



Motion to proposed conversion of house and garage to 3 units at 2000 S Bedford St

Agenda Item: GB051619-3
Date: May 16, 2019
Proposed By: LUED Committee
Include motion in Consent Agenda? No

Background

The project architect presented this proposed conversion of an existing 600 square foot detached garage into a 1-bedroom unit and an existing single family dwelling into 2 units at 2000 S Bedford St to the Land Use and Economic Development (LUED) committee at their May 07, 2019 meeting. The applicant's entitlement requests include Adjustments to allow a 0 foot side yard setback in lieu of the 4-1/2 feet required along Guthrie Ave, a reduced side yard setback ranging from 0 feet to 3 feet 10 inches along the south property line, as well as a rear yard setback reduction to 11 feet instead of the 15 feet required.

If the existing home remained and the garage was converted to an ADU, the existing setbacks would be permitted. However, the ADU rules only apply when adding a 2nd unit. Because the home is being converted to 2 units and the ADU would be a 3rd unit, the ADU rules do not apply.

The subject property is located at 2000 S Bedford St, on the southeast corner of Guthrie Ave and Bedford St. The subject property is 6,299 square feet and is zoned RD1.5-1 with a 45-foot height limit. The properties across Bedford St, on the block to the south, and those on the other side of the alley to the rear of the property are also zoned RD1.5-1, while the property across Guthrie Ave and the properties on the block to the north are zoned RD2-1. The zoning allows for 4 units to be built on the site. A proposed 14 square feet will be added onto the existing house. 4 parking stalls are required and will be provided.

The applicant noticed adjacent properties owners for the LUED meeting. There were no residents in attendance to speak either in support or in opposition to this project.

Proposed Motion

Submit a letter in support of the application to City Planning Department staff Christophe Pina (christopher.pina@lacity.org) to be included in case file for the conversion of an existing garage and house to 3 units at 2000 S Bedford St; ZA-2019-838-ZAA.

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Considerations

Committee review:
(highly recommended)

Votes For: 4

Against: 0

Arguments for:

Proposed project add 2 homes (1 +2 = 3) to the housing supply without altering the existing built environment.

The project doesn't max out the density.

Arguments against:

Guests of the new residents will take up street parking.

The project should max out the density with 4 total units.



Christophe Pina
Department of City Planning
200 N. Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

17 May 2019

Re: Case Number ZA-2019-838-ZAA

Dear Mr. Pina:

I am writing on behalf of the South Robertson Neighborhoods Council ("SORO NC") to comment on the proposed conversion of an existing 600 square foot detached garage into a 1-bedroom unit and an existing single family dwelling into 2 units at 2000 S Bedford St.

At a duly-noticed meeting of the General Board on May 16, 2019, SORO NC voted 00 yes / 00 no / 00 abstain to recommend that the applicant's project be approved. The project adds 2 units to the housing supply without altering the existing build environment. Adding smaller, more affordable housing units to an under-utilized RD1.5 lot is a welcome addition in this community.

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 Committee Chair

Cc: Jordan Beroukhim, Office of Council President Herb Wesson

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Motion to fund up to \$2,000 for NC Laptop & Recording Devices

Agenda Item: GB051619-4
Date: May 16, 2019
Proposed By: Executive Committee

Background

In 2016, the NC bought an inexpensive ASUS laptop computer. It has proven to be buggy and unreliable. It is no longer under warranty.

In order to record (and potentially livestream) our recurring neighborhood council meetings we require a laptop with more significant memory and a faster processor, as well as two external Bluetooth microphones.

Recommendation

We propose purchase of the following items:

- **LAPTOP: 13-inch MacBook Air**
(Touch ID; 1.6GHz Dual-Core Processor with Turbo Boost up to 3.6GHz 256GB Storage)
- **RECORDING DEVICE: eMeet M1 Black Conference Speakerphone**
(360° Audio Pickup; LED Indicate; Conference Call; Speaker; 6+1 Microphone; Skype Mobile Phone)

Proposed Motion

SORO NC shall fund:

- I. Up to \$1,399 for an Apple Macbook Air;
- II. Up to \$400 for two Bluetooth Conference Microphones/Speakers;
- III. 10% tax

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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:

The Secretary should have a laptop with sufficient memory and processor capability to accommodate the current needs.

The old computer was underpowered three years ago. We need a machine than can reasonably run Office for the next five+ years

Arguments against:

This level of transparency is unnecessary. We should just keep doing things the way we've always done them and keep the status quo.

Laptops are overrated, councilmembers could simply write down notes from their meetings with a pencil and paper.



Motion to approve a \$1,000 to 101 Enterprises to support Movies in the Park 2019

Agenda Item: GB051619-5
Date: May 16, 2019
Proposed By: Marjan Safinia

Full Proposal

This is the twelfth year of Council President Herb Wesson's Movies in the Park summer series, which is put on through 101 Enterprises. As he has for the last decade, the Council President will be hosting one of the Movies in SORO at Reynier Park. This year's movie will be on July 26th.

