

Minutes of the Board of Directors

15 Sep 2005

LHCA Board meeting called to order by President Ronni Cooper at 7:00 PM

Secretary & Treasurer Report

- June 2005 minutes of the Board approved
Treasurer's Report for June, July, August 2005 approved

Crime and Safety

- Statistics. Donna Samuels, LA Sheriff's Department, provided crime statistics for Sep

Table with 13 columns: Crime statistics Sep 2003, Homicide, Rape, Robbery Weapon, Robbery: Strong Arm, Aggravated Assault, Burglary: Residence, Burglary: Other structure, Grand Theft, Grand Theft Auto, Arson, Vehicle Burglary, Petty Theft, Totals. Rows include Upper Ladera, Lower Ladera, and Totals.

Stats for Lower Ladera include Ladera Center. LASD unable to separate Old Ladera from Windsor Hills - Old Ladera not shown as of Jan 2005.

- LASD. Captain Mary Campbell reported on July and August crime stats. SUV thefts are up. The overall crime stats did not skyrocket this summer. This was due to the hard work of Culver City PD, LAPD, and Inglewood PD all working together.
CHP: Officer Austin reminded everyone to be extra cautious now that school has reconvened. Speeding is of the utmost concern and the CHP tries to focus on the most hazardous areas

Old Business

24 Hour Fitness Center: Bruce Durban of LA County reported that 5 conditions have been met by the center:

- 5 hours free parking for members
Notification sent to all members. There is also an abundance of flyers posted advising members their membership will be revoked if they violate the parking rules.
Daily trash pick-up in the area. (Clinton Tatum has also asked for additional receptacles.)
Security night patrol - has been observed at little Slauson and Kings Road.
Security on-site also.

Mrs. Charlee Williams, other community members, and Clinton Tatum of LA County agreed these things are being done. They've observed a big improvement and are glad the conditional use permit has finally been enforced.

School Petition: Cheryl Cool reminded members to show support by attending the meeting at IUSD this Monday the 19th at 5:45 p.m. There has been widespread misinformation spread among IUSD employees to include the financial demise of IUSD if we take our 300 children from their district. It is very likely that some Ladera parents will not switch schools but at least they will have that choice.

- **LaCienega and 64<sup>th</sup> Street Sound Wall:** Maury Bouzari provided feedback from Alliance Accoustical Cunsultants report. The noise level must be greater than 60 decibels to consider a sound wall and currently the noise level is less than 60 decibels. There is another approach to help with the noise and that would be use of an open grated rubberized asphalt. They could put it one inch over the existing surface. The area would be our choice – Slauson to 64<sup>th</sup>. Resident Darlene Fountaine suggested extended it to Fairview. Clinton Tatum reminded everyone the initial issue was safety due to cars crashing through the chain link fence. He has recommended to LA County Public Works that they place metal barriers adjacent to the chain link fence for additional safety. The County is also making that same recommendation to LA City since that strip is part county and part city. Jeff Thiery reported that the previous accident rate was within the limits and did not qualify for metal posts but that may have changed.
- **Senior Center:** Alma reported that bids have gone out for construction and the groundbreaking should be soon.
- **Beautification:** Lance Grindle of LA County DPW reported that they are ready to proceed with tree replacements and he will meet with the Beautification Committee.

**New Business:**

- **Annual Meeting and Election:** November 17<sup>th</sup> will be our annual meeting. Ron Woods, committee chair and Carmen Spiva, co-chair will contact the other committee members (Alvetia Smith, Willa Hector, Freida Rentie) to create ballots and obtain use of the University Christian Church. Church. Ruth provided Carmen with a list of directors and alternates who are up for re-election. Residents present at this meeting who are interested in board membership are Charlee Williams, Clifford Neuman, Denise McCleod, Joseph Mitchell, Lynn Mitchell, and Alecsaundria Roberts-Peete.

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Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Directors present were Allan Boodnick, Cheryl Cook, Ronni Cooper, Gene Eldridge, Ruth Lawrence, Carmen Spiva, and Ron Woods. Alternate(s) present: Alma Fowlkes.

Guests included Charlee Williams, LASD Sgt. Ron Thrash, LASD Capt. Campbell, CHP Officer Austin, Lynn Mitchell, Joseph Mitchell, Clinton Tatum, D. Ingram, Janet Louie, Denise McLeod, Clifford Neuman, A. Pitts, Hank Harris, Hezekiah Harris, Mary Templeton, J. Rivera-Wiemken, Letricia Tripett, A. Wimberly, Karen Gillespie, M. Day, Mark Robinson, Bruce Durbin, Lance Grindle, A. Roberts-Peete, T. Haywood, Darlene Fountaine, Jerome Toney, and Holly Clark.. Apologies for any misspelled or omitted visitor names.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Ruth E. Lawrence, LHCA Secretary