

SORO NC Committee Memberships as of 11/17/22

Land Use	Barry Levine, Ken Blaker, Richard Bloom, Ellen Lanet , Joseph Mollaie, Jacob Shofet, Mitch Cohen
Business Advocacy & Development Committee	Ken Blaker, Richard Bloom, Jon Liberman , Barry Levine, Michael Lynn, David Notowitz, Shevy Dorfman Lieder, Shirley Traum, Joseph Mollaie , Kyle Burman, Bill Gross, Baila Romm
Outreach Committee	Terrence Gomes, Barry Levine, Michael Lynn, Sophia French, David Notowitz, Fabiola Prieto
Parks and Recreation Committee	Barry Levine, Jon Liberman , Laurie Levine , Fabiola Prieto, Sandy Block
Public Safety Committee	Michael Lynn, Terrence Gomes , Richard Bloom, Sophia French, Ken Blaker, Jon Liberman, Laurie Levine, Baila Romm , Bill Gross, Melinda Chuarn
Transportation Committee	Barry Levine, Sophia French, Joel Weinberger , Shevy Dorfman Lieder, Ellen Lanet, Joseph Mollaie, Terrence Gomes
Homelessness Committee	Sophia French, Terrence Gomes , Barry Levine, Michael Lynn, Richard Bloom, Ken Blaker, Jon Liberman , Laurie Levine, David Notowitz, Jacob Shofet, Melinda Chuarn, Kylie Lobell
Education Committee	Shirley Traum, Barry Levine, Jon Liberman
Bylaws Committee	Ken Blaker , Michael Lynn, Terrence Gomes, Jon Liberman, Barry Levine
Budget & Finance Committee	Terrence Gomes , Barry Levine, Michael Lynn, Jon Liberman
Board Development	Baila Romm ,
Elections Committee (Ad Hoc)	Jon Liberman , Joel Weinberger



Motion to conduct a survey to determine what our stakeholders prefer as to the use of City owned property adjacent to Irving Schacter Park

Agenda Item: GB111722-04
Date: November 17, 2022
Proposed By: Parks and Recreation Committee
Include motion in Consent Agenda? Yes

Background

Over thirty years ago land in Beverlywood was bought by the City of Los Angeles. The southern portion of this property became Irving Schacter Park which is a "Nanny" Park in Beverlywood. The Northern portion of the land was left undeveloped for future expansion as needed. Over time this undeveloped property was left uncared for and became overgrown with vegetation. The City has cleaned it up once, but it needs additional cleanup now. Neighbors in Beverlywood are unhappy about the condition of this parcel. We propose conducting a survey to determine the best use of the property according to Soro NC Stakeholders.

Proposed Motion

The South Robertson Neighborhoods Council shall conduct a survey as to the best use of this property as per our stakeholders. The survey shall run for thirty days on our website. The results shall be tabulated and transmitted to the office of CD # 5.

Considerations

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

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

Arguments for:

1. It preserves land in Beverlywood that can be used for recreational purposes.
2. There is a scarcity of recreational facilities throughout the city.

Arguments against:

None.

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Motion for the SORO NC to approve 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

Agenda Item: GB111722-05
Date: November 17, 2022
Proposed By: Executive Committee
Include motion in Consent Agenda? Yes

Background

The South Robertson Neighborhoods Council newly revised Bylaws (Approved September 6, 2022) require that all Committees have a “fixed” number of members in attendance in order to reach quorum to hold an official meeting.

Article 5: Section 2: Quorum

The quorum shall be thirteen (13) members of the General Board. Committees shall have a fixed quorum number as established in the SORO NC Standing Rules. Floating quorum is not allowed.

As the old SORO NC Bylaws did not mention a minimum quorum, the Board needs to set an official number, which will need to be reflected in the SORO NC Standing Rules and posted on the soronc.com website. The City Attorney has determined that this action is necessary to become legally compliant, and further recommended that Quorum number be no less than three but should be higher.

Ad-hoc Committees are created by individual motion, where its membership and quorum are defined, and would thereby be exempt from this Standing Rule.

All active members of a Committee Meeting that are in attendance would count towards quorum, whether they are Stakeholders or SORO NC Boardmembers.

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Proposed Motion

That the SORO NC approve a Standing Rule for the official quorum (minimum number of Committee Members attending in order to hold a meeting) to be set at three (3) for all SORO NC Committees, exempting Ad-hoc Committees.

Considerations

Committee review:	Votes For:3	Against: 0
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Arguments for:

A lower number makes it easier for a Committee to meet

Arguments against:

Setting a low number could make activation of the Censure Procedure impossible



Motion for the SORO NC to send a letter to Council members Gil Cedillo and Kevin de León demanding they resign immediately from LA City Council (cc the other 12 council members and submit Community Impact Statements on Council Files 22-1189 and 22-1195 in support of the censure of Councilmembers Gil Cedillo and Kevin de León.

