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<p>MEETING MINUTES Regular GTLNC Meeting October 17, 2006 - 7:10 to 9:42 PM</p>	<p>Toluca Lake Elementary School 4840 Cahuenga Blvd. Toluca Woods, California 91601</p>
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Chair: Terry Davis, President
Members Present: Barbara Carroll, Betsy Mogul, Cathy Naugle, Cathy Saliba, Craig Strong, Gary Gordon, Gene Elerding, Jeff Rector, John Moskal, Michael Weisler, Peter Hartz, Reyn Blight, Terry Davis and Wendy Mogul
Members with Excused Absence: Roy Disney
Members Absent: Edith Gursel
Standing Guests: Rob Benevidez (LAPD) and Tanedo Larios (DONE)
Grievance Committee Members Present: Sol Ajalat, and Tim Hawkins
Stakeholders: 26

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1.	<p>Meeting Opening and Call to Order Terry Davis, President, called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll Call was taken. Agenda was reviewed. Minutes from September 2006 were reviewed and approved.</p> <p>Terry encouraged all to complete the on-line LA budget survey by November 1 (http://www.lacityneighborhoods.com/budgetday_survey.htm). She read the memo that the hybrid route for the new sewer line has been accepted; a hearing will be held on October 24th. The million trees campaign kicked off 3 weeks ago. H/LABT will be assisting in tree planting, tree care education and obtaining trees for private or public planting.</p>	<p><i>Gene Elerding moved that the minutes from September 19th be approved as submitted.</i> <i>Motion carried: 12/0/0.</i></p>	<p>Barbara to mark as final and send to Karen for distribution (done).</p> <p>Committee Chairs – Reminder - please leave your hand-written minutes on Karen's office chair right after your meetings.</p>
2.	<p>Good Neighbor Award – Frank Zugelter (posthumous) Terry gave a tribute to Frank Zugelter, the first and only president of the Toluca Lake Homeowners Association, and presented the GTLNC Good Neighbor Award to Frank posthumously. Dee Stewart, Frank's sister, accepted the award on Frank's behalf and thanked the Council for this recognition of Frank.</p>		

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2A.	<p>GTLNC Candidate Statements and Introductions Seventeen candidates have filed to run for one of the open 15 seats on the GTLNC. Those present were asked to introduce themselves and provide a statement about where they live and their interest in the NC.</p> <p>Candidates present who spoke were: Benjamin Aiken, Reyn Blight, Claire Hervey Collins, Dexter Conner, Gene Klow, Cathy Naugle, Jeff Rector, Revvelli Revati, Cathy Saliba, and Craig Strong. Theresa Karam stated that she intended to file as a write-in candidate.</p>		
3.	<p>Open Forum for Stakeholders George Montgomery introduced himself and asked for support in the coming election. He is running for Judge of the Superior Court, office #102.</p> <p>Theresa Karam spoke in opposition to the developments on Magnolia Blvd. and past actions of the GTLNC related to that development.</p> <p>Janis Barquist introduced herself and asked for support in the coming election. She is running for Judge of the Superior Court, office #144.</p>		
4.	<p>City & Neighborhood News and Announcements Council District 4 (CD4) – No representative present.</p> <p>Toluca Lake Chamber of Commerce - No representative present.</p> <p>LAPD – Rob Benevidez reported that crime was lowest in the last period for the past two years. One burglar was arrested and there have been no burglaries since. There is still no news on the restaurant robbers. There is a Halloween-themed Open House on 10/21 from 10 to 4 at the NoHo LAPD station.</p> <p>DONE – Taneda Larios is our new DONE representative. She congratulated the Council on their great work and focus on the right things. She sent out the November punch list to all requesting participation in training, round tables and in completing the LA Budget Survey by November 1 and asked Terry to confirm our 2 budget representatives. Terry indicated that Peter Hartz and Gary Gordon would represent GTLNC.</p>		<p>Terry to email Taneda the names of the 2 budget reps from our NC (Done).</p> <p>All Council Members to complete LA Budget Survey by November 1.</p>

