

#### LA JOLLA VILLAGE MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION

### **MONTHLY MEETING**

### 14 August 2024 | La Jolla Riford Library

# AGENDA - MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

| 1.  | Call to Order - Monthly Board Meeting  | Action  | Japhet Perez Estrada,<br>President            |
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| 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).  | Action  | AJ Johnson, Secretary                         |
| 4.  | Approval of July 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  1. Associate Membership Update and Application Review  2. Annual Report Presentation  3. Election Update  4. Survey Update  | Action<br>Action<br>Information                 | Johnson<br>Jodi Rudick, Executive<br>Director |
| 7.  | Financial Report  • Approval of July Financials (if finalized)   | Action  | Bill Podway, Treasurer                        |
| 8.  | Community Spotlight Presentation –   | Information                                     |   |
| 9.  | <ol> <li>Merchant Engagement</li> <li>Next Gen – Next Event scheduled for August 27 at Modernist Cuisine from 6 – 8 PM with afterparty at Aldea. Food and beverage sponsors: Aldea, Subterranean Café, Kove, Jewels of Ipanema (wine). Looking for door prizes.</li> <li>Street Team Update – Next Outing will focus on surveys</li> <li>Review LJVMA Events Calendar Through Year End</li> <li>Merchant Event Update         <ul> <li>a. Tuesday, August 27 – Next Gen at Modernist Cuisine</li> <li>b. Tuesday, September 24 – Mix and Mingle at Spiro's</li> <li>c. October 22 – Business Breakfast - Chateau La Jolla</li> <li>d. November 19 – Next Gen (Location TBA)</li> <li>e. December 3 – Mingle and Jingle Holiday Party (Location TBA)</li> </ul> </li> </ol> | Information Information Information Information | Johnson<br>Johnson<br>Rudick<br>Kalanges      |
| 10. | <ol> <li>Booth at La Jolla Open Aire Market – Thanks to interns and Elnaz who staffed booth on Sunday July 21. Great interaction and response from attendees.</li> <li>Vibe Map Update – New Event Calendar launched on August 1, business Listings have been updated and edited. If you see a new business in the village let us know so we can make sure to share the information with Jodi to make sure they are listed on the</li> </ol>   | Information Information                         | Elnaz<br>Rudick                               |
|     | calendar.  3) Monthly Tourism Update with Scott Blaul  4) Art Walk Themes and Partnerships  • September – Learn – Reach out to school foundations and groups including UCSD  • October – Spirits (Partnership with San Diego Spirit Festival)  • November – Gratitude (Non- profits and community organizations)  • December – Holidays  • January – Beauty and the Beach  | Information<br>Information                      | Scott Blaul<br>Kalanges                       |

Meeting Adjourn – Next meeting to take place on August 14 at 4:00 at La Jolla Riford Action Kalanges Library

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| STRATEGIC PLAN 2024  |  |   |  |  |  |  |
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| ORGANIZATIONAL<br>EXCELLENCE   | MERCHANT ENGAGEMENT / PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT   | EVENT MARKETING   | ADVERTISING/SOCIAL MEDIA   |  |  |  |
| Ways and Means   | Welcome Packet   | Establish Clear Identity of La  | Create Marketing Plan and Calendar   |  |  |  |
| Alternative Revenue  ☑ Create La Jolla by the Sea branded merchandise.  ☑ Actively promote jigsaw puzzle sales  ☑ Find Year-Round Banner Sponsor  Associate Membership | <ul> <li>☑ Update</li> <li>☑ Consistent distribution</li> <li>☑ BOD to know information and how to navigate.</li> <li>NextGen Program</li> <li>☑ Develop/host regional networking event to attract young professionals from</li> </ul> | 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 | <ul> <li>☑ Research and hire social media growth company to increase engagement and followers.</li> <li>☑ Continue contests and other successful campaigns to increase collaboration.</li> <li>Digital Marketing and Social Media</li> <li>☑ Continue best practices such as promoting local events/businesses with tags; increasing interaction to and from business accounts.</li> </ul> |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>✓ Recruit associate members</li> <li>○ Coastal La Jolla (Bird Rock, Shores, UTC)</li> <li>○ B2B Vendors</li> </ul>  | the region.  Create LJVMA NextGen Leadership Group  Merchant Communication/Education  Block Captains – Re-launch   | <ul> <li>✓ Nowruz Celebration in conjunction with Persian Business Owners</li> <li>✓ Fashion Week Partnership</li> <li>Arts and Culture Activities to LIVMA Offerings</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>☑ Connect with Influencers – local, regional, and national</li> <li>SEO Improvement</li> <li>☑ Use blog to improve SEO. Expand Blog Content to promote events of interest to wider audience.</li> </ul>   |  |  |  |
| Explore new grants.  Secure Additional Grant Funds (County Community Enhancement Grant)  | program to keep merchants informed and connected.  Annual direct mail newsletter/election timeline to add to reach of email newsletter (Bi-annually,   | <ul> <li>Actively promote all La Jolla tours</li> <li>Use Al to assist with writing.</li> </ul> Merchant Cross promotion and  | ☐ 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  |  |  |  |
| <ul><li>✓ Sponsorship</li><li>☐ Launch 501c3</li><li>activities.</li></ul>   | quarterly?)  Education –  ⊠ Quarterly Business   | collaborations  Use Art Walk model for other business categories (fashion)  | inclusive of all LJVMA members that wish to be included.  Review and adhere to 3rd Party Event Agreement Template  |  |  |  |
| Board Leadership Professionalism and Training  ☑ Partner with other Community Groups to offer training (DEI)  ☑ Consistent BOD   | Breakfasts  Quarterly Happy Hour  Quarterly Marketing Workshops  Membership Engagement  Continue to increase attendance at monthly   | Explore charitable partnerships/fundraising programs.   | <ul> <li>Sell and educate event promoters on the value of LJVMA partnership.</li> <li>Make sure partnerships are equitable and fair to all parties.</li> <li>LJVMA offers promotional support in exchange for in-kind donations, tickets, passes to be used for marketing purposes, etc.</li> </ul>  |  |  |  |
| onboarding process  Bylaws Update  Modernize election process  | meetings with guest speakers, hot topics  ☑ Build on success of holiday event  ☑ Research and share best resources with members to assist with busines  (5 Star, Queen Bee   |   | Motivate more visitors to visit the village as well as The Cove  ☑ Use signage/directories to guide people to the Village. ☑ Educate visitors about where businesses are located   |  |  |  |
|  | le le  | rjolla_   | ☑ Partner and educate tourism community (SDTA, concierges, front desk staff, tour guides, etc.)  |  |  |  |

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