



# Motion to support Conditional Use Beverage (CUB) at 8879 W Pico Blvd

**Agenda Item:** GB082219-4

**Date:** August 22, 2019

**Proposed By:** LUED Committee

**Include motion in Consent Agenda?** If possible

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## Background

The project representative presented this proposed CUB to the Land Use Committee at their August 06, 2019 meeting. The CUB would allow the sale and distribution of a full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption at an existing 2,588 square foot restaurant named Red Fish Kitchen, located on the north side of Pico Blvd, between S Swall Dr and S Clark Dr.

The restaurant has 16 interior seats. No construction is proposed. The requested CUB includes proposed hours of operation from 11am to 12am daily. The subject property is zoned C4-1VL-O (Commercial with a 45-foot height limit). There is no existing liquor license for this restaurant.

The project representative noticed residents within 500 feet of the property for the Land Use meeting. There were no neighbors in attendance at the meeting.

## Proposed Motion

Submit a letter in support of the project to City Planner Courtney Shum (courtney.shum@lacity.org) to be included in case file for the CUB at 8879 W Pico Blvd; ZA-2019-4071-CUB.

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## Considerations

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

Votes For: 6

Against: 0

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### Arguments for:

The restaurant is small and existing, without a current liquor license.

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### Arguments against:

Distilled spirits are already sold at many nearby restaurants.

A liquor license for an existing restaurant on Pico helps further the NC's goal in Pico Blvd being a restaurant destination.

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Courtney Shum  
Department of City Planning  
200 N. Spring Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

23 August 2019

Re: Case Number ZA-2019-4071-CUB

Dear Ms. Shum:

I am writing on behalf of the South Robertson Neighborhoods Council (“SORO NC”) to comment on the requested Conditional Use Beverage (CUB) permit at 8879 W Pico Blvd.

At a duly-noticed meeting of the General Board on August 22, 2019, SORO NC voted 00 yes / 00 no / 00 abstain to recommend that the applicant’s license request be approved. A liquor license for an existing restaurant on Pico Blvd helps further the NC’s goal in Pico Blvd being a restaurant destination.

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

Sincerely,

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# Motion to support proposed 16-unit TOC apartment building at 3117 S Bagley Ave

**Agenda Item:** GB082219-14  
**Date:** August 22, 2019  
**Proposed By:** LUED Committee  
**Include motion in  
Consent Agenda?** No

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## Background

The project team presented this proposed 16-unit apartment building to the Land Use and Economic Development (LUED) committee at their April 02, 2019 and May 07, 2019 meetings. The applicant's entitlement request is for a Tier 3 TOC (Transit Oriented Communities) apartment building. 3 units will be set aside as Very Low Income affordable units. The remaining 13 units will be market rate units. The additional incentives requested include the following.

- Reduced Side Yard – Up to 30% decrease in required width
  - Required 7'-0" side yard setback. TOC incentive allows 4'-11". Project provides 5'-0".
- Increased Height – Up to 22 additional feet
  - Limited to 45'-0". TOC incentive allows 67'-0". Project is 52'-6".

(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 by offering incentives, which the developer can select from a menu.)

The subject property, located at 3117 S Bagley Ave, on the west side of Bagley Ave, north of National Blvd and south of Kincardine Ave. The south half of the block is comprised of 2-3 story apartment buildings on R3-1 zoned lots. The north half of the block, beginning 4 properties north of the subject property, as well as the property to the rear, is comprised of single-family homes on R1V2 zones lots.

The project site is 6,400 square feet. The proposed building is 5 stories and 13,359 square feet. The project consists of (4) studios, (8) 1-bedroom, and (4) 2-bedroom units. 8 parking stalls are located both at grade and in a subterranean garage.

The applicant noticed residents within 500 feet of the property for the April LUED meeting. Many residents attended the meeting to voice their opposition to the project. Their concerns were primarily related to privacy, noise, and parking limitations. The committee recommended they study the specific concerns and return to the next committee meeting, which they agreed to do. They attended the May LUED meeting, where, again, neighbors showed up to voice their concerns. After a lengthy discussion, the committee voted to recommend support of the project contingent on the project team making requested changes or demonstrating that a good faith effort was made to study the feasibility of making the changes. Those changes discussed were the following.

