



# Homelessness Committee Meeting Draft Minutes

Monday, September 12, 2022, 7:00pm

*Meeting ends at 9:00pm 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 INTERNETBASED SERVICE OPTION.**

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1. **Call to Order** Meeting called to order at 7:01PM.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance** Led by Lynn.
3. **Roll Call**
  - a. Current Committee Members: Sophia French, Terrence Gomes, Barry Levine, Michael Lynn, Richard Bloom, Jon Liberman, Laurie Levine, David Notowitz, Ken Blaker, Melinda Chuarn, Jacob Shofet  
Present: Lynn, Liberman, Shofet, L. Levine.
4. **Brief Committee Announcements & General Public Comment**
  - a. Public comment: Jeanne Shamji
5. **Council District Updates**
  - a. CD10 – *Mayra Guevara & Roger Estrada absent*
  - b. CD5 – *James Ingram absent*
6. **Unfinished Business**
  - a. Discussion on status of occupants of RVs parked in front of 8592 and 8600 Venice Blvd in CD10. The RVs have moved.
  - b. Discussion and possible action regarding growing encampment at Holt & Pico. The encampment has moved and will be a 41.18 location.

**Melinda Chuarn joined the meeting at 7:15PM.**

- c. Discussion and possible action regarding the encampment at the Garth underpass.
  - i. Public comment: Jeanne Shamji
- d. Discussion and possible action create a letter to the director of LASHA documenting our requests of information and lack of appropriate response. Motion to write a letter to CD5 and CD 10 to open a CF. Moved: Seconded: Gomes 6-0
- e. Discussion and possible action to send letter about 8755 W. Olympic Bridge Housing's delay. Postpone
  - i. Public comment: Goat Puppy, Jeanne Shamji

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7. **New Business**
  - a. Discussion and possible action to review the new Los Angeles County Street psychiatrists. <https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2022-09-07/l-a-countys-first-street-psychiatrist-treats-patients-where-they-live> Move to write a letter to create a CF to address the numbers, roles and indication of the psychiatrists. Moved: Liberman Seconded: Lynn 6-0
    - i. Public comment: Jean Shamji, Goat Puppy

- b. Discussion and possible action to look at a unified housing agency.  
<https://www.latimes.com/opinion/story/2022-09-07/state-lawmakers-were-right-to-pass-a-bill-creating-an-affordable-housing-agency-time> Postponed
  - i. Public comment: Amy Haberland, Goat Puppy, Jeanne Shamji

**8. Adjournment** Meeting adjourned at 8:05PM

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