



## General Board Draft Minutes

Thursday, September 15, 2022, 7:00pm

*Meetings end at 10:00pm unless the Board votes to end earlier or extend the time.*

**Location: IN CONFORMITY WITH THE SEPTEMBER 16, 2021 ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA ASSEMBLY BILL 361 (RIVAS) AND DUE TO CONCERNS OVER COVID-19, THE SOUTH ROBERTSON NEIGHBORHOODS COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED ENTIRELY WITH A CALL-IN OPTION OR INTERNET-BASED SERVICE OPTION.**

**To join online:** <https://zoom.us/j/89930026366>

1. **Call to Order 7:04 pm by Baila Romm leading the meeting.**
  2. **Pledge of Allegiance led by Bill Gross**
  3. **Roll Call: Bill Gross, Laurie Levine, Michael Lynn, Fabiola Prieto, Joel Weinberger, Terrence Gomes, Ellen Lanet, Baila Romm, Ken Blaker, Jon Liberman, Kyle Berman, Richard Bloom, Mitch Cohen, Shirley Traum, Jacob Shofet, Shevy Lieder, Joseph Mollaie (7:09pm)**  
**Absent: Sandy Block, Dina Leeds, Joseph Mollaie (entered the meeting at 7:09 pm), Sophia French, David Notowitz, Melinda Chuarn, Barry Levine, Sandy Block joined the meeting at 9 pm, Jacob Shofet left the meeting at 8:00 pm, Terrence Gomes left the meeting at 9:35 pm**
  4. **General Public Comment: None**
  5. **Brief Board Announcements**
    - a. **Items for Future Committee or General Board Agendas: Kyle Burman Close Lane on Venice Blvd. Transportation Committee. Bill Gross – Live meetings How to transition.**
    - b. **Other Brief Board Announcements – None**
- 7:31 pm Michael Lynn takes lead of meeting**
6. **Presentation by LADOT on the Venice Blvd Safety and Mobility Project**
    - a. **Will include a questions and answers period for Board members and Stakeholders**  
**Presenters: Babak Dorji from LADOT, James Shahamiri and Clare Eberle**  
**Public Comment: Ellen Issacs**  
**Presentation and Q&A ended at about 8:32 pm**

## 7. Community Reports

- a. LA Police Department (Baker/Ojeda) - None
- b. Office of Councilmember Ridley-Thomas (Guevara) – Gave Presentation
- c. Office of Councilmember Koretz (Ingram) - None
- d. Office of Mayor Garcetti (?) - None
- e. Office of State Assemblymember Bloom (Kaufler) None
- f. Office of State Assemblymember Bryan (Persoff) Gave Presentation
- g. Office of State Senator Kamlager (Siroky) None
- h. Office of County Supervisor Kuehl (Sherrell) None
- i. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (Cupen-Ames) Gave Presentation and email sent.
- j. Other Neighborhood, City and State offices Kenny from LAFD was in attendance to give report but left due to the late time.

## 8. Board Membership- Selections, Removals, Resignations & Leaves of Absence

### Public Comment: None

- a. Motion to nominate a SORO NC Corresponding Secretary (GB091522-01)  
**No nominations Postpone to next month.**
- b. Motion to appoint Organizational Representative 3 (Term expires 2023) (GB091522-02) - **No Applicants; now becomes an At-Large Representative seat for remainder of Term, as per By-Laws (first posted on soronc.org July 5, 2022) Postpone to next meeting**
- c. Motion to appoint Student Representative (Term expires 2023) (GB091522-03)- **No Applicants Postpone to next month.**
- d. Motion for the SORO NC to appoint up to six (6) board members to attend Civic U 1.0., presented by the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment and the Office of Mayor Garcetti (GB091522-04)  
Fabiola Prieto, Joseph Mollaie, Michael Lynn  
Moved Terrence Second Jon Liberman

### Roll Call Vote:

Yes-Bill Gross, Richard Bloom, Laurie Levine, Michael Lynn, Fabiola Prieto, Mitch Cohen, Joseph Mollaie, Joel Weinberger, Kyle Berman, Shevy Lieder, Terrence Gomes, Shirley Traum, Ellen Lanet, Baila Romm, Ken Blaker, Jon Liberman

