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Andrew Krown, Treasurer; David Balen, Signer; Asaad Alnajjar; Cheri Derohanian;  
Jason Hector; Alex Kim; Becky Leveque; Jennifer Milbauer**

## Porter Ranch Neighborhood Council

### GENERAL BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, February 8, 2017  
6:15 PM

Porter Ranch Community School  
12450 Mason Avenue, Porter Ranch, California

1. Call to Order: 6:18 pm. by Issam Najm
2. Welcome
3. Roll Call: Susan Gorman-Chang, Alex Kim, Jason Hector, Andrew Krown, Becky Leveque, Jennifer Milbauer, Asaad Alnajjar, Gabriel Khanlian, Issam Najm are present making 9 members for a quorum. (David Balen and Cheri Derohanian are absent).
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Treasurer's Report (5 minutes)

No official report. Council Annual budget is spend-it-or-lose-it. Hopefully we will have a response for next meeting.

6. Motion to approve November 2016 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER)

Susan wants to commend Andrew for a great report. Nothing is hidden and there are no questions.

**MOTION:** Andrew made the motion to approve the November 2016 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER). Gabriel seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously 9-0 (with David and Cheri absent).

7. Motion to approve December 2016 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER)

**MOTION:** Susan made the motion to approve the December 2016 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER). Gabriel seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously 9-0 (with David and Cheri absent).

8. Presentations from Representatives of Elected Officials - on behalf of Councilman Englander:



- a. Voting against street vendors
- b. LADWP should give us a report on how we are using natural gas and how we can use it less.
- c. Andrew requests for a left turn arrow on the intersection Wilber and Rinaldi. That has to go through Colin Crews for council district 12 representative.
- d. The public wants more left handed turn lanes
- e. Becky requests a speed sign on the hill that comes down toward Wilber, something that says "dangerous curb ahead". They need to put in a request for a study before they can put a sign up.
- f. Copy of council's recommendation at the PLUM committee hearing from February 7th.
- g. 50 mph on Reseda. Tampa is 55. The department of transportation should also do a traffic city about this. When the traffic goes up, the speed limit goes up to help clear up congestion.
- h. Double edged sword because the traffic studies usually result in higher speed limits but you want the studies to keep everything up to date.
- i. Request to get rid of the bike lane on Wilbur.
- j. 60 stumps, 193 missing trees have been tallied up.

Cheri arrived at 6:35 pm.

#### SURPRISE APPEARANCE FROM COUNCILMAN MITCHELL ENGLANDER

Councilman Mitchell Englander arrived at 6:36 pm.

- 1. Councilman Mitchell Englander: This council has been through a lot. For all those who have been here through building the school, and those who are very involved with the gas blowout, he thanks them. The SCAQMD settlement result was announced today and he was very disappointed. He wants to actually create a plan and a roadmap . Also Canyon can not be shut down overnight as 20 million people rely on the facility and the infrastructure makes this complicated. He wants to start transitioning now and set a closure date of 2028/2030.
- 2. Jason Hector: the county testified for a seismic study and the senate bill does not include that. Councilman said that the facility is located on private property. It will be hard but wants to help and see what he can do.
- 3. Issam: State legislators will also have to urge them to do that.
- 4. Susan Gorman-Chang: LADWP does not use gas from SoCal Gas's Aliso Canyon, but instead pipes it in from out of state.
- 5. Councilman Mitchell Englander: We need an answer from them on the record.

#### Sustainability

- 1. Susan Gorman-Chang: Lauren Faber talked to us about our sustainability. We can produce as much clean electricity as we use. What can we do to get more people on it?
- 2. Councilman Mitchell Englander: We are the test pilot for the sustainability. Happy to continue to do more to push forward. We will help with the Earth Day request and are happy to promote and



financially assist, but you have to partner with another neighborhood council. Think outside the box for Earth Day in terms of sustainability, firefighters and what they do to help, the new technologies being utilized.

### The issue of the treasury

1. Andrew Kowne: We need a motion to allow us to rollover the recovered funds from the old treasurer to next fiscal year.
2. Councilman Mitchell Englander: The money involved is \$27,000 and change. Could be upped to \$32,000. The investigation is not closed, but because it is a police investigation he cannot talk more about that. It is only targeting one individual. Trying to figure out a rollover without a motion. We don't want you to lose the money.

