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General Board Meeting Draft Minutes

Thursday, October 21, 2021, 7:00pm

Boardmember	Roll Call	Funding Vote Eligible	Category
Joel Weinberger	Present	YES	At-large 1 2025
Sophia French	Present	YES	At-Large 2 2023
Emilia Barrosse	Absent	YES	At-Large 3 2025
David Notowitz	Present	YES	At-Large 4 2023
Jason Yap	Absent	NO E	At-Large 5 2025
Shevy Dorfman-Lieder	Present	YES	Business Rep 1 2023
Barry Levine	Present	YES	Business Rep 2 2025
Terrence Gomes	Absent (7:05PM)	YES	Business Rep 3 2023
Shirley Traum	Present	YES	Business Rep 4 2025
Jonathan Tessler	Present	YES	Business Rep 5 2023
VACANT	VACANT	VACANT	Organization Rep 1 2023
Ken Blaker	Present	YES	Organization Rep 2 2025
Armeen Neshat	Present	YES	Organization Rep 3 2025
Olga Lexell	Present	YES	Resident 1 Rep 2025
Richard Bloom	Present	YES	Resident 2 Rep 2025
Steve Chocron	Absent	YES	Resident 3 Rep 2023
VACANT	VACANT	VACANT	Resident 4 Rep 2023
Laurie Levine	Present	YES	Resident 5 Rep 2025
Michael Lynn	Present	YES	Resident 6 Rep 2023
Chad Monk	Present	YES	Resident 7 Rep 2025
Gloria Dioum	Present	YES	Resident 8 Rep 2023
Dina Leeds	Absent	YES	Resident 9 Rep 2025
Robby Naoufal	Present	YES	Resident 10 Rep 2023
Jon Liberman	Present	YES	School Rep 1 2025
Ethan Frankel	Present	YES	School Rep 2 2025
TOTAL: 23	PRESENT 18, Absent 5		

^{*}Funding vote eligibility key: A=age less than 18 yrs.; E=Ethics training; F=Funding training; N=not taken; X=expired

1. Call to Order & Roll Call Meeting was called to order at 7:02PM by President Lynn

ITEM 1. Roll call	
Present -18	Absent-05
Weinberger, French, Notowitz, Dorfman, B. Levine, Traum, Tessler, Blaker, Neshat,	Barrosse, Yap, Gomes,
Lexell, Bloom, L. Levine, Lynn, Monk, Dioum, Naoufal, Liberman, Frankel	Chocron, Leeds

- 2. Pledge of Allegiance Pledge was led by President Lynn.
- 3. General Public Comment:
 - a. Call in user 1

Gomes joined the meeting at 7:05PM.

4. Brief Board Announcements

- a. Items for Future Committee or General Board Agendas
 - 1. B. Levin- No voice in Council due to suspension of MRT. Wishes item to be added on next agenda.
 - 2. L. Levin- Recognized staff from MRT Office.
 - 3. Traum announced that ABLE training is due November 30, 2021
 - 4. Blaker- Recommended reading book called Blink by Malcolm Gladwell.
 - 5. Gomes- The training is called ABLE in the portal and is done by Ohio State.
- b. Other Brief Board Announcements
 - 1. None

5. Community Reports

- a.LA Police Department (Ojeda) absent
- b. Office of Councilmember Ridley-Thomas (Guevara) present
- c. Office of Councilmember Koretz (Ingram) Rob Fisher gave report
- d. Office of Mayor Garcetti absent
- e.Office of State Assemblymember Bloom absent
- f. Office of State Assemblymember Bryan Michelle Persoff gave report
- g. Office of State Senator Kamlager Josef. Siroky gave report
- h. Office of County Supervisor Mitchell (Sargsyan)
- i. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (Cupen-Ames)
- j. Other Neighborhood, City and State offices
- k. No public comment taken

6. Open Board Seats- Selections

- a. Residential Zone 4 Representative (Term expires 2023)
 - 1. No Application Submitted
 - 2. Reverts to an At-Large Representative seat if no one is Selected before November 23, 2021
 - 3. Item was postponed
- b. Organization Representative 1 (Term expires 2023) (GB102121-01)
 - 1. Baila Romm

