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BOARD MEETING AGENDA
WEDNESDAY MARCH 15 , 2023 AT 7:00PM

Zoom Meeting Online or By Telephone

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1. Call to Order & Roll Call (1 min)
2. President's Comments, announcements, action items. (20 mins extendable by chair)
 - a. **Motion:** The Board Of The Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) approves the removal of Brandon Morino as Board Vice President. Brought by Scott Mandell seconded by _____
 - b. **Motion:** If the motion to remove Brandon Morino as Board Vice President carries, the SCNC will vote to elect a new Board Vice President.
 - c. 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. Board members are reminded not to cut off, interrupt, or otherwise engage with stakeholders during their allotted time.
3. Secretary Report Abigail Velasco (5 min) Approval of the regular board meeting [February minutes](#), attendance report, training compliance.
4. Corresponding Secretary Report Jeff Hartwick (5 min): Filings of CIS and Resolutions
5. Treasurer Report Kim Clements (15 min extendable by chair)
 - a. **Motion:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council approves the monthly Expenditure Report for [February 2023](#)
Seconded by: _____

- b. **Motion:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council approves payment in the amount of \$5000 ([CD2 matching funds grant](#), payment from SCNC special account) to Studio City Beautification Association for the Vineland Median E project. The Board approved a funding request of the same amount from SCNC funds in November 2022 and payment was made recently upon completion.

Seconded by: _____

- c. **Motion:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council approves the revised [2022-2023 Budget](#) Seconded by: _____

6. Vice President Report Brandon Morino (5 min)

7. Outreach Committee update Teri Austin (8 min)

8. Announcements by Government Representatives.

- a. NEA Lorenzo Briceno with an update regarding in person meetings. (20 min extendable by chair)

- b. Courtney Schoenwald City Planner, Valley Overlay Amendment Unit Los Angeles City Planning regarding [Council File: 17-1071-s1](#) Ventura-Cahuenga Boulevard Corridor Specific Plan Amendment (10 min extendable by chair)

- c. Other Govt representatives in attendance (20 min extendable by chair)

9. Public Comment on Non-Agenda items within the Neighborhood Council's jurisdiction (1 minute 30 sec per speaker 15 minute total extendable by chair)

10. Public Safety Committee (Jeff Hartwick 20 min extendable by chair)

a.Motion The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) supports [Council File 22-1594](#): Title, Hazardous and Illegal RV Parking / Resident Complaints / Oversized Vehicles / Parking Enforcement. After a deluge of complaints from Los Angeles residents about the proliferation of immobile and unsafe recreational and oversized vehicles in the City, the Board of Transportation Commissioners recently investigated the chronic problem. The Transportation Commissioners found that there was an increase in crime on impacted streets, enhanced risk of fires, illegal drug use, dumping of trash, and blocking of cyclists. Offending Recreational Vehicles (RVs) and oversized vehicles were also not being cited by authorities. The Commission drafted a report with recommendations for the City Council to implement. These important recommendations include:

- (1) Begin immediate parking enforcement of oversized vehicles in violation of LAMC Sections 80.69.4 and 80.69.

- (2) Request that the Mayor declare an emergency regarding the proliferation of these vehicles so that the impacted streets can be immediately cleared.

- (3) Immediately install parking restriction signage in impacted areas.

(4) Adopt a citywide ordinance prohibiting oversized vehicle in all residential-zoned areas, like many municipalities have done across the U.S. The Board supports these common-sense recommendations for immediate action that will bring order to chaotic areas that have become drug dens, hubs of criminal activity, and sources of environmental pollution and public health hazards.

This motion is also to be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to Council File [22-1594].

LINK: <https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=22-1594>

Report: https://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2022/22-1594_misc_12-1-22.pdf

B. Motion The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) supports [Council File 21-1465](#): Title, Los Angeles Police Department / Property Crimes / RV Overpopulation. In February 2022, the City Council adopted the Public Safety Committee report of this council file seeking reports from the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) and Fire Department (LAFD) about crime and fires along Recreational Vehicle (RV) corridors in the City. The LAPD drafted a report in May 2022 addressing the RV crime issue, which was approved by the Los Angeles Police Commission in December 2022. There are 216 specific locations where oversized vehicles and RVs have a positive correlation with increases in crime. The 49 most problematic RV areas were spotlighted, including seven RV encampments in the North Hollywood district. In the North Hollywood area encampments, there was between an 83%-150% increase in crime, the worst being the Tujunga Ave./Hartland St. encampment.

