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AGENDA

Regular Board Meeting

March 21, 2024

Meeting starts at 7:00 PM

**4024 Radford Avenue, MPR-3 Studio City, CA 91604
(818) 655-5400**

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ENTRANCE AND PARKING

Please use RADFORD GATE (4024 Radford, just north of Ventura Blvd). Use the drive on or pedestrian access and follow instructions from Radford Security.

Stakeholders with disabilities who have a valid DMV placard, use a wheelchair, walker or cane, and/or those who have difficulties walking distances should notify a Radford Studio Center Security Officer or call 818-655-5085 to request shuttle assistance.

1. Welcome, Call to Order & Roll Call (1 minute)
2. President's Comments (10 minutes, extendable by chair)

Announcement only:

A reminder to those attending, during public comment you may hear colorful language that some might find offensive. The SCNC has no ability to control or regulate the content of speech that is protected under the 1st Amendment.

Board members are reminded not to cut off, interrupt, or otherwise engage with stakeholders during their allotted time.

Stakeholders, please respect the timekeeper when you are alerted your time is up.

Please remember we are guests of Radford Studios. It is important that we remain courteous and respectful to all Radford staff we may encounter during our time on the lot. We need to respect and comply with all regulations on the lot.

3. Public Comments on non-agenda items within the Board's jurisdiction (15 mins)
4. Announcements by Government Representatives (15 mins)
5. President's Report
 - a. Discussion and possible motion about adding a Virtual Component to the Board meetings and Committee meetings
6. Vice President's Report (5 minutes, extendable by chair)
7. Secretary's Report (5 minutes, extendable by chair)
 - Approve previous minutes
 - January 2024 (in process)
 - February 2024 (in process)
 - Training (some people have not taken Anti Bias training)
 - Discussion of: [Consent Agenda](#) and [Board retreat](#)
8. Corresponding Secretary (5 minutes, extendable by chair)
9. Treasurer's Report (5 minutes, extendable by chair) Motion :
 - Motion A: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council approves the Monthly Expenditure Report for January 2024
 - Seconded by: _____

[2024-01 SCNC MER.pdf](#)

Motion A: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) approves a Neighborhood Purpose Grant (NPG) funding request for up to \$5000.00 to the Studio City Beautification Association (SCBA) for the purpose of enhancing the "Eastside" median located in the middle of Ventura Boulevard across from 10730 Ventura Boulevard.

- 1.) The SCBA, via its sister organization, the Studio City Residents Association (SCRA) will give appropriate acknowledgement to the SCNC in its semi-monthly newsletter;
- 2.) The SCBA gives acknowledgement to the SCNC on the SCBA website.

Motion B: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) approves the expenditure of up to \$2,000 for upgraded office and mobile digital technology for the SCNC office and event activities.

Motion C: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council approves the expenditure of up to \$5,000 for replacement and augmentation of the SCNC Emergency Preparedness equipment.

10. Sustainability Committee report

- a. Program of flyers and posting on Instagram and Next Door **Jen Bladen** (prepared by Ainsley Ghaman)

11. Cultural Affairs Committee – Report–Abie Velasco

- a. Report on Kung Fu Panda – Mar 23, 2024

12. Government Affairs Committee

Motion A: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) opposes, Council File 24-0131 for a report back with a list of corridors that would necessitate the removal of parking spaces and vehicle travel lanes to

install Tier I protected bicycle lanes in the Bicycle Enhanced Network; Tier II bicycle lanes in the Bicycle Lane Network; as well as mobility elements of the Transit Lane Enhanced Network and Neighborhood Enhanced Network. The SCNC does not support the removal of parking spaces and vehicle travel lanes until mass transit options are vastly improved in the City of Los Angeles, which could take decades and decades. Furthermore, the SCNC believes the language in the Council File is far too vague.

This motion is also to be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to [Council File 24-0131](#).

Motion B: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) opposes Council File 24-0147 to prepare and present an ordinance that would establish a new density bonus for large family units in multi-family buildings, with the following provisions:

1. Exemption of the square footage of the third, fourth, and fifth bedrooms and third and fourth restrooms from the floor area calculations of large family units.
2. Allow for an additional story of height beyond existing zoning restrictions and bonuses for developments consisting primarily of large family units. The square footage of the additional story shall be limited to the total exempt square feet in the project.
3. Requirement for a 99 year covenant ensuring that the units will maintain the same unit mix of large family units and be available to households at 120% of the Area Median Income.
4. This bonus will be additive to existing bonuses and TOC provisions.