Vote:

16 yes    0 no    0 abstain

**Motion passes**

## 9. Committees, Liaisons and Alliance Representatives

- a. Opportunity to Join and/or Change Membership to Board Committees (GB091522-05)  
Transportation Committee meeting time moved to 7:30 pm Canceling Next Meeting Sept. 27. – Joel Weinberger  
Joel Weinberger – leave Business Advocacy  
Michael Lynn – leave Ad Hoc Elections  
Baila Romm – leave Ad Hoc Elections  
**Ad Hoc Election needs committee members**

Baila Romm- Sent email about board development meeting, Oct 24  
Michael Lynn-David Notowitz resigned as Co-chair business advocacy and outreach committee

- b. Committee, Liaisons and Alliance Reports Liaisons and Alliances: LANCC, WRAC, LADWP, Budget Advocates, City Attorney, Public Works, Animal Services, Data

## 10. Unfinished Business

- a. NONE

## 11. Consent Agenda

### Public Comment\_ None

- a. Motion to approve Draft meeting minutes of August 18, 2022 General Board Meeting (GB091522-06)
- ~~b. Motion to approve August 2022 MERS Report (GB091522-07) **Bill Gross**~~
- c. Motion for the SORO NC to approve Mitch Cohen as Vice-Chair of the Land Use Committee (GB091522-08)
- d. Motion to send a letter to the General Manager of the Office of the City Clerk requesting an immediate accounting of the amount of SORO NC's 2021-2022 fiscal year roll over and request that this amount immediately be deposited into the SORO NC account (GB091522-09)
- e. Motion for the SORO NC to replace JotForm paid service with Google Forms (GB091522-10)
- ~~f. Motion for the SORO NC support the WRAC motion to write a letter to Mayor Garcetti and Councilmember Koretz concerning the mistreatment of animals at City Shelters; send letters to Councilmember Koretz and Mayor Garcetti; and submit a CIS to Council File: 22-0943 (GB091522-11) **Bill Gross**~~
- g. Motion for the SORO NC to name the Board members who will receive the four (4) additional ZOOM.com licenses from the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (GB091522-12) **Joel Weinberger**
- h. Motion for the South Robertson Neighborhoods Council to Have the BONC Commissioner Attend SORO NC Meetings Once a Quarter (GB091522-13)

### Roll Call Vote: 11 A-C-D-E-H

Moved: Terrence Gomes      Second: Jon Liberman

Vote: 16 yes    0 no    0 abstain

Yes: Richard Bloom, Bill Gross, Laurie Levine, Michael Lynn, Fabiola Prieto, Mitch Cohen, Joseph Mollaie, Joel Weinberger, Kyle Berman, Shevy Lieder, Terrance Gomes, Shirley Traum, Ellen Lanet, Baila Romm, Ken Blaker, Jon Liberman

Motion passes

## 12. New Business

### Public Comment: None

- a. Motion for the SORO NC to adopt the proposed 2023 Election Marketing Plan and set a proposed budget of up to \$16,300 (GB091522-14)

Moved: Jon Liberman                      Second: Laurie Levine

**Roll Call Vote:**

Vote yes: Richard Bloom, Sandy Block, Michael Lynn, Fabiola Prieto, Mitch Cohen, Joel Weinberger, Kyle Berman, Ellen Lanet, Baila Romm, Jon Liberman

Vote: No Bill Gross, Laurie Levine, Joseph Mollaie, Shevy Lieder, Terrence Gomes, Shirley Traum, Ken Blaker

Vote: 10 yes      7 no    0 abstain

Motion passes

Terrence Gomes left the meeting at 9:35 pm

- b. Motion to send letter to City of Los Angeles City Council to create a council file encouraging 100% Native Plants in all new projects (GB091522-15)