In the past, this event has attracted between 800-1000 people to the park, making it one of the largest Outreach opportunities we support in the community. It's a great family night out, and offers us significant outreach into the Latino community, a community of renters, and a lot of new residents, who usually attend in great numbers and who we could benefit from reaching out to more.

This also offers us an opportunity to continue our close collaboration with the Council President Wesson and the CD-10 office.

Our portion of the funds will be used to purchase food items for the event including hot dogs, burgers, popcorn candy and drinks. This event has been accounted for in our annual budgeting.

Proposed Motion

- I. That SORO NC approve the attached Neighborhood Purposes Grant to 101 Enterprises for \$1000 towards the production of Council President Wesson's 2019 Movies in the Park Event for Reynier Park.

Considerations

Committee review:	Votes For: 0	Against: 0
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Amount previously allocated in Committee's working budget:	\$1000
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Arguments for:

Super popular outreach event.

Reaches a groups of stakeholders who don't traditionally participate in SORO NC events

Arguments against:

Cost.

These funds could be spent on other programs.

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Motion to approve a \$3,000 NPG to SoRo Community Foundation to fund maintenance for Great Streets improvements

Agenda Item: GB051619-6
Date: May 16, 2019
Proposed By: Marjan Safinia

Full Proposal

The Great Streets project will include new trees, new planters that will act as traffic barriers, and new tree-well benches along the corridor. In the first year of these improvements being installed, it is critical that they are well maintained, so that trees can develop deep roots, planters can flourish and be kept free of trash, and benches can be kept clean and appealing to sit on. Ultimately, the goal is for our business community to get into the habit of helping to maintain these improvements in front of their businesses, but in order to help this transition, ensuring that funding is in place for these items to be upkeep is prudent.

This motion is fund SoRo Community Foundation, who are leading the Great Streets improvements, to be able underwrite this maintenance, particularly in the initial year. Trees, planters and benches were all improvements that came directly out of extensive community outreach that SORO NC conducted as part of the Great Streets work. In particular, community expressed concern that planters be kept free of trash and watered, so this directly addresses community input from our stakeholders.

Proposed Motion

- I. That SORO NC approve the attached Neighborhood Purposes Grant to SoRo Community Foundation for \$3000 for the maintenance of trees, planters and tree well benches along the Great Streets corridor.

Considerations

Committee review: Votes For: 0 Against: 0

Amount previously allocated in Committee's working budget: 0

Arguments for:

We want this improvements to better the neighborhood, not become an eyesore and source of community complaints

Helping trees develop the root system early ensures much better long term outcomes

Arguments against:

Cost.

Volunteers could be organized to do this work

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Date: AUG 10 2000

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95-4756212
DIN:
17053117005030
Contact Person:
JULIE Y. CHAN ID# 95051
Contact Telephone Number:
(877) 829-5500

Accounting Period Ending:
June 30
Foundation Status Classification:
170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
Advance Ruling Period Begins:
July 8, 1999
Advance Ruling Period Ends:
June 30, 2004
Addendum Applies:
No

Dear Applicant:

Based on information you supplied, and assuming your operations will be as stated in your application for recognition of exemption, we have determined you are exempt from federal income tax under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501(c)(3).

Because you are a newly created organization, we are not now making a final determination of your foundation status under section 509(a) of the Code. However, we have determined that you can reasonably expect to be a publicly supported organization described in sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

Accordingly, during an advance ruling period you will be treated as a publicly supported organization, and not as a private foundation. This advance ruling period begins and ends on the dates shown above.

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Grantors and contributors may rely on our determination that you are not a private foundation until 90 days after the end of your advance ruling period. If you send us the required information within the 90 days, grantors and

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contributors may continue to rely on the advance determination until we make a final determination of your foundation status.

If we publish a notice in the Internal Revenue Bulletin stating that we will no longer treat you as a publicly supported organization, grantors and contributors may not rely on this determination after the date we publish the notice. In addition, if you lose your status as a publicly supported organization, and a grantor or contributor was responsible for, or was aware of, the act or failure to act, that resulted in your loss of such status, that person may not rely on this determination from the date of the act or failure to act. Also, if a grantor or contributor learned that we had given notice that you would be removed from classification as a publicly supported organization, then that person may not rely on this determination as of the date he or she acquired such knowledge.

If you change your sources of support, your purposes, character, or method of operation, please let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on your exempt status and foundation status. If you amend your organizational document or bylaws, please send us a copy of the amended document or bylaws. Also, let us know all changes in your name or address.

As of January 1, 1984, you are liable for social security taxes under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act on amounts of \$100 or more you pay to each of your employees during a calendar year. You are not liable for the tax imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA).

Organizations that are not private foundations are not subject to the private foundation excise taxes under Chapter 42 of the Internal Revenue Code. However, you are not automatically exempt from other federal excise taxes. If you have any questions about excise, employment, or other federal taxes, please let us know.

Donors may deduct contributions to you as provided in section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to you or for your use are deductible for Federal estate and gift tax purposes if they meet the applicable provisions of sections 2055, 2106, and 2522 of the Code.

