

LA JOLLA VILLAGE MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Our mission: We bring business to La Jolla Village businesses.

14 May 2025 | La Jolla Riford Library | 3:45 - 4:00 Networking | 4:00 Meeting

MINUTES – MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

1.	Call to Order - Monthly Board Meeting	Action	AJ Johnson	
2.	Roll Call - Scott Blaul, Secretary; Klara Chavarria; Jamie Mae Cheng; , Ernesto Carrola, Esq.; Elnaz Iraj, Vice President; AJ Johnson, President; Carrington Kelso; Mark McDonald; Joline Mann; Gene Padigos, Jr.; Jason Peaslee; Japhet Perez Estrada; Bill Podway, Treasurer; Chad Taggart, Jodi Rudick (Executive Director). To be sworn in: Rey Castillo Ray did not show up to the meeting	ABSENT	Scott Blaul, Secretary	
3.	Approval of April Minutes 1st Jason, 2nd Elnaz Abstain Carrington.	Action	Blaul	
4.	Non-Agenda Public Comments Updates from Community/Political Leaders All other public comments (limited to two minutes)			
5.	Financial Report • Approval of Financials – March 2025 1st Carrington 2nd Jason	Action	Bill Podway, Treasurer	
6.	Organizational Excellence Swearing In Ceremony - Reynaldo Castillo No action Rey did was absent. Brown Act Training with Sean Plaisted, City of San Diego	Action Information	Johnson Sean Plaisted	
7.	 Upcoming and Recap Events (Typically occur on the 4th Tuesday of Each Month) a. Ribbon Cutting took place R3 Spa on May 3 (Relax, Recover and Revive) b. Over 80 people attended the Business Breakfast at La Valencia. Thanks to Troy and the La V team as well as Kelly Wells, Visit California. c. May 27 (Tuesday) – Next Gen – 6 – 8 PM, Unscripted Spaces d. June 24 – Mix and Mingle Happy Hour, Concetta Antico Salon of Art Gallery, 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM. Looking for food and beverage sponsors. e. July 23 – Business Breakfast Looking for location. 	Information	Johnson	
8.	 Social Media Update – Discussion of new milestones, analytics, possible new platforms, and opportunities to get involved No update, Jess not in attendance. Mutt Strutt Scavenger Hunt scheduled for June 22. Similar to Storytime Scavenger Hunt, Village merchants can sign up to be a clue stop or put a goodie in the goodie bag. 1st Elnaz 2nd Jamie Upcoming Third-Party Events a) La Jolla Secret Garden Tour – May 17 (La Jolla Historical Society) b) La Jolla Half Marathon – Kiwanis La Jolla. May 17: Volunteers are still needed for 	Information Information/ Action. Information	Commune Marketing Bill Podway	
	 this event. Go to the Kiwanis La Jolla Website to learn more. c) Fashion Week San Diego – August 8; Summer Fashion Show at La Plaza. More information to follow. 4) Art Walk Themes – All themes are listed on the Event Calendar and on Our Blog June 6– PRIDE July 11– Red, White & Bleu (Moved to 2nd Friday July 11. French Theme in honor of Bastille Day. August 1 – Ocean September 5 – Learn 	Information	Klara Chavarria	
	October 3 – Spirits			

•	November 7 – Gratitude	
•	December 5 - Holidays	