Motion to fund up to $500 to co-sponsor a FREE CHP “Child Car Seat Check Up” event

Agenda Item: GB1115198-11
Date: November 15, 2018
Proposed By: SORO NC Public Safety Committee

Background
A child’s life depends on the car seat they’re riding in. It’s imperative to make sure it’s properly installed and that it is size appropriate. More than 80 percent of car seats are critically misused.

The CHP established the Child Car Seat Check Up program in 1999, with funding provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. They seek to partner with numerous community organizations that are willing to host and sponsor a Car Seat Check Up Event, which is at no cost to the organization and open to the public (also at no cost.)

Parents and/or Guardians are encouraged to bring their children along with their car seat to a designated location and have it inspected by specially trained Child Safety Seat Technicians. The technicians will be available to properly set up and adjust the car seats for the child. In addition, they provide safety information regarding updated child-restraint laws and proper child-restraint practices.

The previous 4 SORO Sponsored Car Seat Check Up Events were very successful, planned in coordination with Assemblymember Bloom’s office and CD-5.

Proposed Motion
That the SORO NC:

1. Co-sponsor a FREE CHP “Car Seat Check” event in early 2019, in coordination with the CHP, AssemblyMember Bloom, and CD5.

2. Fund up to $500 for printed promotional materials, social media advertising, banner, and/or giveaway items.

Considerations

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

Amount previously allocated in Committee’s working budget: $ ?

Arguments for: Arguments against:

FREE!!!! Can help protect children from injury or death.

Requires a few volunteers.

Was very successful event last 4 years

Success will depend on Publicity and Social Media for Event promotion.
Motion to support 17-unit TOC apartment building at 8867 W Alcott St

Agenda Item: GB122018-6
Date: December 20, 2018
Proposed By: LUED Committee
Include motion in Consent Agenda?

Background

The project representative presented this proposed 17-unit apartment building to the Land Use and Economic Development (LUED) committee at their December 04, 2018 meeting. The applicant’s entitlement request is for a Tier 3 TOC (Transit Oriented Communities) incentive project to allow a 50% density bonus, providing 2 very-low-income and 1 low-income unit in addition to 14 market rate units. The incentives requested include reduced parking, FAR (floor area ratio) increase, additional height, and reduced yards.

(The TOC program, a result of Measure JJJ passed by voters in 2016, encourages developers to build more affordable housing and to locate said housing near transit.)

The subject property, located at 8867 W Alcott St, at the corner of Alcott St and Livonia Ave, is one block south of Pico Blvd and one block west of Robertson Blvd. The adjacent properties consist of a 7-unit, 2-story apartment to the north, a 10-unit, 2-story apartment to the east, and a 16-unit, 4-story condo building across Alcott St to the south. The west side of Livonia Ave is zoned for single-family homes.

The subject property is 7,292 square feet and is zoned R3-1-O with a 45-foot height limit. The proposed building is 5 stories and 19,737 square feet. The project consists of (6) 1-bedroom, (10) 2-bedroom, and (1) 3-bedroom units. 22 parking stalls are located in 2 levels of subterranean garage. No guest parking is provided. 2,211 square feet of open space, both private and common, is provided.

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 application to City Planning Department staff Joe Luckey (joe.luckey@lacity.org) to be included in case file for the TOC apartment building at 8867 W Alcott St; ENV-2018-5854-EAF.

Considerations

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

Arguments for: Arguments against:

The project utilizes the TOC Guidelines to add 3 low-income units, as well as 14 market rate units, to the housing stock.  
One 3-unit apartment building will be demolished.
Nearby residents have not expressed any opposition to the project.

Construction is disruptive.

17 proposed units – 3 existing units = 14 additional units
Dear Mr. Luckey:

I am writing on behalf of the South Robertson Neighborhoods Council (“SORO NC”) to comment on the proposed 17-unit TOC apartment building at 8867 W Alcott St.

At a duly-noticed meeting of the General Board on December 20, 2018, SORO NC voted 00 yes / 00 no / 00 abstain to recommend that the applicant's project be approved. The density and use are appropriate for the neighborhood. The addition of 17 units, 3 of which are designated affordable, to a transit- and culturally-rich area of Los Angeles is much needed.

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

Sincerely,

Krystal Náva
President, South Robertson Neighborhoods Council, Land Use and Economic Development Chair

Cc: Aviv Kleinman, Office of Council Member Paul Koretz
Motion to support 57-unit Eldercare Facility at 1112-1136 S Roxbury Dr

Agenda Item: GB122018-7
Date: December 20, 2018
Proposed By: LUED Committee
Include motion in Consent Agenda? No

Background

The project applicant, representative, and architect presented this proposed 57-unit Eldercare Facility to the Land Use and Economic Development (LUED) committee at their December 04, 2018 meeting. The application includes the following entitlement requests.

- To allow an Eldercare Facility in the R3 zone.
- To allow 57 dwelling units instead of the 25 units allowed by the density limits of the Q condition.
- To allow an increase in building height from the 36 feet allowed by the Q condition to 47 feet.
- To allow a front yard setback of 5 feet for the center garden and 12 feet for the building along Roxbury Drive instead of the 15 feet required.
- To allow a side yard setback of 5 feet along Bedford Drive instead of the 7 feet required for a 4-story building.
- To allow balconies on all floors with a 50 square foot minimum to count towards open space instead of the ground-floor-only and 150 square foot minimum requirements of the Q condition.

The subject property, located at 1112-1136 S Roxbury Dr, is at the edge of the city border with Beverly Hills, across from Roxbury Park. The adjacent properties consist of 2- to 4-story multi-unit apartment buildings.