Donors may deduct contributions to you only to the extent that their contributions are gifts, with no consideration received. Ticket purchases and similar payments in conjunction with fundraising events may not necessarily qualify as deductible contributions, depending on the circumstances. Revenue Ruling 67-246, published in Cumulative Bulletin 1967-2, on page 104, gives guidelines regarding when taxpayers may deduct payments for admission to, or other participation in, fundraising activities for charity.

You are not required to file Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax, if your gross receipts each year are normally \$25,000 or less. If you receive a Form 990 package in the mail, simply attach the label provided, check the box in the heading to indicate that your annual gross receipts are normally \$25,000 or less, and sign the return. Because you will be treated as a public charity for return filing purposes during your entire advance ruling

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period, you should file Form 990 for each year in your advance ruling period that you exceed the \$25,000 filing threshold even if your sources of support do not satisfy the public support test specified in the heading of this letter.

If a return is required, it must be filed by the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of your annual accounting period. A penalty of \$20 a day is charged when a return is filed late, unless there is reasonable cause for the delay. However, the maximum penalty charged cannot exceed \$10,000 or 5 percent of your gross receipts for the year, whichever is less. For organizations with gross receipts exceeding \$1,000,000 in any year, the penalty is \$100 per day per return, unless there is reasonable cause for the delay. The maximum penalty for an organization with gross receipts exceeding \$1,000,000 shall not exceed \$50,000. This penalty may also be charged if a return is not complete. So, please be sure your return is complete before you file it.

You are not required to file federal income tax returns unless you are subject to the tax on unrelated business income under section 511 of the Code. If you are subject to this tax, you must file an income tax return on Form 990-T, Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return. In this letter we are not determining whether any of your present or proposed activities are unrelated trade or business as defined in section 513 of the Code.

You are required to make your annual information return, Form 990 or Form 990-EZ, available for public inspection for three years after the later of the due date of the return or the date the return is filed. You are also required to make available for public inspection your exemption application, any supporting documents, and your exemption letter. Copies of these documents are also required to be provided to any individual upon written or in person request without charge other than reasonable fees for copying and postage. You may fulfill this requirement by placing these documents on the Internet. Penalties may be imposed for failure to comply with these requirements. Additional information is available in Publication 557, Tax-Exempt Status for Your Organization, or you may call our toll free number shown above.

You need an employer identification number even if you have no employees. If an employer identification number was not entered on your application, we will assign a number to you and advise you of it. Please use that number on all returns you file and in all correspondence with the Internal Revenue Service.

If you distribute funds to individuals, you should keep case histories showing the recipients' names, addresses, purposes of awards, manner of selection, and relationship (if any) to members, officers, trustees or donors of funds to you, so that you can substantiate upon request by the Internal Revenue Service any and all distributions you made to individuals. (Revenue Ruling 56-304, C.B. 1956-2, page 306.)

If we said in the heading of this letter that an addendum applies, the addendum enclosed is an integral part of this letter.

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Because this letter could help us resolve any questions about your exempt status and foundation status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely yours,



Steven T. Miller *St*
Director, Exempt Organizations

Enclosure(s):
Form 872-C

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Motion to approve a \$3,000 NPG to SoRo Community Foundation to fund safety maintenance for SORO medallions project

Agenda Item: GB051619-7
Date: May 16, 2019
Proposed By: Marjan Safinia

Full Proposal

In 2011, SORO NC committed \$16,000 towards the fabrication and installation of permanent neighborhood markers, or medallions, to help put SORO “on the map”. After many years of a successful temporary banner program, we decided that permanent markers would last for a few decades and be a better investment. The funds we committed were put in trust at CD10, and recently both CD10 and CD5 have each agreed to commit \$15,000 towards the project, meaning that we are finally ready to move forward.

A critical piece of this work is to ensure that there is a maintenance contract in place so that any issues that arise with the medallions do not pose a safety risk. Since SORO NC is not able to enter into a contract of this kind, our friends at SoRo Community Foundation are willing to carry out this piece of the work. Maintenance will be carried out by the fabricator/installer.

Proposed Motion

- I. That SORO NC approve the attached Neighborhood Purposes Grant to SoRo Community Foundation for \$3000 for the maintenance of the SORO Medallions project, a collaboration between SORO NC, CD10 and CD5.

Considerations

Committee review: Votes For: 0 Against: 0

Amount previously allocated in Committee's working budget: 0

Arguments for:

This has been a loooong time in the works. It augments and supports a significant investment SORO NC has already made.

Permanent markers will add significantly to the sense of community identity.

Arguments against:

Cost.

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**Neighborhood Council Funding Program
APPLICATION for Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG)**



This form is to be completed by the applicant seeking the Neighborhood Purposes Grant and submitted to the Neighborhood Council from whom the grant is being sought. All applications for grants must be reviewed and approved in a public meeting. Upon approval of the application the Neighborhood Council (NC) shall submit the application along with all required documentation to the Office of the City Clerk, NC Funding Program.