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Agenda Item: GB111722-06
Date: November 17, 2022
Proposed By: Executive Committee
Include motion in Consent Agenda? No

Background

Los Angeles city council president Nury Martinez has resigned after audio leaked of her and her colleagues making disparaging and racist remarks about another council member's son at a meeting with Los Angeles County Federation of Labor President Ron Herrera in October 2021. It has been reported that Council member Kevin de Leon was also heard on that recording making additional racist and disparaging comments and both de Leon and Cedillo had appeared to condone and contribute to her racist and disparaging remarks.

Governor Gavin Newsom, President Joe Biden, other Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils and members of the public have all called for the resignation of L.A. City Councilmembers Kevin de León and Gil Cedillo to follow Nury Martinez in resigning from their positions. While Martinez and Herrera quickly resigned from their positions, Cedillo and De León have so far resisted calls both from their political colleagues and from the public to leave office. They've both been stripped of their committee duties.

La City Council has opened two council files (Files 22-1189 and 22-1195) that call for the censure of the council members.



Proposed Motion

- I. Motion for the SORO NC to send a letter to Council members Gil Cedillo and Kevin de León demanding they resign immediately from LA City Council (cc the other 12 council members and submit Community Impact Statements on Council Files 22-1189 and 22-1195 in support of the censure of Councilmembers Gil Cedillo and Kevin de León.

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>	\$ N/A
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Arguments for:	Arguments against:
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Kevin De Leon
Council District 14
200 N. Spring Street, Suite 425
Los Angeles, CA 90012

November 17, 2022

Re: Racist Rants

Councilman De Leon,

I am writing on behalf of the South Robertson Neighborhoods Council ("SORO NC"). On November 17, 2022, at a Brown Act compliant meeting, the Board members voted Yes-xx No-xx Abstention-xx, to demand that you:

Resign

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This would allow the City of Los Angeles to start the healing process from the disgraceful and shocking meeting that you were involved in.

We invite you to address the SORO NC at a public meeting if you wish to ask us any questions regarding our demand.

Sincerely,

Michael Lynn
President, South Robertson Neighborhoods Council

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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

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 \$14,800. to \$9,000 (GB102722-13)

Vote: 11 yes 5 no 0 abstain 1 ineligible

Yes: Jacob Shofet, Joseph Mollaie, Joel Weinberger, Sophia French, Barry Levine, Terrence Gomes, Shirley Traum, Ellen Lanet, Baila Romm, Ken Blaker, Jon Liberman

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

Motion Fails

Moved up on the agenda 11 e to after 11 a.

- 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

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

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)

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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)

12. Meeting Adjourned at: 10:25 pm



Motion for the SORO NC to host a virtual Candidate Recruitment Mixer on Zoom to be held on December 8, 2022 at 8:00 pm

Agenda Item: GB111722-09
Date: November 17, 2022
Proposed By: Elections Ad-hoc Committee
Include motion in Consent Agenda? Yes

Background

The Elections Ad Hoc Committee proposes a virtual Candidate Recruitment Mixer to be held on Zoom on December 8, 2022. The event will last 90 minutes with 45 minutes devoted to providing general information and 45 minutes for Q&A with potential candidates.

Participants will be current members of the Election Committee with Jon Liberman providing perspective of a long-time board member and Joel Weinberger providing perspective of a recent addition to the board.

Topics to be covered are:

1. What is a neighborhood council?
2. How do neighborhood councils operate?
3. What should prospective board members expect to face?
4. Qualifications for candidates.
5. Timeline

Proposed Motion

That the SORO NC :

1. Agree to host a virtual Candidate Recruitment Mixer on December 8, 2022 at 8:00 pm.
2. Advertise the mixer by Social Media.
3. The event will be as outlined above.
4. There is no funding required for this event as it is entirely virtual.

Considerations

Committee Review: Votes For: 2 Against: -0-

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Motion for the SORO NC to file a CIS on CF 21-0407 to strongly object the report submitted by Raquel Beltran on behalf of DONE

Agenda Item: GB111722-10
Date: November 17, 2022
Proposed By: Executive Committee
Include motion in Consent Agenda? Yes

Background (see Arguments For and Report in CF 21-0407)

Proposed Motion:

Motion for the SORO NC to submit a Community Impact Statement on CF 21-0407 to strongly object the report submitted by Raquel Beltrán on behalf of DONE and the Neighborhoods Council's; and call for it to be rewritten with input from experienced Neighborhood Council board members with factual and analytical errors corrected, with more focus on the specifics requested by the Arts, Parks, Health, Education and Neighborhoods Committee.