Alex Kim: We submitted documents showing how many stumps and trees are missing in Porter Ranch. We're trying to get 192 trees replanted so we have to get the stumps removed. How can CD7 help and fund the removal of stumps to replace the lost and missing trees?

Councilman Mitchell Englander: we don't have any money for stump removal. If they are mapped out (they are on my311 app) we are creative and we may be able to find some solutions to help out, so we'll jump on that right away.

### AQMD vs SoCal Gas Lawsuit

1. Jennifer Milbauer: Is there any pressure the council can put on AQMD to bring the \$5.6 million back to the community?
2. Councilman Mitchell Englander: Get specific about what you want SoCal Gas to provide for us as a community. Think about it. What can we ask SoCal Gas to do for the community. That money could easily be used in San Francisco and we don't have a say in it. Even if it was a laundry list of things, we are opening a new park, (and we are short on things so we have to take things away from them), so these are things we need that we don't have money for. I would rather ask and be turned down than not ask at all.
3. Cheri Derohanian: I am a claims adjuster and when they file a lawsuit, they ask for 10 million, 50 million, and this is just a car accident, nobody died, but you ask for the anything and you end up with 5%. There are 100 things that we could think of that we need. Once the lawsuit is settled, it's just begun. We have to repair our attitude, community spirit.
4. Audience member: There is a laundry list, but one of the biggest things would be a hospital at some point in our community and a senior center. We have a lot of seniors here and a lot of needs.
5. Michelle (audience member): I don't want to be beholden to them, but if we can take money from their litigation fund, we don't want to owe them anything.
6. Councilman Mitchell Englander: a lot of people have had that dilemma. I recently had a call from Chatsworth Kiwanis that has an annual golf tournament and for years the SoCal Gas would sponsor it. And they said if we take their money we look terrible. I think it would be a mistake for the PTAs



and for the neighborhood council, it puts you in a weird position, to ask because you're not going to get what you ask for and if you settle you look like a sellout. It's a lose, lose proposition. Some of these amenities and mitigation funds were set up because of litigation, but a lot of them weren't. And so whatever you guys feel would be the right method, or we abandon it altogether, it's just something that's been bothering me. If we do ask for something, I would be the one to do it. Maybe it's an open letter from all the elected officials. Right now we're not getting anything and we're in need in a lot of different areas. Unfortunately we shouldn't have this conversation, they should be here asking us.

7. Audience member: Socal Gas couldn't do anything to repair the hurt that we have been through. We want to never smell the stench of gas again. Turning the facility off would help with the healing.
8. Audience member: I'm worried about making a deal with the devil. It would be unfortunate if we lost.
9. Councilman Mitchell Englander: Everyone has a different opinion on this. I came from a household who is very proud and wouldn't take a handout from anyone, even when we were homeless. When I finally got a job, I was able to live in a studio. This isn't pride, but what I learned is that I had family members who were willing to help. I feel it is a responsibility of mine to at least have a conversation with you about it.
10. Sue (Audience member): Yesterday's LA times had a big things on the study of pollution and how it affects women and mice with the senility rate. The whole north end of the valley has been inundated with several lifetimes of pollution exposure. There should be a long term study.
11. Audience member: I think of the firefighters in 9/11 and how they suffered for years and years and I want to know who is going to take care of us down the line.
12. Councilman Mitchell Englander: That's why we are disappointed with the amount of money and the depth of what it can cover. That's what most people were scared about: not that we smelled it, but the symptoms. My sister died when she was 40 years old. When she was 30 years old, she had a bad asthma attack and had to wait so long in the emergency room that she stopped breathing for 4 minutes. She went into a coma and came out with severe brain damage. I took care of her for 10 years. This is why I am on so many hospital boards, and I care about the water supply and all that. I may not always agree with you and I may be a fighter, but it's not me vs. you. We have different ways we want to get things but the end result is the same. I want to be there for you as much as you are for the community. I look forward to building those bridges stronger.

