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ARTS DISTRICT LOS ANGELES

ADLA MINUTES

February 15th, 2023, 1:35PM
Zoom Meeting

I. **Call to Order**

Chairman Wulf called the February ADLA Board Meeting to order at 1:35 pm.

II. **Public Comments**

Chairman Wulf asked if there were any public comments. Board Member Schwarzstein invited all to the unveiling of a new mural at the Rendon. She provided some background on the mural and explained its significance. Wulf thanked Schwarzstein and then moved on to the next item on the agenda.

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

Wulf asked for a motion to approve the January Board of Directors meeting minutes. Board Member Normandin motioned to approve the minutes and Board Member Stahl seconded the motion. The January meeting minutes were approved unanimously. Wulf moved to the next item on the agenda.

IV. **Public Safety Report**

Senior Lead Officer Zambrano provided the public safety update. He spoke about an increase in local area mail theft in the Arts District and across Downtown. He explained how LAPD is working with the Postal Inspector to identify and arrest the suspects. Stryker mentioned that Artshare has been hit repeatedly by mail thieves over the past few weeks. Other Board Members shared that their buildings were experience mail theft as well. Zambrano talked about the best practices to deter mail theft then he went on to the update the Board about catalytic converter thefts. He announced that his unit was responsible for the arrest of a crew who had stolen 96 catalytic converters since December. The Board thanked Officer Zambrano for his work and then Wulf moved to the next item on the agenda.

V. **Presentations**

The owner of Smash It Waste Management Services, Ernie Rodriguez, gave a presentation on behalf of his company. Rodriguez explained that Smash It deploys heavy machinery to crush and compress trash inside waste containers. This service creates a cost savings for their clients by reducing the amount of times the waste hauler has to come and service a trash container. Vargas shared that ADLA has begun using Smash It and has noticed a decrease in their waste hauling costs. Board member Mitchell asked if this service was also available for residential buildings. Ernie from Smash It stated that most of their customers are businesses and / or construction sites. Seeing that there were no more questions, Chairman Wulf moved to the next item on the agenda.

VI. Artist Report

Mitchell explained that the Artist Committee was still trying to secure a location for Leah’s mural. Mitchell stated that they were in talks with a local developer to get the mural up on his wall, but that discussions were still ongoing. Chairman Wulf thanked Mitchell and Normandin and then moved to the next item on the agenda.

VII. LARABA Update

There were no LARABA representatives present at the meeting. Chairman Wulf moved to the next item on the agenda.

VIII. New Business

There was no new business.

IX. Meeting Adjourn

Chairman Wulf concluded the meeting at 1:55 p.m.

Attendance

BOARD OF DIRECTORS	PRESENT	ABSENT	BOARD OF DIRECTORS	PRESENT	ABSENT
Thomas Wulf	X		Dan Rosenfeld		X
Frank Gallo		X	Mark Rothenberg	X	
Dilip Bhavnani	X		Michael Soroudi	X	
Matt Klein	X		Olga Arroyo	X	
Pouya Abdi		X	David Stahl	X	
Yuval Bar-Zemer	X		Jeff Laskey		X
Aram Garikian	X		Lisa Vacca-Brown	X	
Paul Holliday	X		Cindy Schwarzstein	X	
Rebecca Liu-Morales		X	Lauren Phillips	X	
Valerie Mitchell	X		Beth Stryker	X	
Adam Normandin	X		Shep Wainwright	X	
STAFF MEMBERS				PRESENT	ABSENT
Miguel Vargas				X	
Kwon Li				X	
Oscar Avina, Patrol Solutions				X	