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**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY AUGUST 31, 2022 AT 7:00 PM
INCLUDING UNFINISHED ITEMS FROM THE
PRIOR BOARD MEETING**

Zoom Meeting Online or By Telephone

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1. Call to Order & Roll Call (1 min)
2. President's Comments (15 mins)
 - a. Board Vacancy-Business Representative Seat, defined by our bylaws as: A Business Representative is a person who (i) legally provides goods or services for compensation in Studio City and who maintains a valid City of Los Angeles Tax Registration Certificate (otherwise known as a City of Los Angeles business license) or (ii) owns business real property in Studio City. Stakeholders who are 18 years of age or older at the time of filing for candidacy. If you're interested in joining the SCNC Board, please email board@studiocitync.org with a statement of interest.
 - b. Land Use Committee vacancy - The position of Land Use Committee chair is currently available, as are Land Use Committee members. If you are interested in becoming the Land Use Committee chair or serving on the committee please email smandell@studiocitync.org with a statement of interest.
 - c. Board Vacancy - Youth Member Seat, defined by our bylaws as: A Stakeholder who is at least 14 years and no more than 17 years of age on the day of the appointment. Please email smandell@studiocitync.org with a statement of interest.
3. Secretary Report Abigail Velasco (5 min) Approval of the [August 17th Board Meeting Minutes](#), attendance report, training compliance.

4. Corresponding Secretary Report Jeff Hartwick (5 min): Filings of CIS and Resolutions.
5. Treasurer Report Kim Clements (8 min)
 - a. **Motion: Motion:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council approves reimbursement to Board Member, Richard Niederberg, in the amount of [\\$160.09](#) for the purchase of beverages and snacks for the National Night Out event. Purchase was made at Costco which would not accept use of the Los Angeles City credit card. Brought by Kim Clements
Seconded by: _____
6. Vice President Report Brandon Morino (5 min)
7. **Public Comment on Non-Agenda items** within the Neighborhood Council's jurisdiction (1 minute per speaker)
8. Announcements by Government Representatives (15 min)
9. Transportation Committee Barry Johnson (15 min)
 - a. **Motion.** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) opposes the Los Angeles City Planning Department and the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (L.A.D.O.T.) drafts for the proposed Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Program update.
Links:

TDM Ordinance Draft:

https://planning.lacity.org/odocument/bb9114b3-29e3-423f-8b91-027afb242e63/%20Revised_DRAFT_TDMOrdinance_June2022.pdf

TDM Program Guidelines:

https://planning.lacity.org/odocument/c3c9b320-4431-49ff-99d2-15b479c06074/%20Revised_DRAFT_TDMProgramGuidelines_June2022.pdf

TDM Fact Sheet:

https://planning.lacity.org/odocument/ee9c120e-5181-4c0d-8bc0-c0cb07a765b9/TDM_Fact_Sheet_updated_6.2022.pdf

TDM Calculator:

<https://ladot.lacity.org/tdmcalculator>

b. **Motion.** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) opposes BOTH [SB 1067](#) (Portantino) and [AB 2097](#) (Friedman) which both take away local control of the parking spaces required by law by local governments.

Links:

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220SB1067

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB2097

10. Government Affairs Committee Barry Johnson (20 min)

a. Motion. The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) agrees with City Council File 22-0002-S106 to oppose [SB 930](#) (Wiener) which would allow select cities in California to issue permits extending the cutoff time for alcohol sales to 4 a.m., which could lead to an increased incidence of drunk driving, and exacerbate the noise and/or traffic disturbance suffered by residents living in abutting cities; and force neighboring cities and/or counties to absorb increased public safety enforcement costs.

This motion is also to be submitted as separate Community Impact Statements (CIS) to [CF 22-0002-S106].

Link:

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=22-0002-S106>

b. Motion. The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) opposes Council File 22-1100-S5, a Ballot Measure on the November 8, 2022 ballot which has no dollar amount listed for the cost of developing, constructing or acquiring up to 5,000 additional units of low-cost rental housing in each of the 15 Council Districts.

This motion is also to be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to [CF 22-1100-S5].

Link:

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=22-1100-S5>

c. Motion. The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) opposes Council File 22-0158 (Bonin / Raman / Harris-Dawson) which would allow shelters and other forms of interim housing to be established and operated on properties located outside of R3, RAS3, R4, RAS4, R5, C2, C4, C5, CM, M1, M2, and M3 zones during a declared shelter crisis.

This motion is also to be submitted as separate Community Impact Statements (CIS) to [CF 22-0158].