## Crime

1. Gabriel Khanlian: Crime has skyrocketed since the blowout. What will you do to reduce the crime in our city?
2. Councilman Mitchell Englander: Crime went down during the blowout because he got extra patrol going and we had Socal Gas paying for it. Crime is going up everywhere and it's not this community it's because of all the different propositions in the "better community care act." We are the most understaffed police department, 2500 more officers is what the chief wants but that wouldn't put a dent in the issue. We can do a lot locally to help. If you want a law enforcement special meeting we can talk about how we can minimize crime.



## Electronic Sign in Porter Ranch (brought up in latest PLUM meeting)

1. Susan Gorman-Chang: Yesterday at the PLUM meeting you said we needed an electronic sign at the new shopping center, The Village, in Porter Ranch which went against what we wanted. I would like some clarification on that.
2. Councilman Mitchell Englander: We want the new shopping center to be more than just a strip mall. This has been planned publicly for 10 years. We have more home ownership per capita of any other city in Los Angeles. We lack businesses in porter ranch, like manufacturing, high end professional businesses, CPAs, businesses, lawyers. ones who go out every day. When you talk to good retail and restaurants, they all looked at our demo studies and said that monday through friday we don't have a volume. We're good at dinners and they're busy, but they wont be busy enough. One of the things that we are selling is that we have our own freeway off ramp. They wanted to see signage, not necessarily neon or digital, but marquis. A lot of people really hate digital signs, the illumination, the advertising, the brightness and frequency. They wanted something big and they wanted five of them, something like the citadel off the 5 freeway. So if there was something where we had one and we controlled how bright it was, that it actually shut off at night and had hours of operation, that the illumination went down as it got darker at night, but that no one could see it from their homes, that its 8-10 seconds between changes, that it's only the stores and their logos, etc. We brought this to that meeting where we had about 300 people and talked about the whole plan. 90% of the people at this meeting supported everything that we discussed. We could easily take it away, but we wont be able to control the other signage, and I'm also concerned about people seeing it from their homes. It's offsite but only advertising onsite. A lot of the conditions written into it were based on what the community has said about what they wanted.

## 9. General Public Comments on matters not on the Agenda

- Lori Ivanzian (audience member): This topic was brought up in the January meeting. The fact that neither Porter Ranch fire stations have a designated ambulances has been a personal struggle as my husband suffered a heart attack in the middle of the night. The firefighters came immediately and identified that my husband was having a heart attack. It took at least 10 minutes for the ambulance to come. The firefighters were asking the paramedics "What happened? Where were you?" The cardiologist told me that my husband's life was saved in a matter of minutes. I am very upset by the idea that if the ambulance had been a few minutes later, it might have been too late. I urge you to handle this matter.
- Becky Leveque: Speak to me afterwards, the safety committee will be taking this up.
- Becky Leveque: Food at the meetings has been delicious but the food should be bought here by local business to help the local businesses that have been hurting.
- Issam Najm: This is the time for public commentary, not commentary from the board.
- Michelle Terrio (audience member): Castle Bay School has a lot of traffic issues. This year 730 students are there. The school was originally designed for 400 and they kept adding bungalows as the community grew. Doesn't seem like any traffic studies have been done. We have near misses at our crosswalks. We have tried to do outreach through the PTA to change behavior and nothing seems to work. So we looked into getting a crossing guard, but apparently these are being phased



out. So unless something tragic happens at our school we will not be getting a crossing guard. We are currently researching private companies but it is proving very difficult. We don't have a quote yet but once we do have a quote, how can the council help?

- Issam Najm: Bring this to the education committee.
- Audience member: On behalf of the people of Porter Ranch I would like to thank each and every one of you for your dedication and hard work on the council. Without you we have no voice, but with you we have a very strong and positive voice.

10. Discussion and possible action to revise the PRNC budget to reflect the addition of \$32,354.18 to FY 2016-2017 budget - Andrew Kowne

Motion to table this until the March meeting. Passed without objection.

