

LA JOLLA VILLAGE MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION

MONTHLY MEETING

08 May 2024 | La Jolla Riford Library

AGENDA - MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

1.	Call to Order - Monthly Board Meeting	Action	Japhet Perez Estrada, President
2.	Pledge of Allegiance		
3.	Roll Call - Scott Blaul, Klara Chavarria, Jamie Mae Cheng, Jo Cullen, Jordan Gafa, Elnaz Iraj, AJ Johnson, Katey Longo, Joline Mann, Mark MacDonald, Jason Peaslee, Japhet Kalanges, Bill Podway, Chad Taggart, Dr. Maddie Wallace, Jodi Rudick (Executive Director). To be sworn in:	Action	AJ Johnson, Secretary
4.	Approval of April Minutes	Action	Johnson
5.	Non-Agenda Public Comments Updates from Community/Political Leaders All other public comments (limited to one minute)	Information	Perez Estrada
6.	Organizational Excellence		
	Associate Membership Update and Application Review Annual Executive Director Performance and Salary Review	Action Action	Johnson Katey Kalanges, Vice President
	3. Summer Interns	Information	Rudick
	4. Lightline and Holiday Lights – Maintenance Recommendations	Information	Perez Estrada
7.	 Approval of March Financials – Financial City Budget Process Update – Final BID Budget is going before Council this Monday at 2:00 PM. Join us to support our BIDs! Group is taking the trolley downtown. County Grant Funds (\$50,000) have been received – Review proposed budget and recommendation. Action requested to accept budget and schedule task force meeting to select marketing firm(s) on May 15 to review proposals from marketing firms. Time to be determined by task force members. Promotional Products Website redesign and hosting (3 years) Vibe Map Year One (Events, Business Directory, Digital Passports) Banner Refresh – Skinny Banners Upgrade Seasons Greetings to LED Hire Firm(s) to elevate digital marketing or public relations. 	Action Information Action	Bill Podway, Treasurer Rudick Kalanges
8.	Community Spotlight Presentation — Las Patronas	Information	
9.	 Merchant Engagement Next Gen Recap and Update Street Team Update Technology Update Merchant Event Update Merchant Event Update May 28 – Mix and Mingle Happy Hour with Patrick Ahern, Village Real Estate Update, The Empress Garden Patio with food hosted by Manhattan June 25 – Wake up Your Business at International Shops hosted by Subterranean. July 23- Business Breakfast, Java Earth 	Information Information Information Information	Johnson Johnson Rudick Perez Estrada

10.	Promotions		
	1) Posh on Prospect Fashion Show – Please purchase tickets to support the event! Great way to spend time with friends and family and support LJVMA and our merchants at a world class event.	Information	Rudick
	2) San Diego County Fair – Complimentary Booth – Choose one or multiple days to exhibit in the Community Resource Arena	Action	Rudick
	3) Monthly Tourism Update with Scott Blaul	Information	Scott Blaul
	4) LIVMA Merch – Promotion and Fundraising – Online Printify store has been added to website. Former Board Member, Gabby Guevarra, owner of Blue Apparel located on Prospect will sell/retail merchandise, track sales and make recommendations. Project will be reviewed following summer sales cycle.	Information	Rudick
	 5) Art Walk Themes and Partnerships June – PRIDE July – Red, White & Blues (Partnership with Fashion Week San Diego) August – Ocean September – Learn – Reach out to school foundations and groups 	Information	Katey Kalanges
11.	Meeting Adjourn – Next meeting to take place on June 12 at 4:00 at La Jolla Riford Library	Action	Perez Estrada

STRATEGIC PLAN 2024

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ORGANIZATIONAL	MERCHANT ENGAGEMENT	EVENT MARKETING	ADVERTISING/SOCIAL MEDIA							
EXCELLENCE	•									
EXCELLENCE Ways and Means Alternative Revenue Create La Jolla by the Sea branded merchandise. Actively promote jigsaw puzzle sales Find Year-Round Banner Sponsor Associate Membership Recruit associate members Coastal La Jolla (Bird Rock, Shores, UTC) B2B Vendors Explore new grants. Secure Additional Grant Funds (County Community Enhancement Grant) Sponsorship Launch 501c3 activities. Board Leadership Professionalism and Training Partner with other Community Groups to offer training (DEI) Consistent BOD onboarding process	/ PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT Welcome Packet □ Update □ Consistent distribution LIVMA Website Proficiency □ BOD to know information and how to navigate. NextGen Program □ Develop/host regional networking event to attract young professionals from the region. □ Create LIVMA NextGen Leadership Group Merchant Communication/Education □ Block Captains – Re-launch program to keep merchants informed and connected. □ Annual direct mail newsletter/election timeline to add to reach of email newsletter (Bi-annually, quarterly?) Education – □ Quarterly Business Breakfasts □ Quarterly Happy Hour □ Quarterly Marketing Workshops Membership Engagement □ Continue to increase attendance at monthly meetings with guest speakers, hot topics	Establish Clear Identity of La Jolla Village - Brand La Jolla as Arts and Culture Destination First Friday Art Walk Keep themes fresh and new with partnerships. Actively promote VIP Experiences Bring New Community Events to La Jolla Village Nowruz Celebration in conjunction with Persian Business Owners Fashion Week Partnership Arts and Culture Activities to LIVMA Offerings Actively promote all La Jolla tours Use AI to assist with writing. Merchant Cross promotion and collaborations Use Art Walk model for other business categories (fashion) Explore charitable partnerships/fundraising programs.	Create Marketing Plan and Calendar ☑ Research and hire social media growth company to increase engagement and followers. ☑ Continue contests and other successful campaigns to increase collaboration. Digital Marketing and Social Media ☐ Continue best practices such as promoting local events/businesses with tags; increasing interaction to and from business accounts. ☐ Connect with Influencers — local, regional, and national SEO Improvement ☐ Use blog to improve SEO. Expand Blog Content to promote events of interest to wider audience. ☐ Goal to be on the first page of what to do in San Diego searches Third Party Events — Continue Consistency and Formal Process ☐ Ensure 3rd party events are inclusive of all LJVMA members that wish to be included. ☐ Review and adhere to 3rd Party Event Agreement Template ☐ Sell and educate event promoters on the value of LJVMA partnership. ☐ Make sure partnerships are equitable and fair to all parties. ☐ LJVMA offers promotional support in exchange for in-kind donations, tickets, passes to be used for marketing purposes, etc. Motivate more visitors to visit the							
Bylaws Update Modernize election process	Build on success of holiday event Research and share best resources with members to assist with business success (5 Star, Queen Bee, etc.)		village as well as The Cove Use signage/directories to guide people to the Village. Educate visitors about where businesses are located Partner and educate tourism community (SDTA, concierges, front							
		00	desk staff, tour guides, etc.)							

