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AGENDA

Regular Board Meeting

August 28, 2024
Meeting starts at 7:00 PM
4024 Radford Avenue, MPR-7 Studio City, CA 91604
(818) 655-5400

NEW 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

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REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE AT 6:30P

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.

NOTE: This meeting will have a hybrid option. Protocol specifics, end of agenda.

**Online: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8986848286>
Meeting ID: 898 684 8286**

**Dial 669-444-9171 to join the meeting
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Call to Order & Roll Call (1 min)

1. 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.

2. Announcement only: 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. Announcement only: Please remember that your permission to enter the private property here, is limited to access to the rooms in which we hold our meetings and any rest rooms or support facilities that exist. You are not cleared to wander the lot indiscriminately. Please do not go to areas of the facility where you have no reason to visit under your SCNC access.

Public Comments on non-agenda items within the Board's jurisdiction (15 mins, extendable by chair)

Announcements by Government Representatives (15 mins, extendable by chair)

MRCA- Rebecca Correa: Update on maintenance on the Zev completed in August of 2024 and scope and timing of required further work through Fall 2024

Other Government Representatives

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Approve previous minutes June & July waiting for Terrence to send the minutes.
2. Treasurer's Motions
 - a. **Motion A:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council approves the Monthly Expenditure Report for [June 2024](#)
 - b. **Motion B:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council approves the Monthly Expenditure Report for [July 2024](#)
 - c. **Motion C:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council approves reimbursement to Board Member and Outreach Committee Chair, Jen Bladen, in the amount of [\\$98.54](#) for the purchase of a foldable cart on wheels to contain, at-the-ready, commonly used event items and to haul other specific items to SCNC events. This is held at the SCNC office for use by board and committee members. Purchase made through Amazon.
 - d. **Motion D:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council approves the purchase of supplies for the foldable cart on wheels (zip ties for banners, paperweights for tabled flyers, other "smalls" for event operations) in the amount of \$32.33. Purchases were already made through Amazon, assuming pre-approved "general office" purchases.
3. Public Safety Committee –Jeff Hartwick

Motion A. The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) supports Council File 12-1824-S2: Title, Party House Violation Enforcement / Loud and Unruly Gatherings Ordinance / Home- Sharing Ordinance / Cost Recovery. "Party Houses" are houses used or rented out for parties. They are often illegally advertised and operate as clubs. Party Houses create problems like excessive noise, traffic, vandalism, and associated criminal behavior. These

city-wide nuisances continue to disrupt communities and jeopardize public safety. Although the city council passed an ordinance in 2018 to deal with Party Houses, it has not been effective. This motion instructs the City Attorney, Chief Legislative Analyst, and departments to provide recommendations to make the anti-Party House ordinance more effective, such as increases in fines and implementing a cost recovery system. A tougher approach is necessary to reduce these public nuisances.

This motion is also to be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to [Council file 12-1824-S2](#)

Motion B. The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) supports Council File 24-0140-S1: Title, City of Grants Pass, Oregon v. Johnson / Homeless Encampments / Public Spaces Regulation / Ruling Impact Analysis. The recent Supreme Court ruling in City of Grants Pass, Oregon v. Johnson affirmed the right of municipalities to enact and enforce anti-camping and anti-vagrancy ordinances. Prior to this ruling, cities and counties in California were hampered by a 9th Circuit Court of Appeals holding that such ordinances constituted “cruel and unusual punishment.” In light of the Supreme Court decision, the City of Los Angeles can once again enforce rules against camping/storing items in public spaces, such as sidewalks, underpasses, parks, greenways, roadway medians, and benches.

What is now needed is a legal report of:

- (1) existing anti-camping rules;
- (2) local city ordinances that could impact LA; and
- (3) how current lawsuits against the City regarding homelessness are affected, including the LA Alliance Settlement.

This will assist our councilmembers in re-establishing the rule of law in homeless encampments, which will make our neighborhoods safer and help persuade the service resistant to get the help that they need.