"Bonuses" have gotten out of control in the City of Los Angeles. Developers love these bonuses and greatly profit from them. Instead of more bonuses, the SCNC wants the City to come up with a formula to mandate a certain number of third, fourth, and fifth bedrooms, and third and fourth restrooms without additional total building square footage and additional height. Developer mandates are the right thing to do in this instance.

This motion is also to be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to [Council File 24-0147](#)

Motion C: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) supports Council File 24-0036 for the Bureau of Street Lighting to report on the feasibility of installing solar-powered lighting in streetlights when responding to lighting outages due to copper wire and power theft incidents or other maintenance issues.

This motion is also to be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to Council File 24-0036.

Motion D: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) opposes California State Senate Bill 834 (Portantino) which would nullify any existing Los Angeles City Preferential Parking Districts within 1/2 mile of public transit and exempt from parking minimums. The bill would require the local authority to revise the boundaries of any such preferential parking district to exclude those developments from its boundaries. The SCNC does not support the removal of any Preferential Parking Districts until mass transit options are vastly improved, which could take decades and decades in the City of Los Angeles.

[Link to Senate Bill 834.](#)

Motion E: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) requests Council President Paul Krekorian to make a Motion to exclude from Preferential Parking District (PPD) eligibility, any residential units that have no parking or reduced parking bonuses.

Motion F: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) opposes Council File 23-0623 (the ED 1 Ordinance) unless amended to include the following amendments (1-6) and guidelines (1-10) :

Amendments:

1. Limit the number of waivers and off menu incentives to a total of 6;
2. Require rear 15' setbacks to allow for trees to grow and storm water to be captured;
3. Prevent post-development conversion of nonresidential spaces to market rate units;
4. Protect R 1, HPOZs and Historic Districts in their entirety;
5. Ensure that substandard streets/ high-fire zones do not qualify for ED 1 fast track approval;
6. Require ED 1 projects meet minimum Tier 2 TOC qualifications.

Projects that don't meet these requirements under ED 1 would need to go through discretionary approval.

Guidelines:

1. Limit the number of waivers and off menu incentives to a total of 4.
2. Only one waiver is allowed if in an environmental category. Example: Only one allowed: (A) reduced setback; (B) reduced trees; or (C) Reduced open space.
3. Front setbacks - Code or align with adjoining sites' prevailing setbacks.
 - a. Side setbacks - Minimum 5 feet, 0 inches.
 - b. Rear setbacks - Code or minimum 15 feet (if city wants trees to grow).
 - c. Open Space - Reduction up to 50% of code.
 - d. Required trees - Reduction up to 25% of code.

4. In order to qualify for the incentives offered in ED 1 or ED 1 Ordinance, projects must be consistent with the following uses:

- a. Residential units only;
- a. Mixed-use developments consisting of residential and nonresidential uses with at least 96% of the square footage designated for residential use; or
- b. transitional housing or supportive housing.

All exterior and interior improvements including floor plan design, relative size finishes/materials, etc. among the affordable units, and any non-residential space that could be ministerially converted to a housing unit, shall be comparable. The affordable units shall have the same access to, and enjoyment of, all community amenities/facilities, light, and air, in the residential project.

5. Prevent developers from declaring "economic hardship" and thus being allowed to avoid basic city requirements like site improvements, infrastructure improvements, fees and standards.

6. Any off-menu requests that are above and beyond the stated ED 1 Ordinance guidelines (see 1 above) must go through a discretionary review including public hearings.

7. ED 1 and ED 1 Ordinance projects are not permitted in R-1 or directly adjacent to R-1 zones (including alleys) and adjacent to HPOZ's in their entirety, and districts/buildings/sites designated as a historical resource under a local, state, or federal designation (including alleys).

8. ED 1 projects shall not be granted on substandard streets.

9. ED 1 projects shall not be granted in high fire severity zones.

10. ED 1-qualified projects should, at minimum, meet Tier 2 TOC qualifications.

12. Land Use Committee Report Lisa Sarkin

13. Transportation Committee

Motion A: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) requests Councilmember Nithya Raman and the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) to install a full traffic signal at Moorpark Street and Laurelgrove Avenue with vehicle/pedestrian activation on Laurelgrove Avenue to cross Moorpark Street due to a hill on Moorpark Street near this intersection, making it even more dangerous.