Public Comment: Call-In User_1, Mark Ridley-Puppet

Motion Passed-Romm

ITEM 6 b1. Motion to appoint Romm as Org Seat 1 Moved: Liberman Second: Gomes					
Yes –15 No-3 Abstain-01 Absent-04					
Weinberger, French, Notowitz, Dorfman, B. Levine, Gomes,	Neshat,	Monk	Barrosse, Yap,		
Traum, Tessler, Blaker, Bloom, L. Levine, Lynn, Naoufal,	Lexell, Dioum,		Chocron, Leeds		
Liberman, Frankel					

7. Board Officer and Liaisons- Selections

- a. Selection of Executive Committee Officers
 - 1. Secretary (GB102121-02)

Public Comment: Call-In User 1, Mark Ridley-Puppet

Motion Passed-Romm

ITEM 7 a1. Motion to appoint Romm as secretary Moved: Liberman Second: Gomes				
Yes –19 Abstain-01 Absent-04				
Weinberger, French, Notowitz, Dorfman, B. Levine, Gomes, Traum, Tessler,	Neshat	Barrosse, Yap,		
Romm, Blaker, Lexell, Bloom, L. Levine, Lynn, Monk, Dioum, Naoufal,		Chocron, Leeds		
Liberman, Frankel				

b. Selection of Board Liaisons- Postponed

- 1. Budget Advocates 2nd Representative (GB102121-03)
- 2. Department of Animal Services (GB102121-04)
- 3. LADWP Representative (GB102121-05)

8. Committees

- a. Opportunity to Join and/or Change Membership to Board Committees (GB102121-06)
 - 1. Lexell requested to be added to Land Use and Transportation
 - 2. Liberman requested to be added to education.
 - 3. L, Levine requested to be added Land Use and Transportation
 - 4. Romm requested to be added Public Safety and Homelessness
 - 5. Monk requested to be added to Land Use.
 - 6. Frankel requested to be added to Quality of Life
 - 7. Blaker requested to be removed from Outreach and Homelessness

b. Committee Reports

- Standing and Ad-hoc Committees: Education, Green Team, Land Use, Public Safety, Homelessness, Outreach, Transportation, Quality of Life, LGBTQ, Bylaws, Board Development, Robertson Revitalization, Business Advocacy and Economic Development, Parks and Recreation
- 2. No reports

9. Consent Agenda

- a. Motion to approve Draft meeting minutes of September 23, 2021 (GB102121-07)
- b. Motion to approve September 2021 MERS Report (GB102121-08)
- c. Confirmation of Committee Chair Nominees
 - 1. Outreach Committee (GB102121-09)
 - i. David Notowitz- Co Chair
 - 2. Land Use Committee (GB102121-10)
 - i. Armeen Neshat Vice Chair
 - 3. Transportation Committee (GB102121-11)
 - i. Armeen Neshat Chair
 - ii. Olga Lexell Vice Chair

- d. Confirmation of WRAC Mobility and Transportation Committee Representative Nominee:Armeen Neshat (GB102121-12)
- e. Confirmation of Alternate WRAC Mobility and Transportation Committee RepresentativeNominee: Olga Lexell (GB102121-13)
- f. Motion to Send a Letter to LADOT, CD 5, and CD 10 Requesting the Speed Hump Application be Opened, Fully Funded, and Provide Neighborhood Councils with an Opportunity to Weigh In (GB102121-14)
- g. Motion to Draft a Letter to LADOT Requesting that the Service Request Portal be Reopenedfor Non-COVID Requests (GB102121-15)
- h. Motion to Draft a Letter to the Los Angeles Department on Disability, CD 5, and CD 10 Requesting the Department create an Online Portal for Blue Curb Requests, and Coordinatewith Other Departments (GB102121-16)
- Motion to update the Ethics training standing rule to comport with BONC Policy (GB102121-17)
- j. Motion to update the Current Standing Committees standing rule. (GB102121-18)
- k. Motion to update the Standing rule on ethics training. (GB102121-19) *Item Withdrawn-Duplicative*
- I. Motion to support WRAC Motion on Enforcement of Crimes in or Near HomelessEncampments (GB102121-20)
- m. Motion to support WRAC Motion to Enforce Laws Prohibiting Blockage of Public Right of Way (GB102121-21)
- n. Motion to support WRAC Motion to Abate and Correct Unsafe and Unhealthy Conditions in Homeless Encampments (GB102121-22)
- o. Motion to send a letter to CD-5 and CD-10 requesting that they pursue an MOU with LAUSDto use public school campuses as safe parking sites for the homeless and recommend that Hamilton High School be used as a pilot program (Homelessness / GB092321-23)
- p. Motion to Draft a Letter to LADOT Supporting the Roofed Bus Shelter Model over the "Blade"Option, with Additional Amenities (GB102121-24)
- q. Motion regarding RVs illegally parked in front of 8592 and 8600 Venice Blvd in CD 10(GB102121-25) *Motion Withdrawn*
- r. Motion for the SORO NC to hire a service to take and edit minutes of its General Board meetings at a rate of \$29.26 per hour, up to \$250 per month. (GB102121-26)
- s. Motion for the SORO NC to purchase website design services from WebCorner for \$2500and monthly hosting and maintenance services for up to \$250 per month. (GB102121-27)