This motion is also to be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to [Council File 24-0140-S1.](#)

4. Government Affairs Committee – Barry Johnson

Motion A: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) *supports* Council File 24-0438 for an ordinance declaring that weeds, rubbish, refuse, and dirt on certain streets, sidewalks and parkways; and on, or in front of, certain private properties are a public nuisance; and orders the abatement of these nuisances.

This motion is also to be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to [Council File 24-0438.](#)

5. 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 repaint the faded red curb between 4430 and 4432 Laurelgrove Avenue because vehicles parked in this short curb space block one or both driveways.

END CONSENT CALENDAR

1. President's Report (10 minutes, extendable by chair)

- a. Consideration of candidates for open Board positions and potential vote
 - 1. Business Representative candidates: Aaron Justis
 - 2. Residential Renter- no candidates have come forward
 - 3. Youth Member candidate- Sophia

- b. .Establish Election Committee

- c. School outreach initiative

ii.	Rio Vista	Chip
iii.	Carpenter	Adele
iv.	Walter Reed	Chip
v.	Campbell Hall	Chip
vi.	Harvard-Westlake	Chip
vii.	Oakwood	unassigned
viii.	Notre Dame	unassigned
ix.	Bridges	unassigned

2. Vice President's Report Jerry Lewis (10 minutes, extendable by chair)

3. Secretary's Report Adele Slaughter (5 minutes, extendable by chair)

4. Corresponding Secretary Jeff Hartwick (5 minutes, extendable by chair)

5. Treasurer's Report Kim Clements (15 minutes, extendable by chair)

6. Technology Update Kevin Burhart (5 minutes) extendable by chair

7. Outreach Committee Report- Jen Bladen (5 minutes) extendable by chair

8. Sustainability Committee

Motion A. The Studio City Neighborhood Council supports the recommendations given in the TREE AND BIODIVERSITY PLANNING AND THE CITY'S URBAN CANOPY AND TREE CANOPY COVERAGE report delivered to City Council on July 28, 2023, as well as the amendments made by Councilmembers Raman. There has been no report back to date. Los Angeles is behind schedule responding to this motion.

The SCNC encourages the city to declare a [TREE CANOPY MANDATE](#) (attached)

Los Angeles needs to make an urgent effort to reverse the long term degradation of our urban canopy through the planting of new trees and improved maintenance of the existing trees that compromise our urban canopy.

[TREE CANOPY MANDATE](#) letter to be sent to the entire City Council and attached to the Council File below.

This motion is to be filed as a CIS to [Council File: 15-04990S2](#)

Motion brought by Adele Slaughter Seconded by: _____

Motion B. [Letter to Mayor Karen Bass](#) regarding Tree Canopy. The Studio City Neighborhood Council requests the City Council support our request of Mayor Bass to implement an urgent plan to improve the urban tree canopy throughout Los Angeles, as we have requested in the attached letter to the Mayor.

Motion brought by Adele Slaughter Seconded by: _____

9. Public Safety Committee –Jeff Hartwick

10. Land Use Committee –

- a. Radford Ad Hoc Committee Update
- b. Harvard Westlake River Park Update
- c. Southeast Valley Planning Commission

11. Government Affairs Committee – Barry Johnson

Motion A: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) *opposes* Council File 24-0803 for the Hilton Universal City Hotel (Hotel) / Hillcrest Real Estate (Developer) to receive financial assistance from the City of Los Angeles to construct an additional new tower that would add 395 new guest rooms, a rooftop pool, additional meeting and conference space, and below grade parking. The Hotel/Developer has requested that the City help with economic incentives such as those that have been provided to other large hotel projects in Los Angeles. The Motion for this Council File presented by Councilmember Nithya Raman states "*The Hilton Universal City Hotel (Hotel) is in the City of Los Angeles and has some of the highest occupancy levels in the City, given its amenities and proximity to Universal Studios. With nearly 500 rooms, the Hotel is often at full capacity.*" The City of Los Angeles has a structural deficit that averages over \$200 million a year for the next four years. We cannot afford another unjustifiable giveaway to a very profitable hotel developer with a high occupancy rate that will cost the City an estimated \$6 million a year for 10 years... a total of more than \$60 million.