Moved: Jon Liberman    Second: Ellen Lanet

**Roll Call Vote:**

Vote: yes 12      no 1    abstain 2

Yes: Richard Bloom, Sandy Block, Laurie Levine, Michael Lynn, Fabiola Prieto, Mitch Cohen, Joseph Mollaie, Joel Weinberger, Shevy Lieder, Shirley Traum, Ellen Lanet, Jon Liberman

No: Bill Gross,

Abstain: Baila Romm, Ken Blaker

Not Present: Kyle Berman

Motion Passes

- c. Motion for the SORO NC to Co-Sponsor a Halloween event with the Department of Recreation and Parks for up to \$900 to be held at the Robertson Recreation Center (GB091522-16) agenda corrected to \$900 (typo)

Moved: Jon Liberman                      Second; Laurie Levine

Vote:      12 yes              1 no    2 abstain

Yes: Richard Bloom, Sandy Block, Laurie Levine, Michael Lynn, Fabiola Prieto, Mitch Cohen, Joel Weinberger, Shirley Traum, Ellen Lanet, Baila Romm, Ken Blaker, Jon Liberman

No: Bill Gross

Abstain: Joseph Mollaie, Shevy Lieder

Not Present: Kyle Berman

Motion passes

- d. Motion for the SORO NC to participate in an in-person event to be held at Our Big Kitchen LA where SORO NC board members and Community members will volunteer in a meal preparation session at OBKLA on October 23, 2022 from 1:00-3:00 pm (GB091522-17)

Moved: Baila Romm                      Second: Jon Liberman

Vote:      14 yes              0 no    0 abstain      1 recusal

Yes: Richard Bloom, Sandy Block, Bill Gross, Laurie Levine, Michael Lynn, Fabiola Prieto, Mitch Cohen, Joseph Mollaie, Joel Weinberger, Shirley Traum, Ellen Lanet, Baila Romm, Ken Blaker, Jon Liberman

Recusal: Shevy Lieder

Not present: Kyle Berman

## Motion Passes

11b. Motion to approve August 2022 MERS Report (GB091522-07)

Moved: Michael Lynn                      Second Joel Weinberger

Vote: 9 yes                      1 no                      6 abstain

Yes: Richard Bloom, Sandy Block, Laurie Levine, Michael Lynn, Fabiola Prieto, Mitch Cohen, Joel Weinberger, Shirley Traum, Ken Blaker

No: Bill Gross

Abstain: Joseph Mollaie, Kyle Berman, Shevy Lieder, Ellen Lanet, Baila Romm, Jon Liberman

Motion passes

11f. Motion for the SORO NC support the WRAC motion to write a letter to Mayor Garcetti and Councilmember Koretz concerning the mistreatment of animals at City Shelters; send letters to Councilmember Koretz and Mayor Garcetti; and submit a CIS to Council File: 22-0943 (GB091522-11)

**Postpone to next month.**

Michael Lynn moved to Extend meeting for 5 minutes without objection.

11g. Motion for the SORO NC to name the Board members who will receive the four (4) additional ZOOM.com licenses from the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (GB091522-12)

Motion to Amend to add the names Terrence Gomes, Jon Liberman, Ellen Lanet, Joel Weinberger.

Moved: Jon Liberman                      Second: Joseph Mollaie

Roll Call Vote:

15 yes      0 no      0 abstain

Vote yes: Richard Bloom, Sandy Traum, Bill Gross, Laurie Levine, Michael Lynn, Fabiola Prieto, Mitch Cohen, Joseph Mollaie, Joel Weinberger, Ahevy Lieder, Ellen Lanet. Baila Romm, Ken Blaker, Jon Liberman

Not Present: Kyle Berman

ROLL CALL VOTE ON MOTION AS AMENDED

15 yes      0 no      0 abstain

Yes- Richard Bloom, Sandy Block, Bill Gross, Laurie Levine, Michael Lynn, Fabiola Prieto, Mitch Cohen, Joseph Mollaie, Joel Weinberger Shevy Lieder Shirley Traum Ellen Lanet, Baila Romm, Ken Blaker, Jon Liberman.

Not present: Kyle Berman

## 12. Adjournment 10:05 pm