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**Sustainability & Beautification
Committee Meeting**

Date: Monday March 9th, 2026 7pm

VIRTUAL ZOOM ONLY – Online or By Telephone

Online: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8986848286>

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**IN CONFORMITY WITH THE JANUARY 1, 2026 ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 707 (DURAZO)
AND LA CITY COUNCIL FILE 23-1114, THE STUDIO CITY NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE
CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY**

Committee members Andrew Epstein Co-Chair/Board Member, Scott Mandell Co-Chair/
Stakeholder, Laurie Rittenberg Board Member, Katherine Kato Stakeholder, Matt
Thompson Board Member, Chip Meehan/Board President ex officio

1. Call to Order & Roll Call Up to 2 min. extendable by chair
 - a. 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.
 - b. 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.
 - c. 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.
2. Announcements and introductions from the Co-Chairs and committee members. (up to 5 min extendable by chair)
3. Public Comments on non-agenda items within this committee s jurisdiction (up to15 min, extendable by chair)

- a. Each stakeholder will have 2 minutes for their comments along with a 30 second question & answer if required
4. Announcements by Government Representatives (up to 20 min, extendable by chair)
 - a. Each Representative/Office will be allotted up to 5 minutes each (extendable by chair)
5. Approval of [Minutes](#) February 9th 2026 meeting (up to 2 min, extendable by chair)
6. Update and discussion regarding Rim Of The Valley NPS realignment [Council File: 25-0002-S90](#) (up to 10 min extendable by chair)
7. Ongoing discussion and possible motion regarding Home Composting and Urban Gardening workshop through [LA Sanitation & Environment](#) to teach residents how to turn kitchen scraps and yard trimmings into nutrient-rich soil, featuring expert advice, raffles, and free plant giveaways. These sessions, held across various LA locations, are led by green waste specialists and often feature [expert horticulturist Steve List](#).(up to15 min extendable by chair)
8. Continued discussion regarding topics/guests/questions for future collaboration with the Public Safety and Homelessness Committee. including but not limited to habitat destruction along the LA River and Tujunga Wash. [Video](#) of habitat destruction caused by encampments Additional [video Stills of habitat destruction caused by encampments](#) And new video shot this month <https://youtu.be/gahpn04hGGY?si=cwEo-FTg8Vz4a90-> (up to10 min extendable by chair)
9. Update on Studio City Community Clean-ups and upcoming clean-ups (up to10 min extendable by chair)
10. Street Trees Update
 - 10a. Discussion and possible motion to create and launch a social media campaign to encourage and seek residential homeowners to allow and maintain native trees to be planted in their parkways.
 - 10b. Discussion and possible motion to organize and work with residential homeowners who agree to allow native tree planting in their parkways, and to facilitate verification of no utility conflicts at designated locations by working with 811 Dig Alert and obtaining planting permits.
 - 10c. Discussion and possible motion to create a plan to seek volunteers to transport and plant trees in designated parkway locations.
 - 10d. Discussion and possible motion to create an ad hoc sub-committee to work on Agenda items 10a, 10b and 10c and to explore tree prices and similar tree planting elements and requirements.
11. Ongoing discussion regarding the possibility of a multi-neighborhood Fire Safety Town Hall and creating "Firewise" community <https://www.nfpa.org/education-and-research/wildfire/firewise-usa> (up to 10 min extendable by chair)
12. Comments from committee members regarding potential topics for future consideration by this committee.(up to 5 min extendable by chair)
13. Motion to adjourn. (1 min)

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Public comment must be made by the stakeholder themselves in person during the meeting. No written communication will be read by a representative.

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A 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 paragraph (5), to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed.

California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(6(A),

A 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 paragraph (5), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment.

California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(6)(B).