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SUSTAINABILITY AND BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

**Monday September 14
2026 ONLINE**

Meeting starts 7pm

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NOTE: This meeting will be online.

Online: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82129007655>

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**In conformity with the January 1, 2026 Enactment of
California Senate Bill 7-7 (Durazo) and LA City Council File
23-1114, the Studio City Neighborhood Council meeting
will be conducted virtually**



Committee members: Andrew Epstein (Co-Chair/Board Member, Scott Mandell (Co-Chair) Jerry Lewis (Board President ex-officio), Chip Meehan (Stakeholder), Laurie Rittenberg (Board Member), Katherine Kato (Stakeholder), Amanda Thompson (Stakeholder), James Jarrard (Stakeholder)

1. Call to Order & Roll Call (Up to 2 min. extendable by chair)
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.
2. Announcements and introductions from the Chair and committee members. (up to 5 min extendable by chair)
9.20 Community Cleanup 9.27 Farmers Market 10.3 Tujunga Village Art Walk 10.5 Blood Drive
3. Public Comments on **non-agenda** items within this committee s jurisdiction (Each stakeholder will have 2 minutes for their comments along with a 30 second question & answer if required)

4. Announcements by Government Representatives (up to 20 min, extendable by chair)
Each Representative/Office will be allotted up to 5 minutes each (extendable by chair)
5. Approval of [minutes](#) of July 2026 meeting
6. Presentation by LADWP on new groundwater remediation plants in the Valley (up to 10 minutes extendable by Chair [LINK](#))
7. Discussion of LA River cleanup and boundary oversight with a written presentation from Supervisor Horvath Environmental Deputy (up to 5 min extendable by Chair)
8. Discussion and possible motion re: Zev Greenway cleanup of invasive Palm Trees along LA River [LINK](#) (5 min extendable by Chair)
9. Update on Community Cleanup [Link](#) (up to 2 minutes extendable by chair)
10. Update on Beautification Conference [Link](#) (up to 2 min extendable by Chair)
11. Update on Lecture Series (up to 5 min extendable by Chair)
12. Discussion and follow up re: Studio City Centennial planting of 100 trees (up to 5 minutes extendable by chair)
13. Discussion and possible motion re: SCNC branded seed packets [LINK](#) (up to 5 minutes extendable by Chair)
14. Discussion and possible motion re: proposed ban of Synthetic Turf/Artificial Grass by City of LA [Link](#) (up to 5 minutes extendable by Chair)
15. Comments from committee members regarding potential topics for future consideration by this committee.(up to 5 min extendable by chair)
16. Motion to adjourn. (1 min)

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Public comment must be made by the stakeholder themselves in person

during the meeting. No written communication will be read by a representative.

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In the event of a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting to members of the public using the call-in option or internet-based service option, or in the event of a disruption within the eligible legislative body's control that prevents members of the public from offering public comments using the call-in option or internet-based service option, the eligible legislative body shall take no further action on items appearing on the meeting agenda until public access to the meeting via the call-in option or internet-based service option is restored. Actions taken on agenda items during a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting may be challenged pursuant to Section 54960.1. California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(3).

The legislative body shall not require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the legislative body and offer comments in real time. California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(4).

Notwithstanding Section 54953.3, an individual desiring to provide public comment through the use of an internet website, or other online platform, not under the control of the eligible legislative body, that requires registration to log in to a teleconference may be required to register as required by the third-party internet website or online platform to participate. California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(5),

A legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to paragraph (5), to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed.

California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(6(A),

A legislative body that does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to paragraph (5), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment.

California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(6)(B).