11. Discussion and possible action to support request for a signal on Reseda at Eddleston Drive to provide for a safe equestrian trail crossing - Charlotte Brodie, ETI Corral 54 Trail Coordinator

- a. Charlotte (audience member): Safety concern crossing Reseda boulevard. Downhill traffic is a curve at 50 mph. Want a signal on Reseda boulevard and Eddleston to help the people on the trail. If you do want to support, please send a letter to the councilman.
- b. Becky Leveque: Mary Kaufman took this cause up and a few years ago we looked into it and set up a committee and it's a great idea but the problem is that traffic is 50-60 mph because those cars are coming down so fast. I would like to see a horse crossing for sure, but it's very dangerous and the city would not do anything. They refused to do anything. Maybe we could take this up in the safety committee. I would want a bridge.
- c. Sue (audience member): Not good to build a big bridge, which would be difficult to get horses to go up on and will cost a fortune.
- d. Audience member: A signal down that hill would be terrible for drivers to stop. I stop when I see horses.
- e. Audience member: I'm trying to envision what it does to the traffic because 50 mph is insane already but I don't know how you stop cars going up and down with the signal. I'm not sure that works. Not sure the group represents the people who live around Reseda Blvd.
- f. Audience member: It is extremely dangerous to stop traffic there. The only solution would be a bridge. It is expensive but this is the only safe way to go and there would be enough room on both sides for the ramp. The DOT would be a bigger fan of that.
- g. Cheri Derohanian: It's a good idea to support it and then the DOT does what they do and will tell us what the safest way is to proceed.
- h. Alex Kim: We had this conversation three years ago. I talked to many people in the direct area. We need their opinion too.
- i. Issam Najm: We put out agendas so if people aren't here, we still have to move forward.
- j. Andrew Kowne: The first thing that is going to happen is the DOT is going to do a traffic study. If the signal requires a lower speed limit they are going to lower the speed limit. They will make the proper adjustments.
- k. Asaad Alnajjar: DOT could send out a letter to the neighbors explaining the change at the bottom of the road.



**MOTION:** Issam made the motion to support the Equestrian Trails Inc request for DOT to provide traffic control for the intersection at Reseda and Eddleston Drive at the existing trail crossing. Cheri seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously 10 to 0 (with David absent).

## BREAK

12. Presentation from LADWP Customer Relations on Energy Rebates, Energy Audits, AC optimization, and other programs for residential customers - Jason Stinnett, LADWP

### Customer Rebate Programs

- Cool roofs
- Energy star rated refrigerator
- whole house fan
- energy star rated room A/C
- Energy efficient windows
- Central A/C or heat pump
- Certified pool pump
- Variable speed pool pump and motor
- recycling old refrigerators/freezers  
Refrigerator exchange program - Exchange your older model for a free refrigerator if you qualify.
- Home energy improvement program
- Efficient Product Marketplace (rebates on tons of different products in the form of a gift card)
- Free AC Optimization Program (temporarily suspended for redesign with anticipated relaunch this spring)

You can always visit the website for up to date information. Go to the website to see what you qualify for that is still active and be sure to apply!

### Water Conservation - Robert Estrada

- Shower is 2.5 gallons per minute
- Bathtub is 20-25 gallons
- Dishwasher is 10-20 gallons per load
- Clothes washer is 20-50 gallons per load
- Toilet is 1.6-5 gallons per flush
- Kitchen/Bathroom Faucet is 2.5 gallons per minute
- Garden Hose is 8-12 gallons per minute
- Pop-up spray heads are 1.5 gallons per minute

Trade in for more efficient dishwashers, clothes washers, toilets, etc. and you will get rebates. Look on the website for more details or visit your nearest customer service center.

800-544-4498 press 5 and someone will answer the phone to replace shower heads, aerators, etc.



Turf replacement program, rain barrel/cistern incentive, clothes washer incentive, toilet replacement incentive, rotary nozzle incentive, weather based irrigation controller: you go out and buy/replace then show us your receipts.

Owens Valley Tour: two days, takes you up to the valley and they take you down different sites of the aqueduct. Tour of the filtration tank. Call main number and then public affairs.

