



# Motion to support 6-Unit Condominium at 820 S Sherbourne Dr

**Agenda Item:** GB041918-2  
**Date:** April 19, 2018  
**Proposed By:** LUED Committee

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## Background

The project team presented this proposed new condo building to the Land Use and Economic Development (LUED) committee at their April 3, 2018 meeting. The applicant's request is for a vesting tentative tract to build a new 9,760 square foot, 6-unit condo building at 820 S Sherbourne Dr.

The subject property is 6,000 square feet and zoned [Q]R3-1-O with a 45-foot height limit. The proposed building is 4 stories at 45 feet tall. 16 bicycle parking spaces are provided and 12 parking spaces are located in a basement garage.

The neighborhood is a mix of duplexes and apartment buildings, from 2 to 4 stories. The applicant noticed residents within 500 feet of the property for the LUED meeting. There were no residents in attendance.

## Proposed Motion

Submit a letter in support of the project to City Planning Department case manager Rony Giron (rony.giron@lacity.org) to be included in case file for the condo at 820 S Sherbourne Dr; VTT-77078-CN.

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## Considerations

**Committee review:** Votes For: 3 Against: 0  
*(highly recommended)*

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### Arguments for:

Besides the subdivision request, the project is by right. Applicant is not requesting any variances or adjustments in their application.

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### Arguments against:

Homes will be taller than adjacent duplexes.

The 6 new units will replace the exiting 2 units, netting 4 additional housing units.

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Rony Giron  
Department of City Planning  
200 N. Spring Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

20 April 2018

Re: Case Number VTT-77078-CN

Dear Mr. Giron:

I am writing on behalf of the South Robertson Neighborhoods Council (“SORO NC”) to comment on the proposed new condominium building at 820 S Sherbourne Dr.

At a duly-noticed meeting of the General Board on April 19, 2018, SORO NC voted 00 yes / 00 no / 00 abstain to recommend that the applicant’s project be approved. The unit count and building height are per zoning and the parking count is per code. This well-designed project is an appropriate addition to the neighborhood.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about this comment letter.

Sincerely,

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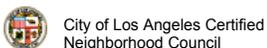
Cc: Aviv Kleinman, Office of Council Member Paul Koretz  
Krystal Návar, SORO NC Land Use and Economic Development Chair

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# Motion to fund up to \$200 to upgrade online form & survey services

**Agenda Item:** - GB041918-5

**Date:** April 19, 2018

**Proposed By:** Doug Fitzsimmons

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## Background

In December, the NC approved \$190 for a year of Bronze-level service from JotForm, a provider of online form and survey tools that powers a good chunk of the NC's online efforts.

Recently, some of our form submissions have exceeded our monthly limit. This motion proposes that we allocate an additional \$200 to move to Silver-level service.

## Proposed Motion

- I. The South Robertson Neighborhoods Council will additionally fund up to \$200 to increase our service level with JotForm through the beginning of 2019.

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## Considerations

**Committee review:**  
*(highly recommended)*

Votes For: -0

Against: -0-

**Amount previously allocated in Committee's working budget:** \$300  
*(applies to funding motions only)*

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### Arguments for:

We want to be able to receive all form submissions.

### Arguments against:

We could find another way to implement forms.

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# Motion to Fund up to \$260.20 for Labor to Assemble and Disassemble the Safety Village Canopies at SOROFEST 2018.

**Agenda Item:** GB041918-6  
**Date:** April 19, 2018  
**Proposed By:** Public Safety Committees

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## Background

The previous Emergency Preparedness and Safety Expos have laid the groundwork to become an increasingly popular component of the annual SOROFEST. A majority of vendors that occupy this area tend to be non-profit organizations and municipal departments/agencies that would not be able to pay the Vendor Booth fee, and thus would not be able to participate w/out additional Neighborhood Council support.

SORO NC previously purchased two canopies that have saved a significant amount of money over the past 3 years versus renting, but they do require several bodies to assemble and disassemble. Volunteers are preferred, however have proven less than reliable in the past, promulgating the need for paid labor.

The regulated rates charged by City Approved Labor Vendors \$21.49/hour for normal hours and \$29.04/hour for hours past midnight. Estimated build time is 4-6 labor hours (after midnight) and 4 labor hours to disassemble.

## Proposed Motion

SORO NC should adopt the following:

I. That the SORO NC will fund up to \$262.20 for hired labor to assemble and disassemble two (2) SORO NC owned 20' x 20' canopies at the 2018 South Robertson Community Festival (SOROFEST 2018).