Name of NC from which you are seeking this grant: South Robertson Neighborhoods Council

SECTION I - APPLICANT INFORMATION

1a)	<u>SoRo Community Foundation</u> <i>Organization Name</i>	<u>95-4756212</u> <i>Federal I.D. # (EIN#)</i>	<u>CA</u> <i>State of Incorporation</i>	<u>8/10/2000</u> <i>Date of 501(c)(3) Status (if applicable)</i>
1b)	<u>1836 1/2 South Robertson Blvd</u> <i>Organization Mailing Address</i>	<u>Los Angeles</u> <i>City</i>	<u>CA</u> <i>State</i>	<u>90035</u> <i>Zip Code</i>
1c)	<u></u> <i>Business Address (if different)</i>	<u></u> <i>City</i>	<u></u> <i>State</i>	<u></u> <i>Zip Code</i>
1d)	PRIMARY CONTACT INFORMATION:			
	<u>Laurence Demers</u> <i>Name</i>	<u>(310) 836-0340</u> <i>Phone</i>	<u>larry@demersandassociates.com</u> <i>Email</i>	
2)	Type of Organization- Please select one: <input type="checkbox"/> Public School <i>(not to include private schools)</i> Attach Signed letter on School Letterhead <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) Non-Profit <i>(other than religious institutions)</i> Attach IRS Determination Letter			
3)	<u></u> <i>Name / Address of Affiliated Organization (if applicable)</i>	<u></u> <i>City</i>	<u></u> <i>State</i>	<u></u> <i>Zip Code</i>

SECTION II - PROJECT DESCRIPTION

- 4) Please describe the purpose and intent of the grant.
 SORO NC, Council District 10 and Council District 5 are collaborating to bring permanent medallions to street lights along the South Robertson corridor. These medallions will further beautify and foster a sense of community pride along South Robertson, which our collective community has been working on for over twenty years. While the fabrication and installation of the medallions will be covered by the aforementioned entities, a condition of the project is that a third-party community-based organization undertakes a maintenance contract to ensure the medallions stay safely installed. SORO Community Foundation will play this role.
- 5) How will this grant be used to primarily support or serve a public purpose and benefit the public at-large. (Grants cannot be used as rewards or prizes for individuals)
 The grant will be used to fund required maintenance of the medallions with the fabricator who installs the project.

SECTION III - PROJECT BUDGET OUTLINE

You may also provide the Budget Outline on a separate sheet if necessary or requested.

6a)	Personnel Related Expenses	Requested of NC	Total Projected Cost
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
		\$	\$

6b)	Non-Personnel Related Expenses	Requested of NC	Total Projected Cost
	Maintenance of SORO Medallions	\$ 3000	\$ 3000
		\$	\$
		\$	\$

7) Have you (applicant) applied to any other Neighborhood Councils requesting funds for this project?
 No Yes If Yes, please list names of NCs: _____

8) Is the implementation of this specific program or purpose described in Question 4 contingent on any other factors or sources or funding? (Including NPG applications to other NCs) No Yes If Yes, please describe:

Source of Funding	Amount	Total Projected Cost
	\$	\$
	\$	\$
	\$	\$

9) What is the TOTAL amount of the grant funding requested with this application: \$ 3000

10a) Start date: 6 / 15 / 19 10b) Date Funds Required: 6 / 15 / 19 10c) Expected Completion Date: 6 / 15 / 20
 (After completion of the project, the applicant should submit a Project Completion Report to the Neighborhood Council)

SECTION IV - POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

11a) Do you (applicant) have a current or former relationship with a Board Member of the NC?
 No Yes If Yes, please describe below:

Name of NC Board Member	Relationship to Applicant

11b) If yes, did you request that the board member consult the Office of the City Attorney before filing this application?
 Yes No ***(Please note that if a Board Member of the NC has a conflict of interest and completes this form, or participates in the discussion and voting of this NPG, the NC Funding Program will deny the payment of this grant in its entirety.)**

SECTION V - DECLARATION AND SIGNATURE

I hereby affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided herein and communicated otherwise is truly and accurately stated. I further affirm that I have read the documents "What is a Public Benefit," and "Conflicts of Interest" of this application and affirm that the proposed project(s) and/or program(s) fall within the criteria of a public benefit project/program and that no conflict of interest exist that would prevent the awarding of the Neighborhood Purposes Grant. I affirm that I am not a current Board Member of the Neighborhood Council to whom I am submitting this application. I further affirm that if the grant received is not used in accordance with the terms of the application stated here, said funds shall be returned immediately to the Neighborhood Council.

