

WHWCNC Homelessness and Social Justice Committee Meeting
Oct 29, 2024

I. Meeting called to order at 6:37 pm.

II. Roll call:

Jayce Baron-Present

Aaron Quantz-Present

Reina McCaughey-Present

Harry Sherman-Present

Masha Dowell-Absent

Dean Matthew-Absent

III. No announcements from public officials.

IV. No public comment.

V. The minutes from September 24, 2024 were approved with one spelling correction, 4-yes 0-no

General discussion on previous items:

A) CF 19-1020-The full WHWCNC Board approved the CIS to ask for an extension to this action to establish a Commission on Lived Experience with Homelessness, composed entirely of people who are currently, or have been in the recent past, homeless in Los Angeles. At a recent event, the media wanted to know why this CF was abandoned by the City. Members of the City Council said that they would address the issue after the election. Aaron made a motion to further discuss the issue in November.

B) Jayce spoke about a few legislative Council Files and the committee agreed to consider further action in the future.

ITEM 1- Harry gave a report on the upcoming 'Michael's Meal' Thanksgiving event, happening on November 21, 2024. This event is organized by About My Father's Business in partnership with Councilmember Bob Blumenfield, Kitchens To Go, Congregation Or Ami, Hope The Mission and Safe Parking L.A. A gourmet Thanksgiving meal will be served to the residents of the Reseda and Tarzana Tiny Homes communities and the Reseda Safe Parking participants. Members of this committee will volunteer at the event.

ITEM 2-Organization Spotlight featuring 'Food on Foot' Reina reported on her discussion with Joan, a principal with the organization that connects unhoused folks with housing and services. There is a vetting process before these services are administered to individuals. This organization is completely independent and depends on private donations to operate. They also distribute free food every Sunday in Hollywood.

ITEM 3-A motion was made to ask the Board to approve funds to print postcards containing the contact information of local services and service providers that benefit unhoused folks in our district. The original number of \$125 for 100 cards was increased to \$250 for 400 cards. The motion to increase the amounts was made by Jayce and seconded by Aaron. The vote was 4-yes, 0-no.

ITEM 4- Jayce described 'The World Needs More Love' Valentine's Day event. After a discussion with Geronimo from 'Kitchens To Go' an idea was formed to organize a Valentine's Day event for local unhoused folks. A gourmet meal could be served, along with live entertainment, giveaways and resources. The Committee liked the idea and Jayce will pursue it further, and report about it again in November.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.