- Remove the outdoor BBQ in the rear yard Rest Area.
- Plant tall, fast-growing plants, such as a clumping bamboo, along the rear property line to provide a privacy screen for adjacent neighbors.

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- Study modifying the bedroom windows facing the rear property so that they are more respectful of the privacy of the neighbors to the rear.
- Study changing the railings of the balconies facing the rear property to be solid, rather than open.
- Study the impact the sun has on neighboring single-family homes.

**Proposed Motion**

Submit a letter in support of the application to City Planning Department staff Julia Duncan (julia.duncan@lacity.org) to be included in case file for the TOC apartment building at 3117 S Bagley Ave; DIR-2019-750-TOC.

**Considerations**

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

Votes For: 3

Against: 1

**Arguments for:**

The project utilizes the TOC Guidelines to add 3 affordable units, as well as 13 market rate units, to the housing stock. 16 proposed units – 2 existing units = 14 additional units

The project is located a 14-min walk from the Palms Station of the Expo Line, an appropriate location for a TOC project.

**Arguments against:**

One 2-unit apartment building will be demolished.

The building will be 3 stories taller than most neighboring buildings.



Julia Duncan  
Department of City Planning  
200 N. Spring Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

23 August 2019

Re: Case Number DIR-2019-750-TOC

Dear Ms. Duncan:

I am writing on behalf of the South Robertson Neighborhoods Council (“SORO NC”) to comment on the proposed 16-unit TOC apartment building at 3117 S Bagley Ave.

At a duly-noticed meeting of the General Board on August 22, 2019, SORO NC voted 00 yes / 00 no / 00 abstain to recommend that the applicant’s project be approved. The addition of 16 units, 3 of which are designated Extremely Low Income affordable units, to a transit-rich area of Los Angeles is much needed. The project team met with the NC multiple times and demonstrated a willingness to study and implement requested changes to the project design to address community concerns.

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

Sincerely,

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# Motion to increase funding for SORO NC business cards from up to \$700 to up to \$3000

**Agenda Item:** GB082219-15

**Date:** August 22, 2019

**Proposed By:** Executive Committee

**Include motion in  
Consent Agenda?** No

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## Background

We have previously approved up to \$700 for the purchase of 15 sets of business cards through the City printing office. Since then we have learned at the cost of 2-color cards has increased from approximately \$35 per box to approximately \$55 per box.

Also, our total number being ordered is now expected to be 17 boxes, based on the prospect of filling 2 additional seats at this meeting.

Therefore it is proposed that we increase the funding budget by \$300, to cover the additional cards, the additional cost from the printer, and the cost of having them delivered.

City business cards help identify us as official City representatives. 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 \$300 in additional funds for the printing of business cards for new SORO NC Board members and for existing members with new titles.

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## Considerations

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

Votes For: 5

Against:

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

\$0 (for the  
new fiscal  
year)

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### Arguments for:

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

### Arguments against:

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# Motion to reimburse Jon Liberman for items paid on NC behalf

**Agenda Item:** GB082219-16

**Date:** August 22, 2019

**Proposed By:** Executive

**Include motion in Consent Agenda?** No

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## Background

At our July General Board meeting GB071819-38 was approved authorizing up to \$235 for a training session. Of this amount Jon Liberman paid out of his own funds \$111.57 to cover the cost of light food and refreshments.

## Proposed Motion

- I. Authorize reimbursement to Jon Liberman for items he purchased in the amount of \$111.57.

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## Considerations

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

Votes For:-0-

Against :-0-

**Amount previously allocated in Committee's working budget:** \$235  
*(applies to funding motions only)*

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### Arguments for:

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### Arguments against:

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# Motion to Fund up to \$500 for SORO NC to Sponsor RYLAN Presentations

**Agenda Item:** GB082219-17

**Date:** August 22, 2019

**Proposed By:** SORO NC Public Safety Committee

**Include motion in Consent Agenda?** No

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## Background

### Full Proposal

The City of Los Angeles has developed a program called **Ready Your LA Neighborhood (RYLAN)** to help your family and your neighborhood prepare for disasters.

