

Wednesday, 10 November 2021 / 4:00 PM

## LA JOLLA VILLAGE MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION

Via Zoom

## MONTHLY MEETING

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## Minutes - MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

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Corey motions to ratify election results. Andy Fotsch – seconds. No oppose, motion passes. d) Next month agenda item – the Cory Briggs lawsuit will be reviewed again. (Survey and ratification above is related to the above survey process.) 2) Swearing in of New Board Members – New board members, Nicole Perez and Karen Roque, have received copies of the bylaws, have signed Conflict of Interest forms and Swearing In Statement; as have all continuing board members. These documents are available upon request. The following board members will begin their two-year term immediately. Unless noted all are beginning their first of three possible two-year terms on the board. Natalie Aguirre - present ii) Amber Anderson (2<sup>nd</sup> Term) - present Action Rudick iii) Morgan Barnes (2<sup>nd</sup> Term) - present iv) Cody Decker (2<sup>nd</sup> Term) - present v) Andy Fotsch - present vi) Michael Matthews – not present vii) Kelli Metcalf (2<sup>nd</sup> Term) – no present viii) Nicole Perez – not present ix) Karen Roque - present x) Lauren Turton – not present All above completed fully completed their swearing in statement. Action Rudick 3) Elections of Officers – BOD takes nominations from the floor including selfnominations. Blind ballots will be cast in the event of multiple nominations for any position. a) President (Currently Cody Decker) b) Vice President (Currently Morgan Barnes) c) Treasurer (Currently Amber Anderson) d) Secretary (Currently Jo Cullen) Jodi presented the executive board positions. Notified that Karen Roque will act as an executive administrator for the board. Included that we are at a great turning point in La Jolla and to activate our village. We have big opportunities, and we are excited for all that is ahead. President: Cody notified us that he is resigning his role as President but will stay on the Board. Cody is nominating Amber Anderson as next Board President. Amber Anderson accepts the nomination. Cody – makes a motion. Summer – seconds. All in favor- unanimous. Motion **Passes** Vice President: Morgan Barnes is currently serving. Amber Anderson motions, Andy Fotschseconds. All in favor-Unanimous, Motion Passes. Amber Anderson – nominates Jo Cullen as new Treasurer. Morgan – seconds. All in favor - Unanimous. Motion Passes Andy Fotsch – motions for Summer Shoemaker to be Secretary. Cody – seconds. All in favor - unanimous, Motion Passes. WELCOME NEW EXECUTIVE TEAM!! Special Mention: It is a ALL FEMALE LEADERSHIP TEAM. 4) Training Required by City of San Diego – January 12, 4:45 – 6:45 Decker Action January 12th 4:45-6:45PM (after quick board meeting check in, working dinner) Location: Riford Library 7555 Draper Ave, La Jolla, CA 92037 (possibly some hybrid zoom participants) The Bystander Challenge: This interactive workshop examines a bystander's role in decreasing inappropriate communication and behavior in the workplace and their Information Gaby Guevara community. Colleagues in a work environment often hear comments and witness behaviors that can escalate to the point of individuals feeling harassed by their coworkers. Increasingly, bystanders are being asked to