The subject property is 28,272 square feet and is zoned [Q]R3-1-O with a 36-foot height limit. The proposed building is 4 stories. 100 parking stalls are located in 2 levels of subterranean garage.

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 application to City Planning Department staff Michelle Carter (michelle.carter@lacity.org) to be included in case file for the 57-unit Eldercare Facility at 1112-1136 S Roxbury Dr.; ZA-2018-3419-ELD; ENV-2018-3420-EAF.
## Considerations

**Committee review:**  
(highly recommended)

| Votes For: 4 | Against: 0 |

### Arguments for:

The project provides 57-units of much-needed senior living space in a neighborhood rich with programming for seniors.

While the list of entitlement requests is long, granting these requests allows for a building that is appropriate for the site and that fits in the existing context of the neighborhood.

### Arguments against:

Construction is disruptive.
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Re: Case Number ZA-2018-3419-ELD; ENV-2018-3420-EAF

Dear Ms. Carter:

I am writing on behalf of the South Robertson Neighborhoods Council (“SORO NC”) to comment on the proposed 57-unit Eldercare Facility at 1112-1136 S Roxbury Dr.

At a duly-noticed meeting of the General Board on December 20, 2018, SORO NC voted 00 yes / 00 no / 00 abstain to recommend that the applicant’s project be approved. The project provides 57-units of much-needed senior living in a neighborhood rich with programming for seniors. While the list of entitlement requests is long, granting these requests allows for a building that is appropriate for the site and that fits in the existing context of the neighborhood.

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

Sincerely,

Krystal Návar
President, South Robertson Neighborhoods Council,
Land Use and Economic Development Chair

Cc: Aviv Kleinman, Office of Council Member Paul Koretz
Motion to request the public hearing be postponed for 6-home Small Lot Subdivision at 1973 Preuss Rd

Agenda Item: GB122018-8
Date: December 20, 2018
Proposed By: LUED Committee
Include motion in Consent Agenda?
No

Background

The project applicant has not responded to any of the 3 emails, 1 phone call, and 1 web form submission sent since August requesting the representative attend an LUED meeting.

Proposed Motion

Submit a letter to Planning Department staff Christophe Pina (christopher.pina@lacity.org) requesting the public hearing be postponed for the 6-home small lot subdivision project at 1973 Preuss Rd (VTT-82264-SL) until the project representative presents to the LUED committee and General Board.

Considerations

Committee review: (highly recommended) Votes For: 4 Against: 0
Arguments for:
An applicant is not required to present to the neighborhood council, but it is strongly encouraged by the Planning Department.
Presenting to the neighborhood council gives residents and community stakeholders a chance to discuss the project with the applicant prior to the public hearing.

Arguments against:
An applicant is not required to present to the neighborhood council.
Dear Mr. Pina:

I am writing on behalf of the South Robertson Neighborhoods Council ("SORO NC") regarding the proposed 6-home small lot subdivision project at 1973 Preuss Rd.

At a duly-noticed meeting of the General Board on December 20, 2018, SORO NC voted 00 yes / 00 no / 00 abstain to request the public hearing for the proposed project not be scheduled until the project representative presents to the Board and its Land Use and Economic Development (LUED) committee. The project applicant has not responded to any of the many attempts since August requesting the representative attend an LUED meeting. While applicants are not required to present to the neighborhood council, doing so gives residents and community stakeholders a chance to discuss the project with the applicant prior to the public hearing.

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

Sincerely,

Krystal Návar
President, South Robertson Neighborhoods Council, Land Use and Economic Development Chair

Cc: Jordan Beroukhim, Office of Council President Herb Wesson
Motion to fund up to $250 for SORO NC business cards

Agenda Item: GB122018-9
Date: December 20, 2018
Proposed By: Executive Committee
Include motion in Consent Agenda? No

Background
LA City business cards help identify us as official City representatives. In this proposal, all new Board members who have joined the Board since the last round of business cards were ordered, would receive a set of 200. Each set cost approximately $33.50; therefore, this proposal would fund up to 7 sets of cards.

The card design is unchanged since the last order was placed.

While we may be able to find less-expensive alternatives, cards printed by the City’s General Services Department have the advantage of an engraved and embossed City seal and union label; this is clearly an official City of LA card.

Proposed Motion
To approve up to $250 for the printing of business cards for new SORO NC Board members.

Considerations

Committee review: (highly recommended) Votes For: 4 Against: 0

Amount previously allocated in Committee’s working budget: $0 (applies to funding motions only)

Arguments for:
Helps Board members identify themselves to the community and reinforces that the NC is an official City entity.

Arguments against:
Another round of new business cards will have to be ordered after the elections anyway.

This cost is not budgeted.
Motion to fund up to $2000 for election lawn signs

Agenda Item: GB122018-10
Date: December 20, 2018
Proposed By: Executive Committee
Include motion in Consent Agenda? No

Background
This Neighborhood Council has an election every 2 years. As part of this process we need to fund election lawn signs. The cost of these signs will come out of our 2018-2019 budget. We have $5000 allocated as our portion of the total election cost of which we will spend up to $2000 for the lawn signs.

Proposed Motion
South Robertson NC will purchase enough lawn signs to publicize our upcoming election at a cost not to exceed $2000.

Considerations

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Arguments for:
1. Outreach is required of the NC for the election. This is a significant component of our Outreach efforts.

Arguments against:
1. As this is a component required by DONE this cost should more appropriately come from DONE’s budget.