Link:

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=22-0158>

11. Public Safety Jeff Hartwick (20 min)

a. **Motion.**The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) requests Councilmembers Raman and Krekorian bring forth a resolution opposing the policies and special directives of Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascon. There has been a crime surge in Los Angeles since the initiation of DA Gascon’s policies and directives, from misdemeanors to violent felonies. DA Gascon’s newly instituted policies and directives have unquestionably contributed to this surge. For example, DA Gascon issued Special Directive 20-07, which lists numerous misdemeanors that are generally declined or dismissed before arraignment, including resisting arrest, drinking in public, public intoxication, trespassing, and drug and paraphernalia possession. This has directly led to the non-enforcement of quality of life crimes throughout the City. Special Directive 20-08 eliminated certain sentencing enhancements for career criminals, including the Three Strikes Law and gang enhancements. DA Gascon only modified that policy after a judge issued a preliminary injunction against it for non-compliance with state law. Our DA refuses to enforce cash bail under Special Directive 20-06, which has resulted in a revolving door policy of repeat criminals being set free only to commit more crime while awaiting trial. Only after a few high-profile violent felony cases did he agree to consider cash bail in rare circumstances. DA Gascon “will not defend existing death penalty cases” under Special Directive 20-11, even though California voters support the death penalty. He refuses to send prosecutors to parole hearings. DA Gascon refuses to try juvenile offenders in adult court no matter how heinous the crime. A man recently arrested for the slaying of a homeless man had been released from prison last year after just serving 8 years of a life sentence for double murder because DA Gascon refused to transfer the case from juvenile to adult court. DA Gascon’s dangerous policies and special directives continue to endanger all Angelenos, and residents and stakeholders of Studio City are concerned about the DA’s non-prosecution of crimes that affect our quality of life. Our laws must be enforced, not undermined by the DA. The time is now for the City Council to support the repeal of these dangerous, ill conceived, and even unlawful policies of DA Gascon. The safety, well-being, and quality of life for all Angelenos are at stake.

DA’s court loss on appeal re sentencing enhancements

<https://www.courts.ca.gov/opinions/documents/B310845.PDF>

Directives LINKS

Resentencing/Lifer Parole Hearings

<https://da.lacounty.gov/sites/default/files/policies/SPECIAL-DIRECTIVE-20-14.pdf>

Misdemeanor Treatment

<https://da.lacounty.gov/sites/default/files/pdf/SPECIAL-DIRECTIVE-20-07.pdf>

Death Penalty

[SPECIAL-DIRECTIVE-20-11.pdf](#) (lacounty.gov)

Pretrial Release

[SPECIAL-DIRECTIVE-20-06.pdf](#) (lacounty.gov)

Sentencing Enhancements

<https://da.lacounty.gov/sites/default/files/pdf/SPECIAL-DIRECTIVE-20-08.pdf>

The Daily News article on Pacoima slaying:

<https://www.dailynews.com/2022/06/22/gascon-policy-blamed-for-mans-release-from-life->

b. **Motion.** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) supports Council File 22-0779: Title, Cyber Attacks / Critical Infrastructure / Artificial Intelligence / Cybersecurity / Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) / National Security Commission on AI (NSCAI). In the past year, large cities across the United States have been targeted by state-sponsored and other malicious cyber actors that threaten the public's security and privacy. It is worrisome that the City of Los Angeles' critical infrastructure is potentially at risk, including departments such as the Department of Water and Power, Port of LA, and the Police and Fire Departments. It therefore makes sense for the City's Information and Technology Agency report to the City Council on security measures and protocols that are in place to detect cyber-attacks, and that the report include a comprehensive review of the City's IT asset management capabilities and recommendations for improvement. This motion is also to be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to Council File [22-0779].

LINK:

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=22-0779>

12. Bylaws and Procedures Jeff Hartwick (20 min)

1. **Motion.** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) approves amending Operating Procedures Article I (Governing Board), Section 1 (Duties and Powers), Paragraph C as follows: "Section 1: Duties and Powers ... C. Each Board member shall use a SCNC email address for all business of the SCNC."

2. **Motion.** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) approves amending Operating Procedures Article I (Governing Board), Section 4 (Absences) as follows: "Section 4: Absences A. A Board Member who incurs an absence at three (3) regularly scheduled Board Meetings during any twelve (12) month period may be removed by action of the Board. B. Attendance shall be recorded in all meeting minutes."

3. **Motion** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) approves amending Operating Procedures Article III (Committees and their Duties), Section 1 (Standing Committees), Paragraph J(6): "6. Committee members, other than Chairs and Board members, shall be removed in the same manner in which they were appointed."

However, Chairs and Board members shall be removed from a committee by the President only after the President or a Board member submits a removal motion to the Board and a majority of the Board votes for removal.”

4. **Motion.** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) approves amending Operating Procedures Article IV (Meetings), Section 2 (Agenda), Paragraph E as follows: “E. A general description of an item on the Agenda shall be provided.”

5. **Motion.** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) approves amending Operating Procedures Article IV (Meetings), Section 2 (Agenda), by adding Paragraph F: “F. The president shall place on the Board meeting agenda all timely submitted motions, resolutions, and requests for action proposed by (1) Board members or (2) passed by Committees, unless an item explicitly violates a bylaw, operating procedure, or DONE/City rule or ordinance.”

6. **Motion.** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) approves amending Operating Procedures Article IV (Meetings), Section 5 (Special Rules for Conduct of Meetings), Paragraph F by striking it entirely. [~~“F. A Committee Chairman may allow for a member to join the meeting via telephone, however, that member shall not count towards quorum nor vote on any motions.”~~] SCNC Operating Procedures:

<https://www.studiocitync.org/assets/documents/15/url62cb0960f0ea5.pdf>

SCNC Bylaws:

<https://www.studiocitync.org/assets/documents/15/url62cb05cddac3c.pdf>

13. Good of the Order. Brief comments of Board Members on items not on the agenda (7 min)

14. Adjournment

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GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON AGENDA ITEMS

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