		become "up-standers;" to stand up to perceived harassment issues. As many recognize, that is easier said than done. Many times, workplace dynamics make it challenging to know the correct course of action. Long-term working relationships, workplace culture, lack of diversity on a team, and discomfort with the topic can all get in the way of taking action. This workshop on empowering bystander communication builds on the tools we know work to help employees gain confidence in conducting these conversations.  Follow-up Training - Date and duration TBD – giving board members the options  The ART of Inclusive Communication 2.0:  In this interactive, dialogue-focused workshop, we take a deeper dive into how we can all be actively working to make our communication, our lives, and our organizations more inclusive and anti-racist. During the first part of the workshop, the participants build rapport and skills to help them feel safe in exploring the deeper topics. An atmosphere of respect and shared humanity is developed. Rather than shaming any participant, people are encouraged to acknowledge their efforts and consider additional action. People leave the workshop feeling heard, having learned new		
	5)	insights, and ready to take additional steps toward anti-racism and a more just society.  Open Seats on La Jolla Joint Committees – There is a LJVMA open seat on two		
		joint committees. Criteria for filling these seats: must actively participate in LJVMA meetings/activities and be willing to present LJVMA's positions on various matters.  a) Coastal Access and Parking Board – Meeting quarterly or as needed. Next		
		<ul> <li>meeting is January 27, 2022.</li> <li>b) PDO (Planned District Ordinance) – meets monthly or as needed.</li> <li>Melissa Snook and Brett Murphy have both represented the LJVMA most recently.</li> </ul>		
	6)	Coastal Access and Parking Group decided to meet quarterly rather than monthly with the option of calling additional meetings as needed. Dave Abrams accepted the Chair position. Bill Podway is now treasurer and Gaby Guevara stays on as Secretary. Request for Jodi to remain as pro bono administrator to support the group. We thank Brad Elsass for continuing on in the role as pro bono parking consultant.  - Jodi reviewed the detail and commitment of these two joint committee seats. Andy Fotsch will review his commitment with PDO by next week and we will get positions filled next month (add to agenda). No specific action taken.		
		<ul> <li>Gaby gave an update for Coastal committee. Dave Abrahms accepted as chair for the committee.</li> </ul>		
7.	1.	Safe Spaces Initiative – Press conference was very successful. Thanks to Amber Anderson and Jen Pham, Owner, Saigon Spring for representing LIVMA beautifully. Safe Spaces Decals are available through LIVMA's office.  - Steve Hadley gave quick update of the press conference. Great attendance overall and showcased how welcoming the community is and intends/focused to continue to be for all members of our community.	Information	Natasha Wong
8.	Des	<ul> <li>I. Enhance La Jolla and MAD Update</li> <li>- Ed Witt presented updates. Visit enhancelajolla.com for information and to contact Mary Montgomery. MAD is working in village daily 7a-2pm + power evenings.</li> <li>- MAD is paying extra to trash services vendor to collect trash on upcoming holidays, Black Friday, Christmas etc.</li> <li>- If you need anything, please contact Ed Witt for assistance.</li> <li>- Apri 23<sup>rd</sup> is Enhance La Jolla Day. Event will take place at the Contemporary Museum to celebrate, look forward to community participation. Theme will be Butterflies. MAD is planting milkweed around the city and promoting planting in private gardens also to encourage a community full of butterflies!</li> </ul>	Information	Enhance La Jolla

	to use. There are a few at rec center and beaches.						
Promotions							
1)	Request for Support and invitation to participate-	Action	Strength in the City,				
	a) Strength in the City Event on January 16 at La Jolla Cove. La Jolla Parks and		Madison				
	Beaches voted to support permit. LIVMA merchants are being given first						
	opportunity to reserve a table of booth at the event. Normal fee is \$500;						
	discounted to \$300 for LJVMA members.						
	- Madison presented regarding a Wellness festival taking place at Ellen	Action	Mitchell Capp				
	Browning Scripps Park on Jan 16 <sup>th</sup> and special offer for La Jolla Merchants						
	vendor booths at \$300 and many opportunities for merchants to participate.	Information	Katey Longo				
	Madison is hoping to co-create with LJVMA.	Information	Morgan Barnes				
	- Motion to support event – Andy Fotsch, Second – Amber. No opposition.		Summer Shoemaker				
	Motion passes.  h) Pady's Children's Hospital Shanning Fundraiser, Paguest from Philanthrony						
	<ul> <li>Rady's Children's Hospital Shopping Fundraiser. Request from Philanthropy Officer, Mitchell Capp.</li> </ul>						
	- Mitch presented as a representative of Rady's. Interest in a partnering with						
	Rady's/ La Jolla as combined united business front and philanthropic						
	opportunities. Suggestion to select a weekend for business to volunteer to						
	participate in fundraising event.						
	- Natalie Aguirre has volunteered to discuss opportunities to create a giveback						
	partnership in La Jolla with Rady's.						
	- Action deferred until further information.						
2)	First Friday Art Walk – December 3, 4 – 7 PM. Video Shoot, Posters, Postcards						
	- Event highlights our galleries as a Sip and Stroll event around the village.						
	Partnership with non-art merchants also to support the series. Encourage						
	village businesses to stay open and stay in the village. Looking for						
	partnerships with other businesses to connect the event/village.						
٠,	- Bill Podway reminded that there is free parking for the event						
3) 4)	Pillage the Village Recap						
4)	<ul> <li>Holiday Window Decorating Contest</li> <li>Morgan is working on a plan for this contest and voting (QR code). more</li> </ul>						
	information to come.						
5)	Jigsaw Puzzle Promotion – New Timeline being developed						
٦,	- Summer updated briefly on plan to have a photo contest that best represents						
	La Jolla for the puzzle.						
6)	Marketing & Events Committee Monthly Happy Hour – Decision was made to						
,	continue these monthly informal working happy hours. November and						
	December's meetings have been moved up a week due to the holidays. Dates						
	moved for the next two months due to Holidays.						
	a) November 16, 4:00 at Lifetime Café (Beer and Wine Available!)						
	b) December 14. 4:00 PM at Empress Hotel's Garden Patio.						
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	nning Meeting	ACCION	DECKEI				

