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## THIRD QUARTER NEWSLETTER

July 1, 2023 – September 30, 2023

### **STAKEHOLDERS MEETINGS**

All stakeholders are encouraged to attend board meetings to voice their ideas and opinions. Our upcoming meetings for the 3rd Quarter of 2023 will be July 19, August 16, and Sept. 20. All meetings will be held via ZOOM. Schedule is subject change and is stated otherwise in advance. *Please go to the website for the link of each meeting.*

### **BID Funding Challenges and the Path Forward**

We find ourselves at a crucial juncture as the Chatsworth Business Improvement District (BID) confronts a significant funding challenge for the third consecutive year. The revenue collected by the City of Los Angeles for BID Assessments has fallen short, amounting to less than 68% of the anticipated fees. This persistent shortfall has severely impacted our ability to fund new initiatives and maintain ongoing projects.

Our financial constraints have resulted in a narrowed focus, prioritizing essential services such as security detail and some street landscaping. Unfortunately, this means that several planned improvements and beautification projects for the corridor have been placed on hold.

To navigate through these challenging times and revitalize our beloved district, we urge all stakeholders to address outstanding payments. Your prompt action and support are vital in enabling us to meet our collective goals of enhancing and beautifying the Chatsworth corridor.

We remain committed to fostering a thriving business environment in Chatsworth. By working together and fulfilling our financial responsibilities, we can overcome these challenges and unlock the full potential of our district.

### **STREETScape/LANDSCAPING** We are thrilled to share an inspiring

update from the heart of our community. The Chatsworth Business Improvement District has joined forces with the dedicated volunteers from Volunteers Cleaning Communities, led by Jill Mathers and Don Olsen, to revitalize the business corridor.

Our district has faced significant challenges with the vandalism of BID Trash containers, rendering them ineffective for their intended use. In response to this issue, our board has deliberated and decided on an innovative approach to repurpose these containers.

In the coming months, you will witness a transformation of the former trash containers into vibrant planters. These planters will be home to low water vegetation, contributing to the beautification of our area while promoting

### **2023**

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**STREETSCAPE/LANDSCAPING** (Continued) This initiative marks a significant step in our ongoing efforts to enhance the aesthetic appeal and functionality of our business corridor. The conversion process will occur gradually, and we encourage all community members to observe and appreciate the evolving landscape.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Volunteers Cleaning Communities, and specifically to Jill Mathers and Don Olsen, for their unwavering dedication and collaboration. This partnership exemplifies the power of community engagement in creating positive change.

### **SECURITY PATROL – AET SECURITY SERVICES**

Both the Security Patrol Program and Business Watch Program has continued this year the afternoon and evening/night-time patrol. If you are interested in the Security reports give us a call and we can email them to you. Note there have been numerous reports of graffiti and transients along Devonshire Street. AET Security has been reporting to *Anti-Graffiti.LACity.org* and in most cases the graffiti is removed within 24-48 hours. Reports can be found on our website. The A.E.T Security Services Group continues to be very successful in making Chatsworth a safer place to work and do business. If you want to get a hold of A.E.T Security Services Group, please contact them at **818-564-0205**.

**We invite you to join us at our board meetings.**

**Come and contribute your input and help us improve the Chatsworth Business Corridor.**

### **2023 – 3<sup>rd</sup> QUARTER MEETINGS and EVENTS**

**JULY 19 - - - AUG 16 - - - SEPT 20 - - - Via Zoom**

**Meeting ID: 843 4035 4684**

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