

## Hillcrest Town Council Advisory Meeting 27 March, 2023

(on Zoom)

Meeting Agenda:

- Advisory Meeting: 3/27/2023 6 PM PDT, (Link: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88909133635?pwd=czhvQVo0ZzA0bFFMZG4vQVNSSUwrQ</u> <u>T09</u>
  - I. Call to Order/Roll Call
  - II. Approve Minutes/Approve Agenda
  - III. Partner Organization Updates
    - Community Coalition Updates
    - Updates from partnering orgs (e.g., HBA, Kiwanis, the Center)
      - Benny Cartwright, Kiwanis
  - IV. Neighborhood Issues Forum (discussion on issues of primary concern from the neighbors for consideration of general discussion at our General Meeting.
    - Adam Ruhl: Issues relating to Greater Hillcrest Maintenance Assessment District
    - Edgard Portela: Our involvement in Trans Day of Visibility
    - Joshua Simmons Big Gay Picnic Organizing
  - V. Organizational Business
    - Financial Report (Treasurer)
      - Bank Account (sans Daniel)
      - Miah handed off our checkbook to Jason
      - Set firm deadline for finances to be in order and contingency plan to have alternative(s) (suggested two months).
    - Incoming/Outgoing Correspondence
    - If necessary review Mission and Strategic Plan(s)
      - Need to plan out a strategic planning drive (10 year plan)
      - Establish Goals
    - Upcoming Meetings
      - Structure of Meetings:
        - How we hold them (fully online? Hybrid?)
      - April
        - Environment
      - May
        - Stephen Russell

- Potential Topic (Labor and Economics) as per traditional Labor Day being 1st May.
- June
  - Potential Topic: Social Justice Emphasis as per Juneteenth and National Alzheimers and Brain Awareness month (mental and cognitive health topic)
  - \*\*\*Cultural District
  - Neighborhood, Culture, and Social Justice
- July
  - Shhhhhhhhhhh... quite month \*Post Pride Cleanup
- December: Holiday Party
- VI. Committee & Project Updates
  - Funds Development and Fund Raising
  - Neighborhood Issues
    - Homelessness
    - Street Lights
    - Street Quality: Potholes and Flooding
    - More...
  - Promotions/Marketing
    - Meetup
    - Flyers
    - Promotions
    - Edgard Portela's proposed social media proposal
  - Community Service Projects
    - Sunday Funday (Monthly Event)
    - Joining Kiwanis as a Corporate member
  - Social Events
    - Neighborhood Birthday Party
- VII. Discussion on New Business Items
  - Filling Board Vacancies
    - Edrad Portela
    - MIchael Donovan
  - Executive Board
    - Vote on Executive Board Positions
- VIII. Delegate/Assign tasks
- IX. Approve Agenda for the next General Meeting
- X. Adjourn
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## Minutes 3/14/2023 General Meeting:

- I. Role Call
- II. Agenda
- III. Old Business
- IV. New Business
  - A. Elected Officials Updates
  - B. Updates from Organizational Partners
  - C. Organizational Outreach
    - 1. Trans Day of Visibility
    - 2. Big Gay Picnic
  - D. Non-Agenda Public Comment
  - E. Discussion on Direction of Hillcrest Town Council for the 2023-2024 year
  - F. Next In-Person Meeting
- V. Election
  - A. Alexander Marin running for one of many open positions.
  - B. Other nominations for vacancy appointments
- VI. Adjourn to Neighborhood Social Time
- Jason Frye chaired the meeting.
- We reviewed last month's general community meeting.
- The motion to accept the agenda was done by Alex Marin and approved by Jason's vote and Miah's proxy.

• No elected officials were present but Cesar Solis of Scott Peters' office contacted me saying that he would have been there if not for a staff function.

• We had Representatives from Transgender Family Service (Edgar) and Josh Simmons (Big Gay Picnic)

• The community members in attendance wanted us to be involved and keep he big gay picnic alive through sponsorship and co-organizing

• We are being asked to join up to send volunteers to the Transgender Day of Visibility. Alex Marin is going to donate some puzzles.

• The San Diego Bears were present by representatives

• Alex Marin made a non-agenda public suggestion that for the next meeting everyone bring at least one more friend.

• There was a discussion on what the community wants for this next official year 3/2023 - 3/2024

• The community would like us to be engaged in advocacy, offer educational opportunities and workshops, work with organizations like "Gay for Good" and the Imperial Court to offer volunteer opportunities.

Our community is asking for us to have a fair amount of social events to bring the neighborhood together and advertise things that are happening on our community

Social events to include Show Tunes Night, Big Gay Picnic, Monthly Community Birthday Party, and upcoming "Sunday Fun Day"

They want us to advertise a lot more including having a regularly updated Facebook and Instagram They want us to help pursue things through the get it done app.

• The community voted by consensus to hold our next community meeting at the internal Axis Studios corridor at 1469 University again.

• The election was assisted by Peter Raymond of Bankers Hill to collect and count the ballots. Alex Marin was voted in 9/4 (blank slips)

• The filing of board vacancies were announced, with Edgar P. wanting to pursue this.

• We adjourned until the second Tuesday of April at 1469 University.