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**GOVERNING BOARD
AGENDA ITEMS**

Tuesday, October 20, 2009
7:00 pm

Los Feliz Community Police Center
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1. Call to Order; Quorum Check

2. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items; Public Announcements (2 mins. each)

3. Reports: Public Officials and City Staff

4. Treasurer's Report (5 mins.)

- A. Board Resolution authorizing new Treasurer for Funding requests.

Resolution: The Greater Griffith Park Neighborhood Council Board has elected David Ubersax as Treasurer on September 15, 2009, and with the appropriate training and funding forms completed, transfers authority to submit Demand Warrants and fulfill approved funding transactions as appropriate with the petty cash account, as well as the credit card issued to be administered on in accordance with the GGPNC bylaws and within the guidelines set forth by the City of Los Angeles and the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment.

- B. Treasurer's Report.

Brief status report on current items, and discussion of follow up for 2009-2010 budget as approved, to include updated rollover fund total and other proposed budget items to be represented with further detail for approval.

5. Executive Committee Report (15 mins.)

- A. Consideration of items for proposed action on grievance filed by Dana Cremin; discussion and action as appropriate. (see supporting information, page 3)
- B. Discussion of appropriate fees for copying GGPNC documents/materials as requested by interested stakeholders.

6. Approval of Minutes from May, June, July, August and September, 2009 Board Meetings

COMMITTEE REPORTS

7. Education Committee

- A. Request for \$5,000 for Big Blue M Project at Marshall High School as part of matching grant of \$10,000 from LA Beautification Grant. Discussion and action.

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To address the Board, the public is requested to fill out a 'Speaker Card' on any agenda item prior to the Board taking action on it. Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only at the time the respective item is being considered. Comments from the public on matters not appearing on this Agenda within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction are heard during the Public Comment period, limited to 2 minutes per speaker, unless waived by the Board's presiding officer.

PROCESS FOR RECONSIDERATION: The Board may reconsider and amend its action on items listed here if that reconsideration takes place immediately following the original action, or at the next regular meeting. The Board, on either of these two days, shall: 1) Make a Motion for reconsideration and, if approved, 2) hear the matter and take an action. If the motion to reconsider an action is to be scheduled at the next meeting following the original action, then two items shall be placed on the agenda for that meeting: 1) A Motion for Reconsideration on the described matter and 2) a [Proposed] Action should the motion to reconsider be approved. A motion for reconsideration can only be made by a Board member who has previously voted on the prevailing side of the original action taken. If a motion for reconsideration is not made on the date the action was taken, then a Board member on the prevailing side of the action must submit a memorandum to the Secretary identifying the matter to be reconsidered and a brief description of the reason(s) for requesting reconsideration at the next regular meeting. The aforesaid shall all be in compliance with the Ralph M. Brown Act governing public entities.

DOCUMENT ACCESS: In compliance with Government Code section 54957.5, non-exempt writings distributed to a majority or all of the board members in advance of a meeting may be viewed at Los Angeles Public Library Los Feliz Branch (lobby reference shelf), at our website by clicking on the following link: www.ggpnc.org, or at the scheduled meeting. In addition, if you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda, please contact: secretary@ggpnc.org or call: (323) 908-6054.

- B. Request for letter to be written to Mr. Cortines, LAUSD to keep fourth vice-principal at King Middle School. Mr Mark Jolley has been of great assistance to us and the school needs the consistency of a vp that has been there for 6 years, needs the continuity in the process of going from year-round to traditional school year and the perpetuation of good community relationships. Discussion and action.

8. PROS Committee

- A. Update on coyote killings controversy in Griffith Park. Discussion of circumstances leading to the euthanizations, and proposed remedies including possible action on a Community Impact Statement of support for LaBonge City Council Motion 09-2327 drafted in response to the euthanizations.
- B. Update on community and CD4 response to possible changes in duties and reassignments within the Recreation and Parks Department's Park Ranger Division.
- C. Update on final plan for the LADWP 2009 Light Festival in Griffith Park, including public comment and GGPNC opinion poll results.

9. Outreach Committee

- A. Request from LA City re: 2010 Census (See attached pdf. doc)
- B. Report on upcoming election timelines. Discussion and possible action.

10. Planning, Zoning and Historic Preservation Committee

- A. *2223 Nottingham Ave.* Request to retain recently constructed over-height walls and hedges in required front yard setback. Committee recommends opposition.
- B. *Ruen Pair Thai Restaurant, 5257 Hollywood Blvd.* Request to sell beer and wine at existing restaurant until 2 a.m. Committee recommends non-opposition provided service not extend beyond 11 p.m., permission cease upon change of ownership and other conditions accepted by applicant.
- C. *2208 Catalina* (4821 Los Feliz Boulevard) request to build 345 foot, 7 ft. high wall set back 5 ft. from property lines on Catalina and Los Feliz with higher pedestrian and automobile gates. Committee recommends opposition. Applicant has indicated he may reconsider proposal and ask for subsequent review by committee.)