12a) Executive Director of Non-Profit Corporation or School Principal - REQUIRED*
 Laurence DeMers 5/16/19

 PRINT Name Title Signature Date

12b) Secretary of Non-profit Corporation or Assistant School Principal - REQUIRED*

 PRINT Name Title Signature Date

* If a current Board Member holds the position of Executive Director or Secretary, please contact the NC Funding Program at (213) 978-1058 or clerk.ncfunding@lacity.org for instructions on completing this form

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DLN:
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Contact Person:
JULIE Y. CHAN ID# 95051
Contact Telephone Number:
(877) 829-5500

Accounting Period Ending:
June 30
Foundation Status Classification:
170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
Advance Ruling Period Begins:
July 8, 1999
Advance Ruling Period Ends:
June 30, 2004
Addendum Applies:
No

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If a return is required, it must be filed by the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of your annual accounting period. A penalty of \$20 a day is charged when a return is filed late, unless there is reasonable cause for the delay. However, the maximum penalty charged cannot exceed \$10,000 or 5 percent of your gross receipts for the year, whichever is less. For organizations with gross receipts exceeding \$1,000,000 in any year, the penalty is \$100 per day per return, unless there is reasonable cause for the delay. The maximum penalty for an organization with gross receipts exceeding \$1,000,000 shall not exceed \$50,000. This penalty may also be charged if a return is not complete. So, please be sure your return is complete before you file it.

You are not required to file federal income tax returns unless you are subject to the tax on unrelated business income under section 511 of the Code. If you are subject to this tax, you must file an income tax return on Form 990-T, Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return. In this letter we are not determining whether any of your present or proposed activities are unrelated trade or business as defined in section 513 of the Code.

You are required to make your annual information return, Form 990 or Form 990-EZ, available for public inspection for three years after the later of the due date of the return or the date the return is filed. You are also required to make available for public inspection your exemption application, any supporting documents, and your exemption letter. Copies of these documents are also required to be provided to any individual upon written or in person request without charge other than reasonable fees for copying and postage. You may fulfill this requirement by placing these documents on the Internet. Penalties may be imposed for failure to comply with these requirements. Additional information is available in Publication 557, Tax-Exempt Status for Your Organization, or you may call our toll free number shown above.

You need an employer identification number even if you have no employees. If an employer identification number was not entered on your application, we will assign a number to you and advise you of it. Please use that number on all returns you file and in all correspondence with the Internal Revenue Service.

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If we said in the heading of this letter that an addendum applies, the addendum enclosed is an integral part of this letter.

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Because this letter could help us resolve any questions about your exempt status and foundation status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

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Sincerely yours,



Steven T. Miller *St*
Director, Exempt Organizations

Enclosure(s):
Form 872-C

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Motion to approve a \$5,000 NPG to SoRo Community Foundation to support gateway signage for 'SORO Village'

Agenda Item: GB051619-8
Date: May 16, 2019
Proposed By: Marjan Safinia

Full Proposal

As implementation and installation of Great Streets improvements begin along the South Robertson corridor, we seek to continue to support community efforts to beautify and revitalize the commercial corridor, and continue to build a sense of community pride and identity.

This motion is to commit funding towards gateway signage for the corridor, which will be carried out by the SORO Community Foundation, who are leading the Great Streets improvements. Gateway signage is an important piece of many similar community improvement projects. It draws attention to the focus area, and delineates the corridor as something "special" to drivers and pedestrians. It can also contribute to drivers slowing down as they enter this area, along with several other factors in the Great Streets design intended to achieve the same goals.

Since the signage will refer to the area as SORO, it also helps to cement and further the brand identity work the NC has been supporting for many years now.

Proposed Motion

- I. That SORO NC approve the attached Neighborhood Purposes Grant to SoRo Community Foundation for \$5000 to support a gateway signing project for the Great Streets Corridor.

Considerations

Committee review: Votes For: 0 Against: 0

Amount previously allocated in Committee's working budget: 0

Arguments for:

SORO NC has long been involved in efforts to brand the community and stimulate community pride in the area.

Gateway signage helps put a community "on the map" in a significant way in the City at large.

Arguments against:

Cost.

Signage can be vandalized.

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**Neighborhood Council Funding Program
APPLICATION for Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG)**



This form is to be completed by the applicant seeking the Neighborhood Purposes Grant and submitted to the Neighborhood Council from whom the grant is being sought. All applications for grants must be reviewed and approved in a public meeting. Upon approval of the application the Neighborhood Council (NC) shall submit the application along with all required documentation to the Office of the City Clerk, NC Funding Program.

Name of NC from which you are seeking this grant: South Robertson Neighborhoods Council

SECTION I - APPLICANT INFORMATION

1a)	<u>SoRo Community Foundation</u> <i>Organization Name</i>	<u>95-4756212</u> <i>Federal I.D. # (EIN#)</i>	<u>CA</u> <i>State of Incorporation</i>	<u>8/10/2000</u> <i>Date of 501(c)(3) Status (if applicable)</i>
1b)	<u>1836 1/2 South Robertson Blvd</u> <i>Organization Mailing Address</i>	<u>Los Angeles</u> <i>City</i>	<u>CA</u> <i>State</i>	<u>90035</u> <i>Zip Code</i>
1c)	<u></u> <i>Business Address (If different)</i>	<u></u> <i>City</i>	<u></u> <i>State</i>	<u></u> <i>Zip Code</i>
1d)	PRIMARY CONTACT INFORMATION:			
	<u>Laurence Demers</u> <i>Name</i>	<u>(310) 836-0340</u> <i>Phone</i>	<u>larry@demersandassociates.com</u> <i>Email</i>	
2)	Type of Organization- Please select one:			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Public School <i>(not to include private schools)</i> Attach Signed letter on School Letterhead	or	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) Non-Profit <i>(other than religious institutions)</i> Attach IRS Determination Letter	
3)	<u></u> <i>Name / Address of Affiliated Organization (if applicable)</i>	<u></u> <i>City</i>	<u></u> <i>State</i>	<u></u> <i>Zip Code</i>

