



General Board Meeting Draft Minutes

Thursday, October 27, 2022

Location: Online via Zoom- <https://zoom.us/j/89930026366> and by phone- (877) 853 5257 using Meeting ID No. 899 3002 6366

1. **Meeting Called to Order at 7:01 Michael Lynn**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance led by: Joseph Mollaie**
3. **Roll Call: Jacob Shofet, Sandy Block, Bill Gross, Laurie Levine, Michael Lynn, Mitch Cohen, Joseph Mollaie, Joel Weinberger, Sophia French, Barry Levine, Shirley Traum, Ellen Lanet, Baila Romm, Ken Blaker, Jon Liberman**
Absent: Richard Bloom, Dina Leeds – Ineligible to vote (7:08 pm/ left the meeting at 7:40 pm) Fabiola Prieto, Kyle Berman, David Notowitz, Melinda Chuarn, Shevy Lieder, Terrence Gomes (7:07pm)

Absent: Richard Bloom, Fabiola Prieto, Kyle Berman, David Notowitz, Melinda Chuarn, Shevy Lieder
4. **General Public Comment – None**
5. **Brief Board Announcements**
 - a. Items for Future Committee or General Board Agendas: Jon Liberman- Halloween Event on 10/31/2022, 3-7 pm, at Robertson Rec Center needs volunteers. Public Safety – CD10 needs to attend meeting. Dina Leeds ineligible to vote (exception- Board Member vote)- needs to complete training.
 - b. Other Brief Board Announcements
- 6 **Community Reports**
 - c. LA Police Department (Baker/Ojeda) – Not Present
 - d. LA Fire Department- Battalion 18 (Miller) – Not Present
 - e. Office of Councilmember Ridley-Thomas (Guevara) – Not Present
 - f. Office of Councilmember Koretz (?) Not Present
 - g. Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (Lipmen) Gave Report
 - h. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (Cupen-Ames) Gave Report Nov 26 Election
 - i. Office of the City Clerk- Election Division (Alvarado) Gave Report Jocelyn Alvarado clerk.electionnc@lacity.org 213-978-0444
 - j. Office of Mayor Garcetti (?) Not present
 - k. Office of County Supervisor Kuehl (Sherrell) Not Present
 - l. Office of State Assemblymember Bloom (Kaufler)

- m. Office of State Assemblymember Bryan (Persoff) attached material
- n. Office of State Senator Kamlager (Siroky)
- o. Other Neighborhood, City and State offices

7. Board Membership- Selections, Removals, Resignations & Leaves of Absence Public Comment – None

a. Motion to nominate a SORO NC Corresponding Secretary (GB102722-01)
Postponed to the next month meeting.

b. Motion to appoint At-Large Representative (formerly Organizational Representative 3- Term expires 2025 (GB102722-02)

Moved: Baila Romm Second: Laurie Levine

Aaron Boudaie -5

Yes Vote: Jacob Shofet, Sandy Block, Laurie Levine, Terrence Gomes, Baila Romm

Kylie Ora Lobell - 11

Yes Vote: Bill Gross, Michael Lynn, Mitch Cohen, Joseph Mollaie, Joel Weinberger, Sophia French, Barry Levine, Shirley Traum, Ellen Lanet, Ken Blaker, Jon Liberman

Kylie Ora Lobell entered the meeting as a Board Member (At Large formerly Organizational 3 term ends 2023) at 8:09 pm

c. Motion to appoint Student Representative (Term expires 2023) (GB102722-03) **No Applicants- postponed to 11/17/22 General Board Meeting**

8. Committees, Liaisons and Alliance Representatives

a. Opportunity to Join and/or Change Membership to Board Committees (GB102722-04) Standing and Ad-hoc Committees: Executive; Education; Land Use; Public Safety; Homelessness; Outreach; Transportation; Business Advocacy & Development; Parks and Recreation; Budget & Finance; Bylaws; Board Development; Elections (Ad-hoc)

Join Committees:

Baila Romm – Business Advocacy

Kylie Lobell – Homelessness

Sandy Block – Parks and Rec

Terrence Gomes- Transportation

b. Liaisons and Alliances: LANCC, WRAC, LADWP, Budget Advocates, City Attorney, Public Works, Animal Services, Data None

Public Comment- None

9. Unfinished Business

a. 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 (GB102722-05)

