



arts district  
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# ARTS DISTRICT LOS ANGELES

## ADLA MINUTES

November 16, 2023, 1:30PM  
Virtual Meeting

### **I. Presentations**

With no quorum present, Gallo welcomed Gabe Kramer from the Solutions Alameda Coalition. Gabe gave a quick presentation on his organization and their mission to help find funding for the DTLA segment of the proposed West Santa Ana Branch. Gabe started off by giving a quick overview of the West Santa Ana Branch and talked about the proposed alignment from Cerritos to Union Station. Gabe mentioned that many of the properties adjacent to the DTLA segment of the WSAB have come together to help ensure the WSAB is built to optimize community benefit.

Gabe shared various cost analyses which he and his team have created. He went on to highlight the potential tax revenue which could be generated if an Enhanced Financing District were created. Gabe spoke about the value of helping create an EFD. He then invited anyone who was interested to reach out to him. Gallo thanked Gabe and then opened the floor for questions.

Gallo made mention that there is a lot of information out there about the various Metro projects, making it hard for residents, property owners and other stakeholders to understand what is happening in the Arts District. Gallo highlighted how people still believe a train station will be built behind One Santa Fe. Gallo then said that there was another effort to create a similar financing district to help fund the construction of the future Sixth Street Viaduct. Gallo asked a few technical question about the taxation methodology then closed with saying that although the Alameda Coalition might compete with the Sixth Street Viaduct station financing district, he would hope the two groups could work together. Gabe agreed that the two groups could work together.

### **II. Call to Order**

Vice-Chair Gallo called the November ADLA Board Meeting to order at 1:50 pm. Vargas took roll call.

### **III. Public Comments**

Vice-Chair Gallo called for public comment. Ysabel Jurado introduced herself as one of the candidates for the L.A City Council District 14 race. Jurado shared her motivations for running for the Los Angeles City Council and cited her dislike of career politicians. She shared that she was born to undocumented immigrants and was raised in the Council District her whole life. Jurado went on to share that she attended UCLA and eventually became a lawyer to help advocate for the people of her community. Jurado asked for the support of the ADLA board and then shared her contact information.

**IV. Approval of ADLA Board Meeting Minutes**

Gallo called for approval of the minutes. Phillips motioned to approve the minutes, which were seconded by Holliday. The minutes were approved unanimously.

**V. Public Safety Report**

Officer Southern and Zambrano gave the public safety report. Southern shared the year-to-date crime stats with the Board and cited that part II crimes were down, BTFVs were down, however, GTA's were up. Zambrano then spoke about a proposed night market –626 night market. Zambrano informed the Board that the event organizers were seeking approval of a street closure permit. However, because of community concerns the event approval was halted. Zambrano announced that Council District 14 and LAPD would be holding a meeting with the event organizers to discuss the potential impacts to the community. He urged all Board Members to attend or to send in their written concerns. Gallo thanked Zambrano and moved onto the Artist Report.

**VI. Artist Report**

At this point Gallo passed the baton to Bhavnani, who served as chair for the remainder of the meeting. Bhavnani called for the Artist report. Mitchell said she had nothing new to add at this point. She asked Vargas if he wanted to add anything. Vargas indicated that he had nothing more to add. Bhavnani thanked Mitchell and moved on.

**VII. LARABA Update**

Rosenfeld said that he did not have much to report on. He and Schwarzstein both admitted that they did have much information about the proposed Ave 26<sup>th</sup> market. Dan said they both listened to a presentation about the market but had no details about the event. Rosenfeld suggested reaching out to Michael Hope or Javier directly if anyone had questions about the event. Rosenfeld said aside from that event, LARABA continues to issue grants to artists and did spend a good deal of time discussing the new dog park. Dan went on to say that half of their last LARABA meeting was spent discussing proposed improvements to the dog park. Rosenfeld thanked the Board and closed his update. Bhavnani thanked Rosenfeld and move on.

**VIII. New Business**

Bhavnani asked for new business, seeing none, he moved on.

**IX. Meeting Adjourn**

Bhavnani concluded the meeting at 2:21 p.m.

**Board Member Attendance**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS	PRESENT	ABSENT	BOARD OF DIRECTORS	PRESENT	ABSENT
Thomas Wulf		X	Adam Normandin		X
Frank Gallo	X		Chris Pearson		X
Dilip Bhavnani	X		Lauren Phillips	X	
Matt Klein	X		Dan Rosenfeld	X	
Pouya Abdi	X		Mark Rothenberg		X
Yuval Bar-Zemer	X		Cindy Schwarzstein	X	
Aram Garikian		X	Michael Soroudi	X	
Paul Holliday	X		David Stahl	X	
Matthew Marquez	X		Beth Stryker	X	
Rebecca Liu-Morales	X		Lisa Vacca-Brown	X	
Valerie Mitchell	X		Shep Wainwright		X