Notes for the Neighborhood Advisory Committee Meeting 2.22.2023

Attendees:

NAC Members: Paula Gerez, Liz Kane, Linda Kokelaar, Chip Mallek, Fred Puza, Sean Silva (CD11), Fred Smith, Robbie Williams, Trevor Wiseman

LAPD: no officers present

Community Members: Linda Ching-Ikiri, Franci Geller, Robert Lyon, Tommy Roys, Lauren Turner

LMU Representatives: Gabrielle Poma, Mason Stockstill, Marianna Villa

Notes

1. Meeting called to order at 6:36 p.m.
2. Student Affairs report
   a. Since the last NAC meeting, there has been 22 neighborhood disturbances (verified and unfounded)
3. L.A.P.D. Senior Lead Officer report
   a. No reports, no officers present
4. Department of Public Safety (DPS) report
   a. LMU Public Safety Chief Williams: The focus of January and February was on earthquake preparedness and active shooter drills. DPS also held a job recruitment fair on campus and people from the Westchester community applied for positions.
   b. Linda K. asked about the 2/22 fire in University Hall. Chief Williams stated this was a small electrical fire. Evacuation and emergency response were quick and successful.
   c. Liz K. asked what evacuation plan is for students in case of a major earthquake. DPS plans for initial response (drop, cover, hold on), while the University has a more extensive plan that is contingent on damages, etc.
5. Community Incidents Report
   a. Linda K. expressed concerns regarding noise from the Drollinger field and construction trucks entering through the Loyola Blvd. gate. Fred P. stated that use of Loyola gate is prohibited in contracts with construction companies and he will look into it.
6. Master Plan Compliance Officer report
   a. In response to noise concerns, the practice is to ask the event host to lower event amplification and conduct another sound reading. Second readings have not been conducted consistently, and Trevor has had conversations with Chief Williams and VP of Campus Safety, Devra Schwartz, to reinforce this practice.
   b. Liz K. asked if people who call in with noise complaints receive a follow-up call confirming that the noise has been lowered. Trevor said follow-up by dispatcher is not typical, as the intention is to resolve the issue. He will speak with Public Safety about the possibility.
7. Community Relations report
a. The sand volleyball court construction is continuing through February and perhaps into early March. Strub Theatre construction will go into August.
b. Update on the Lincoln Lot. A crew is compacting, creating v-ditches, irrigation systems, and planting California native plants in the Lincoln lot in response to severe erosion and runoff.
c. Fred P. is looking into the lights from Daum Hall and East Quad buildings. He is working on it with DPS and Facilities Management in order to find a solution that takes neighbors, student safety, and the Master Plan into account.
d. Spring break is Feb. 27 - March 3. Students will also be on break for the Easter holiday April 4 - 7. Finals are May 1 - 5. Commencement weekend is May 6 through 7.
8. Public comment
   a. Liz K. shared that LAX Coastal Education Foundation is hosting Rock Roll & Run on March 4.
   b. Linda C. asked if LMU has a student organization that does neighborhood cleanup. Fred P. shared information on the Center for Service and Action, which occasionally hosts neighborhood cleanups managed by students.
10. Adjourned at 7:07 p.m.