Public Comment: None

Moved: Jon Liberman Second: Terrence Gomes

Vote: 12 yes 4 no 0 abstain 1 ineligible

Yes: Michael Lynn, Mitch Cohen, Joseph Mollaie, Joel Weinberger, Sophia French, Barry Levine, Terrence Gomes, Shirley Traum, Ellen Lanet, Baila Romm, Ken Blaker, Jon Liberman

No: Jacob Shofet, Sandy Block, Bill Gross, Laurie Levine

Ineligible: Kylie Lobell

Motion passes

10. Consent Agenda

Public Comment: Amy Haberland

- a. Motion to approve Draft meeting minutes of September 15, 2022 General Board Meeting (GB102722-06)
- b. Motion to approve September 2022 MERS Report (GB102722-07)
- c. Motion for the SORO NC to approve the Joseph Mollaie as Co-Chair of the Business Advocacy & Development Committee (GB102722-08)
- d. Motion for the SORO NC to appoint Ellen Lanet as Representative and Mitch Cohen as Alt-Representative to the Westside Community Plans Advisory Group (WCPAG) (GB102722-09)
- ~~e. Motion for the South Robertson Neighborhoods Council to conduct a survey on its website to determine what our stakeholders prefer as to the use of City owned property adjacent to Irving Schacter Park (GB102722-10) Removed by Terrence Gomes~~
- ~~f. Motion for the SORO NC set a Standing Rule that the official quorum (minimum number of Committee Members attending in order to hold a meeting) for all SORO NC Committees to be set at three (3), exempting Ad-hoc Committees (GB102722-11) Removed by Barry Levine~~
- ~~g. Motion that the SORO NC send letters to Councilmembers Gil Cedillo and Kevin de León demanding they resign from City Council immediately (cc:ing the other 12 City Councilmembers), and submit Community Impact Statements (CISs) on Council Files 22-1189 and 22-1195 in support of the censure of Councilmembers Gil Cedillo and Kevin de León (GB102722-12) Removed by Bill Gross~~

Moved: Joel Weinberger Second: Jon Liberman

15 yes 0 no 0 abstain 1 ineligible

Vote yes: Jacob Shofet, Sandy Block, Bill Gross, Laurie Levine, Michael Lynn, Mitch Cohen, Joseph Mollaie, Joel Weinberger, Sophia French, Barry Levine, Terrence Gomes, Shirley Traum, Ellen Lanet, Baila Romm, Ken Blaker, Jon Liberman

Ineligible – Kyle Lobell

Consent Agenda Passes (a,b,c,d)

11. New Business

Public Comment: Heather Witt, Katherine, Maruta Taube-Hutchinson

- a. Motion for the SORO NC to modify the proposed 2023 Election Marketing Plan Budget adopted at our September 15, 2022 General Board Meeting and reduce the budget from \$16,300 to \$9,000 (GB102722-13)

Amended to reduce to 14,800

Moved: Jon Liberman Second: Terrence Gomes

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No: Sandy Block, Bill Gross, Laurie Levine, Michael Lynn, Mitch Cohen

Ineligible: Kyle Lobell

Motion Passes

Terrence Gomes moves to move up item "e" from Consent Agenda.

Ken Blaker Seconds

Vote: 12 yes 2 no 0 abstain 1 ineligible

Yes: Jacob Shofet, Sandy Block, Bill Gross, Laurie Levine, Michael Lynn, Mitch Cohen, Joseph Mollaie, Joel Weinberger, Sophia French, Terrence Gomes, Shirley Traum, Baila Romm, Ken Blaker, Jon Liberman

No: Barry Levine, Ellen Lanet

Ineligible: Kylie Lobell

Motion Passes 11e moved up

Moved up on the agenda 11 e

- e. Motion for the South Robertson Neighborhoods Council to support approval of proposed mixed-use development w/ residential, retail, and office uses at 8787 Venice Blvd., an existing surface parking lot, requesting Affordable Housing Density Bonus incentive, Including waivers for (1) average density, floor area, open space, parking & vehicle access (2) increase floor area ratio (3) increase height (4) obtain relief from transitional height requirements (5) increase the percentage of recreation room area used to achieve the project's usable open space requirement (GB102722-17)
Public Comment: Jamie Poster, Teresa Avalos, Wally Marks, Estela, Kevin de Leon (Goat Puppet)

Motion To move back to Land Use Committee

Moved: Ellen Lanet Second: Joseph Mollaie

Vote: 14 yes 2 no 0 abstain 1 ineligible

Yes: Sandy Block, Bill Gross, Laurie Levine, Michael Lynn, Mitch Cohen, Joseph Mollaie, Joel Weinberger, Sophia French, Barry Levine, Terrence Gomes, Shirley Traum, Ellen Lanet, Baila Romm, Jon Liberman