This motion is also to be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to [Council File 24-0803](#).

Motion B: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) *opposes* the proposed changes in Council File CF-24-0867 regarding term limits for board members and mandatory youth seats. While we appreciate the intent to increase diversity and foster leadership growth, we believe these amendments would be detrimental to the effectiveness and stability of Neighborhood Councils. Term limits would exacerbate existing member retention issues and risk losing valuable institutional knowledge, while mandatory youth seats often remain unfilled due to the time commitment required.

This motion is also to be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to [Council File 24-0867](#).

Brought by Chip Meehan Seconded by: _____

12. Transportation Committee

Motion A: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) *opposes* Council File 23-0914 because it legitimizes and incentivizes permanent long-term Oversize Vehicle parking as dwellings. There has to be a better solution than this.

This motion is also to be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to [Council File 23-0914](#).

Motion B: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) requests Councilmember Nithya Raman and the Los Angeles Department of Street Services to investigate building shaking by large trucks going over a bumpy pavement on Whitsett Avenue near Woodbridge Street, in order to take the necessary steps to fix this street section and end the shaking of adjacent buildings.

Brought by Chip Meehan Seconded by: _____

13. Budget Committee- Barry Weiss

Motion A: The Studio City Neighborhood Council approves an expenditure of no more than \$4400 to support the December 2024 presentation of the Luminaria event. Projected budget details are below. The Committee has the flexibility to reallocate funds between budget "buckets" indicated or to cover unexpected expenses, but the total expenditure needs to stay within the \$4400 limit.

[Click here to read the budget and notes.](#)

Brought by Chip Meehan Seconded by: _____

14. Comments by Board members on other matters within the jurisdiction of the SCNC

15. Good of the Order

16. 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.

THE AMERICAN WITH DISABILITIES ACT – As a covered entity under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Los Angeles does not discriminate on the basis of disability and, upon request, will provide reasonable accommodation to ensure equal access to its programs, services, and activities.

Sign language interpreters, assistive listening devices, and other auxiliary aids and/or services, may be provided upon request. To ensure availability of services, please make your request at least 3 business days (72 hours) prior to the meeting you wish to attend by contacting the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment by email: NCsupport@lacity.org or phone: 213-978-1551.

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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1. Radford Studio Center outside the Radford and Colfax gates.
2. <http://www.studiocitync.org>

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AB 411 specifics regarding hybrid/online meetings

IN CONFORMITY WITH THE OCTOBER 6, 2023 ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 411 (PORTANTINO) AND LA CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL ON NOVEMBER 1, 2023, THE STUDIO CITY NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY. Every person wishing to address the Committee must dial 669-444-9171, and enter 898 684 8286 and then press # to join the meeting. When prompted by the presiding officer, to provide public input at the Neighborhood Council meeting the public will be requested to dial *9 or use the Raise Hand option, to address the Committee on any agenda item before the Committee takes an action on an 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 Committee's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the 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 meeting. Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board. SB 411 Updates: In the event of a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting to members of the public using the call-in option or internet-based service option, or in the event of a disruption within the eligible legislative body's control that prevents members of the public from offering public comments using the call-in option or internet-based service option, the eligible legislative body shall take no further action on items appearing on the meeting agenda until public access to the meeting via the call-in option or internet-based service option is restored. Actions taken on agenda items during a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting may be challenged pursuant to Section 54960.1. (C) The eligible legislative body shall not require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the legislative body and offer comments in real time. (D) Notwithstanding Section 54953.3, an individual desiring to provide public comment through the use of an internet website, or other online platform, not under the control of the eligible legislative body, that requires registration to log in to a teleconference may be required to register as required by the third-party internet website or online platform to participate. (E) (i) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed. (ii) An eligible legislative body that does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to subparagraph (D), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment. (iii) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed general public comment period that does not correspond to a specific agenda item shall not close the public comment period or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), until the timed general public comment period has elapsed.

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.