Motion B: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) requests Council President Paul Krekorian and Councilmember Nithya Raman to make a Motion to create a "Bad Driver Hot-Line" for citizens to immediately report bad driving incidents they witness.

Motion C: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) requests Councilmember Nithya Raman and the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) to install a crosswalk at Valleyheart Drive and Laurelgrove Avenue from the Los Angeles River pedestrian bridge to cross Valleyheart Drive.

Motion D: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) requests Los Angeles City Council President and Metro Board Member, Paul Krekorian, to make a Motion to install the Metro Bike Share Program in Studio City, with particular emphasis to the adjacent Los Angeles River Bikeway.

14. Public Safety Committee

Motion A: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) supports Council File 23-0002- S100: Title, AB 1990 / Criminal Procedure Update / Peace Officer Authority / Shoplifting Arrests/ Misdemeanor Warrantless Arrests.

Current law defines shoplifting as entering a commercial establishment with intent to commit theft during regular business hours where the value of the property does not exceed \$950. Shoplifting is a misdemeanor. A law enforcement officer may make a warrantless arrest for shoplifting only if there is probable cause to believe a person has committed the offense in the officer's presence. Criminals know about this limit on the ability of a police officer to arrest someone for shoplifting. AB 1990 would change the law and authorize a peace officer to make a warrantless arrest for misdemeanor shoplifting, not committed in the officer's presence, if the officer has probable cause to believe that person has committed shoplifting. The bill would also prevent a person arrested for shoplifting to be released with only a citation. This common-sense bill would give our police a tool to incarcerate shoplifters who have been plaguing our local businesses for some time. Our City Council should enthusiastically support this legislation to help our struggling businesses to reduce rising theft.

This motion is also to be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to [Council File 23-0002-S100](#).

This Council file is supported by [AB1990](#)

Motion B: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) supports Council File 24-0206: Title, Burnt-Frame RVs / Public Right-of-Way / Remediation Prioritization Protocol.

Hundreds of immobile or derelict recreational vehicles (RVs) fill our city streets, often in clusters. Many of these RVs are being used as drug dens and for other criminal behavior. Occupants of immobile RVs openly flout our parking laws without consequence. To help combat this scourge, the City has a contract with a recycler to dispose of RVs in disrepair. 73 RVs have been targeted for recycling under this contract. Many RVs have severe fire

damage. In the case of hazardous burnt-frame RVs, the Bureau of Sanitation has to undertake a two-week long remediation process. This motion instructs the Bureau of Sanitation to develop a protocol to prioritize the remediation of burnt-frame RVs in the public right of way and to report back to the City Council with recommendations for implementation. An efficient plan would help get these hazardous vehicles off of our streets more quickly.

This motion is also to be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to Council File 24-0206

Motion C: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) requests that Council President Krekorian and Councilmember Raman propose a City Council motion for the implementation of an autonomous license plate reader (ALPR) system in Studio City. ALPRs work by scanning the plates of passing vehicles and providing that information to law enforcement. Officers would have the ability to determine when a specific vehicle had passed by. This information could help track down missing persons or individuals fleeing a crime in a motor vehicle. In November 2023, the Beverly Hill

Police Department used its APLR system to find a serial killer, who was pulled over on a traffic stop and arrested. There have been numerous recent high-profile burglaries of residences in Studio City by sophisticated burglars. Some of these burglars belong to transnational gangs who come here specifically to steal from Angelenos. Most have alluded justice. An APLR system, located near a freeway onramp like Coldwater Canyon and the 101 freeway, would help the Los Angeles Police Department locate burglars and other criminals who have victimized our community with impunity. Councilmember Lee's motion seeking \$250,000 to implement an APLR system in CD 12 was recently passed by the City Council (see CF 24-007). CD 2 and CD 4 should establish a similar APLR program for Studio City.

15. Outreach Committee Report

16. Homelessness Committee Report

17. Good of the Order, Motion to Adjourn

Studio City Neighborhood Council Committee Meeting Agendas are posted for public review on the SCNC website at studiocitync.org and at the Radford Studio Center gate on Colfax Avenue, as well as, at the gate on Radford Avenue.

