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**GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA**

**Wednesday, June 4, 2025, 6:00PM
4024 Radford Avenue, Editorial 2, Room 6
Studio City, CA 91604 (818) 655-5400**

**Enter through the 4024 Radford Gate using the drive-on or pedestrian
access and follow instructions from Radford Studio Center Security.**

**Stakeholders with disabilities who have a valid DMV placard, use a wheelchair, walker
or cane, and/or those who have difficulties walking distances should notify a Radford
Studio Center Security Officer or call 818-655-5085 to request shuttle assistance.**

Committee Members: Barry Johnson (Stakeholder, Chair), Rick Rosner (Stakeholder), Brandon Morino (Stakeholder), Charlotte Larsen (Board Member), Clayton Sewelson Stakeholder, Chip Meehan (President, ex-officio).

1. Call to Order & Roll Call (1 min).
2. Approval of May 7, 2025 Government Affairs Committee meeting minutes (2 min).
3. Update by the Committee Chair (3 min).
4. Public Comments on non-agenda items within the committee's jurisdiction (5 min).
5. Response(s) to Public Comments by Committee Members (5 min).
6. Discussion and possible Motion/Community Impact Statement with respect to Council File 25-0002-S19 to oppose State Senate Bill (SB) 79 (Wiener) unless amended to exempt municipalities with a state-approved and compliant Housing Element such as the City of Los Angeles. The City of Los Angeles has a strong interest in maintaining, what little remains, of local control over land use and zoning laws to best serve the needs of its residents, ensure community input, and protect the unique character of its neighborhoods, while still complying with state housing needs – Barry Johnson (5 min).

Link:

[https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?
fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=25-0002-S19](https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=25-0002-S19)



7. Discussion and possible Motion/Community Impact Statement with respect to Council File 25-0345 to instruct the CLA, with assistance from the Fire Department, Police Department, Department of Recreation and Parks, Bureau of Public Works, Economic Workforce and Development Department, Department of Transportation, FilmLA, and any other relevant departments to report back in 30 days on:
- I. Recommendations on establishing more competitive fee structures within the City's filming permitting process;
 - II. Proposing alternatives or reducing requirements of public safety personnel required at shoots which can impose a significant cost on shoots within the City;
 - III. Offering waived or reduced fees for utilizing public property as shoot locations;
 - IV. Creating a pool of film-certified public safety officers available for rates competitive with other cities that are currently taking production away from LA;
 - V. Identifying and enforcing the price gouging of crew parking and base camps for film shoots.
 - VI. Recommendations for streamlining the film permitting review process, that includes staffing and resources necessary across all departments involved;
 - VII. Recommendations for revising the stage certification process that allow for more stages to certify and limit additional expenses – Barry Johnson (5 min).

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8. Discussion and possible Motion/Community Impact Statement with respect to Council File 25-0002-S47 to support Assembly Bill (AB) 592 (Gabriel) which would allow for permanent outdoor, patio, and al fresco dining at restaurants, among other changes – Barry Johnson (5 min).

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9. Discussion and possible Motion/Community Impact Statement with respect to Council File 20-1125-S1 to instruct the Department of Cannabis Regulation, in coordination with the City Attorney's Office, Department of Building & Safety, Planning Department, and other relevant departments, to report on an amendment to Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Chapter X, Article 5, Section 105.03 that would allow Existing Medical Marijuana Dispensaries (EMMDs) to continue conducting their licensed cannabis activities at their existing business premises, and permanently grandfather these EMMDs in a manner that would exempt them from complying with the non-conforming use requirements, as defined under LAMC Section 105.02 – Barry Johnson (5 min).

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10. Discussion and possible Motion with respect to requesting California Assemblymember Nick Shultz to introduce legislation in the California Assembly to increase criminal penalties for arson committed in high-risk fire zones, with even harsher penalties during red-flag or drought conditions – Clayton Sewelson (5 min).

11. Comments from Committee Members on subject matter within the Committee's jurisdiction – (5 min).

12. Closing comments by the Committee Chair (2 min).

13. Adjournment (1 min).

Studio City Neighborhood Council Committee Meeting Agendas are posted for public review on the SCNC website at studiocitync.org and at the Radford Studio Center gate on Colfax Avenue, as well as, at the gate on Radford Avenue.