Considerations

Committee review:	Votes For: 4	Against: 0
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Arguments for:

Arguments against:

The report submitted by Raquel Beltran For Council File 21-0407 is rife with inaccuracies that give a false impression of the voter turnout and how it is affected by median income, internet access, board structure, and eligibility verification. The graph in Raquel Beltran's report is not representational of the information included in the report and needs to be redone. Experienced NC Board Members can provide factual and analytical information to correct the errors in this Council File as well as provide information that focuses on the specifics requested by the Arts, Parks, Health, Education and



Neighborhoods Committee. Due to the inaccuracies in this Council File, it leads Ms. Beltran to come to a conclusion that the Neighborhood Councils by laws regarding elections somehow creates challenges and possible barriers for stakeholder engagement and contributes to voter suppression.



Motion for the SORO NC to hold a live Town Hall Meeting during the first quarter of 2023 in order to solicit stakeholders input regarding the redistricting of the City of Los Angeles to include the expansion of additional council districts.

Agenda Item:

Date: GB111722-11

Proposed By: November 17, 2022

Include motion in Executive Committee

Consent Agenda? Yes

Background

There are ninety-nine Neighborhood Councils that are represented by fifteen Council Districts in the city of Los Angeles. Of those fifteen City Councilmen two are under indictment, one just resigned after shameful racist comments were exposed and two others involved in the same incident need to resign or be removed. At best Los Angelenos have inadequate representation in City Hall. Even if all fifteen Councilmembers were in good standing their ability to effectively and fairly represent ninety-nine separate Neighborhood Councils is not feasible.

An in person, live Town Hall meeting would enable stakeholders and Neighborhood Councilmembers to openly discuss remedies and the ability to solicit stakeholders input regarding the redistricting of the City of Los Angeles to include the expansion of additional council districts.

Due to the greater-than-usual turnover in the City Council's members, it is imperative that Neighborhood Councils seize the opportunity to submit a CIS on CF TBD [would CF 20-0668-S7], 2023 and request that the City Council take immediate steps to (1) significantly expand the number of Councilmembers so that each represents a more manageable number of Angelenos, (2) set up an independent committee to redistrict the City appropriately, and (3) take steps as needed to ensure districts are more competitive and that there is more grass-roots participation and more equitable representation.

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Proposed Motion:

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Considerations

Committee review: Votes For: 4 Against: 0

Arguments for:

Arguments against:

Ninety-nine Neighborhood Councils cannot be fairly represented by only fifteen Councilmembers. It is urgent that Los Angeles stakeholders give their input regarding the possible redistricting of the city of Los Angeles and the expansion of City Council Districts. Greater than usual City Council turnover is a good impetus for adding more Council Districts. SORO NC needs to have a town hall meeting as per our bylaws.



Motion for the SORO NC to Co-sponsor with CD-10 a December 18, 2022 Winter Wonderland event at Reynier Park

Agenda Item: GB111722-12
Date: November 17, 2022
Proposed By: Executive Committee
Include motion in Consent Agenda? Yes

Background

CD-10 offered for the South Robertson Neighborhoods Council the opportunity to co-sponsor their planned Winter Wonderland event at Reynier Park on Sunday December 18th, 2022.

The proposed family-friendly event would feature artificial snow, activities, games, food (or snack) and hot chocolate.

There would be no additional funding needed from the SORO NC.

Proposed Motion

That the SORO NC co-sponsor with CD-10 a December 18, 2022 Winter Wonderland event at Reynier Park.

Considerations

Committee review: Votes For: 4 Against: 0

Arguments for: **Arguments against:**

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Motion for the South Robertson Neighborhoods Council to write a letter to Council District 5 to request that they fully fund the Neighborhood Watch Signs for the 9000 block of Hargis Street

Agenda Item:

Date: GB111722-14
Proposed By: November 17, 2022
Include motion in Consent Agenda? Public Safety Committee
Yes

Background

Stakeholders from the 9000 block of S. Hargis formed a NW group nearly 6 years ago guided by Senior Lead Officer Baker. Four years ago, the stakeholders commenced the process to purchase LACITY sanctioned Neighborhood Watch signs to be posted on Hargis from Robertson to Canfield Ave. They finally got approval from the Bureau of Street Services and have a quote from Meyers and Sons Hi-Way Safety Inc., the approved LACITY vendor. The total cost for 12 signs including hardware and installation is \$2855.84*. CD5 is considering funding \$1000.00. The balance of \$1855.84 to be funded by the SORO NC in support of Public Safety in the neighborhood. The cost of labor alone is \$1950.00.