13. Presentations in Support for and in Opposition to Measure S (TBD) (5 minutes each, then 5 minutes rebuttal each)

- Support:
  - Jay Beeber, valley coordinator for the measure S campaign. On neighborhood council in North Hills West. The person who got rid of the red light cameras in LA and working on parking reform. Now working with measure S and trying to get it passed.
  - Measure S brings certainty to the planning process. The planning of the city is that they have general plans, community plans, and the city council and developers don't follow it. So right now if you have a piece of property and the developer wants to build something different, they can go to the city council and the city council can do spot zoning, changing the rules on a case by case basis.
  - This measure requires the city council update the general plan and community plans for the city. This has not been done in decades. In 2005 they voted to relieve themselves of the duties to update it. They're using this as an excuse. Updating the plans will require them to hold meetings and keep the public informed on weekday evenings. It also requires everyone to do their environmental impact report. The environmental reports have a huge conflict of interest currently. The developer would still pay for it but the city planning department would be able to choose who conducts the study.
  - It stops the spot zoning by requiring them to follow the city charter.
  - For two years the city council cannot vote to make spot changes while the plans are updated. That only effects 5% of the development in the city so it is not a full on housing ban.
  - The measure is intended to let everybody know what can be built, where it can be built and how it can be built. So the communities are not surprised or blindsided by a project that has been created with a lot of backdoor deals with the council.
- Opposition:
  - Mark Edwards has been in LA for 20 years, lifelong renter. Served on West City Community Council. Worked for council office as a senior field deputy. Worked with los angeles homeless authority. Worked on the lost homeless project with the city of santa clarita.
  - Measure S goes too far. Academics, people for the parks, have looked at measure S and independently concluded that it is bad for LA.
  - Economic impact analysis says that it would destroy 12,000 jobs. We have a housing crisis and a homeless crisis. We have a tight housing market and we need more. Measure S will further tighten the market and rents will continue to rise. People who are barely making it now will be forced on the streets. We need 50,000 units just for homeless.



- We've only built 300 units a year. LA Family Housing cannot build units if measure S passes. Elements of it make sense but it has many unintended consequences now that we passed JJJ and HHH.
- Rebuttal for Support:
  - The studies that Mark referred to, they asked for the study and therefore there is a conflict of interest. They wanted to call it an independent study and we sued them so we backed off. They also wanted it to say 10 years when the ban was only for 2.
  - Independent study: the average rent in LA is over \$2000. The newer apartments are luxury high-rise apartments. that's what this measure targets. We don't have a luxury apartment problem, we have an affordable apartment problem. Luxury apartments makes the issue worse because when you make these apartments that don't exist otherwise in the area, the cost of land goes up and the affordable rent in the area becomes unaffordable.
  - Right now the general plan does not allow spot planning on these zones, so measure S doesn't actually change that point it just enforces it. The city council says that measure HHH is being stopped by measure S because they want to decide property by property what should get built.
  - The No side of measure S is being funded by 4 billionaire developers.
- Rebuttal for Opposition
  - Batching: you break the city into grids and general plans go into sections. The city council is bringing this back. Measure S has brought that issue to light which is a good thing.
  - LA Housing Department study states that only 20% of the land is multi unit family housing. 50% of the rent controlled places are 70 years old. We have an aging stock and need to build more housing. Homeless housing groups all independently looked at measure S and determined that it would thwart their efforts regarding plan HHH. It will hurt the homeless and folks who are under rent control.
  - The only funder for the other side is HIV/AIDS. This is not within their wheelhouse and they are causing more damage than they are helping.

#### 14. Discussion and possible action to take a position on Measure S

- Audience member: Are any of you looking at jobs? Jobs create real estate value.
- Mark Edwards: Even if you raise the minimum wage, you still can't live in the city of LA because you can't be housed.
- Jay: Jobs have nothing to do with S, but unfortunately the city council has tried to drive jobs out of here. The AIDS health foundation and Michael Weinstein have saved lives for decades around the world. The reason that they have put up the money for this measure is because they have a social justice arm. A lot of their patients were being pushed out of their homes because of the lack of a plan that the city follows. Westfield developers who create large construction projects in Miami beach who have their eyes.