The SCNC meetings are held on an active studio lot. Due to security issues, (just like Los Angeles City Hall), all Stakeholders are required to show a valid Driver's License if you are driving a vehicle onto the lot or a valid Driver's License or government issued Identification Card if you are walking onto the lot. An adult must accompany minors (17 years old and younger). For any security questions or concerns, please contact Radford Studio Center Security Office at 818-655-5085.

All Stakeholders are required to park in (or walk into) the studios' Sater parking structure at 4200 Radford Avenue. There are a limited number of accessible parking spaces in front of the meeting room and while there is no direct path of travel to the meeting room via a sidewalk, the studio and SCNC want to assure that Stakeholders with disabilities are able to access the meeting without difficulty. Stakeholders with disabilities who have a valid DMV placard, use a wheelchair, walker or cane, and/or those who have difficulties walking distances should contact Radford Studio Center Security Office at 818-655-5085 to request shuttle assistance at least 24 hours prior to the meeting in order for the studio to arrange services for the meeting.

PUBLIC INPUT AT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETINGS – The public is requested to fill out a "Speaker Card" to address the Board (or Committee) on any item from the Agenda PRIOR to the Board taking action on any item. Comments from the public on Agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board's (or Committee's) jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board (or Committee) is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board (or Committee) meeting. Public comment is limited to 1 minute per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board (or Committee Chair). Public comment cannot be required to be submitted in advance of the meeting, only real-time public comment is required.

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NOTICE TO PAID REPRESENTATIVES – If you are compensated to monitor, attend or speak at this meeting, City law may require you to register as a lobbyist and report your activity. See Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 48.01 et seq. More information is available at ethics.lacity.org/lobbying . For assistance, please contact the Ethics Commission at 213-978-1960 or ethics.commission@lacity.org

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1. Radford Studio Center outside the Radford and Colfax gates.
2. <http://www.studiocitync.org>
3. You can also receive our agendas via email by subscribing to L.A. City's Early Notification System at <http://www.lacity.org/subscriptions>

**Radford Studio Center
Audience Shows and Events Policies**

To attend an audience, show, event, or public meeting at Radford Studio Center, the following items are required:

- Valid Government issued Driver's license if you are driving a vehicle onto the lot.
- Valid Government issued Identification card if you are walking onto the lot. A Military ID and Passport ID will suffice.
- An adult must accompany minors (17 years old and younger). Student ID cards are preferred for those who have them.

The following items are prohibited on your person while attending an audience show, event, or public meeting on Radford Studio Center property:

- Knives
- Mace/pepper Spray
- Sharp Objects
- Firearms
- Alcoholic beverages
- Drugs (including marijuana for medicinal purposes)

All guests are subject to security screening and search. Guests will be required to pass through a metal detector or screened using a hand-held metal detector.

- Once the audience member has emptied their pockets and turned over any prohibited items, the audience member will be instructed to proceed through the metal detector or screened using a hand-held metal detector.
- Should the audience member activate the metal detector, the person will be asked to step to the side and will be scanned (entire body length front and backside) by the Security Officer with the hand-held metal detector.
- The audience member will not be allowed into the Studio until the Security Officer is satisfied that the individual has nothing on his/her person that constitutes a danger to others.
- Should the guest refuse to be screened, they are subject to being denied access to Radford Studio Center property.
- **NO FIREARMS OF ANY KIND ARE ALLOWED INSIDE THE STUDIO.** Security Officers who detect that a guest is in possession of a firearm should notify the Security Supervisor and P.O. IMMEDIATELY.
- Off-duty Law Enforcement in possession of a firearm will be instructed to either return the weapon to their vehicle or turn it over to Security where it will be kept, UNLOADED, in a SAFE, located in the security manager's office.
- Any props or toys that resemble weapons in any way are to be denied or confiscated. This includes props / accompanying costumes.

Each guest/audience member will be required to submit a form of identification which will be tagged with an item that is confiscated and held with security. Guests and audience members will be instructed to pick up their confiscated items at the first (1st) level of the Sater parking structure near the elevators at the completion of the event. No personal pets are allowed at any time on the Studio lot.

If, at any time, an audience member or guest, wanders away from their event or meeting space, into an unauthorized area, that person is subject to immediate dismissal from the lot.

For any questions or concerns, please contact Security. Security office phone number, (818) 655-5085.