



Picfair Village Neighborhood Association Minutes –
General Meeting October 14, 2024

Members Present: Joe Carrabba (Pres), David Riva (VP), Cindy Levey (Secretary), Darren Davis (Treasurer)

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m./Meeting was adjourned 7:15 p.m.

Minutes approval for August 12, 2024 was moved to October General Mtg, to ensure minutes are posted publicly for review.

Invited Guests:

Mayra Guevera, Field Representative, Los Angeles City Council District 10

Lead Officer Green, Los Angeles Police Department (Officer Green was not present.)

Diza Besner, community

1. Los Angeles City Council District 10 report-out:

- Signage to watch for coyotes are available at the CD 10 office. Feel free to stop by, calling first may be the best approach.
- CD 10 is supportive of the PVNA Pumpkin Race on 10/27.
- There is a beatification and landscaping event led by Destination Pico an CD 10, in partnership with the Pico Neighborhood Council It's happening on Wednesday October 23, 2024. The event takes place from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and people can join in any time. For kick-off, meet at the Pico CD 10 office at 8:30 a.m. Mayra will make sure that Monique Carrabba, Pico Neighborhood Council representative on PVNA receives beautification event flyers to share more widely.
- CD10 is actively working to remedy the issues with the auto-shop on the NW corner of Hauser and Venice – Hollywood Autobody. While the issues have been ongoing, in that the shop is not zoned or license for auto-body repairs, and complaints of many years regarding illegal parked cars. The nuisance is being actively worked on between CD 10, the Dept. of Building and Safety and Parking Enforcement. The ongoing severity of the matter has resulted in the following responses: Currently there is a warrant out for the arrest of the owner, the Department of Building and Safety will be increasing fees for the business, and cars are being actively towed when improperly parked. The community should refer to the Dept. of Building and Safety portal to report all matters, so that there is a continuous record of issues. Community can also reach out to City Attorney's office for additional advocacy. Community expressed that the problem with the business is ongoing over 10+ years.

- Mayra will follow-up on community comment, requesting graffiti removal in the alley of Curson, near 1415 S. Curson.

2. Los Angeles Police Department, Sr. Lead Officer Adam Green – tabled until next meeting.

3. PVNA Pumpkin Race, Saturday October 27, 2024

- Diza Bresner, community organizer, shared info on the Pumpkin Race: www.picfairvillage.pumpkinrace.com. Please go to the website for Pumpkin Race rules. Race registration 2:00 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.
- Only Picfair residents can participate. There will be prizes.
- Motion was passed to put Pumpkin Race flyer on website and kiosk.

4. General Announcements

- The 2nd Annual Great Pumpkin Bash - November 3, 2024 from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. in Pan Pacific Park sponsored by Councilwoman Yaroslavsky, LA Sanitation and LA Recreation and Parks. The event is focused on smashing and composting post-Halloween pumpkins.
- Coffee with a Cop takes place on November 9, 2024 from 9:00-10:00 a.m. at the Rubios Café on the corners of La Brea and Pico. This is a ticketed event, but free to the public. Coffee and pastry will be offered.
- December 9, 2024 PVNA will hold an in-person General Meeting at SGI – 5899 Venice Blvde. from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
- For any community members interested, there is a GoFundMe for Sharon, the mail carrier of 37 years for some PVNA homes. www.gofundme.com – search for Sharon Carter. There may be a small gathering at Sky’s Taco’s to honor her retirement.
- PVNA reminds families participating in Halloween candy giveaway should register on the NextDoor app’s “Ghoul’s Treat Map”: https://nextdoor.com/treat_map
- Board reminded community about joining the Outreach Committee to help communicate events to the neighborhood. Please email picfairvillageinfo@gmail.com.
- Valerie Woodson was announced as a newly appointed Member-at-Large of the PVNA Board.
- A hearty shout-out was made to Picfair Village poll workers for upcoming election.

Meeting adjourned 7:15 p.m.