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# **Business Advocacy & Development Committee Special Meeting Agenda**

**Thursday, August 24, 2023, 6:00pm**

*Meetings end at 7:55pm unless the Board votes to end earlier or extend the time.*

**Location: Robertson Branch Public Library, 1719 S. Robertson Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90035 Community Room 1<sup>st</sup> Floor**

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- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3. Roll Call- Current Committee Members: Jon Liberman, Joseph Mollaie, Barry Levine, Shirley Traum, Ken Blaker, Richard Bloom, Stuart Weiss, Baila Romm, and Michael Lynn**
- 4. General Public Comment**
- 5. Brief Committee Announcements**
  - a. Items for future Business Advocacy & Development Committee Agendas
  - b. Other Brief Committee Announcements
- 6. Unfinished Business**
  - a. None

## 7. New Business

- a. Continuation of discussion and possible action on street cleanups in areas of SORO to an ongoing program promoting clean ups all areas of SORO (residential and commercial areas).
  - (i) work on development of Worksheet detailing work needed to be done and responsibility for specific items.
  - (ii) work on developing flyers/correspondence from Soro NC to commercial/educational/organizations requesting cooperation in maintaining the exterior portion of the property in a clean and welcoming way.
  - (iii) Work on contacting Hamilton HS, Private Schools within Soro, other organizations asking whether their students or others want to volunteer for our community cleanups in exchange for community credit.
- b. Continuation of discussion and possible action on implementation of our first “Streets of Soro Clean Up Event.”
  - (i) Confirmation a proposed Date and Time
  - (ii) Confirmation of location of initial cleanup being Pico Blvd between Wooster Street and Shenandoah Street and asking for volunteers to assist in the cleanup.
  - (iii) Logistics, Publicity and working with other community stakeholders.
- c. Discussion and possible action on requiring stores selling items where they impose the state mandated CRV charge to also uphold the current California laws requirement that they also accept CRV containers for redemption instore.
- d. A restart of discussion and possible action on studying the feasibility of establishing “Business Improvement Districts” or something else in areas within the boundaries of the South Robertson NC to promote commerce within Soro.
  - (i) Prior history of such efforts.
  - (ii) Benefits of a B.I.D.
  - (iii) Challenges to the creation of a B.I.D.
  - (iv) Factors needing further study.

## 8. Adjournment

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