11. Cultural Committee

- A. Request for support from Hollywood Remembers, Inc., for production expenses of its annual World AIDS Day observance on Sunday November 29: "Red Ribbon" by Joe Lawrence, directed by Jerry Craig. (see supporting information, page 3)

12. Other Comments and Announcements

13. Adjourn

**Agenda Item #6 /
Executive Committee Recommendations on Cremin Grievance**

1. The Committee recommends that the GGPNC advise Ms. Cremin that it sincerely regrets any discomfort which the posting of her letter to Councilmember Labonge containing her contact information caused her; and further, that the GGPNC adopt a policy that caution be used in posting correspondence from stakeholders, including but not limited to correspondence to government officials, and that at a minimum personal information shall be redacted before any such posting or other distribution unless the person requests otherwise.

2. The Committee recommends that the GGPNC adopt procedures for handling requests of information from the public as follows: “Any Board Member or Committee Member who receives a request for copies of documents (including documents in electronic form) in the possession of the GGPNC or any Committee of the GGPNC shall forward such request to the President within 3 calendar days of receipt, along with a summary of the documents which may be responsive to the request, what will be involved in preparing copies of those documents, and whether the documents can be provided within 10 days of the request. The President shall designate an individual or individuals to respond to the request if required under the California Public Records Act. Nothing in this rule shall prevent the person receiving the request or any other person from providing the requested copies without delay and prior to any other action on the request under this rule; however, Members and Committee members are urged to be sensitive to possible confidentiality and privacy issues, to seek advice where appropriate, and to consider providing electronic copies or obtaining reimbursement where appropriate, in light of the other uses to which limited funds may be put.”

3. The Committee recommends that the GGPNC review its rules and procedures and adopt such additional rules as are necessary to clearly state that a committee shall not communicate any official position to the City without approval of the Board.

**Agenda Item # 12 /
Cultural Committee**

Hollywood Remembers, Inc. is an outgrowth of the religious community in Los Feliz to ensure that Hollywood does not turn its back on those who are living with HIV/AIDS and always remembers those whose lives we have cherished. Hollywood Remembers 2009 is being arranged in partnership with Mt. Hollywood Congregational Church, American Catholic Church, the Interfaith Gay/Lesbian Clergy Assn. of Los Angeles, the Rand Schrader HIV Clinic of LAC+USC Medical Center, East Hollywood Neighborhood Council, and Women Alive. The November 29 event will be in conjunction with a week-long art exhibit being planned in partnership with Children's Hospital of Los Angeles, and the Art Institute of California-Hollywood, and will also feature public exhibit of panels from the National AIDS Memorial Quilt.

“Red Ribbon” is an original rock and blues musical promoting AIDS awareness. It tells the story of hope during the early, dark days of the disease. Three couples face this tragedy, learning about themselves and each other, building to the symbol of solidarity, the red ribbon.

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September 4, 2009

Dear Neighborhood Council Board Members,

As the 2010 Census approaches, we face an opportunity to define who we are as a City.

The U.S. Census is a count of everyone residing in the United States. Elected and civic leaders use this data to make vital decisions on behalf of all residents, including reapportionment and redistricting. It helps determine how many teachers are needed in our classrooms, where to build new roads, where to locate businesses, and how to allocate more than \$300 billion in federal funds to various community services including education, housing, health care, and more.

The effects of an incomplete Census count can have devastating consequences. In the 2000 Census, it is estimated that the City of Los Angeles missed or "undercounted" approximately 76,000 Angelenos. As a result, the City of Los Angeles will have lost over \$200 million in state and federal funds by 2010. To avoid further loss of representation and financial resources, it is imperative that we work to achieve a full and accurate Census count in 2010.

Mayor Antonio R. Villaraigosa has established the Office of the Census 2010 to lead a comprehensive public awareness and education to ensure that every resident is counted. The success of this effort will not be attainable without the help of the Neighborhood Councils. The Census office will establish three Regional Complete Count Committees that will help plan and implement local, targeted efforts that will uniquely address the special characteristics of each of our neighborhoods.

Neighborhood Councils are uniquely positioned to ensure each of our communities is well-represented. I encourage each Neighborhood Council to actively participate in the several opportunities and activities for public awareness:

- Designate a board member to serve on a Regional Complete Count Committee
- Discuss Census efforts at monthly meetings
- Participate or lead a local "complete count committee"
- Assign a volunteer to work with someone in the Mayor's Office of Census 2010
- Create a committee within your Neighborhood Council to focus on outreach
- Create an outreach plan for your community
- Publicize the Census online through news articles, Facebook, Twitter and blogs
- Mobilize neighbors to participate in local events related to the Census

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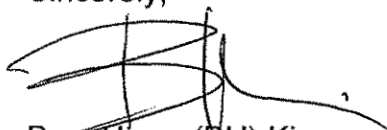
Neighborhood Councils understand the makeup of their communities, where they gather, what messages resonate, and what outreach activities will be the most effective. The Office of Census 2010 will also provide maps for Neighborhood Council areas by census tract to highlight the most challenging areas as well as demographic information. Working together, our citywide outreach will be innovative, exciting, and rewarding.

For more information on promoting the Census in the City of Los Angeles, please contact the Mayor's Office of Census 2010 at (213) 978-0301 or email census2010@lacity.org or visit www.lacounts2010.org. The team at the Office of Census 2010 can answer any questions you have regarding the Census and various outreach activities.

We look forward to working with you to ensure a complete and accurate Census.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'BengHwan (BH) Kim'. The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial 'B' and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

BengHwan (BH) Kim
General Manager