



**Historic Lincoln Heights Industrial Zone
Economic Development Corporation Board
Thursday, September 10, 2020 at Noon
420 W. Avenue 33, Los Angeles - Lincoln Heights**

- Present Seth Polen, Joe Lepore, Peter Gertmanian, Hank Shaffer, Kevin Rattner, Robert De Forrest
- Absent Jeff Eller Meyers
- Staff Marco Li Mandri
- Guests Jose Rodriguez, Gerald Gubaton, Michael Hayden

MINUTES

The President Seth Polen called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m.

<i>Subject</i>	<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Action Taken</i>
Introductions	Seth called the meeting together at 12:10. The primary purpose of the meeting was to talk about the traffic expected to be generated by the opening of the Pinyon Development proposal at the old Ortiz Moving and Storage site. Seth welcomed everyone to the meeting. Introductions were made for those who were present and those who were participating in the meeting via zoom video.	No action taken.
Approval of minutes from July 2 nd , 2020 meeting minutes	The July 2 nd , 2020 meeting minutes were reviewed.	Peter moved and Seth seconded the motion to approve the July 2 nd , 2020 minutes. The motion was approved unanimously.
Public Announcements	No public announcements were made	No action taken.
YTD Budget review	Marco went over the current year budget. He explained the various categories of expenditures. Joseph stated that Enrique Lopez was the new	No action taken



	<p>maintenance employee who was replacing Juan Urbina. Enrique will be an employee of New City Public Spaces, an affiliate of New City America</p>	
<p>Update on the Pinyon Development and its anticipated parking impact</p>	<p>Robert De Forest was present, and Kevin Rattner was present via zoom to respond to BID concerns and neighbor concerns about the number of parking spaces and ingress and egress of cars along Avenue 34 when the development has been completed.</p> <p>The project was approved for development in 2017, while still owned by the Ortiz Brothers. Pinyon Development submitted a revised plan with site plan review, and it was appealed. At the Appeal Hearing in October, the people making the appeal will request that parking to and from the development not be placed on the Avenue 34 side.</p> <p>Marco raised the issue of why the ingress and egress could not occur on Pasadena Avenue, where there currently is a driveway to accommodate this. Robert and Kevin stated that they were told by the City traffic/streets division that the project could not accommodate the ingress and egress on Pasadena Avenue but rather Avenue 34.</p> <p>Issues were raised that due to the Gold Line vacating Avenue 34 to accommodate the train line, the back up at that intersection would be horrendous as people were heading to work. Marco asked why the Planning Commission could not waive the mandate to allow the cars to enter and leave on Avenue 34 and move it to Pasadena Avenue so the concerns of the BID Board members and neighbors would be eliminated. The main issues articulated in the appeal are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. There will be a loss of street parking 2. There will be too much traffic to accommodate the new residents. 3. The congestion on Avenue 34 would create a hardship for many. 4. there will only be 311 parking spaces on site. 	<p>No action taken</p>



	<p>Gerald from the Council office stated that the appeal will be heard from the Planning Commission on October 8th. He walked the site with city staff, Joseph and others the day before this meeting. He stated that the Council office would look at encouraging the relevant City departments to create a variance and allow for the driveways to be cut into Pasadena Avenue so that becomes the main road for accommodation of hundreds of new residents.</p> <p>Discussion followed and the Board members present, including Robert and Kevin said they would support the Pasadena Avenue alternative if they could get City departments to allow for it.</p>	
Purchase of a new truck	<p>Discussion occurred again on the condition of the truck. Joseph stated that he believed we should patch the truck together and keep it if Enrique thinks it is viable. We will need to purchase a used truck soon since this donated truck from 2005, is on its last few months.</p>	No action taken
Next Board meeting	<p>The next Board meeting was set for Thursday October 29th, 2020 at noon at Seth Polen's building. The meeting was adjourned at 1:05 P.M.</p>	

Minutes taken by Marco Li Mandri, Executive Director