

Meeting date | Time 4/23/2025 11:00 AM

Meeting Location: Zoom & The Exchange Building

Type of meeting:	GFH advisory Committee	Attendees:	
Co-Chairs:	Willie Lee II Charles “Chip” Soulen	Exchange:	
		Zoom:	
Note taker:	Michael Salas		
		Bretado, Gilbert Dahl, MaKenna Labrador, Karlee Leadbetter, Kristin Paracuelles, Dane Rodriguez, Zaida Salas, Michael Soulen, Charles “Chip” Theus, Daniela Veridiano, Anna Zheng, Tianyi	

AGENDA

Welcome

Old Business:

- Approval of Agenda & Minutes

New Business:

- Project Updates:

- o Coffee Cart
- o Corner Market Pricing
- o Dog Park

- Suggestions Box Follow Ups:

- o Recent Submissions

Later Date Project Updates:

Open Floor & Call for Agenda Items

MEETING MINUTES:

Welcome

- Welcome!
- Chip announced today as his last day as Co-Chair, since they start their dissertation in June. Zaida Rodriguez will assume role of Co-Chair while Chip continues to attend as a representative.

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New Business:

Project Updates:

- o Coffee Cart

- Zenam, the Corner Market's owner, continues to face short staff until September. The coffee cart project has been postponed until they are able to have stable staffing.
- Corner Market Pricing
 - Call for a follow-up meeting with Real Estate and Corner Market ownership for progress report.
 - Various good still lack price tags, such as frozen products, drinks in refrigerator, etc.
- Dog Park
 - Kristin is currently working on proposal to be sent to GPSA to find funding. GPSA has approximately \$170,000 in funding and must keep about \$100,000 in reserves.
 - Kristin also shared that she met with UC Irvine's director of Graduate Housing to correspond about their dog park.
 - Cost: The director mentioned that it is difficult to determine cost, since the park was part of the community construction.
 - Recently placed dog paw specific mulch, which was approximately \$1,000.
 - Kristin provided aerial photos of the dog park and their policies' signage.
 - Chip shared that FedEx provides signs at about \$100.
 - Kristin asked if members had any questions that they would like to ask UC Irvine. No response.
 - Legal: Kristin asked the director on legal matters, such as liability concerns, issues due to California code, and discrimination. No concerns reported.
 - Cleaning/Upkeep: The dog park only provides waste bags, but do not provide waste stations.
 - The park has only required that its mulch be replaced after 5 years of opening.
 - Because the park is removed from housing buildings, the park has had no noise complaints.
- Kristin asserted that the next step would be to approach GPSA with a proposal for \$40,000.

Suggestion Box Follow-Ups:

- A student asked if we could provide space for a dog park and cat park.
 - Chip mentioned that they are not sure about a space for cats. While it is understood you could unleash them, there is high concern for coyotes nearby.
- A student gave a grievance about someone throwing cigarette butts into laundry trash in Nuevo West.
 - Michael shared that teams like Maintenance, Custodial, and Admin staff have been advised to stay vigilant on smoking concerns. USOs have already been requested to increase patrol in the laundry rooms.
- A student requested that GFH have a specific designated space for food delivery drop-offs due to reoccurring issues when using them.
 - Daniela mentioned that residents should provide specific drop-off locations for each community.
 - GFHAC members were asked to forward any ideas, and the GFH team motioned that they would develop plans.

Open Floor & Call for Agenda Items:

- Kristin suggested adding information in next communications regarding coyotes. She wanted to mention that mother coyotes chase people away from their litter, so it is important to respect their space.
- Chip observed that the pedestrian bridge obtained improved delineators (3ft thin, yellow pylons) along entire path.
- Kristin asked about the power washing planned for Cala.
 - Michael shared that exterior building power washing begins May 5th and should be a 1-day process.
 - 2-week notices have already been provided to residents. Additionally, a 1-week notice will also be sent, along with a 48-hour notice.

- Dane shared upcoming assessments regarding upcoming proposed event pricing and transportation pricing. The main goal is to try to adjust costs.
 - Disneyland and Six Flags are notable events of interest. Sixth college residents pay around \$120 for these types of events.
 - Chip suggested that Dane reaches out to the GPSA social events committee to explore collaborative opportunities.

Final remarks:

- Meeting Adjourned at 12:00pm