- Audience member: Why are we adding additional layers to building? Why do we need another layer in the EIR process by getting the city to try to award contracts and take the development period longer? What if communities don't want affordable housing?
- Jay: Measure S doesn't add additional layers it just requires them to follow the rules. As far as choosing who does the EIR, the city instead of the developer gets to choose who that is so it isn't an extra layer. As there's more transparency in the system, the community is going to weigh in, which is the way the system is supposed to work.
- Mark Edwards: By law the state has to say where we're going to put affordable housing. So you can say you don't want it but at a certain point there is pushback.
- Jennifer Milbauer: Who is paying Mark to be here?
- Mark Edwards: Crescent Heights and Westfield. Ethics website [ethics.lacity.org](http://ethics.lacity.org) to see coalition to protect LA neighborhoods and jobs and who funds them.
- Jay: The community has also taken an interest and put money up.
- Asaad Alnajjar: Mark is suggesting that a yes would get rid of jobs.
- Jay: They paid for the study. The study argues that if we have to follow the rules, we can't build anything in LA and we're going to have a recession and lose all these jobs. We have to follow the rules and the city council and developers are supposed to follow the rules too.
- Asaad Alnajjar: How is voting no on measure S going to help the 28,000 homes for the homeless.
- Mark Edwards: We can actually start building the affordable housing projects. The funding is complex, 7-12 different resources generally fund affordable housing projects.
- Jennifer Milbauer: How are the homeless going to afford housing if they don't have jobs?
- Mark Edwards: The housing is subsidized so they only pay 30%
- Audience member: There isn't the option to not take a stance yet by doing this vote. You are trying to representing the community and I think it's inappropriate because there aren't that many Porter Ranch people here.
- Issam Najm: We can take a position on anything the board wishes to, there is nothing unusual here. If the board wants to table the motion, that's fine, but my job is to shepherd the process.
- Audience member: this is something that is bigger than our community. This is a huge controversial measure. I don't think you should take a position on this.



- Audience member: I represent yes on S and spoke with volunteers and a lot of people an hour and a half ago weren't sure what their position was. They hadn't fully digested the information. My opinion is I'm not sure the people I spoke with have had enough time to actually do the research and may not be publicly vocalizing the position.
- Issam Najm: We can put our planned action on it, but this is how the process works.
- Sue (audience member): I've heard both arguments and they're very good on their points but I don't think your body or any body should tell me how to vote. You're saying this is what these people see. Then if you're going to vote you should put names of who says what.
- Jason Hector: The perception is that if porter ranch neighborhood council supports it, meaning the community is overwhelmingly in support. PRNC taking a position on Measure S is something to avoid in my opinion.

Jason, Cheri, Jennifer, Andrew and Gabriel all are not ready to vote.

Alex is for motion S and thinks we should take the vote.

Count on readiness to vote: only two yesses. The motion is tabled.

#### 15. Presentation (Larry Levine) followed by Board discussion, and possible action regarding Measure M (Cannabis Regulations, taxation & enforcement)

- Larry Levine: I am a political consultant. The city council put proposition M in the ballot as a unanimous vote in a response to a legalization of recreational marijuana by adults in California. Prop 64 left it to each city in the state to adopt its own rules and regulations for taxing, licensing and enforcing the law on adult marijuana sales. Prop M sets the gross receipt tax business license tax rates for all the businesses. It sets penalties. It mandates the city council to hold meetings to weigh in and help write the saturation of facilities, how close are far they should be from a school park, what can be done to shield children from advertising, etc. Creates the licensing procedure for marijuana businesses. Gives law the enforcement the tools to shut down illegal operations and the city the ability to tax the legal ones.
- The second measure is the initiative measure N which was written by the marijuana industry. Their ballot statement says please don't vote for this, vote for measure M.
- Becky Leveque: Why isn't it being treated the same as cigarettes and alcohol?
- Larry Levine: Prop 64 created a different parameter for Marijuana. Now we have to figure out how to live with it.
- Audience member: N allows a bunch of people to weigh in on how to act regarding marijuana. Are there no current laws in place?



- Larry Levine: It was only in November that the sale and use of Marijuana was legalized for adults. Prop 64 doesn't go into effect until 2018. It gives cities until that time to adopt their own regulations. If we don't, you're talking about the wild west. Shops are going to pop up everywhere and it will be almost impossible to shut them all down.
- Audience member: If M passes, what will the city council do?
- Larry Levine: They will hold hearings throughout the city, take testimony from all of the city's stakeholders, law enforcement, homeowners associations, etc. If it doesn't pass, these 15 politicians are not necessarily going to do anything to create a licensing structure. And you will still have to go back to the ballot to set the taxes and penalties and fines on the ballot.

