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**BOARD MEETING  
AGENDA**

**Wednesday, June 17, 2009, 7:00pm  
at**

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**Agenda**

1. Call to Order & Roll Call (2 min).
2. Approval of May 20, 2009 SCNC Board meeting minutes. (3 min)
3. Comments by President. (3 min)
4. Public Comments on non-agenda items within the Board's jurisdiction. (15 min)
5. Response(s) to public comments by Board Members. (15 min)
6. Presentation by City of Los Angeles Bureau of Sanitation with respect to sewer and/odor issues in the general vicinity of the SCNC's district. (10 min)
7. Report Treasurer: Remy Kessler. (5 min)
8. Report Budget Committee: John Walker. (20 min)
  - a) **Motion: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council approves a funding request from Studio City public school Walter Reed Junior High School to fund \$2,500 towards the \$4,935 purchase of a concert quality four (4) timpani kettle drum set for use by the school's music program. The paying of the \$2,500 shall be triggered upon written proof from the school of sufficient funds from other sources to complete the purchase.**
  - b) **Motion: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council approves and adopts the following budget for the 2009-2010 fiscal year (FYE 2010) in accordance with the SCNC bylaws and within the guidelines set forth by the City of Los Angeles and the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment.**

**SCNC 2009-2010 Projected Budget**

<b>Yearly Allocation</b>	45,000
<b>Rollover</b>	0
<b>Total</b>	45,000

Category	Sub-Category	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Annual Total
<b>Outreach</b>						
	Advertising (banners, newspaper/mag. ads, signage, etc.)	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	2,000.00
	General Outreach/Special Projects	750.00	750.00	750.00	750.00	3,000.00
	Neighborhood Events	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	4,000.00
	Printing & Copies	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	2,000.00
	Refreshments	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	1,000.00
	<b>Sub-Totals</b>	<b>3,000.00</b>	<b>3,000.00</b>	<b>3,000.00</b>	<b>3,000.00</b>	<b>12,000.00</b>
<b>Neighborhood Improvement</b>						
	Community Maintenance	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	10,000.00
	General Community Projects	3,750.00	3,750.00	3,750.00	3,750.00	15,000.00
	<b>Sub-Totals</b>	<b>6,250.00</b>	<b>6,250.00</b>	<b>6,250.00</b>	<b>6,250.00</b>	<b>25,000.00</b>
<b>Operational Exp.</b>						
	Telephone/Office Supplies/Internet/Copies	275.00	275.00	275.00	275.00	1,100.00
	Printing & Copies	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	1,000.00
	Refreshments	625.00	625.00	625.00	625.00	2,500.00
	Website Maintenance	600.00	600.00	600.00	600.00	2,400.00
	<b>Sub-Totals</b>	<b>1,750.00</b>	<b>1,750.00</b>	<b>1,750.00</b>	<b>1,750.00</b>	<b>7,000.00</b>
<b>Neighborhood Purpose Grants</b>						
	<b>Sub-Totals</b>	<b>250.00</b>	<b>250.00</b>	<b>250.00</b>	<b>250.00</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>
					<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>45,000.00</b>

9. Report Environmental & Cultural Affairs Committee: Michael McCue (5 min).

10. Report Outreach Committee: Suzanne Ekerling (5 min).

11. Report Transportation Committee: Todd Royal (5 min).

**Motion: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council opposes the Colfax Bridge demolition and reconstruction project unless and until all traffic mitigations are installed prior to any work beginning. Furthermore, a temporary pedestrian access walkway is built at a safe distance from the project to the existing footbridge on the south side of the Los Angeles river, any closures of the footbridge with this temporary walkway must be kept to a minimum, and any planned or prospective closings of the footbridge shall be posted 48 hours in advance at the north and south entry points of the bridge itself.**

12. Report Bylaws & Procedures Committee: Ron Taylor (5 min).

13. Report Government Affairs Committee: Barbara Monahan Burke / Rita Villa (5 min).

a) **Motion: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council authorizes the submission of the following comments to PLUM and further authorizes their inclusion in a SCNC Community Impact Statement once a Council File number is assigned.**

**The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council opposes certain provisions of the proposed zoning code amendments.**

(i) **A Community Plan Implementation Overlay should not override a Pedestrian or Neighborhood Oriented District or a Community Design Overlay Zone unless there has been a public hearing and the Neighborhood Councils have been notified and approve.**

- (ii) **A project that complies with the CPIO will only need a ministerial sign off from the Planning Director. No community review is required. If the CPIO involves options or discretion then a community review should be mandatory.**
  - (iii) **The Planning Director can grant adjustments in the CPIO standards up to 20%, with the decision appealable to the Area Planning Commission. The 20% is too great a discretion. Requests for deviation should be limited to 10%.**
  - (iv) **With respect to the Pedestrian Emphasis Design Designator, below grade parking structures should not be allowed to occupy the entire footprint of the lot. There should be a minimum setback of 15 feet both above and below ground level on at least one side of the building to allow for the roots of large canopied trees to develop and to permit water to naturally permeate the soil to resupply the aquifer.**
- b) **Motion: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council approves the proposed Declaration Affidavit (attached hereto) for completion by all board members and the completion of Form 55 (modified Form 52) (attached hereto) for completion only by Board members voting on the Council File to be opened.**

14. Report Land Use Committee: Lisa Sarkin (30 min).

- a) **Motion: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council opposes the request for patio seating by Laurel Tavern [ZA-2008-4490(PAB)] located at 11938 Ventura Blvd. Studio City at this time. At a hearing May 28, 2009, the zone administrator required a Valet Plan be supplied to the Land Use Committee that has not been provided. We oppose any permit that would allow seating for more than 12 patrons on the patio seating and any permit allowing patrons to utilize the patio seating after 10:30 PM.**
- b) **Motion: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council supports the master land use permit application of Play It To The Bone [ZA-2009-1355-EAF] located at 11450 Ventura Blvd. Studio City for a zone variance for dog and cat boarding with the additional conditions: 1) Six months after opening of the facility, the Land Use Committee will convene a community meeting to discuss and review any observed impacts and suggest mitigations and 2) The identification sign located west of the building will conform with the sign section of the Ventura/Cahuenga Blvd. Corridor Specific Plan.**
- c) **Motion: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council supports the building of a new Walgreens Drugstore [DIR-2009-1340-DI-SPP] located at 11000 Ventura Blvd. Studio City as submitted to the Planning Department. We support the dedication on Ventura Blvd. without improvement of the roadway. We support the dedication on Vineland Avenue with the improvement of the roadway continuing to the alley south of Ventura Blvd.**
- d) **Motion: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council supports the stakeholders of Valley Village's appeal [DIR-2008-1178-SPP] regarding the SB1818 development located at 11933 Magnolia Boulevard Valley Village.**

15. Comments from Board Members on subject matters within the Board's jurisdiction (5 min).

16. Adjournment (1 min).

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1. Call to Order & Roll Call (1 min).

2. Land Use Committee report: Lisa Sarkin. (20 min)

MOTION: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council opposes exceptions to the Ventura/Cahuenga Blvd. Corridor Specific Plan. We oppose the application of the Studio City Car Wash mural [ENV-2008-1721-MND] located at 11512 Ventura Blvd. Studio City for a zone variance to allow an exception for a business identification sign not permitted by the Ventura/Cahuenga Blvd. Corridor Specific Plan. This matter should be referred to the City Council's Cultural Affairs Commission to rule whether this sign is deemed a fine art mural.

3. Adjournment (1 min).