Noteworthy findings/conclusions include:

- (1) Crime numbers are elevated within RV encampments.
- (2) There will be an increase in RV presence unless more restrictive parking regulations are enacted.
- (3) Outreach efforts should occur prior to enforcement.
- (4) There should be a Modus Operandi (MO) reporting code associated specifically with RV crime to get more data.
- (5) There needs to be more RV salvage recycling facilities to dispose of scrap RVs.

The Board urges the City Council to address these findings with new ordinances and funding to stop the proliferation of RV encampments and associated increases in crime.

This motion is also to be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to Council File [21-1465].

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<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=21-1465>

Report: https://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2021/21-1465_misc_12-23.pdf

11. Discussion, recap, Luminaria 2022 (Barry Johnson, Wren Sarrow 15 min extendable by chair)

12. Government Affairs (Barry Johnson 20 minutes extendable by chair)

- a. **Motion** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) opposes [Council File 23-0002-S27](#), a Resolution to oppose the "Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act" on the November 2024 ballot.

This motion is also to be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to [CF 23-0002-S27]. [23-0002-S27 \(CFMS\) \(lacity.org\)](#)

- b. **Motion** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) supports [Council File 23-0167](#) for a report back on best practices to sidewalk repairs used by other cities that would preserve the City's mature street trees while ensuring safe sidewalks.

This motion is also to be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to [CF 23-0167].

Link: [23-0167 \(CFMS\) \(lacity.org\)](#)

- c. **Motion:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) opposes both Draft Ordinance "A" and Draft Ordinance "B" in [Council File 20-0990](#) because the content is vague, ambiguous and overly broad. They both require more specificity.

This motion is also to be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to [CF 23-0990].

Link: [20-0990 \(CFMS\) \(lacity.org\)](#)

13. Transportation Committee Report (Barry Johnson 20 min extendable by chair)

- a. **Motion:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) requests Council President Krekorian and the Bureau of Street Services - Street Renewal Division to repave Vineland Avenue from Whipple Street to the 101 Freeway southbound off-ramp which was not repaved when either side of this section was repaved.

Brought by: Randall Fried Seconded by: _____.

- b. **Motion:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) supports [Council File 22-1125](#) to address the increase of charter aircraft operations at the Van Nuys Airport (VNY) if the following issues are addressed in the [attached letter](#):

This motion is also to be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to [CF 22-1125].

Brought by: Randall Fried Seconded by: _____

Link [22-1125 \(CFMS\) \(lacity.org\)](#) Link to [letter](#)

- c. **Motion:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) opposes [Council File 20-0380-S2](#), a Resolution to extend the provisions of Section 16.02.1 of the Municipal Code, "Relief from Specified Land Use Provisions", to provide temporary regulatory relief from certain time limitations and automobile parking provisions during and for an additional 24-month period for a total of 36 months, after the termination or expiration of the local emergency order, as provided in Section 16.02.1.

This motion is also to be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to [CF 20-0380-S2].

Brought by: Randall Fried Seconded by: _____.

Link: [20-0380-S2 \(CFMS\) \(lacity.org\)](#)

14. a. **Motion:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) approves the expenditure and payment of up to \$700.00 to LAUSD Walter Reed Middle School for use of the facilities for voting purposes on SCNC Election Day, June 2023. The school has provided a quote of \$806.55, of which the City Clerk will only cover \$150.00, thereby leaving a balance due from SCNC of \$656.66. The location was the primary choice approved by the Board at the November 2022 meeting. Brought by Scott Mandell Seconded by: _____

b. **Motion:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) approves the expenditure and payment of up to \$250 to the Studio City Library for use of the facilities for voting purposes on SCNC Election Day, June 2023. As a cost saving measure, this alternative to LAUSD Walter Reed Middle School is being explored. Should the out-of-pocket costs to the SCNC be \$250 or less (total of \$400 including City Clerk funds), then the SC Library will be the official polling location for the SCNC election 2023. This location was approved as alternate/2nd choice at the November 2022 Board meeting.

Brought by Scott Mandell Seconded by: _____

c. **Motion:** The Board Of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) approves the expenditure and payment of up to \$1750.00 to Pink's Printers for printing services (flyers/cards) to promote the SCNC election.

