

Approved Minutes
ONE-PS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MONTHLY MEETING
3.03.2025
2:30-4:00

CITY HALL LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM

Board present: Chris Ruetz, Tim Schoeffler, Cat Gallivan, Corinne Griswold, Kate Castle, Lisa Hoff, Ned Barker, Cynthia Session, Dan Fast, Patrick Stonebraker

Board absent: Dan Gonnella

Ex-officio: Denise Goolsby, Peter Sipkins

Guest: Mayor Pro Tem Naomi Soto

Call to order by Chris Ruetz at 2:33.

Motion to approve agenda by Tim Schoeffler, 2nd by Cynthia Session passed with none opposed.

Motion to approve minutes from 2.03.2025 by Peter Sipkins, 2nd by Tim Schoeffler passed with none opposed.

Chairman's Comments by Chris Ruetz asked if the board was interested in attending the Police and Fire Appreciation Luncheon as a group. Motion to purchase a table at the luncheon made by Tim Schoeffler, 2nd by Ned Barker passed with none opposed. Peter Sipkins gave an update on Measure J funding to explain that a 1.1 million dollar submittal was not approved to go forward which allowed for more projects of lesser amounts to be reviewed again. The blade signs, 111 monument sign, and the food co-op consultant could be reconsidered for funding.

Treasurer's Report by Cat Gallivan showed a balance of \$78,339.38 currently in the account. In the first 7 months of the budget year 20,191.95 has been spent so extrapolating that out for a full year would be approximately \$28,000 in round numbers. The 2 year set aside from last month's motion would be about \$56,000. Spending of the remainder would be to support NOrgs and worthy local causes but due to uncertain economic conditions there is no rush to do so. Funds for the picnic continue to accumulate and the breakeven point is near. A 'pass the hat' exercise could occur at the next membership meeting to get even closer.

On-going Matters/Events discussion led by Chris Ruetz reviewed which of the council members will be invited to meet with the board next. Denise Goolsby will check with council staff to arrange future visits. Denise also gave an update on the possibility of a designated representative/liaison from CalTrans but was told that issues would be handled on a case-by-case basis instead. Chris will reach out to the SoCal Edison Government Relations Manager Shane Massaud to enquire if we could get an assigned representative. Ned Barker gave an update on the Blue Zones Food Summit that members of the Food Desert Forum attended last week. Tramview Heights (formerly College Park) development is unknown as to what its impact will be on the grocery store effort. Lisa Hoff provided a follow up for the Black History Parade and Fair saying that the new NOrg map is much improved and can be used at the picnic as well as membership meetings. An outline of the five districts is a suggested upgrade. Denise Goolsby reported that the picnic registration booth is fully staffed but the ONE-PS booth is not. The booth setup will take place at 10a and staffing will be by board members on hand. ONE-PS was created as an organization 20 years ago and Chris will acknowledge individuals that made significant contributions over the years. A list of all NOrgs and contact

info should be available. Tim Schoeffler announced the PS History Walk to be held in October instead of a home tour. Locations of interest will include Welwood Murray Memorial Library and Cemetery, Village Green, Palm Canyon Theatre at Frances Stevens Park and more. An entry from ONE-PS in the Palm Springs Pride Parade was mentioned with Tim's 1940 Packard and members displaying handheld NOrg blade signs (to be investigated by Patrick Stonebraker). The parade this year has been moved to November 9th.

Membership Meetings by Chris Ruetz included the possibility of Linda Evans from Desert Care Network, Eisenhower in the fall, and fire safety/overhead utility lines as monthly topics. The upcoming NOrg annual meetings and board member attendance was also discussed.

Public Comments were not made.

Council Member Visits started off with Mayor Pro Tem Naomi Soto. Her background is in public health and the built environment as it relates to a complete neighborhood including parks, open space, and public safety. She is interested in seeing chronic vacancies in commercial spaces filled, new housing at all price points, traffic calming for the purpose of neighborhood unity, and updates to the general plan, zoning ordinance, and the fire master plan. A weekly newsletter keeps her in touch with residents in her district. Board members expressed their interest in her opinions regarding traffic issues, fire safety in relation to overhead power lines, local enforcement of ICE laws, immigrant justice advocacy organizations, activities for children, and NOrg influences on council actions.

Adjournment at 4:47 by common consent of the body.

Minutes approved without opposition 3.31.2025



Minutes prepared by Patrick Stonebraker, Secretary