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BOARD MEETING SPECIAL AGENDA

Wednesday, September 21, 2011

Light Refreshments 6:30pm

Meeting 7:00pm

at

**CBS Studio Center, Building 8, MPR-3,
4024 Radford, Studio City CA, 91604**

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1. Call to Order & Roll Call (2 min).
2. Approval of Board Minutes (2 min).
3. Comments by the President (10 min).
4. Public Comments on non-agenda items within the Board's jurisdiction (2 min ea).
5. Responses to comments from the Board (2 min ea).
6. Presentation of new Youth Board Member – **Pasha Vafaee** (10 min).
7. **MOTION: The Studio City Neighborhood Council opposes the adoption of the revised citywide sign ordinance now pending before the City Council PLUM Committee because the revisions to the ordinance would allow a proliferation of commercial advertising on both private and public property without a significant reduction in existing billboard and signage blight. The revised ordinance would also allow new electronic signage without addressing energy use, light pollution, traffic safety, and other issues that could negatively affect communities throughout the city. (Rita Villa)** (10 min).
7. Adjournment (1 min).



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1. Call to Order & Roll Call (2 min).
2. Approval of (August) Board Minutes (2 min).
3. Comments by the President (10 min).
4. Public Comments on non-agenda items within the Board's jurisdiction (2 minutes each) (Victor Helo).
5. Responses to comments from the Board (2 minutes each).
6. Presentation by Studio City Beautification on projects **Bill Harmond** (15 min).
7. Presentation by Department of Sanitation **Roger Shimatsu** (15 min).
8. Treasurer's report by **Remy Kessler** (5 min).

MOTION A: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council has reviewed the (September) financial statements and the (August) bank statements and hereby accepts and approves them.

9. Budget Committee Report by **Remy Kessler** for **Mark Batterman** (10 min).
10. VANC Report by **Arlene Samek** (10 min).
11. Outreach Committee Report by **Lisa Cahan-Davis** (10 min).
12. Transportation Committee Report by **Ben Di Benedetto** (10 min).

13. Government Affairs Committee Report by **Jeffery Carter** and **Rita Villa** (15 min).

MOTION A: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council objects to the use of illuminated signs on public transit busses for the purpose of advertising as has been approved as a pilot program in AB 607 (Brownley), such advertising represents a dangerous distraction to motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians and is another form of visual pollution.

MOTION B: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council is opposed to any legislation, which grants exceptions to CEQA. Further, we specifically object to the proposed law being backed by Sen. Alex Padilla of Pacoima and Assembly Speaker John Perez, which would fast-track court challenges to AEG's Environmental Impact Report on the Downtown NFL stadium. This fast tracking process fundamentally weakens the CEQA and robs the public of its opportunity to have meaningful input.

14. Land Use Committee Report by **Lisa Sarkin** (20 min).

MOTION A: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council supports Total Woman Gym & Spa, 12050 Ventura Blvd., Suite B211 [DIR-2011-2288-SPP] change of use from retail to a gym with shared on-site parking and 21 off-site parking at Chase Bank, the signage at both entrances to the parking lot as well as above the escalator at the entrance to the gym.

MOTION B: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council supports the concept of "The Nursery on the Roof" on the upper uncovered level of the Studio City Parking Structure located at 12225 Ventura Blvd., Studio City, with a Community Impact Statement attached to Council File No. 08-0832.

MOTION C: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council supports Community Conservation Solution's proposed project for the Los Angeles River Greenway between Coldwater Canyon and Whitsett Avenue. The project will consist of a pedestrian trail, 3,000 native trees, shrubs and flowering plants, bio-filtration swale, public access and seating. The LUC requests the SCNC President write a letter of support, as attached, to the California River Parkways Grant Program.

MOTION D: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council supports the Studio City Beautification Association adopting, landscaping and maintaining the existing concrete median fronting 10730 Ventura Blvd., between Lankershim Blvd., and Campo de Cahuenga Way and the asphalt triangle forming the southwest corner of Laurel Canyon Blvd., and the Valleyheart Drive north both under the LA City's Adopt-a-Median Program.

15. Cultural Affairs Committee Report by **Richard Niederberg** (5 min).
16. Crime & Safety Committee Report by **Wayne Kartin** (5 min).
17. ByLaws & Procedures Committee Report by **Ron Taylor** (10 min).
17. Comments from Board Members on subject matters within the Board's jurisdiction (10 min).
18. Adjournment (1 min).

