



Thursday, May 07, 2020, 12:30 p.m.
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Approved Minutes of Special SAFE COMMITTEE MEETING

Approved on June 4, 2020

Attending: T. Ragan, D. Bass, R. Groeper, J. Luster, N. Larrew, A. Mehrtens, W. Anabel
Guests: Cleveland Davis
Absent: S. Costello, B. Scane, F. Wehbe
Staff: Dianna Eisenberg

1. **Call to Order/Welcome/Introductions**
The meeting was called to order by Ragan at 12:32 p.m.
2. **Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda**
None.
3. **Approval of Meeting Minutes (Motion)**
Luster made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of April 05, 2020, seconded by Ragan. The motion passed unanimously.
4. **Report on security conditions in the District**
Ragan reported that he has several critical care areas within the District needing immediate attention.

Luster stated that the Cahuenga Car Wash has been an area of concern since the onset of Covid-19, due to businesses being closed and restrooms not being available to the public. Davis expressed that there have never been any calls for service in this location of the BID.

Groeper reported that there is prostitution in the ally now behind the Ralph Pucci business. The problem has been reported to the BID Security and LAPD. Groeper also suggested that being able to provide photos supporting any complaint is always very helpful. Davis noted that the area is being monitored and all activity was being monitored.

Bass reported that the Northeast corner of Orange and Romaine also has a problem with at least three loads of trash spilling out onto the street.



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Lee stated that there is a homeless encampment on Sycamore, South of Santa Monica Blvd. While there are no reports of any violence or police emergencies, there is an excessive amount of trash.

Davis reported that BID Security team has not received any urgent calls. The Security team continues to provide surveillance to all District checkpoints.

5. **Homeless Solutions Pilot Project**

Ragan stated that Highland between Melrose and Santa Monica Blvd., including Waring and Willoughby streets, has been identified as the Homeless Solutions Pilot Project area in the District.

Ragan noted that from his experience of speaking with those experiencing homelessness, religious efforts seem to be most effective; accordingly, he will continue his efforts.

Groeper suggested that the Citizens App, is a good way to monitor crime in the District and surrounding areas. Davis stated that he monitors the Citizens App and alerts the Security team whenever any activity has occurred in the BID.

Ragan reviewed solutions that appear to be working to help those experiencing homelessness explaining that outreach teams and services from the Center are helping to reduce the number of homeless encampments.

6. **Updates from local government partners/Covid-19**

On May 15, 2020 restaurants are preparing to open for delivery and/or pick-up.

7. **Old Business**

None.

8. **New Business**

None.



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9. **Adjournment/Next Committee Meeting**
The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Next Meeting

Thursday, June 04, 2020 at 12:30 p.m.

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