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## STRATEGIC PLAN (UPDATED AUGUST 2021)

ORGANIZATIONAL EXCELLENCE	MERCHANT DEVELOPMENT	DESIGN AND BEAUTIFICATION	EVENTS AND PROMOTION	
Membership	Education	Storefront/Window Display	Highlight Current Marketing Magnets -	
	□ Business Breakfasts     □ Busines	Improvements	Natural Resources are Natural	
monthly meetings	✓ Promote Job Board	☐ Create Friendly	Attractions	
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(virtual and live)	☑ Promote 3rd Party online	Competitions with	zeverage our most popular	
	education ("Don't	Prizes	attractions (Seals, Sea Lions,	
immediately to insure	reinvent the wheel.")	La Jolla, MAD, City	Scenery)	
forward momentum	Increase attendance at	Resources and Get-it-Done	<ul> <li>Collaborate</li> </ul>	
☑ Increase participation	meetings and events	App to all	<ul><li>Galleries (Nat Geo/</li></ul>	
in election process,	☑ Facility Tours	Promotional Use of PROW	Mangelson/Peter Lik)	
committees			<ul> <li>Environmental Groups</li> </ul>	
Liaisons to other La Jolla	sponsors		<ul> <li>Photographers/IG</li> </ul>	
Community Groups	Block Captains	☑ Parklets	Influencers	
		Capitalize on Murals	<ul> <li>Implement strategies to move</li> </ul>	
who are active in	Outreach Program to	Support Enhance La Jolla	people from the Cove to the Village	
association	keep merchants informed	Participate in Enhance La	with onsite marketing	
	and connected [during	Jolla Day	<ul> <li>Coupon promotion with print media.</li> </ul>	
who are active in	COVID CRISIS]		Advance Social Media	
association	■ Assist Merchants with	merchants on behalf of	☑ Develop Limelight Merchant	
Increase Volunteerism	COVID Orders	EJL	Program	
		Wayfinding	<ul> <li>Use contests</li> </ul>	
	Welcome Packet	Sound Design - Music	<ul> <li>Inspire engagement</li> </ul>	
Professionalism	Operations Assistance	throughout the village	<ul> <li>Educate merchants</li> </ul>	
<b>☒</b> BOD Ethics				
Training		pop-up performances,	Behind the Scenes, Nurture Our	
	□ PROW Permits     □ PR	encourage buskers	Nature)	
onboarding	☑ Public Safety Liaison		✓ Promote Event Calendar whether	
process		music	Live or Virtual	
Alternative Revenues Ways		Purchase and promote		
and Means Explore new		www.parklajolla.com	<ul><li>☒ Paid boosts and ads</li></ul>	
		website		
grants  ⊠ Sponsorship			<ul><li>☒ Social sharing links in all media</li><li>☒ Connect with Influencers</li></ul>	
• • •		☐ Align with overall		
☑ BID Compliance		Wayfinding Plan	Strategic Video Marketing with Ben	
☑ Create 501 (c)3 to		☐ Focus on parking in	Roberts	
qualify for grants,		tourism publications	☑ COVID Safety Video	
donations not			☑ Outdoor Dining	
open to 501 c(6)			☑ Holiday Greetings	
Specific Alternate Revenue			COVID Friendly Events	
Tactics			Outdoor dining	
☐ La Jollalty Card			Virtual Taste of La Jolla	
Promotion			Gather Data via Valid Research Studies	
☐ Virtual Events			to support programs, projects, and	
□ Create La Jolla			decisions	
Branded items				
<ul><li>T-shirts, polos hats</li></ul>			Visitors Survey	
<ul><li>Cookbook for La Jolla</li></ul>		I	☑ Merchant Survey to Activate the	
(Third Party		00	Village	
Published)		. ////	Merchant Cross promotion and	
		- ////	collaborations	
		DVVC.		
		ull	☑ Nonprofit partnerships	
		VILLAGE	<ul> <li>Kiwanis</li> </ul>	
		MERCHANTS	<ul><li>Rotary</li></ul>	
		ASSOCIATION	<ul> <li>La Jolla Community Center</li> </ul>	

Sierra Club