacant retail on Main St. between Hill and Marine.

3 Parklets going in.

7. 7:25pm – Refreshment break

8. 7:30pm – The ABC's of Traffic Management (Henry Servin, City Traffic Engineer, Planning & Community Development

Department, SMPD Lt. Candice Cobarrubias, City Mobility Manager Francie Stefan, – 20 minutes, plus questions)

Henry Servin

Oversees 202 traffic signals.

Let him know about malfunctioning traffic signals - [Henry.servin@smgov.net](mailto:Henry.servin@smgov.net)

Proper signing and striping

Specialized crossing area

Can bring down speed limits by school and special centers to 15 mph

Work with Google, ways and others – and you can write to them.

FOSP – was very successful to have their neighborhood comprehensively evaluated for a traffic-calming plan.

Just starting to do that.

Behavioral traffic calming –how people maintain the speed limit

Diversionary traffic calming – keeping traffic on the main streets

Patty – Chair of the Borderline neighborhood group – small streets in the city. Have emailed Andrew to come to our neighborhood meetings- our streets need calming. Cats and squirrels are killed on a neighborhood basis. How do we get something at the meeting?

Jodi – Should there be any rule on the books that requires pedestrians to pay attention in cross walks?

Candice - Distracted driving distracted walking distracted biking campaigns.

There is a false sense of security when you are a pedestrian.

600 tickets to vehicles.

90 to pedestrians.

Roger – does Santa Monica have the delayed traffic light?

Henry – We do have a lead pedestrian interval that we've introduced.

Pedestrian crossing goes before traffic signal.

4<sup>th</sup> street at strand is a problem.

Candice we have 8 traffic officers

Bianca – get on the 10 at 4<sup>th</sup> St. the only green light is while people are walking.

Henry – Many child pedestrians – no immediate best way have to have them on the far side of the street –

Roger – two lanes to turn right.

Zach –expo walking along Colorado and 14<sup>th</sup> – red hand for pedestrian will go through 2 or 3 rotations of the cycle.

Henry – I can go and look at it.

Mark – audience – expo pulls out and stops at 5<sup>th</sup> St.

Henry –we have tried to give Expo the priority. If they catch the right sequence, they will have the priority.

Charles – OPB and Lincoln coming from the west, the last planted median is a deterrent.

Audience –do you work with all of waze and those services?

Francie – In communication with technology based navigational tools. We can't always get the data, but we can push out the information.

Henry – encourage people to stay on main streets.

Sometimes they put in false detours.

Corner of Strand and 4<sup>th</sup> – don't know it's a stop sign. People are confused.

Sadat- 4<sup>th</sup> St. is still scary.

9. 8.00pm- "Public Bathrooms and Recreational Cannabis" - Jude Belanger

Human waste with local visitors

More public bathrooms to be paid for by recreational cannabis

Model citizen – California congressional awards

Growth in tourism to visitors on Main St. – vomit, pee, urine

Aerial has put some port potties out on weekends.

Local establishments can't keep up with the demand.

Recreational cannabis – already people are doing edibles and vaping

Why do these goers need more public bathrooms.

Technologies and processing treatments.

Financial burdens.

Green zone on Main Street.

Jodi – Public bathrooms on private property.

Put it in the parklets.

Dave – Can you give us something in writing to review.

10. 8.15pm – Committee Reports:

● Neighborhood Art - Evan Meyer

Donna – New art on Pico beautify earth on 14 murals and they look great, people are really happy.

We have some great new restaurants.

Murals in other parts of town.

Two successful utility box pilots – Lincoln and Montana.

Adopt-a-box where businesses can sponsor a box.

Beautify Earth Won the travel and tourism award.

Event at Clares this Saturday.

19<sup>th</sup> fundraiser beautifyearth/sky

● Downtown Community Plan – Judy

Workshops at the planning commission talking about the DCP - 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> Ocean Park Infrastructure, Zoning, and Events (Judy Abdo – 3 minutes)

If you care about the details that where you should go to do put in your input.

Two meetings of council will be covered in the downtown plan.

Expanding the preferential parking zones to 4<sup>th</sup> St.

● Make Music LA - Dave Tann – 5 minutes)

Santa Monica hosts music in all city parks on June 21<sup>st</sup>

OPA will sponsor it at Hotchkiss Park from 2-7 p.m.

Three acts booked, there will be two more. Posted online.

● TeamOPA (Dave Tann – 5 minutes)

Bianca- sponsorship and outreach committee –green OPA park kind of theme.

Patagonia as a sponsor of Team OPA.

Bike Shop of Santa Monica

BJ boarding house

Heal the Bay

Bareburger

Zach – Mixer May 24<sup>th</sup> 6-8 pm at bare burger

Win a wine-tasting for four and fabulous prizes

Put events at the bottom of the agenda

Patty free the tree on the 20<sup>th</sup> on Lincoln – clean the tree wells

Team OPA Instagram – Sponsorship on our website

Parade- Jeff – we need bands –

We will decorate the OPA float the night before at the Civic.

Participant forms will go out to last year's participants on Thursday.

Have contacted last year's sponsors.

Donna - We're going to do music. Pickup truck or open vehicle

SantaMonicaParade.com Communications (Evan Meyer/Zach Gaidzik – 3 minutes)

Zach - May 24<sup>th</sup> Mixer- be there – win prizes.

● Santa Monica Airport (Mike Salazar – 3 minutes)

April 25<sup>th</sup> – city presented 2 options for shortening the runway – both options will not be completed until December. Stripped to a 3,500 ft. area.

Option B was supported.

2 new suits against the City settlement

New Park will be open in June.

Jet Suite X moving to LAX on Memorial Day

June 3<sup>rd</sup> – Nick Gabaldon – Heal the Day – 9 a.m.

Evan – Jim Lawson is riding his bicycle across the country to go see his kids in NY.

Move to adjourn Dave

2<sup>nd</sup> Zach

Adjourned: 8:43

● Tree Committee (Andrew Gledhill – absent)

JOIN US FOR THESE UPCOMING OPA EVENTS! - see the OPA site for more details

**May 20** - Lincoln Boulevard Cleanup in conjunction with Sustainable Works Santa Monica - please join us to "Free the Tree".

**June 21** - MakeMusicLA in Hotchkiss Park, organized by OPA.

**June 25** - "Summer Soulstice" on Main St, hosted by the Main St Merchants Association.

**July 4** - The annual Santa Monica 4th of July Parade along Main St, starting at Pico at 9.30am. This is OPA's big event and we need your help to make it happen. <http://www.santamonicaparade.com/>

Refreshments April: Mike

Next meeting is Monday **April 10**, 2017 from 7:00 – 9:00PM at **Ocean Park Library**