SECTION II - PROJECT DESCRIPTION

4) **Please describe the purpose and intent of the grant.**
 In 2016 SORO Community Foundation was one of only three citywide recipients of the Mayor's Great Streets Build Grants. In 2017, with SORO NC's help, we conducted extensive outreach in order to create a community vision for the South Robertson corridor. The Great Streets grant is intended to kickstart projects, but relies on continued fundraising to fully realize the community's vision. This NPG is to fund gateway signage to demarcate the Great Streets Corridor, drawing visual attention to the new "SORO Village" area.

5) **How will this grant be used to primarily support or serve a public purpose and benefit the public at-large. (Grants cannot be used as rewards or prizes for individuals)**
 The grant will be used to add public signage to define the growing improvements along the Great Streets corridor, and to help bolster the economic revitalization of this long-depressed portion of our community.

SECTION III - PROJECT BUDGET OUTLINE

You may also provide the Budget Outline on a separate sheet if necessary or requested.

6a)	Personnel Related Expenses	Requested of NC	Total Projected Cost
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
		\$	\$

6b)	Non-Personnel Related Expenses	Requested of NC	Total Projected Cost
	Funds towards design, fabrication and installation of gateway signage for "SORO Village"	\$ 5000	\$ 8000
		\$	\$
		\$	\$

7) Have you (applicant) applied to any other Neighborhood Councils requesting funds for this project?
 No Yes If Yes, please list names of NCs: _____

8) Is the implementation of this specific program or purpose described in Question 4 contingent on any other factors or sources or funding? (Including NPG applications to other NCs) No Yes If Yes, please describe:

Source of Funding	Amount	Total Projected Cost
Existing funds already committed to Great Streets Improvements from SORO Community Foundation	\$ 3000	\$ 8000
	\$	\$
	\$	\$

9) What is the TOTAL amount of the grant funding requested with this application: \$ 5,000

10a) Start date: 6 / 15 / 19 10b) Date Funds Required: 7 / 15 / 19 10c) Expected Completion Date: 12 / 15 / 19
 (After completion of the project, the applicant should submit a Project Completion Report to the Neighborhood Council)

SECTION IV - POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

11a) Do you (applicant) have a current or former relationship with a Board Member of the NC?
 No Yes If Yes, please describe below:

Name of NC Board Member	Relationship to Applicant

11b) If yes, did you request that the board member consult the Office of the City Attorney before filing this application?
 Yes No ***(Please note that if a Board Member of the NC has a conflict of interest and completes this form, or participates in the discussion and voting of this NPG, the NC Funding Program will deny the payment of this grant in its entirety.)**

SECTION V - DECLARATION AND SIGNATURE

I hereby affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided herein and communicated otherwise is truly and accurately stated. I further affirm that I have read the documents "What is a Public Benefit," and "Conflicts of Interest" of this application and affirm that the proposed project(s) and/or program(s) fall within the criteria of a public benefit project/program and that no conflict of interest exist that would prevent the awarding of the Neighborhood Purposes Grant. I affirm that I am not a current Board Member of the Neighborhood Council to whom I am submitting this application. I further affirm that if the grant received is not used in accordance with the terms of the application stated here, said funds shall be returned immediately to the Neighborhood Council.

12a) Executive Director of Non-Profit Corporation or School Principal - REQUIRED*
 Laurence DeMers 5/16/19

 PRINT Name Title Signature Date

12b) Secretary of Non-profit Corporation or Assistant School Principal - REQUIRED*

 PRINT Name Title Signature Date

* If a current Board Member holds the position of Executive Director or Secretary, please contact the NC Funding Program at (213) 978-1058 or clerk.ncfunding@lacity.org for instructions on completing this form

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: AUG 10 2000

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Employer Identification Number:
95-4756212

DLN:

17053117005030

Contact Person:

JULIE Y. CHAN

ID# 95051

Contact Telephone Number:
(877) 829-5500

Accounting Period Ending:
June 30

Foundation Status Classification:
170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

Advance Ruling Period Begins:
July 8, 1999

Advance Ruling Period Ends:
June 30, 2004

Addendum Applies:
No

Dear Applicant:

Based on information you supplied, and assuming your operations will be as stated in your application for recognition of exemption, we have determined you are exempt from federal income tax under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501(c)(3).

Because you are a newly created organization, we are not now making a final determination of your foundation status under section 509(a) of the Code. However, we have determined that you can reasonably expect to be a publicly supported organization described in sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

Accordingly, during an advance ruling period you will be treated as a publicly supported organization, and not as a private foundation. This advance ruling period begins and ends on the dates shown above.

