

**LPNA Member Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, August 10, 2017 - Santa Teresa Library Community Room**

**Board Members Attending:** Greg Peck - President, Karen Lattin - Vice President, Alan Chan – Member-at-Large, and Herb Bowen – new Member-at-Large.

**Attendance:** Total attendance was 25, plus representatives of District 2 and the Housing Department; 11 LPNA members signed in (excluding the Board Members).

**Call to Order:** 6:40 pm

**LPNA Business:**

Minutes of the June 17 general meeting were not approved as copies were not available.

**Financial Report:** Barbara Canup, Treasurer, reported that in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, LPNA received \$2,100 in grants from the City of San Jose, the largest portion to be used for National Night Out in August. Over \$1,500 in donations was received from individuals and collected at events. National Night Out in August 2016 was the biggest expense of the year.

**Ratification of new Board Member:** Barbara Canup moved and Greg Peck seconded a motion to ratify Herb Bowen as Member-at-Large. Approved unanimously by members present.

**Open Secretary position:** Anyone interested should contact any Board Member.

**National Night Out on August 1, 2017:**

Greg Peck reported that turnout was very good. Mayor Liccardo and Councilmember Jimenez attended. New this year were a Blues band, Crimson Blues, and Brian the Bubble Guy.

**Bridge Housing Discussion:**

Vanessa Beretta reviewed the 3 priorities of the Housing Department: crisis response, interim housing, and permanent supportive housing.

Aurelia Bailey discussed the Bridge Housing initiative. It is a pilot for small, temporary sleeping-cabin communities, with a sunset in 5 years. Initially, commitment was received for sites in all 10 Council Districts. After looking at 99 sites and developing new selection criteria, only 4 sites remained. Of the 4, one is in District 2 and another is in District 10, but adjacent to District 2.

Councilmember Sergio Jimenez said the issue would go back to the Council August 29<sup>th</sup> to get direction. No decision has been made on locations or whether this will move forward. He has concerns about equity and believes if it moves forward the burden should be shared. He could be supportive of an equitable plan, but is not there yet.

An intense discussion ensued. The community expressed significant concerns, including inspections, on-site management, supportive services, and security. Questions included: What would be the effect on home values? Is housing a core competency of local government? Would there be follow through on promises for services? How would individual residents be screened? Would the site on Monterey be affected by the High Speed Rail project? A community member thought the project goals and discussion were at too low a level. Why were we not excited about the project and striving for excellence with housing that would be a beautiful addition to a neighborhood, while helping those in need?

**Future Meetings:** 10:30 am, Saturday, Oct. 7, and 6:30 pm, Thursday, Dec. 7. Both at S. Teresa Library.

**Meeting adjourned.**