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ARTS DISTRICT LOS ANGELES

BID MINUTES

Wednesday, March 20, 2024, 1:41 p.m.
SCI-Arc

I. Call to Order

Vice Chairman Beth Stryker called the meeting to order at 1:41 p.m.

II. Public Comment on Agenda Items

Stryker asked for public comments. Marquez gave an update on the restoration work happening on Center Street related to the EOC. He also provided an update on the utility relocation work happening on Ducommun Street. Stryker thanked Marquez and then asked when the EOC was anticipated to be completed. Marquez smiled and said sometime this year.

III. Approval of the BID Board Meeting Minutes

Stryker asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Vacca-Brown motioned to approve the minutes, were seconded by Normandin. The minutes were approved, with Stahl abstaining.

IV. Financial Report

Vargas reviewed the February financial report. He began with highlighting the \$1,214.34 received in February. He then moved on to cover the Administration expenses for the month (\$33,325.39). He spent time providing a detailed explanation of last month's expenses, which included a new office printer and other supplies. Vargas also covered the maintenance expenses (\$51,886.01) and the public safety expenses (\$70,208.90). Vargas asked for a motion to approve the February financials. Normandin motioned to approve the financials and Bhavnani seconded the motion. The financial report was approved.

V. Operations Report

Emeline Neau from Chrysalis went over the February maintenance statistics. She reviewed key beautification stats for the month like the amount of trash that was collected in February. Stryker thanked Neau for the update.

In Captain Avina's absence, Vargas went over the safety report and explained that crime statistics were not available for the month of February. He proceeded with reporting various incidences from last month. After his monthly report Vargas spoke about the vacancies on the security team. This was a short discussion about staffing and hourly pay. Abdi also commented that he is seeing more unhoused individuals walking around the neighborhood than before. Bhavnani suggested that the Board invite the new Chief of Police to a meeting. Vargas thanked Bhavnani for the great idea and said that he would. Stryker thanked everyone and then move don.

VI. Executive Director

Vargas reported that the ATP project had now been underway for six months now. He cited contractor coordination with DWP as why the project was delayed. He provided specific updates on a few intersections and streets. He then shared how the City had trimmed about a dozen very overgrown trees on Hewitt Street. He ended his report.

VII. New Business

Seeing no new business, Stryker moved on.

VIII. Chairman’s Report

Stryker thanked everyone for attending, then adjourned.

IX. Meeting Adjourn

Stryker adjourned the meeting at 2:10 p.m.

Board Member Attendance

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