



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

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Approved Minutes of Special SAFE COMMITTEE MEETING

Approved on July 2, 2020

Attending: T. Ragan, D. Bass, S. Costello, R. Groeper, J. Luster, T. Lee, A. Mehrstens, W. Anabel, F. Wehbe
Guests: Alice Roth (CD-4)
Absent: B. Scane
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)**
Ragan made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of May 07, 2020, seconded by Whebe. The motion passed unanimously with one abstention.
4. **Report on security conditions in the District**
Cleveland reported on the issues that Security has been dealing with in the District related to the ongoing protests. Walgreens, CVS, 7-Eleven are the stores for the most part that have been either looted and/or vandalized. Other businesses that were affected by the protests and civil unrest are Yum Yum Donuts, Starbucks, Magee's Donuts, Coin Laundry, The Hair Shop, and the Hollywood School House as well. Many businesses boarded up their windows for protection.

Ragan stated that Melrose and Highland areas were also impacted by the protests but not within the 900 block of Highland. While damage to businesses was not severe in the District, there were many instances of vandalism and graffiti throughout the District.



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Ragan reviewed the process of Graffiti Abatement with the SAFE committee members. Alice Roth (CD-4) noted that her outreach team has been responding to District cleaning and graffiti requests as well. She also stated that she would have her team available to the Media District for the next two weeks.

5. **Homeless Solutions Pilot Project**

Ragan stated that the issues on the 900 block of N. Highland, including Waring and Willoughby streets, appear to be getting worse. The sidewalks are fully blocked, and therefore not in compliance with ADA laws ensuring that people with disabilities have the same rights and opportunities as everyone else.

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

Costello stated that efforts are being made by LAHSA to remove from the streets those experiencing homelessness that are most vulnerable to Covid-19. LAHSA is working to place such persons in temporary hotel room housing called "Project Room Key."

7. **Old Business**

None.

8. **New Business**

None.

9. **Adjournment/Next Committee Meeting**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:12 p.m.

Next Meeting

Thursday, July 02, 2020 at 12:30 p.m.

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