Items B. Levine requested 9n and 9r to be removed from consent calendar. Liberman requested that 9f, 9o, and 9s to be removed from the consent calendar. Monk requested that 9l and 9 m be removed from the consent calendar. 9n is now 11a, 9r is now 11b, 9f is now 11c, 9o is now 11d, 9s is now 11e, 9l is now 11f, and 9m is now 11g.

Public Comment: Mark Ridley-Puppet, Call-In User_1 Motion Passed

ITEM 9 a, b, c, d, e, g, h, i, j, p, q Motion to approve consent calendar Moved: Liberman Second: B. Levine				
Yes –18 Ineligable-01 Absent-05				
Weinberger, French, Notowitz, Dorfman, B. Levine, Gomes, Traum, Tessler,	Frankel	Barrosse, Yap,		
Blaker, Neshat, Lexell, Bloom, L. Levine, Lynn, Monk, Dioum, Naoufal,		Chocron, Leeds,		
Liberman		Romm		

10. Unfinished Business

a. Motion to write a letter to CD 5 and CD 10 requesting the promised matching funds for the SORO NC Street Medallion Project (GB102121-28) **Postponed**

Romm left the meeting at 8:12PM. Naoufal left the meeting at 8:14PM. Tessler left the meeting at 8:21PM.

11. New Business

 a. Motion to support WRAC Motion to Abate and Correct Unsafe and Unhealthy Conditions in Homeless Encampments (GB102121-22)
 Lexell asked if it had gone through the SORONC Homelessness Committee

Public comment: Call-In User_1, Mark Ridley-Puppet

Motion Failed

ITEM 11a Motion to send to Homeless Committee Moved: Lexell Second: B. Levine				
Yes -08 No-09 Absent-07				
Weinberger, Dorfman, B. Levine,	French, Notowitz, Gomes, Blaker,	Barrosse, Yap, Chocron,		
Traum, Neshat, Lexell, Monk, Bloom, L. Levine, Lynn, Liberman, Leeds, Romm, Tessler,				
Dioum,	Frankel	Naoufal		

Public comment: None

Motion Passed

ITEM 11a1 Motion to amend to add that we request that anyone who experiences this sort of abatement receives priority access to housing and services. Moved: Lexell Second; Neshat					
Yes –17 No- 00 Absent-07					
Weinberger, French, Notowitz, Dorfman, B. Levine, Gomes, Traum, Blaker,	None	Barrosse, Yap, Chocron,			
Neshat, Lexell, Bloom, L. Levine, Lynn, Monk, Dioum, Liberman, Frankel Leeds, Romm, Tessler,					
Naoufal					

Public comment: None

Motion Passed

ITEM 11a2 Motion to support WRAC motion to Abate and Correct Unsafe and Unhealthy Conditions in Homeless Encampments with amendment Moved: Liberman Second: Notowitz					
Yes –14 No- 03 Absent-07					
French, Notowitz, Dorfman, B. Levine, Gomes, Traum, Blaker, Weinberger, Barrosse, Yap, Chocron,					
Neshat, Bloom, L. Levine, Lynn, Dioum, Liberman, Frankel Lexell, Monk Leeds, Romm, Tessler,					
Naoufal					

b. Motion for the SORO NC to hire a service to take and edit minutes of its General Boardmeetings at a rate of \$29.26 per hour, up to \$250 per month.

Gomes recused himself.

