

**Uptown Whittier Improvement Association  
Executive Committee**

**GM Properties, 13305 Penn Street, Suite 200, Whittier, CA 90602**

**TELECONFERENCE MEETING**

**Tuesday, June 29, 2021, 8:00 a.m.**

**Present:** Frank Rinaldi (President), Katie Galvin-Surbatovic (Vice President), Jim Dunkelman (Treasurer), and Stephen Ortiz (Secretary)

**Absent:**

**Guests:** Milt Pate, Steven Rodriguez, David Gonzalez, Chief Aviv Bar

**Consultant:** Brent Haskell and Stephanie Shamp – GM Properties; and Carlos Lopez - Aleco

**MINUTES:**

| <i>Item</i>   | <i>Discussion</i>   | <i>Action Taken?</i>   |
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| <b>1. Call to Order</b>   | Frank Rinaldi called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m.      | <b>1. No Action Taken</b>  |
| <b>2. Roll call and announcements</b>                                       | Brent Haskell took roll call.                               | <b>2. No Action Taken</b>  |
| <b>3. Public Comment</b>  | Brent Haskell stated no emails received for public comment. | <b>3. No Action Taken</b>  |
| <b>4. Approve the Executive Committee Meeting Minutes from May 25, 2021</b> | Corrections need to be made as follows:                     | <b>4. Katie Galvin-Surbatovic Motioned to Approve the Executive Committee Meeting Minutes from May 25, 2021. Jim Dunkelman</b> |

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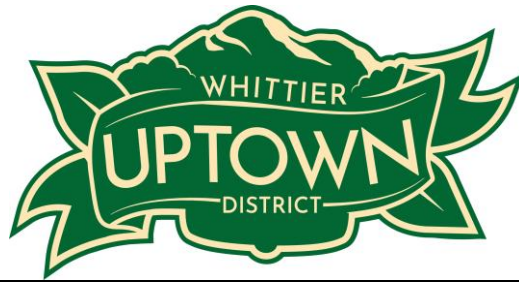
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|  |   | <b>2<sup>nd</sup>. All in Favor.<br/>Motion Passed.</b> |
| <b>5. Update on Executive Order N-29-20 RE: Meetings (Brown Act Compliance)</b>        | Governor Gavin Newsom extended executive order N-29-20 thru September 30, 2021. Telephonic meetings can continue. Katie Galvin-Surbatovic will double check as she believes it is extended thru December 31, 2021. The City makes the Train Depot available for meetings but the library is using the location up to early spring/summer of 2022. Brent Haskell will contact the City regarding the community center. | <b>5. No Action Taken</b>                               |
| <b>6. Update on Status of Agreement with Maintenance Vendor, Coastal Landscape</b>     | The agreement with Coastal Landscape was fully executed and good for another year.  | <b>6. No Action Taken</b>                               |
| <b>7. Taskforce Update on Meeting with Whittier Chamber</b>                            | Frank Rinaldi stated moving forward with college internship initially and then possibly expanding an internship program to the high school. Next meeting with the Whittier Chamber 16 <sup>th</sup> or 23 <sup>rd</sup> of July. Moving forward to establish an Uptown Business Watch.  | <b>7. No Action Taken</b>                               |
| <b>8. Discuss / Update on Greenleaf Promenade</b>                                      | The survey is out and waiting on response   | <b>8. No Action Taken</b>                               |
| <b>9. Discuss and Establish the Agenda for the UWIA Board Meeting on July 8, 2021.</b> |   | <b>9. No Action Taken</b>                               |



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| <p><b>10. Other Committee Items</b></p> | <p>Carlos Lopez with Aleco stated submitted report this morning to GM Properties. The investigation from the June 25<sup>th</sup> incident is still going on. The Executive Committee went into discussion on the incident. Opened the floor for questions. Brent Haskell forwarded the email to all Executive Committee members. Carlos and Chief Bar had a discussion the day before. Frank Rinaldi requested Carlos to go over the events again. Whittier Police Department showed up. The Ambassador is seeing a doctor today who initially refused to see a doctor – apparently didn't have time. Chief Bar stated the Police Department gets calls from the Ambassadors. Incoming calls determine officer's response time. First incident where the individual punched the ambassador and walked away not reported. The 2<sup>nd</sup> incident where the ambassador was injured was called to dispatch. When a call is made a call is logged, dispatched, and follow up logged. The follow up call was made and no returned call. A prelim investigation on the communication between employees with the City and Ambassadors. Concerned with patrons being overserved and working with ABC - Alcoholic Beverage Control. Unfortunate incident. Moving forward to prevent. Only going over dispatch report. Opened floor for questions. Chief Bar patrols the uptown Whittier with officers. Foot patrol officers volunteer Friday, Saturday, and Sunday (2</p> | <p><b>10. No Action Taken</b></p> |
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|   | <p>-3 hours overtime). The schedule is currently open. Will continue to keep eyes &amp; patrol uptown. David Gonzalez discussed the purpose of the bench mark analysis. Observe and report job changed. Ambassador job description discussed. The uniforms do not say Security and to observe and report to the Police Department and UWIA. No real narrative of the incident. A clearer picture is to be painted. Carlos agreed the report needs to include information. It is now a workers compensation case. Ambassadors are instructed to report noise violations, give directions, and observe. Details and description needed in reporting. Frank stated the new RFP contains requirements. The old RFP in effect until new contract is signed.</p> |                                   |
| <p><b>11. Next UWIA Executive Committee Meeting</b></p> | <p>The next regularly scheduled meeting will be on Tuesday, July 27, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. at 13305 Penn Street, Suite 200, Whittier, CA 90602 or possibly telephonically.</p>   | <p><b>11. No Action Taken</b></p> |
| <p><b>12. Adjournment</b></p>                           | <p>The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 a.m.</p>  | <p><b>12. No Action Taken</b></p> |

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