Within 90 days after the end of your advance ruling period, you must send us the information needed to determine whether you have met the requirements of the applicable support test during the advance ruling period. If you establish that you have been a publicly supported organization, we will classify you as a section 509(a)(1) or 509(a)(2) organization as long as you continue to meet the requirements of the applicable support test. If you do not meet the public support requirements during the advance ruling period, we will classify you as a private foundation for future periods. Also, if we classify you as a private foundation, we will treat you as a private foundation from your beginning date for purposes of section 507(d) and 4940.

Grantors and contributors may rely on our determination that you are not a private foundation until 90 days after the end of your advance ruling period. If you send us the required information within the 90 days, grantors and

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contributors may continue to rely on the advance determination until we make a final determination of your foundation status.

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If you change your sources of support, your purposes, character, or method of operation, please let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on your exempt status and foundation status. If you amend your organizational document or bylaws, please send us a copy of the amended document or bylaws. Also, let us know all changes in your name or address.

As of January 1, 1984, you are liable for social security taxes under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act on amounts of \$100 or more you pay to each of your employees during a calendar year. You are not liable for the tax imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA).

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Sincerely yours,



Steven T. Miller *St*
Director, Exempt Organizations

Enclosure(s):
Form 872-C

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Motion to fund up to \$5,000 for the pressure washing of sidewalks along Robertson Blvd between Cadillac and Cattaraugus

Agenda Item: GB051619-9

Date: May 16, 2019

Proposed By: Executive Committee

Full Proposal

After the work for the Great Streets project is complete, this money would go towards pressure washing and removing gum on the sidewalks of Robertson Blvd between Cadillac Ave and Cattaraugus Ave. The sidewalks are currently filthy, with some areas 25% covered in gum. While the Great Streets work is concentrated on the two blocks from Beverlywood St to Olin St, pressure washing the sidewalks from Cadillac Ave to Cattaraugus Ave would allow the rest of the Robertson corridor to get some love and a much-needed cleaning.

Bids were collected from 5 companies/organizations. The selected company meets the budget constraints, covers the total geographic area, provides their own water source, uses hot water, removes gum, is responsive and professional, and is environmentally sensitive.

Proposed Motion

- I. That SORO NC fund up to \$5,000 for the pressure washing and gum removal of the sidewalks along Robertson Blvd between Cadillac Ave and Cattaraugus Ave.

Considerations

Committee review: Votes For: 3 Against: 0

Amount previously allocated in Committee's working budget: 0

Arguments for:

The sidewalks need to be cleaned.

It is more likely to be done and to be done well if an experienced professional is hired to do it.

Arguments against:

The money could be spent elsewhere.

Volunteers could rent a pressure-washer and do the work over the course of many weekends.

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ESTIMATE

ADDRESS

South Robertson
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Krystal Navar

ESTIMATE # 14566

DATE 05/13/2019

LOCATION

AS NOTED BELOW

DATE	CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	SERVICE AMOUNT
05/13/2019	REMEDIAL PRESSURE WASHING	<p>Pressure washing with HOT water with the use of environmentally friendly detergents. We can provide you with a clean not streaked sidewalk and a real nice fresh clean look for a total of \$4,800.00 for the area of Robertson Blvd from Cadillac to Cattaraugus Ave. Services would be completed during the hours of 8:00pm and 4:00am not to interfere with the stores and customers who are so important. In addition we will provide the council with 6 hours of gum removal at no additional cost. This is no way a guaranty that ALL gum will be removed over the entire area but this will be a good amount.</p> <p>We will use water berms and other filtration systems to help filter contaminants out of the sidewalk water runoff to avoid issues of having all contaminates going into the storm drains at the price stated.</p> <p>We will NOT access the water from any business.</p> <p>We will do our best to avoid window overspray, but our first goal is to get all of those corners and cracks washed out so if splatter does dirty a window we will rinse, but not wash windows.</p> <p>Estimated service time: up to 6 nights of service may be needed</p>	4,800.00

TOTAL

\$4,800.00



Motion to fund an additional \$500 to support the Congress of Neighborhood Councils

Agenda Item: GB051619-10

Date: May 16, 2019

Proposed By: Jon Liberman

Include motion in Consent Agenda? No

Background

This Neighborhood Council has traditionally provided financial support for the Congress of Neighborhood Councils. This fiscal year's budget provides for a \$500 contribution. In recognition of our financial balance and of the good works done by the Congress of Neighborhood Councils the Finance Committee proposes to increase this amount by \$500 to a total of \$1000.

Proposed Motion

South Robertson NC shall increase its support of the Congress of Neighborhood Councils by \$500 to make a total contribution of \$1000.

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Jon Liberman
Treasurer

(vacant)
Secretary

Martin Epstein
Corresponding Secretary

Considerations

Committee review: <i>(highly recommended)</i>	Votes For:-4-	Against :-0-
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Amount previously allocated in Committee's working budget: <i>(applies to funding motions only)</i>	\$500
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Arguments for:

1. This revised amount reflects past amounts which we have provided to the Congress of Neighborhood Councils.

Arguments against:

1. none.