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## Considerations

**Committee review:** Votes For: 6 Against: 0  
*(highly recommended)*

**Amount previously allocated in Committee's working budget:** \$  
*(applies to funding motions only)*

### Arguments for:

Hired labor has proven more effective than volunteers in past years

Volunteer resources are scarce and needed elsewhere

### Arguments against:

We could look for volunteers.

There may be uses for the funds that have greater benefit to the community.

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# Motion to submit a Community Impact Statement in support of the Budget Advocates 2018 White Paper

**Agenda Item:** - GB041918-7

**Date:** April 19, 2018

**Proposed By:** Executive Committee

## Background

The Budget Advocates Committee was created by amending the Los Angeles City Charter to allow access to and the right to comment on the budget proposals of the City of Los Angeles prior to the adoption of the city budget for the next fiscal year. This creates greater transparency and understanding between city government and the stakeholders.

Each year the Budget Advocates submits a series of reports, which collectively are called "The White Paper", to the City's Budget and Finance Committee, The Mayor and the City Council. In addition, a copy of the White Paper is given to each Neighborhood Council.

## Proposed Motion

- I. The South Robertson Neighborhoods Council was given a copy of the 2018 White Paper at the March 2018 Board Meeting.
- II. In recognition of the work done by the Budget Advocates, the Board of the South Robertson Neighborhoods Council agrees to submit the attached Community Impact Statement in support of the White Paper and requests that the city implement the recommendations of the White Paper.
- III. If any recommendation cannot be implemented, we request that the C.A.O. report back to the Budget Advocates as to the recommendation not accepted and the reasons why it could not be implemented.

## Considerations

**Committee review:**  
*(highly recommended)*

Votes For: -4-

Against: -0-

**Amount previously allocated in Committee's working budget:**  
*(applies to funding motions only)*

\$-1000-  
(Congress  
\$500/BA  
\$500)

### Arguments for:

### Arguments against:

1. This will increase the effectiveness of all N.C. by strengthening the interactions by and between N.C.s. 1 None.

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**Council File:** [forthcoming]

## **Community Impact Statement**

**As adopted by vote of the full SORO NC governing board**

<b>Yes:</b>	<b>No:</b>	<b>Abstain:</b>	<b>Ineligible:</b>	<b>Recuse:</b>
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**Adopted:** 19 April 2018

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**Position:** For

The South Robertson Neighborhoods Council has received and reviewed a copy of the Budget Advocates 2018 White Paper. This report reviews the proposed 2018/2019 Fiscal Budget presented to the Mayor and to the City Council for action.

The White Paper is a report by the Budget Advocates of their review of the proposed city budget along with specific recommendations for consideration by the City Council and the Mayor.

Our Neighborhood Council finds the report by the Budget Advocates accurately reflects the concerns of our stakeholders. We request that consideration be given to the specific recommendations of the Budget Advocates. If any recommendation cannot be implemented this year we ask that the C.A.O. report back to the Budget Advocates detailing why the recommendation could not be accepted.

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# Motion to increase funding support for the L.A. Congress of Neighborhood Councils and for Budget Advocates to \$1000 each

**Agenda Item:** - GB041918-8

**Date:** April 19, 2018

**Proposed By:** Executive Committee

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## Background

At the start of the fiscal year the Finance Committee recommended funding each of these events in the amount of \$500 to the Congress and \$500 to Budget Advocates. These amounts were approved by the Board.

In light of the fact that we have funds remaining, which if unspent will go back to the City's General Fund. The Executive Committee recommends that an additional allocation of \$500 each used to fund these worthwhile Neighborhood Council activities. If approved by the Soro Board this will result in funding a total of \$1000 to the Congress and a total of \$1000 to Budget Advocates.

## Proposed Motion

- I. The South Robertson Neighborhoods Council agrees to increase the budgeted amount paid to the Congress to \$1000.
- II. The South Robertson Neighborhoods Council agrees to increase the budgeted amount paid to Budget Advocates to \$1000.

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## Considerations

**Committee review:**  
*(highly recommended)*

Votes For: -4-

Against: -0-

**Amount previously allocated in Committee's working budget:**  
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\$-1000-  
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## Arguments for:

1. This will increase the effectiveness of all N.C. by strengthening the interactions by and between N.C.s.

## Arguments against:

1 None.