Public comment: Call-In User_1, Mark Ridley-Puppet

Motion Passed

ITEM 11b Motion to postpone Moved: Lexell Second: Liberman				
Yes -15 Ineligible-01 Recused- 01 Absent-07				
Weinberger, French, Notowitz, Dorfman, B.	Frankel	Gomes	Barrosse, Yap, Chocron,	
Levine, Traum, Blaker, Neshat, Lexell, Bloom,			Leeds, Romm, Tessler,	
L. Levine, Lynn, Monk, Dioum, Liberman			Naoufal	

c. Motion to Send a Letter to LADOT, CD 5, and CD 10 Requesting the Speed Hump Application be Opened, Fully Funded, and Provide Neighborhood Councils with an Opportunity to Weigh In

Public comment: None

Motion Passed

ITEM 11c1 Motion to amend to allow other forms of communication to request speed humps. Moved: Gomes				
Second: Liberman				
Yes -11	No-01	Abstain-05	Absent-07	
Notowitz, B. Levine, Gomes, Traum,	French	Weinberger, Dorfman,	Barrosse, Yap, Chocron,	
Blaker, Lexell, Bloom, L. Levine,		Neshat, Monk, Dioum	Leeds, Romm, Tessler,	
Lynn, Liberman, Frankel Naoufal				

Frankel left the meeting at 9:09PM.

Public comment: None

Motion Passed

ITEM 11c2 Motion to amend that we modify the proposed motion to eliminate three quest that the department you meant to fully funding the Program And that we asked that the department notify the neighborhood Council anytime more than one speed hump is proposed within the boundaries of the day, would counsel, so that we can give our opinion as to the priority as to where we feel those sweet home should be okay. Moved: Liberman Second: Notowitz

Yes -09	No-02	Abstain- 05	Absent-08
Notowitz, B. Levine, Gomes, Traum,	French,	Weinberger, Dorfman,	Barrosse, Yap, Chocron,
Blaker, Bloom, L. Levine, Lynn,	Lexell	Neshat, Monk, Dioum,	Leeds, Romm, Tessler,
Liberman			Naoufal, Frankel

Public comment: Call-In User_1

Motion Passed

ITEM 11c3 Motion to Send a Letter to LADOT, CD 5, and CD 10 Requesting the Speed Hump Application be Opened, Fully Funded, and Provide Neighborhood Councils with an Opportunity to Weigh in with amendments Moved: Lexell Second: Weinberger

Yes -16	No- 00	Absent-08
Weinberger, French, Notowitz, Dorfman, B. Levine, Gomes, Traum,	None	Barrosse, Yap, Chocron,
Blaker, Neshat, Lexell, Bloom, L. Levine, Lynn, Monk, Dioum,		Leeds, Romm, Tessler,
Liberman,		Naoufal, Frankel

d. Motion to send a letter to CD-5 and CD-10 requesting that they pursue an MOU with LAUSDto use public school campuses as safe parking sites for the homeless and recommend that Hamilton High School be used as a pilot program

Public comment: Call-In User_1, Mark Ridley-Puppet, Kathryn Motion Passed

ITEM 11d Motion to send a letter to CD-5 and CD-10 requesting that they pursue an MOU with LAUSD to use public school campuses as safe parking sites for the homeless and recommend that Hamilton High School be used as a pilot program Moved: Neshat Second: Liberman

Yes -14	No- 01	Abstain-01	Absent-08
Weinberger, French, Dorfman, B. Levine,	Dioum	Notowitz	Barrosse, Yap, Chocron,
Gomes, Traum, Blaker, Neshat, Lexell, Bloom,			Leeds, Romm, Tessler,
L. Levine, Lynn, Monk, Liberman,			Naoufal, Frankel

d. Motion for the SORO NC to purchase website design services from WebCorner for \$2500and monthly hosting and maintenance services for up to \$250 per month

Public comment: Call-In User_1, Brown Act Violation, Call-In User_2 Motion Passed

ITEM 11d Motion to send back to Executive Committee Moved: Liberman Second: Lexell			
Yes -15	No- 01	Absent-08	
Weinberger, French, Notowitz, Dorfman, B. Levine, , Traum, Blaker,	Gomes	Barrosse, Yap, Chocron,	
Neshat, Lexell, Bloom, L. Levine, Lynn, Monk, Dioum, Liberman,		Leeds, Romm, Tessler,	
		Naoufal, Frankel	

All other items postponed

12. **Adjournment** Meeting adjourned at 10:00PM.