



**Little Italy Association of San Diego –Organization Committee
Friday, May 14, 2021 at 9:00am**

**Zoom Virtual Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84516575038>
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1) Zoom Meeting Instructions & Introductions – Steve Galasso, President

All participants will be put on mute during the topic presentation and then the moderator will unmute the microphones to take comments/feedback. Please keep comments directed to the topic being discussed.

2) Next Meeting: _____

3) Review of March 9, 2021 Org Minutes

Action Item

4) FY22 NCA Goals Task Force

Action Item

5) Mercato Mask Complaint – Update

6) Little Italy Standard Winter Covering & Deck Article – Update

7) Busker Ordinance & Sidewalk Vending Ordinance – Update

8) Little Italy Lease Negotiations & Acquisition – Update

9) Piazza Fountain & Paver Maintenance/Issues – Discussion

10) Adjournment

Action Item

Old Business

It is the practice of the LIA to formally request that an item under Old Business be pulled from the Agenda and placed on a future Agenda for Discussion and/or Action.

- 1) Green Lot Fence & Claim
- 2) Piazza Natale
- 3) Piazzas & Quasi-Public/Public Spaces
- 4) Heritage Row
- 5) Amici Park Redesign
- 6) Little Italy Merchandise
- 7) Little Italy Tours

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**Little Italy Association of San Diego
Organization Committee & Finance Meeting
Friday, April 16, 2021 at 09:00 am - LIA Office & Virtual**

PRESENT Steve Galasso, Danny Mocerri, Lou Palestini, Bryan Thompson

GUESTS Jeri Keiller, Catt White, Davis Newton, Christopher Gris, Thomas DeFranco,
(Caller 2751)

STAFF Marco Li Mandri, Chris Gomez, Dianne Serna De Leon

MINUTES

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION TAKEN
1. Zoom Meeting Instructions & Introductions- Steve Galasso	The meeting was called to order by Chris Gomez at 0900 a.m. Chris went over the Zoom meeting protocol.	No Action Taken
2. Next Meeting	Next meeting will be on Friday, May 14, 2021 at 9:00am	Unanimously approved
3. Review of Org Minutes from March 09, 2021	Steve Galasso moved to approve the minutes from March 9, 2021. Bryan Thompson seconded the motion.	Unanimously approved
4. Convivio MOU Amendment- Event Notification	Chris Gomez reported that we will be amending the Convivio MOU. Convivio will notify LIA when they are hosting an event of 50 or more guests. We will revisit the 150-guest capacity with the expansion.	Steve Galasso moved to amend the Convivio MOU Event Notification; Lou Palestini seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.
5. Get-or-Give Policy Amendment & Financial Hardship	Chris Gomez stated that we will be amending the Get-or-Give Policy. Board Members will be responsible for self-reporting. Moving forward, self-reporting forms will be included at the end of each Board packet.	Danny Mocerri moved to accept the language in the Get -or-Give

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	Members faced with financial hardships can submit a request to Chris Gomez. Two officers will be selected to confidentially review their hardship and make a determination. The officers will rotate every year.	Policy. Lou Palestini seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.
6. Board Attendance	Chris Gomez stated that we will compile an Attendance List to review those Board members with excessive absences. In FY22, each Board member will be required to be on a committee.	No Action Taken
7. Piazza della Famiglia Maintenance	Chris Gomez stated that we will come up with a financial plan for costs to fix the Piazzas.	No Action Taken
8. Overall Maintenance & Repairs	Chris Gomez is working with Mark Moody regarding overall repairs.	No Action Taken
9. NCA Mid-Year & End of Year Review Procedure Development	Jeri Keiller will send out a template to ORG Members to finalize the NCA Goals.	No Action Taken
10. Chris Gris/ District Representative	Christopher Gris is the Representative for the 70th Assembly District from Assembly member Ward's office. He is available if anyone is in need of his assistance regarding unemployment, applying for small business grants or the DMV. The state is still on track to re-open June 15, 2021.	
Adjournment	Meeting Adjourned	Unanimously Approved

Minutes taken by Dianne T. Serna De Leon, Staff

NCA GOALS BY FOCUS

1. MAINTENANCE
 - a. Prioritize general maintenance for community
 - b. Improve scheduled cleaning of Piazza della Famiglia

2. FINANCES
 - a. Budget process completed and reviewed as early as possible.
 - b. Fund raising for new Piazzas and Pop Out corners
 - c. Other resources – tile sales, new grants, etc.
 - d. Fund raising for cultural events
 - e. Insurance covered by City
 - f. Receive more general benefit services from the City
 - g. Support Mercato expansion
 - h. Make savings a priority (accomplished by insuring surplus net income for each year)
 - i. Determine future of legacy committee
 - j. Long term financing for major infrastructure requirements
 - k. Funding for replacement of Little Italy flags on a regular basis

3. PROGRAMS AND EVENTS
 - a. Add back cultural events

4. COMMUNICATION
 - a. Transition plan for retirement of Marco-discuss with Org and Board
 - b. Community Newsletter on monthly or quarterly basis

5. OPERATIONS
 - a. Secure location for LIA – short and long term
 - b. Complete Bollard project
 - c. Complete securing funds and resolve open issues to remodel Amici Park
 - d. Install Fat City sign

6. COMMUNITY/CITY-COUNTY RELATIONS
 - a. Busker and sidewalk vendor ordinances
 - b. Secure sites for historic homes
 - c. Work with MTS on possible Airport link site
 - d. Support development of Neighborhood Advisory Committee
 - e. Improve relationships with community and neighborhood organizations
 - f. Support permanent outdoor seating – parkletts
 - g. More public art by individuals and tuna fishing industry
 - h. Congestion on India Street.
 - i. Parking conversions to maximize spots

7. Homeless
 - a. Security and safety
 - b. Find resources and develop a relations with an organization to work with the homeless