



UWIA Executive Committee Meeting Announcement

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**Uptown Whittier Improvement Association
Executive Committee
GM Properties, 13305 Penn Street, Suite 200
TELECONFERENCE
Tuesday, October 26, 2021, 8:00 a.m.**

Current List of UWIA Executive Committee Members: Jim Dunkelman (Treasurer), Katie Galvin-Surbatovic (Secretary), Melinda Pina (Vice President) and Frank Rinaldi (President)

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order: Frank Rinaldi, President**
- 2. Roll call: Brent or Stephanie**

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3. **Public Comment** - The public is invited to address the UWIA Executive Committee (EC) regarding any item of business. Speakers must limit their comments to two minutes. Pursuant to State law, the EC cannot take action or express a consensus of approval or disapproval on any oral communications which do not appear on the printed agenda.
4. **Approval of the September 28, 2021 Executive Committee meeting minutes**
Action Item
5. **Update on Zoom meetings with Brian Saeki and Chief Bar**
6. **Discussion regarding needed special Board meeting on November 1st to vote on extending the provisions of AB361 for another 30 days**
7. **Discuss and establish the agenda for the UWIA Board meeting on November 12, 2021.**
8. **Other Committee items.**
9. **Next UWIA Executive Committee Meeting date: November 30, 2021, 8:00 a.m., at GM Properties, 13305 Penn St, Suite 200, Whittier, CA 90602, or possibly via teleconference.**
10. **Adjournment:** _____

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TELECONFERENCE MEETING
Tuesday, September 28, 2021, 8:00 a.m.**

Present: Frank Rinaldi (President), Melinda Pina (Vice President), Jim Dunkelman (Treasurer), and Katie Galvin-Surbatovic (Secretary)

Absent:

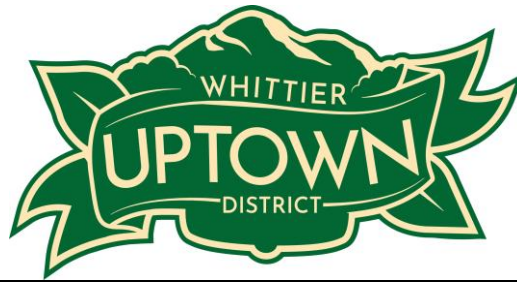
Guests: Milt Pate, Shane Cadman, and Stephen Ortiz

Consultant: Brent Haskell and Stephanie Shamp – GM Properties

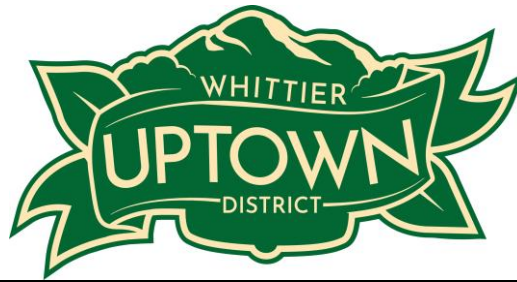
MINUTES:

<i>Item</i>	<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Action Taken?</i>
1. Call to Order	Frank Rinaldi called the meeting to order at 8:06 a.m.	1. No Action Taken
2. Roll call and announcements	Brent Haskell took roll call.	2. No Action Taken
3. Public Comment	Brent Haskell stated no email received for public comment. Also, Governor Gavin Newsom recently signed Assembly Bill 361 to amend California's open meeting law, effective immediately. It allows meetings to be held digitally if state is in a State of Emergency status. There is a City Council meeting today. Council will vote every 30-days to extend or not. Brent recommends to follow the City decision.	3. No Action Taken

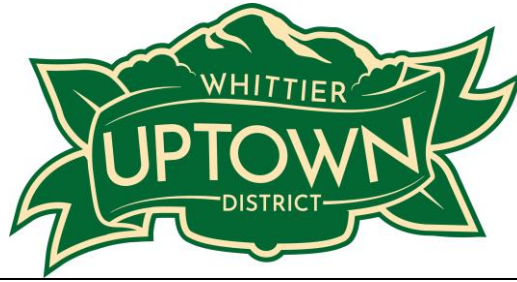
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<p>4. Approve the Executive Committee Meeting Minutes from August 31, 2021</p>	<p>Corrections need to be made as follows:</p>	<p>4. Jim Dunkelman Motioned to Approve the Executive Committee Meeting Minutes from August 31, 2021. Frank Rinaldi 2nd. Brent Took Roll Call. All in Favor. Motion Passes.</p>
<p>5. Discuss Progress Report and Establish the 2021 – 2022 Executive Committee Budget to be Presented to the UWIA Board for Approval</p>	<p>The E.C. 2021-2022 Progress Report & Budget discussed as follows: Mission statement discussed and to be kept the same as the Sidewalk Committee.</p> <p>Accomplishments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Stayed within budget ✓ Transitioned to new leadership ✓ Renewed contracts and approved agreements through legal counsel ✓ Re-assessed roles of vendors ✓ Able to maintain open meetings and solicit public comment via teleconferences <p>Goals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Outreach to obtain new Board members (property owners) ✓ Property owner social mixer ✓ Re-assess the roles of the Ambassador program ✓ Continue to assess the needs of the Promenade ✓ Review and evaluate the designated and the undesignated net assets. ✓ Re-assess distribution of funds allocated to the various 	<p>5. Jim Dunkelman Motioned to Approve the 2021 – 2022 E.C. Budget and Present to the UWIA Board for Approval. Melinda Pina 2nd. Brent Haskell Took Roll Call. All in Favor. Motion Passes.</p>