No: Jacob Shofet, Ken Blaker

Ineligible: Kylie Lobell

Motion passes

- b. Motion for the SORO NC to approve funding of up to \$3598.75 to implement the Candidate Recruitment phase of the modified 2023 SORO NC Elections Marketing Plan (GB102722-14)

Moved: Jon Liberman Second: Joel Weinberger

Amend the motion to add that the sign says Calling for Board members to Join the Board

Moved: Mike Lynn Second: Baila Romm

Vote to amend: 11 yes 5 no 0 abstain 1 ineligible

Yes: Sandy Block, Laurie Levine, Michael Lynn, Mitch Cohen, Joseph Mollaie, Sophia French, Barry Levine, Shirley Traum, Ellen Lanet, Baila Romm, Ken Blaker,

No: Jacob Shofet, Bill Gross, Joel Weinberger, Terrence Gomes, Jon Liberman

Ineligible: Kylie Lobell

Vote Motion as amended

10 yes 6 no 0 abstain 1 ineligible

Yes: Sandy Block, Laurie Levine, Michael Lynn, Mitch Cohen, Joseph Mollaie, Sophia French, Barry Levine, Shirley Traum, Ellen Lanet, Baila Romm, Ken Blaker,

No: Jacob Shofet, Bill Gross, Joel Weinberger, Terrence Gomes, Shirley Traum, Jon Liberman

Ineligible: Kylie Lobell

Motion passes

- c. Motion to send a letter to CD 5 and CD 10 to make a motion to reappropriate the uncommitted funds SORO NC left at the end of FY 2022-2023 \$9,644.42 (GB102722-15)

Moved: Jon Liberman Second: Joseph Mollaie

Motion to end discussion and call the vote: Bill Gross Second: Baila Romm

Vote: 12 yes 4 no 0 abstain 1 ineligible

Yes: Jacob Shofet, Sandy Block, Bill Gross, Laurie Levine, Michael Lynn, Mitch Cohen, Joseph Mollaie, Barry Levine, Terrence Gomes, Shirley Traum, Baila Romm, Ken Blaker

No: Joel Weinberger, Sophia French, Ellen Lanet, Jon Liberman

Ineligible: Kylie Lobell

Motion passes

Michael Lynn: Meeting is extended to 10:15 pm without objection

Vote 11c Motion as written

14 yes 0 no 2 abstain 1 ineligible

Yes: Jacob Shofet, Sandy Block, Bill Gross, Laurie Levine, Michael Lynn, Mitch Cohen, Joseph Mollaie, Sophia French, Barry Levine, Terrence Gomes, Shirley Traum, Ellen Lanet, Baila Romm, Ken Blaker,

Abstain: Joel Weinberger, Jon Liberman

Ineligible: Kylie Lobell

Michael Lynn: Meeting is extended to 10:20 pm without objection

- d. Motion for the South Robertson Neighborhoods to support a new Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to allow the sale of full-line of alcohol for offsite consumption in conjunction with a new market Koshco Wholesale at 8800 W. Pico Blvd; Hours of Operation 7am - 11pm daily (GB102722-16)

Moved: Second:

Michael Lynn extends the meeting to 10:25 pm without objection

Amend motion to state the SORO NC to oppose CUP

Moved: Barry Levine Second Jon Liberman

Vote 7 yes 9 no 0 abstain 1 ineligible

Yes: Sandy Block, Laurie Levine, Michael Lynn, Mitch Cohen, Terrence Gomes, Ellen Lanet, Jon Liberman

No: Jacob Shofet, Bill Gross, Joseph Mollaie, Joel Weinberger, Sophia French, Barry Levine, Shirley Traum, Baila Romm, Ken Blaker

Ineligible: Kylie Lobell

Motion fails

Vote for original motion 11 d.

8 yes 8 no 0 abstain 1 ineligible

Yes: Jacob Shofet, Bill Gross, Joseph Mollaie, Sophia French, Barry Levine, Shirley Traum, Baila Romm, Ken Blaker

No: Sandy Block, Laurie Levine, Michael Lynn, Mitch Cohen, Joel Weinberger, Terrence Gomes, Ellen Lanet, Jon Liberman

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No: Jacob Shofet, Ken Blaker

Ineligible: Kylie Lobell

**Postpone the following to next months' GB Meeting
Removed from Consent Agenda item e, f, g**

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12. Meeting Adjourned at: 10:25 pm