

**Whittier Uptown Association
Minutes of the
Regular Board of Directors Meeting**

Monday, February 8, 2016

Location: Brookdale at Chateau Whittier, 13250 E. Philadelphia St. Whittier CA 90601

Call to Order: 6:05 pm

Board Members in attendance Steve Caringella, Liz Apodaca, Marilyn Brinegar, Chief Garry Couso-Vasquez, Cesar James, Tony Williams, Hector Alvarado, Jesse Bosque, Melanie Coward.

Board Members not in attendance: Rick Gonzales, Frank Medina, Remoun Said.

Non Board Members in attendance: Olivia Rios (WUA), Charles Scheida (Bright Thrift), Conal McNamara (City of Whittier), Katie Galvin-Surbatovic (City of Whittier), Melinda Piña (Piña Academy), Alfonso Maldonado (Mozart Salon), Mario Gras (resident), Jerardo Usquiano (Corporate America Security), Frank Dunagan (Corporate America Security).

GUESTS: No comments.

CITY REPORT: Conal McNamara introduced Katie Galvin-Surbatovic and reported the following: the planning commission approved the La Serna/Whittier Blvd development site; the assessment consultant is on board; design firms are being interviewed for the parking structure; the Guildford Hall building will be relocated to the corner of Comstock and Penn; the 3 Marinello's locations will close; the former Amber Blue will be developed with a Super Mex in the front.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Marilyn Brinegar moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 11, 2016, Closed Session Minutes and Board Retreat Minutes. Hector Alvarado seconded. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: No report.

NEW BUSINESS

- Boys and Girls Club Whittier Youth of the Year – Tony Williams reported that the Uptown Association will provide a commendation to four students.
- Homeless Symposium – Cesar James reported that there was a Meet & Greet on January 30. Meetings will continue on Mondays, date to be determined, and will face homeless issues.
- Car Show – Steve Caringella presented notes from the initial planning meeting. Food Trucks will be invited. Judges can be obtained for free, those monies will be transferred to entertainment to bring in a headliner band. Save the Date fliers will be printed. Marilyn Brinegar reported that she will add a Young Gents contest to the Calendar Girl promotion. Mr. Caringella stated that we need full Board