RYLAN gives you the steps to take immediately after a disaster to help keep you and your family safe. It provides the tools to prepare and organize your neighborhood to respond together in that first hour after a disaster to reduce injuries, protect your property and the environment, and most importantly, to save lives by focusing on the following:

- Calling on every Neighborhood Council to name a Preparedness Officer to serve as a liaison with the City's Emergency Management Department (EMD).
- Ensuring each of these officers gets trained by EMD, so they can facilitate workshops in their area and develop [Ready Your L.A. Neighborhood \(RYLAN\)](#) plans in each community.
- Urging every Neighborhood Council to organize and host local block parties to encourage families to participate in the RYLAN initiative.
- Equipping L.A. households with the resources and knowledge needed to be prepared for future earthquakes, fires, or floods.

The SORO NC Public Safety Committee has organized several neighborhood buildings, blocks and organizations to hold meetings this Fall. These meetings will feature speakers from the Emergency Management Department, LAFD and CERT.

### Proposed Motion

For the SORO NC to sponsor and fund \$500 for printed and social media outreach for a series of neighborhood RYLAN Presentation Meetings scheduled throughout Fall 2019.

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## Considerations

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

Votes For: 8

Against: 0

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**Amount previously allocated in Committee's working budget:** \$2000  
*(applies to funding motions only)*

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**Arguments for:**

Emergency preparedness is an important function of the NC

Having many small presentations allows greater community outreach

**Arguments against:**

Funds can be used elsewhere.

Seems like there is a new plan every few years.



# Motion to increase funding of Board Retreat from up to \$1,000 to up to \$2,000

**Agenda Item:** GB082219-18  
**Date:** August, 22nd 2019  
**Proposed By:** Executive Committee  
**Include motion in Consent Agenda?** No

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## Background

It is beneficial for the entire Board to periodically take time to discuss priorities, further build interpersonal relationships, and brainstorm ideas.

The date and time of the Board Retreat will be on Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> from 4:pm – 7:pm.

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## Proposed Motion

SORO NC will fund up to \$2000 for the SORO NC Board Retreat. This amount includes the location rental/setup fee, food with Kosher option and all applicable taxes.

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## Considerations

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<b>Committee review:</b> <i>(highly recommended)</i>	Votes For: 5	Against : 0
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<b>Amount previously allocated in Committee's working budget:</b> <i>(applies to funding motions only)</i>	\$1,000
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**Arguments for:**

**Arguments against:**

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# Motion to submit a Community Impact Statement to call on the City to study a pathway to 100% renewable energy by 2030

**Agenda Item:** GB082219-19  
**Date:** August 22, 2019  
**Proposed By:** Executive Committee  
**Include motion in Consent Agenda?** No

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## Background

The United Nations' Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change has found that rapid warming caused by climate change will cause increased droughts, wildfires, food shortages, and other ecological and humanitarian disasters far earlier than previously expected.

The same study found that a global reduction of carbon emissions of 40 to 60 percent from 2010 levels by 2030 is necessary in order to limit a rise in global temperatures above 1.5 degrees Celsius, and avoid the most catastrophic impacts of climate change.

Los Angeles' leading contribution to carbon emissions is the electricity sector representing 73% of total carbon dioxide emissions in 2017 among the waste and transportation sectors.

## Proposed Motion

Submit a Community Impact Statement in Support of City Council Motion #16-0243 and to call on the City to study a pathway to 100% renewable energy by 2030

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## Considerations

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<b>Committee review:</b> <i>(highly recommended)</i>	Votes For: 4	Against : 0
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**Amount previously allocated in Committee's working budget:**  
*(applies to funding motions only)*

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**Arguments for:**

**Arguments against:**

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**Council File: 16-0423**

## **Community Impact Statement**

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

<b>Yes:</b> 0	<b>No:</b> 0	<b>Abstain:</b> 0	<b>Recuse:</b> 0
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**Date of vote:** 22 August 2019

The South Robertson Neighborhoods Council (SORO NC) calls on the City to study a pathway to 100% renewable energy by 2030. The SORO NC joins, to date, over 20 other neighborhood councils in support of a 100% clean, renewable energy transition for LA by 2030. LADWP's leadership in transitioning Los Angeles to 100% clean renewable energy would set a powerful example for cities around the world.

**Submitted by:** Charlie Stein

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