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**BOARD MEETING AGENDA - REVISED**  
**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2021**  
**at 7:00PM**

**Zoom Meeting Online or By Telephone**

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**Meeting ID: 971 9876 2934**

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1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Approval of the November Meeting Minutes (meeting minutes below)
3. President's Report
4. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items - 2 minutes per speaker
5. Comments by Government Officials
6. Speaker: Michael Lektorich, Neighborhood Council Election Administrator
7. **MOTION:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) supports [Council File 20-0838](#) to develop a permanent network of Slow Streets to enable wider access to open spaces for all, including but not limited to a potential program structure, eligibility criteria, staffing needs, and a plan that would enable interested neighborhoods to apply for a permanent Slow Streets pilot program. Specifically, the following must be addressed:

1. There should be thorough outreach to stakeholders before this program is implemented and a requirement for Neighborhood Councils to be part of this outreach.
2. There should be clear criteria for how neighborhoods opt-in to a "permanent" Slow Streets program.
3. The report should address the current lack of consistency in street selection and establish criteria for what is an appropriate street for a Slow Street.

4. There should be a requirement for ongoing follow-up studies and publicly available data on whether these changes actually yield the desired outcomes.
5. The report should identify the means of enforcement, whether by LAPD, LADOT, Parking Enforcement or another entity.
6. Will overnight parking restrictions or Preferential Parking Parking restrictions be enforced on a Slow Street?
7. The report should address the problem of cut-through traffic when drivers re-route to avoid Slow Streets.
8. The report should also address ways to minimize driver confusion with new permanent signage and street usage.

The SCNC encourages the City to redouble their efforts to find appropriate green space, i.e. new parks, walk streets, pedestrian plazas, etc. versus taking away needed transportation infrastructure to meet green space needs. The SCNC would like to see these issues be addressed in any feasibility study and see this feasibility study made public.

This motion is to be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to [CF 20-0838].

Brought by: Randall Fried

Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

8. Government Affairs -
  - a. **MOTION:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) opposes Streets LA proposal to install 78 inch tall Digital Ad Screens at all public bus shelters with attached cellphone tracking to collect individual's data while at any bus shelter. [For more info: <https://streetsla.lacity.org/coordinated-street-furniture-program>]
  - b. **MOTION:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council supports [Council File 20-1536](#) to instruct the Bureau of Street Services (aka Streets LA) to address the final design of possible bus shelter digital signs/cellphone data collection and assure the public that adequate controls are in place to protect neighborhoods and communities. The deliberation and decision making on this issue must be made in transparent fashion and be resolved before any award to operate the Sidewalk and Transit Amenities Program (STAP) is approved. This motion is to be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to [CF 20-1536].
  - c. **MOTION:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) requests Councilmember Paul Krekorian to make a Motion to amend and clarify the Los Angeles Gas Powered Leaf Blower Ordinance (LAMC) Section 112. 04 (c) to read, "No internal combustion blower shall be used within 500 feet of a residence at any time", and put an end to loopholes in this ordinance so (LAMC) Section 112. 04 (c) can actually be enforced. [For more info: [https://streetsla.lacity.org/sites/default/files/leaf\\_blower1.pdf](https://streetsla.lacity.org/sites/default/files/leaf_blower1.pdf)]
  - d. **MOTION:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) opposes [Council File 18-1246](#). During a historic housing

crisis and pandemic that has exacerbated housing access, the City should not allow AirBNB and other home-sharing services to expand operations. By chopping its widespread effort to legalize home-sharing into three smaller actions, the City is distorting the environmental consequences of its effort and circumventing informed decision-making under the California Environmental Quality Act. So too, the City has failed to sufficiently analyze, identify, and mitigate cumulative impacts resulting from the VRO and related City efforts to unduly loosen its Code to legalize home-sharing activities across the City. The HSO, VRO, and HSO/RSO amendment essentially remove roughly 42,000 units that would otherwise be available to provide long term housing—which is more than the 36,571 shortfall of very low-, low-, and moderate-income units needed for the City to meet its Regional Housing Needs Assessment (“RHNA”) obligations. This motion is to be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to [CF 18-1246].

e. **MOTION:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council supports [Council File 17-0226-S1](#) to raise the penalties for unpermitted remodels, additions and demolition of buildings, to be a sufficient economic deterrent in stopping unpermitted activities. Additionally, even higher penalties should be imposed (based on the size and value of the project) on chronic offenders, as well as, permits not granted for a specific period of time and a delay in the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy. This motion is to be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to [CF 17-0226-S1].