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5.	<p>Committee Reports –</p> <p>1. Planning & Land Use Committee – See minutes from September 9. Reyn Blight reported for the committee. Blake Boyd, the personal assistant to the property owner, spoke in favor of the requested fence variance height at 10010 Toluca Lake Avenue. Discussion ensued regarding the pros and cons of the requested variance on a front yard fence. Nine adjacent homeowners signed a petition in favor of the requested height variance (petition circulated for review by the Council).</p> <p>Ron Cargill spoke about the redesign of the proposed mixed-use residential/commercial development at 10601-10623 Riverside Drive (Toluca Lake Florist site). He showed artist sketches of the proposed development and explained that Riverside would be widened in front and that ingress would be on Riverside and egress on Willowcrest (none on Cahuenga). The development will be reviewed and approved as an ordinance by the LA City Public Works with T & Q conditions. Discussion ensued about the need for a motion on the historical marker for the development.</p> <p>Theresa Karam in opposition to the Magnolia development.</p>	<p><i>Motion A - Reyn Blight moved that the Council not support a height variance on the fence at 10010 Toluca Lake Avenue. Motion Failed: 4/8/1</i></p> <p><i>Motion A' – Betsy Mogul moved that the Council support the variance on the fence, with wrought iron inserts between the pillars, as discussed. Motion carried: 8/3/1.</i></p> <p><i>Motion B – Reyn moved that the Council request a zone change (from C2) to RAS4 for the property located at 10601-10623 W. Riverside Drive, with the requirement that Q conditions are placed on the project, which limit the number of residential units to 78, commercial square footage to 13,000, building height to 50 feet, street setbacks per City requirements, and 205 parking spaces to be provided, as presented by the developers to the GTLNC Planning Committee and Council. Motion passed: 10/3/0.</i></p> <p><i>Motion C- Reyn moved that the Council request that a historical marker depicting the original Bakeman home and history of the property be placed at the site of the 10601-10623 development, at the property owner's expense. Motion passed: 6/5/1.</i></p> <p><i>Motion D – That the street to the east of George Barris automotive business be renamed in honor of Mr. Barris. Motion withdrawn – already completed.</i></p>	<p>Barbara to write letter to Tom LaBonge re: our recommendation on renaming the street after George Barris (done).</p>

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5.	<p>1. Planning and Land Use – continued.</p> <p>2. Public Safety/Traffic/Public Works Committee – See minutes from September 12. Jay Goldberg encouraged all present to complete the on-line survey for input to the Mayor’s budget priorities.</p> <p>3. Outreach/Elections/Hospitality Committee – See minutes from September 7. Gene reminded all about the November 5th elections and that we would be recruiting for voters at the Farmers’ Market on Sundays.</p> <p>4. Administrative Committee – Cathy Naugle. No report.</p> <p>5. Environmental Affairs Committee – See minutes from August 19th and September 26th. Terry Davis turned over the Chair to Gene Elerding while she reported for the committee. Terry provided a status update on the Moorpark Median project.</p>	<p><i>Motion E – That a letter be written to Toyota of North Hollywood requesting that they clean up their property. Motion withdrawn.</i></p> <p><i>Gene Elerding moved that the Council approve \$2,750 funding for purchase of a mailing list and a postcard mailing for the elections.</i></p> <p><i>Motion carried: 12/0/0.</i></p>	<p>Terry to contact Toyota personally about this issue (Done).</p>
6.	<p>Treasurer’s Report (see Profit and Loss Budget report) Peter Hartz reported that the 1st Quarter is done and we spent \$13K. We need to spend more to lower our budget of \$105K remaining. Current spending levels are under our budget.</p>	<p><i>In light of the need to spend money, Terry Davis moved that the NC approved funds to purchase new games for North Weddington park</i></p> <p><i>Motion withdrawn – not posted.</i></p>	<p>Peter to submit Q1 budget reconciliation to DONE (done).</p>
7.	<p>Open Forum & Announcements None.</p>		
8.	<p>Meeting Close and Wrap-Up Terry Davis adjourned the meeting at 9:42.</p> <p>John Moskal thanked Cathy Naugle, Roy Disney, Terry and Peter for arranging for the food for tonight’s meeting.</p> <p>The next meeting is November 21st at Toluca Lake Elementary.</p>		