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Motion to fund an additional \$500 to support Budget Advocates

Agenda Item: GB051619-11

Date: May 16, 2019

Proposed By: Jon Liberman

Include motion in Consent Agenda? No

Background

This Neighborhood Council has traditionally provided financial support for Budget Advocates. This fiscal year's budget provides for a \$500 contribution. In recognition of our financial balance and of the good works done by the Budget Advocates the Finance Committee proposes to increase this amount by \$500 to a total of \$1000.

Proposed Motion

South Robertson NC shall increase its support of Budget Advocates by \$500 to make a total contribution of \$1000.

Considerations

Committee review: <i>(highly recommended)</i>	Votes For:-4-	Against :-0-
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Amount previously allocated in Committee's working budget: <i>(applies to funding motions only)</i>	\$500
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Arguments for:

1. This revised amount reflects past amounts which we have provided to Budget Advocates.

Arguments against:

1. none.

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Motion to fund up to \$600 for dog watering stations to be provided to business along Robertson Blvd.

Agenda Item: GB051619-12

Date: May 16, 2019

Proposed By: Jon Liberman

Include motion in Consent Agenda? No

Background

Last year the City of Los Angeles in conjunction with our Neighborhood Council designated a portion of Robertson Blvd as a "Great Street". Phase One should be completed this year. As residents, merchants and other stakeholders enjoy the improvements we anticipate that this will bring about a greater vitality to the area and increased foot traffic. We propose making this an enjoyable circumstance for all stakeholders with pets by providing watering stations for pets on both sides of Robertson Blvd. Each participating merchant will be provided with a 32-ounce stainless steel bowl with the imprint "For your pets refreshment while you enjoy our Great Street. Provided by the Soro Neighborhoods Council and this establishment".

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Proposed Motion

South Robertson NC shall spend up to \$600 to provide watering stations for pets on the Great Streets segment of Robertson Blvd.

Considerations

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

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

Arguments for:

1. .Makes our business area more pedestrian friendly.

Arguments against:

1. Doesn't do much for pets that are not cats or dogs.

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Motion to support permitted parking as a protective barrier for houses of worship

Agenda Item: GB051619-13
Date: May 16, 2019
Proposed By: Public Safety
Include motion in Consent Agenda? No preference

Background

Unfortunately, attacks on religious institutions are at an all-time high. With the South Robertson area having many diverse religious communities, there is a heightened concern for security in and around houses of worship. Many of these are on major streets, with only a sidewalk separating them from a potential terrorist vehicle that could ram through during religious services. Chabad of South La Cienega (SOLA) is one of these religious institutions, and is seeking to enact security measures (see accompanying letter).

One such security measure involves using permitted parking to create a barrier to prevent the usage of motor vehicles as a means of inflicting terror. The house of worship would apply for a Permit Only zone (for specific hours when services are in session) in the parking spaces directly in front to use congregants' vehicles as barriers.

Proposed Motion

For the SORO NC to write letters expressing support for any religious house of worship seeking the use of permitted parking as a protective barrier and send them to both City Council President Herb Wesson and City Council Member Paul Koretz. The letter to Paul Koretz would include specific support of Chabad of South La Cienega's Permitted Parking Request Letter, as they are the first house of worship to seek this approval.

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Considerations

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

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

Arguments for:

Inexpensive barrier method

Doesn't look out of the ordinary

Arguments against:

Takes away parking for nearby residents and businesses

Cars belonging to non-members are just as effective as barriers

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Dear Councilman Koretz,

As you may know, over the past eleven years our congregation has experienced phenomenal growth from a handful of 15 families to now well over 150 families all of whom consider the Chabad of South La Cienega (SOLA) as their main community synagogue. Many of these families live in Council District #5 and regularly attend our Friday night and Shabbat day services each week, often times bringing two or more children to join in our thriving kids program. Altogether, each Friday night and Saturday day sees well over 200 people coming to our location to join in worship, friendship, and scholarship.

Unfortunately, in this day and age when anti-semitic and anti-Israel terrorism is at an all-time high, having a large concentration of Jewish families in one location at one time can G-d forbid make Chabad SOLA a target. In an effort to ensure the safety of our congregants while at Chabad of SOLA, we would like to solicit your assistance in requesting LADOT to implement the following:

- a) A permanent **PERMITTED ONLY PARKING** restriction along La Cienega Blvd. directly in front of our location and in front of the locations directly adjacent to us for every Friday night beginning at 4:00 pm and continuing through every Saturday night at 9:00 pm in addition to annual Jewish Holidays.
- b) Granted **PARKING PERMITS** for our congregants to be able to park their cars in the permitted only parking restriction zone mentioned in a) above. This will allow us to create a much needed barrier to prevent the usage of motor vehicles as a means of inflicting terror upon citizens on the sidewalk until the city implements approved permanent barriers.

The above critical measures will help prevent possible terrorists from launching an attack against our congregants from directly in front of our location along La Cienega Blvd. Please let us know if you can assist us with this request. We thank you for all your efforts in providing for the safety and security of all Jewish people throughout Los Angeles and hope your efforts will make coming to "shul" safer for all Chabad SOLA families.

Rabbi Avraham Zajac
Chabad of South La Cienega (SOLA)