9. **MOTION:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council opposes the newest version of the Citywide Sign Ordinance ([CF 11-1705](#)), which the PLUM Committee issued on Dec. 10, 2020, because it is a recipe for visual blight across Los Angeles. Allowing new digital billboards in Regional Commercial Sign Districts, on public property, and in proposed new “Tier 3” Sign Districts would spread intrusive digital billboards into a great many intersections and commercial districts of our city. Much research has shown that changing digital billboards create driver distraction which causes accidents. Moreover, these signs radically alter any neighborhood, harming both its aesthetics and local property values. Version B Plus, written by the City Planning Commission, is by far preferable because it limits where digital signs can go and establishes a strong takedown ratio for a better overall impact on sign blight. We also favor an Environmental Impact Report on any new digital billboard. The type of regulation that Version B Plus envisions was also endorsed by huge majorities of Los Angeles voters in two public opinion polls. The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council therefore rejects any version other than B Plus. Motion by: Randall Fried Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

**---End of Agenda---**

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MEETING CALLED TO ORDER 7:02 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of the Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council was held at 7:02 pm on November 18, 2020, via Zoom, the President being in the Chair, the Recording Secretary taking Minutes, and Randy Fried as timekeeper.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Absent:

Alex Izbiki - arrived at 7:20 prior to any votes taken

Nancy Kremer - arrived at 7:20 prior to any votes taken

Josef Tichy

Raduca Kaplan - left meeting at 9:00 prior to the Motion 8a vote

2. Approval of October Minutes

3. President's Update (max 5 minutes)

a. Completion and approval of NC election form, and appointment of Election Committee Chair for 2021 NC Election Election Form for NC

4. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items - within the Board's jurisdiction (2 mins per speaker)

5. Announcements from Governmental Representatives (5 minutes each)

6. Treasurer's Report

a. Budget Packet approval update

b. Approval of October Monthly Expenditure Report

Ayes 14. Nays 0, Abstain 0, Absent 1. Motion Passes.

c. Approval of Inventory List for 2020/2021 Budget Packet

Ayes 14. Nays 0, Abstain 0, Absent 1. Motion Passes.

7. Sustainability Committee - Melanie Winter/Raduca Kaplan (12 mins)

a. MOTION: The Studio City Neighborhood Council SUPPORTS City Council File 20-1225 in the form of a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to develop a Healthy Soils Strategy for the City to support carbon sequestration, urban agriculture, and water

management, and to encourage City Department to identify opportunities to unpave underutilized spaces and utilize them for compost and mulching operations.

Motion made to Table 7a - Ayes 2. Nays 8, Abstain 3, Absent 1. Motion Fails.

Ayes 11. Nays 2, Abstain 0, Absent 1. Motion Passes as Amended.

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b. MOTION: The Studio City Neighborhood Council SUPPORTS City Council File 20-0838 in the form of a Community Impact Statement (CIS), and asks the City to make the slow streets program permanent. We believe that using permanent materials will have a positive impact on the air quality and the health of our community, and on the safety of our streets. We also support efforts by the CLA and City Attorney to explore what changes to State Vehicle Code may be necessary to legally effectuate the program and to draft a resolution to support state legislative action to make any such changes.

Motion made to refer the Motion to the Transportation Committee.

Motion by Board Member: Michael De Lazzer, Seconded by Lisa Karadjian

Ayes 10. Nays 4, Abstain 0, Absent 1. Motion Passes.

c. MOTION: The Studio City Neighborhood Council SUPPORTS City Council File 20-0492 in the form of a Community Impact Statement (CIS), to perform an inventory of the City's insurance policies so that the City can identify and orient it's purchasing towards insurers working for a sustainable future.

Ayes 4. Nays 9, Abstain 1, Absent 1. Motion Fails as Amended.

8. Transportation Committee - Barry Johnson

a. MOTION: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) requests Councilmember Paul Krekorian to direct the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (L.A.D.O.T.) to install bollards between the Vineland Avenue Bicycle Lane and the Vineland Avenue right vehicle traffic lane in each direction between Ventura Boulevard and Chandler Boulevard where ever they do not already exist.

Ayes 10. Nays 2, Abstain 1, Absent 2. Motion Passes.

9. Government Affairs - Barry Johnson (7 mins)

a. MOTION: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) requests Councilmember Paul Krekorian to make a Motion to require businesses that are required to have restrooms for customers, under Los Angeles Building & Safety Code(s), to keep those restrooms open when the indoor portion of the business is open.

Ayes 13. Nays 0, Abstain 0, Absent 2. Motion Passes.

10. Outreach Committee - Michael De Lazzer

a. MOTION: The Studio City Neighborhood Council agrees to allocate up to \$3500 dollars for the printing and creation of Studio City Neighborhood Council masks for distribution to stakeholders. The masks will be made locally by Custom Supply Company

on Cahuenga Boulevard. Price per unit is \$3.12 per mask.

Motion by Board Member: Michael De Lazzer 2nd: Richard Adams

Ayes 12. Nays 0, Abstain 1, Absent 2. Motion Passes.

11. Land Use Committee - Lisa Karadjian (5 mins)

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12. Bylaws Committee - Nancy Kremer

a. MOTION: "The SCNC approves the creation of a new Standing Committee named the

"Business Community Committee. Operating Procedures will be updated accordingly.&quot;

Ayes 3. Nays 9, Abstain 1, Absent 2. Motion Fails.

Meeting Adjourned - 9:53 pm