	<p>committees as determined by the governing documents</p>	
<p>6. Discuss the Ambassador Program, Next Steps for the RFP, If Necessary, and Assessment Study, If Necessary. If a Conclusion is Reached the Executive Committee is to Vote to Present to the Board for Approval</p>	<p>Shane Cadman recommends the assessment to ensure UWIA monies are spent wisely. Does not have a company in mind or know of one. Frank Rinaldi asked if the Ambassador program is needed or wanted, what should the program be like, is the money well spent, and is UWIA benefiting. Katie Galvin-Surbatovic stated with the Promenade shifting, and Aleco shifting at the Board’s direction, the police department is being active, questioned what is missing. Aleco is beneficial. Melinda Pina stated at the Sidewalk Committee meeting the opinions were a mixed bag. Shane Cadman stated as written the role is security. Ambassador hours discussed. Frank re-capped on Aleco hours and the transition to non-security. Aleco is needed and brings a sense of safety. Not in agreement with the hours. No need to be at the Promenade at 11:00 pm. Code Enforcement receives tips. Katie agrees and will share with the City UWIA’s decision. Melinda wants the City and PD to be the safety and security at night and in the spirit of the community keep Ambassadors during the day. No further discussion. Brent Haskell took roll call to see who was favor of keeping the Ambassador program. All in favor with one in favor if the assessment is done.</p>	<p>6. Tabled Until After the Meeting with the City.</p>



7. Discuss and Establish the Agenda for the UWIA Board Meeting on October 14, 2021	Update on the discussion regarding the vision of the Ambassador Program to be a Board agenda item.	7. No Action Taken
8. Other Committee Items		8. No Action Taken
9. Next UWIA Executive Committee Meeting	The next regularly scheduled meeting will be on Tuesday, October 26, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. at 13305 Penn Street, Suite 200, Whittier, CA 90602 or possibly telephonically.	9. No Action Taken
10. Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 9:26 a.m.	10. No Action Taken

Minutes taken by Brent Haskell and Stephanie Shamp with GM Properties.



UWIA Board Meeting Announcement

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**Uptown Whittier Improvement Association
Board of Directors
Whittier Community Center, 7630 Washington Avenue
TELECONFERENCE
Friday, November 12, 2021, at 4:30 p.m.**

Current List of UWIA Board Members: Ginny Ball, Jim Dunkelman (Treasurer), Roland Fargo, Katie Galvin-Surbatovic (Secretary) or Ben Pongetti or Brian Saeki, David Gonzalez, Stephen Ortiz or Irene McCallister, Milt Pate, Melinda Pina (Vice President), Frank Rinaldi (President), Steven Rodriguez

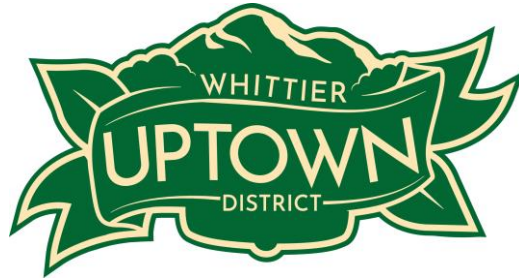
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5. **Approval of the October 14, 2021 UWIA Board meeting minutes** *Action Item*
6. **Approval of the November 1, 2021 UWIA Board special meeting minutes** *Action Item*
7. **Committee tasks:**
 - a. **Executive Committee: Frank Rinaldi**
 1. Frank Rinaldi
 - Executive Committee update
 - Update on Zoom meetings with Brian Saeki and Chief Bar
 - Update on District Manager RFP process
 - Other
 2. Finance report – Jim Dunkelman
 - Review of financials
 - Other
 - c. **Contractor Update – If contractors / vendors are available in person or on the call they can provide any updates / revisions not included in reports or be available for questions should there be any**
 1. Aleco – Carlos (report attached)
 2. Edna Becerra (report attached)
 3. Coastal Landscape Services – Tyson (report attached)
 - d. **District Identity Committee: Andrew Pina**
 1. District Identity Committee update
 2. Other

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- e. **Sidewalk Operations Committee: Steven Rodriguez**
 - 1. Sidewalk Operations Committee update
 - 2. Other

- f. **Land Use and Project Review Committee: Frank Rinaldi**
 - 1. Land Use Committee update
 - 2. Other

8. Other Board Items

9. Next Regularly Scheduled UWIA Board Meeting: December 9, 2021, at 4:30 p.m., at the Whittier Community Center, 7630 Washington Ave

10. Adjournment: _____

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