Brought by Scott Mandell (input from Teri Austin Outreach Chair) Seconded by:

d. **Motion:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) approves the expenditure and payment of up to \$400.00 to Pink's Printers for printing services (flyers/cards) to promote the Homeless Outreach Information sheets created by the SCNC Homelessness Committee. Brought by Julie Houlihan Seconded by:_____

15. Homelessness Committee (Julie Houlihan 30 min extendable by chair)

a. **Motion:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council **supports** [Council File: 22-1545](#), in which the LA City Council supports Mayor Bass' Declaration of a local emergency with regard to homelessness, *if amended to include these two key performance indicators: a) decrease the number of homeless individuals who are service resistant and b) increase the number of 41.18 designation zones.*

This motion is also to be submitted as a separate Community Impact Statement (CIS) to [CF 22-1545].

Council File: 22-1545 / Introduced Dec. 12, 2022 / Passed/final March 1 2023

Declaration of Local Emergency / Homelessness Crisis

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=22-1545>

b. **Motion:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council **opposes** [Council File: 23-0033](#). Brought by CD2's Paul Krekorian and CD4's Nithya Raman, the legislation supports Mayor Bass' Declaration of a Local Emergency and establishes a bank account which the Mayor administrates. The motion provides funding of more than \$50 million from various existing accounts dedicated to Homelessness and requires weekly reporting from agencies including Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA), LA Housing Dept., Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles and the Department of Transportation. Reports include status updates on homeless outreach and engagements, referrals and placements, expenditures, and other metrics and data; updates on the Inside Safe Initiative; and related matters.

This motion is also to be submitted as a separate Community Impact Statement (CIS) to [CF 23-0033].

Council File: 23-0033 / Introduced Jan. 10, 2023 / Passed Jan. 30, 2023

Inside Safe Initiative / Executive Directive No. 2 / Homelessness Crisis / Declaration of Local Emergency / Homelessness Emergency Account / General City Purposes Fund

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=23-0033>

- c. **Motion:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council **supports** [Council File: 22-0928](#), which requires Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) to release monthly reports for one year following any place-based intervention in the City involving more than ten unhoused individuals, such as an encampment with 10 or more people. The reports would detail those who were placed in housing, what type of housing, who did not receive housing or returned to the streets.

The Studio City Neighborhood Council respectfully requests more transparency on the number of permanent support housing units and interim housing beds within the SPA 2 (Service Planning Area) boundaries and the occupancy rates of these facilities on an ongoing periodic basis, either monthly or at least quarterly. These reports should be available electronically.

This motion is also to be submitted as a separate Community Impact Statement (CIS) to [CF 22-0928].

Council File: 22-0928 / Introduced Aug. 12, 2023 / Passed Nov. 30, 2023
Place-Based Interventions / Housing / Persons Experiencing Homelessness / Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA)

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=22-0928>

- d. **Motion:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council **opposes** [Council File: 21-0042-S5](#), which requires landlords to provide 3 months rent and moving expenses to Tenants when rent is raised more than either 10% or Consumer Price Index + 5% over 12 months, whichever is lesser. This does not apply to small landlords who own a single-family dwelling unit and no more than four additional dwelling units.

This motion is also to be submitted as a separate Community Impact Statement (CIS) to [CF 21-0042-S5].

Council File: 21-0042-S5 – Introduced Jan. 23 / Passed Jan. 31, 2023
Tenant Relocation Assistance / Rent Increase / Rental Unit Relinquishment / Los Angeles Municipal Code / Amendment

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=21-0042-S5>

- e. **Motion:** The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council **supports** [Council File: 23-0104](#), to establish a Small Housing Provider Assistance Program to provide payment directly to housing providers who incurred debt due to rental arrears during the course of the pandemic, and report on program parameter recommendations. The fund would provide rental debt assistance for the small and local housing providers in this City who otherwise may never recover lost rental income, could resort to selling property to corporations, or may lose property to foreclosures for their own unpaid mortgages.

This motion is also to be submitted as a separate Community Impact Statement (CIS) to [CF 23-0104].

Council File: 23-0104 – Introduced Jan. 31, 2023

Small Housing Provider Assistance Program / Mom and Pop Housing Provider Payment / COVID-19 Pandemic / Eviction Defense Programs / Housing Preservation / Acquisition

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=23-0104>

16. Good of the Order. Brief comments from Board Members on items not on the agenda (7 min)
17. Adjournment

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