The SCNC meetings are held on an active studio lot. Due to security issues, (just like Los Angeles City Hall), all Stakeholders are required to show a valid Driver's License if you are driving a vehicle onto the lot or a valid Driver's License or government issued Identification Card if you are walking onto the lot. An adult must accompany minors (17 years old and younger). For any security questions or concerns, please contact Radford Studio Center Security Office at 818-655-5085.

All Stakeholders are required to park in (or walk into) the studios' Sater parking structure at 4200 Radford Avenue. There are a limited number of accessible parking spaces in front of the meeting room and while there is no direct path of travel to the meeting room via a sidewalk, the studio and SCNC want to assure that Stakeholders with disabilities are able to access the meeting without difficulty. Stakeholders with disabilities who have a valid DMV placard, use a wheelchair, walker or cane, and/or those who have difficulties walking distances should contact Radford Studio Center Security Office at 818-655-5085 to request shuttle assistance at least 24 hours prior to the meeting in order for the studio to arrange services for the meeting.

PUBLIC INPUT AT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETINGS – The public is requested to fill out a “Speaker Card” to address the Board (or Committee) on any item from the Agenda PRIOR to the Board taking action on any item. Comments from the public on Agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board’s (or Committee's) jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board (or Committee) is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board (or Committee) meeting. Public comment is limited to 1 minute per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board (or Committee Chair). Public comment cannot be required to be submitted in advance of the meeting, only real-time public comment is required.

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NOTICE TO PAID REPRESENTATIVES – If you are compensated to monitor, attend or speak at this meeting, City law may require you to register as a lobbyist and report your activity. See Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 48.01 et seq. More information is available at ethics.lacity.org/lobbying . For assistance, please contact the Ethics Commission at 213-978-1960 or ethics.commission@lacity.org

PUBLIC ACCESS OF RECORDS – In compliance with Government Code section 54957.5, non-exempt writings that are distributed to a majority or all of the board (or committee) in advance of a meeting, may be viewed at our website: www.studiocitync.org or at the scheduled meeting. In addition, if you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda, please contact Scott Mandell at smandell@studiocitync.org

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2. <http://www.studiocitync.org>

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Radford Studio Center
Audience Shows & Events Policies

To attend an audience, show, event, or public meeting at Radford Studio Center, the following items are required:

- Valid Government issued Driver's license if you are driving a vehicle onto the lot.
- Valid Government issued Identification card if you are walking onto the lot. A Military ID and Passport ID will suffice.
- An adult must accompany minors (17 years old and younger). Student ID cards are preferred for those who have them.

The following items are prohibited on your person while attending an audience show, event, or public meeting on Radford Studio Center property:

- Knives
- Mace/pepper Spray
- Sharp Objects
- Firearms
- Alcoholic beverages
- Drugs (including marijuana for medicinal purposes)

All guests are subject to security screening and search. Guests will be required to pass through a metal detector or screened using a hand-held metal detector.

- Once the audience member has emptied their pockets and turned over any prohibited items, the audience member will be instructed to proceed through the metal detector or screened using a hand-held metal detector.
- Should the audience member activate the metal detector, the person will be asked to step to the side and will be scanned (entire body length front and backside) by the Security Officer with the hand-held metal detector.
- The audience member will not be allowed into the Studio until the Security Officer is satisfied that the individual has nothing on his/her person that constitutes a danger to others.
- Should the guest refuse to be screened, they are subject to being denied access to Radford Studio Center property.
- **NO FIREARMS OF ANY KIND ARE ALLOWED INSIDE THE STUDIO.** Security Officers who detect that a guest is in possession of a firearm should notify the Security Supervisor and P.O. IMMEDIATELY.
- Off-duty Law Enforcement in possession of a firearm will be instructed to either return the weapon to their vehicle or turn it over to Security where it will be kept, UNLOADED, in a SAFE, located in the security manager's office.
- Any props or toys that resemble weapons in any way are to be denied or confiscated. This includes props / accompanying costumes.

Each guest/audience member will be required to submit a form of identification which will be tagged with an item that is confiscated and held with security. Guests and audience members will be instructed to pick up their confiscated items at the first (1st) level of the Sater parking structure near the elevators at the completion of the event. No personal pets are allowed at any time on the Studio lot.

If, at any time, an audience member or guest, wanders away from their event or meeting space, into an unauthorized area, that person is subject to immediate dismissal from the lot.

For any questions or concerns, please contact Security. Security office phone number, (818) 655-5085.