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Proposed Motion:

Motion for the South Robertson Neighborhoods Council to send a letter to Council District 5 to request that they fully fund the Neighborhood Watch Signs for the 9000 block of Hargis Street

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Considerations

Committee review: Votes For: 7 Against: 0

Arguments for:

Arguments against:

Neighborhood watch is proven to be an effective tool to deter and reduce crime.



LAPD utilizes and supports NW programs as they are force multipliers in observing and reporting suspicious activity. We as an NC should support stakeholders' efforts to reduce and deter crime on their street. The LAPD does not have the resources to have effective patrol. The Hargis Street NW Group has been active for over 5 years.
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		Myers and Sons Hi-Way Safety Inc. Main Office: 13310 5th Street, Chino Ca 91710 Tel (909) 591-1781 Fax (909) 627-0999 Escondido Office: 520 W. Grand Ave. Escondido CA 92025 Tel (760) 745-2250 Fax (760) 745-2094 Sacramento Office: 9510 Jackson Rd. Sacramento Ca 95827 Tel (916) 273-1600 Fax (916) 273-1625		SALES QUOTATION Original	
BILL TO Chino - COD Lisa Baskin Block Captain Los Angeles CA US		SHIP TO Delivery 9138 Hargis St. Los Angeles CA 90034 US		TOTAL \$ 2,855.84	
Sales Employee: Carlos Munoz Contact Name: COD CHINO Telephone: Terms: COD		Ship Via: Our Truck FOB:		Quotation No: 34886 Quotation Date: 04/11/2022 Valid Until: 05/11/2022 Customer No: C-01-COD P.O. No: Lisa Baskin Page No: Page 1 of 1	
Item No.	Description	Quantity	Unit Price	Total	
104567	Neighborhood Watch, 24x18, Hi. .080, Org. / Wht.	12.00	\$ 38.59	\$ 463.08	
102609	Graffiti Overlay, 1160, 3M, Open Square Foot	36.00	\$ 3.08	\$ 110.16	
101680	Post, Perforated, 1.75in Sq, 14 Gauge, 12ft	3.00	\$ 68.02	\$ 204.06	
Post to be cut down to 3' sections for post extender.					
103696	Drive Rivet, .375in, w/Nylon Washer, Pack of 10	5.00	\$ 9.99	\$ 49.95	
103099	r Sign Installation	1.00	\$ 1,950.00	\$ 1,950.00	
Customer is responsible for all permits needed.					
				Subtotal	\$ 2,777.25
				Shipping	0.00
				Tax	\$ 78.59
				Total Order Value	\$ 2,855.84
Remarks: Neighborhood Watch signs Hargis St					
Signature _____			Date _____		
Print Name _____					
Authority to Sign: Any individual signing represents and warrants that he/she of legal age and has the authority and power to sign on their own behalf or on behalf of their employer					
All custom orders are non-refundable. Sales terms & conditions apply.					
Phone: 800-228-1701		Fax: 909-627-0999		E-Mail: info@hiwaysafety.com	
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Councilmember Paul Koretz
200 N. Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

November 17, 2022

Re: 9000 Block of South Hargis Street Neighborhood Watch Signs

Dear Councilman Koretz,

The South Robertson Neighborhoods Council is hereby requesting that Council District 5 fund the total cost of LA City sanctioned Neighborhood Watch signs for the Hargis Neighborhood Watch, an ad hoc group of dedicated neighbors in Council District 5, who are committed to public safety.

Stakeholders from the 9000 block of S. Hargis formed a Neighborhood Watch group nearly 6 years ago guided by Senior Lead Officer Chris Baker. Four years ago, the stakeholders commenced the process to purchase LACITY sanctioned Neighborhood Watch signs to be posted on Hargis from Robertson to Canfield Ave. They finally got approval from the Bureau of Street Services and have a quote from Meyers and Sons Hi-Way Safety Inc., an approved LACITY vendor. The total cost for 12 signs including hardware and installation is \$2855.84. The cost of the labor alone is \$1950.00.

Your office has already committed to funding \$1000.00 for the signs. The South Robertson Neighborhoods Council has been told by the City Clerk's office that we cannot fund the balance of \$1855.84 despite the fact that we voted on this and approved it.

We are kindly requesting that Council District 5 fund the total cost of the signs, hardware and installation labor totaling \$2855.84.

Neighborhood Watch is proven to be an effective tool to deter and reduce crime. LAPD utilizes and supports Neighborhood Watch programs as they are force multipliers in observing and reporting suspicious activity. We hope that you and this Council Office will agree to support the stakeholders' efforts to reduce and deter crime on their street by funding these signs.



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The LAPD does not have the resources to have an effective patrol. The Hargis Street NW Group has been active for 6 years and is counting on you to help them with this effort.

Sincerely,

Michael Lynn
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