

**East Sacramento Improvement Association**  
**Minutes of the August 10, 2020 Board Meeting**  
Meeting convened via Zoom

Attending: Megan Blackwell, Tom Griffith, Brian Holloway, Nick Kufasimes, Chris Little, Kathy Mannion, Ann Murphy, Paul Noble, Val Siebal, Tricia Stevens  
Absent: Clint Beers, Kyle Mickewiecz  
Guest: Lieutenant Marnie Stigerts, Sac PD

President Tricia Stevens called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm.

**Guest Presentation**

Nick introduced Lieutenant Marnie Stigers who provided an update on policing in the area. She noted that although officers may not come in person to take a report, residents are still encouraged to file one online. She also reported that the issue with cars congregating at night in the lighted tunnels at the entrance to McKinley Village has been resolved by turning the lights off at 10 pm.

**Business Session**

1. Minutes. The minutes from the July 13, 2020 meeting were approved (Noble, Little).

2. Treasurer’s Report. The treasurer’s report was approved (Kufasimes, Little).

Ending balances as of July 31, 2020 were:

CD	\$11,670.79
Checking	\$2,102.47
PayPal	\$119.86
Savings	<u>\$6,744.86</u>
Total	\$20,637.98

3. Subcommittee reports

Land Use – Tricia reported that there is progress on the former SMUD property at 59<sup>th</sup> Street. There are two proposals, including one from Stonebridge Properties.

Membership – Ann reported current membership of 185 household and business members. There was another problem with PayPal, resolved by Kathy.

Community Amenities – No committee update, but Tricia provided more information on the request for the Association to assume responsibility for the Welcome Garden at Alhambra Blvd. and H St. We agreed to invite members to help via the next East Sac Essentials.

Neighborhood Safety – No update beyond Lieutenant Stigerts’s comments.

**Executive Session**

4. Planning for fall membership virtual event. The ad hoc committee (Megan, Kyle, Ann, and Clint) had not met. We agreed that a prime topic for that event would be presentation of the arguments for and against the Strong Mayor measure on the November ballot, the “Mayoral Accountability and Community Equity Act.” We decided to invite Council Member Harris to represent the opposition and one of the “pro” CMs for the other side,

perhaps CM Schenirer. We also agreed on a date for this event, Wednesday, September 30, to accommodate early voting by mail. Tricia will invite speakers, hopefully in time to get an announcement in the next issue of Inside East Sacramento. Chris will contact the East Sacramento Chamber of Commerce to ask if they want to co-sponsor this event.

5. Implementation of dues waiver. Board members had differing recollections on what was actually decided regarding free membership at the July 13 meeting, so a unanimous decision was made to rescind that action and refer to the Membership Committee for their recommendation. (Noble, Griffith)
6. Name Change. A question was raised about implementing the change of name to East Sacramento Community Association. We agreed by consensus to make the change effective January 1, 2021. The ad hoc committee on implementing the change (Kathy, Tom, and Megan) will develop an implementation plan to be reviewed by the board.

#### **New Business**

7. East Sac Essentials. We agreed on the following topics for the next issue:
  - Fall general membership meeting on Zoom (Tricia)
  - Welcome garden volunteers (Tricia)
  - Lieutenant Stiger's presentation (Nick)

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45.

Recorded by Tom Griffith