16. Discussion and possible action regarding a PRNC-sponsored community event on Earth Day - Jennifer Milbauer & Alex Kim

- Jennifer Milbauer: We want to do a joint event on actual Earth day (April 22). Part 1 would be a clean up event in the morning (9-11ish) (we need a lot of time to plan). These people would get a hat and a meal ticket that would allow them to go to a lunch as a second part.
- Audience member: Chatsworth neighborhood council should be involved as a joint effort so that we can get the sponsorship from the council office.
- Jennifer Milbauer: Yes, noted.

**MOTION:** Jennifer made the motion to authorize the beautification and outreach committee to plan an Earth Day event and come back to the board with a plan and budget for approval by the board. Cheri seconded the motion. Motion passed 10-0, with David absent.

17. Discussion and possible action to approve purchase of outreach supplies for an amount not to exceed \$4,000 - Jennifer Milbauer

- Audience member: Item 3 in that budget is the purchase of t shirts that say I love porter ranch. As a founder of porter ranch proud, we have t shirts that have been passed out to the community that say that already so I think there has been a conflict. Our organization might want to sponsor and hand these out at the event if we are coordinated. These t-shirts have been created and shown to the community.
- Cheri Derohanian: Eric Nam started a blog in 2014 and his logo is I (Hear Symbol) Porter Ranch and he uses that in his business. This organization already had it, he already had it.
- Becky Leveque: This is a Porter Ranch non profit and I think it is disrespectful to use it on behalf of ours. I don't think you need laws to be able to make the right decision. I think we can make a different logo because I think right now it is a slap in the face to Porter Ranch.



- Jennifer Milbauer: I just now found out that that was their logo and it was not meant to be derisive and I resent that comment.
- Jason Hector: It's a word. I ❤️ Porter Ranch. It's the name of our city with a heart and an I. We are not trying to take anything away from anybody. If someone has a copyright, we'd like to see it.
- Jennifer Milbauer: Stakeholders are looking for some good news for porter ranch. So we planned this to counteract the bad press. It was not derisive.

**MOTION:** Jennifer made the motion to approve the purchase of outreach items for the Porter House neighborhood council as detailed in the motion. Susan seconded the motion. Seven voted yes (Susan, Alex, Andrew, Jennifer ,Assad, Gabriel and Issam, Two abstained (Cheri and Jason), one said no (Becky), and David is absent. Motion passed with 7.

18. Discussion and possible action to appoint Cheri Derohanian as PRNC Liaison to the City's Emergency Management Department

**MOTION:** Susan made the motion to appoint Cheri as PRNC Liaison to the City's emergency management department. Becky seconded the motion. Nine voted yes, one abstained (Jennifer), and David is absent. Motion passed with 9.

19. Discussion and possible action to appoint Stakeholder Sue Hammarlund as PRNC Animal Liaison - Susan Gorman-Chang

**MOTION:** Jason made the motion to appoint stakeholder Sue Hammarlund as a PRNC animal services liaison. Jennifer seconded it. Motion passed 10 yes with one absence.

20. Discussion and possible action to approve the submittal of an Adopt-a-Media application to the City for the Tampa median between the 118 overpass and Rinaldi Street - Alex Kim

- Audience member: is it going to be maintained?
- Alex Kim: Two different companies have expressed interest in keeping it maintained free of charge.
- Audience member: Look at CSUN as a source for creativity.

**MOTION:** Alex motioned to approve the submittal of an Adopt-a-Media application to the City for the Tampa median between the 118 overpass and Rinaldi Street. Cheri seconded the motion. Motion passed 10 to 0 with one absence.

21. Discussion and possible action to submit a request to CD12 to direct the Urban Forestry Department to designate Porter Ranch as a priority zone - Jason Hector

- 21 Motion is tabled.



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- 22. Board Members Comments & Announcements - All
  - 23. Meeting Adjournment - President Issam Najm - Adjourned at 10:04pm

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