

## BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

Tuesday, January 14, 2021

9 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Location: Via Zoom

### MINUTES

The Board of Directors meeting of Gateway Los Angeles PBID, Inc. a California nonprofit mutual benefit corporation was held on January 14, 2021 at 9:00 am via Zoom.

30 individuals attended the meeting as follows:

- Charles Bassett, L&R Group
- Grant Coonley, Hilton LAX
- David Merritt, JM Eagle
- Bob Alter, Seaview Investors
- Bob Ruth, The Ruth Group
- Paul Solomon, 6171 LLC
- Gnell Abracosa, Hyatt Regency
- Kurt Hanson, Renaissance Hotel
- Jeff Hart, LAX Marriott
- Kym Myers, Four Points by Sheraton
- Mark Goldrup, The Westin
- Michael D'Amodio, Seaview Investors
- Valeria Velasco, LAWA / BOAC
- Kenan Tekin, Hyatt Place / Hyatt House
- Steve Shpilsky , Hyatt Place / Hyatt House
- Saroya Sandiford, Metro
- Stacy Barnes, LAWA
- Christina Davis, LAX Coastal Chamber
- Tom Flintoft, Kindel Gagen
- Quy Le, LAWA
- Geoff Kees-Thompson, CD11
- Hannah Levien, CD11
- Mary Olmos, LADWP
- Ana Avalar, LADWP
- Deborah Hong, LADWP
- Brian Cook, LAPD
- Laura Ware, LINXS Construction
- Stephanie Sampson, LAWA
- Michael Russell, Gateway to L.A.
- Laurie Hughes, Gateway to L.A.

**1. WELCOME / INTRODUCTIONS**

*Charles Bassett welcomed the attendees.*

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*No comments from the public.*

**3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES – October 14, 2020**

*The minutes of the October 14, 2020 Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors were approved as presented.*

**4. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

### **Administration**

- *Submitted Quarterly Newsletter to City of Los Angeles – City Clerk*
- *4th Qtr Newsletter drafted and mailed*
- *2021 Annual Planning Report submitted to the Office of the City Clerk*
- *Annual Holiday Concert – Virtual event with Barbara Yamamoto as Emcee was successful and raised approximately \$3,000 for local charities.*
- *2021 Budget entered into Quickbooks*
- *Renewal of Commercial Liability Insurance / Umbrella and Director's and Officers Insurance*
- *Outreach and research on possibility of CCTV cameras for BID District*
- *ATMP – DEIR Briefing – December 9, 2020*
- *Participation in LAWA Stakeholders meetings*

### **PROGRAM SERVICES:**

#### LAPD/LAWA PD:

- *The Gateway Operations Team worked closely with SLO Luis Pinell (LAPD Pacific) on addressing crime trends impacting hotels. The collaboration effort included increased patrol car deployments, implementation of the LAPD decoy car at hotels, license plate reader on Century Blvd., and LAPD Drop In Center signage.*
- *Met with the SLO Edwin Wu (Airport Police) to review incidents occurring at LAX and in the Century corridor and discuss crime reduction strategies in collaboration with Gateway Ambassador Team.*
- *Met with the new (returning) Neighborhood Prosecutor, Claudia Martin. Claudia is working with LAX PD. LAPD and PATH on the LAX Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) program. Her department has created a Diversion program specifically for the LAX area.*

#### Ambassadors:

- *Ambassadors continue to maintain high visibility and pro-active patrol throughout the District. Coverage is currently 7AM to 5PM, Monday through Friday.*
- *Ambassadors have maintained a pro-active approach to addressing homelessness around the District especially those found lodging overnight on benches, sidewalks and allies.*
- *Contacted LASHA (la-hop.org) for homeless outreach services.*
- *Surveyed daily homeless population. The current Gateway daily average homeless population is approximately 10 people.*
- *Sent out monthly homeless count reports to the Security Directors email list.*
- *Ambassadors continue to increase their situational awareness and personal contacts, to broaden public relations efforts.*
- *Hosted two bi-monthly Security Directors' Meeting via Zoom. Meetings were well attended and included Captain Embrich (LAPD Pacific), Sergeant Cook (LAPD Pacific),*

*Captain Roberts (LAPD LAX), Lieutenant Binder (LAPD LAX), Lieutenant Trahan (LAWA PD), David Gates (FBI), and Claudia Martin (Neighborhood Prosecutor).*

- *Sent out weekly BOLO emails to the Security Directors email list.*
- *Conducted regular maintenance of bikes and ordered new bike tubes.*

	<i>4<sup>th</sup> Qrt-19</i>	<i>4<sup>th</sup> Qrt-20</i>
<i>Citizen Contacts</i>	<i>250</i>	<i>178</i>
<i>Panhandlers</i>	<i>153</i>	<i>11</i>

*Operations:*

- *Renewed City of LA 2021 Street Patrol Officer permits for staff.*
- *Brought on Yvonne Regalado as a new permanent (Mon, Tues, Wed & Fri) clean team member through Chrysalis.*
- *Conducted daily trash pickup and weeding using Gateway maintenance carts.*
- *Increased Gateway dumpster picks to twice a week with Athens Services due to increased trash volume.*
- *Repaired flat tire on maintenance cart.*
- *Ordered new clean team supplies (graffiti remover, rags, gloves, etc.).*
- *Ordered and installed 5 new trash receptacles to replace damaged receptacles.*
- *Ordered 10 boxes of trash bags.*
- *Removed graffiti, signs and stickers from street poles, signs and electrical boxes.*
- *Removed damaged metal tree wells that were impacting the healthy growth of several street trees and creating trip hazards. The tree wells were filled with wood chips/mulch.*
- *Reported potholes, bulk items and large graffiti to 311.*
- *Contacted Billboard Company to remove graffiti on signs.*
- *Contacted ownership of vacant properties to address maintenance issues.*
- *Removed broken/fallen tree branches.*
- *Distributed Gateway quarterly newsletters to all area office buildings.*
- *Explored the implementation of a comprehensive surveillance camera system.*
- *Communicated with the LINXS team about construction sites.*

**5. FINANCIAL REPORT**

*A report of year to date expenditures was presented and filed for the record. Income for the 2020 Fiscal Year - \$1,048,928.59. Expenses for the 2020 Fiscal Year - \$953,829.59.*

**6. LAPD – Civil Unrest Deployment**

*Sgt. Brian Cook briefed board members on current crime statistics for the area and possible civil unrest measures to be taken in the upcoming weeks.*

**7. LAWA – LAMP Construction Updates**

*Stephanie Sampson gave an update on the LAMP Construction projects.*

**8. METRO – Saroya Sandiford briefed board members on the status of the Century &**

*Aviation Metro Station construction and projected opening.*

**9. DWP – 98<sup>th</sup> Street Construction Project Update**

*Mary Olmos updated members on the revised construction schedule and bus lanes that are scheduled to be drawn. It was agreed to hold another meeting to answer questions about the bus lanes and usage.*

**10. COMMUNITY UPDATES**

- **CD11** – New Area Deputy – Hannah Levien was introduced.