



**CITY OF
LOS ANGELES**

ENCINO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

(A CERTIFIED NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL)

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SERGEANT AT ARMS**

Approved Minutes of ENC General Meeting February 24, 2010

1. Call to Order at 7:05 p.m Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call - Present: Mr. Gamson, Mr. Sarver, Mr. Krokover, Ms. Bareseghian, Ms. Brewer, Mr. A. Kitsinan, Mr. N. Kitsinian, Mr. Silver, Ms. Rosen, Mr. Bailey, Ms. Hamilton, Mr. Martayan, Ms. Rivlin, Ms. Kelson, Mr. Noce, Mr. Glushon, Mr. Woods. Ms. Strauber, Ms. Klein, Mr. Silk, Ms. Tempel, Mr. Baar, Mr. Moses, Ms. Watson, Ms. Jarvis, Mr. Goldbeger. Excused: Mr. Keosian, Mr. Kater. Absent: Mr. Slade, Mr. Simon, Mr. Luchs, Mr. Steinberg. Determination of a Quorum of 18.

5. Guest Speaker: Matt Epstein, President of South Valley Area Planning Commission

2. Reports from City Officials
- LAPD Officer Rob Trulik

-Vice Chair of Neighborhood Commission Al Abrams: Re: A. below: City council today voted to maintain elections and budget for them.

Re: B. below: NCs have no access to rollover funds except to fund expenditures committed before Jan. 29. NC must submit request by April 20 (March 10 as per memo from DONE) for release of funding.

Re: Item 9 below: Legality of Mayor's proposal to merge DONE with community development department and ensuing process of hearings. As to possible decertification of ENC, Commissioner Abrams did not state an opinion. Shared legal requirements if we choose to take this path. Approval by 3/4 of governing body, file with Department which then has 10 days to prepare and post public notice of request to decertify for 15 days in all languages on a ballot. Within 10 days of notice, the commission holds a public hearing in the NC boundaries regarding application to decertify. Request is voted on by 7 commissioners. NC must return all city-owned property and funds.

Next meeting of Commission at Winnetka ES.

- Councilman Koretz – Bailis/Ebenstein
"Mermaid" –March 17 hearing with Police Commission for issuing of café entertainment license.
Gold Mountain – night work continuing

Lee Marks – thanks to ENC for supporting Daddy Daughter Prom. Upcoming Spring Camp, new schedule of classes

A. Update on LA City Budget and proposed cutbacks for Neighborhood Councils; and proposal to cancel City Clerk conducting of Neighborhood Council elections.

2. President's Report – Barnes and Noble is not renewing their lease, negotiating with CVS. CUP will be required for liquor license.

City budget cuts - Police and Fire are 70% of budget so rest of city will be hit. We all need to step up as volunteers.

Elections – Election on May 27 goes forward.

4. Vice-President's Report – Update on 405 Freeway Improvement Project. Encinocouncil.org has link to metro's notice as to which and when ramps will be closed until 2013.

6. Public Comment

7. Report on action taken by City Planning Commission on application of Temple Valley Beth Shalom for Conditional Use Permit expansion and status of conditions recommended by ENC:

Hours of construction approved

Overpass – not imposed

Nursery building – included

Landscaping – “kind-of included”

Rooftop Parking , play area, and lighting – up to 3 special events approved

Policing of carpools – included

Loading restrictions – included

Dual-glazed windows – not required by city

Garage noise wall - included

Moved by Mr. Bailey, 2nd by Ms. Hamilton to approve consent items. Passed by unanimous voice vote

8. City Council File 09-0600-S159 Motion (SMITH - ROSENDAHL) relative to canceling the process for City Clerk to conduct Neighborhood Council elections and the transfer of unspent and uncommitted funds to the Reserve Fund. (Addressed by Mr. Abrams)

9. Board Discussion re: future of ENC including budgetary priorities, pros and cons of remaining as a “certified” Neighborhood Council versus “decertification” in order to become fully independent from the City of Los Angeles (Addressed by Mr. Abrams)

10. Committee Recommendations for ENC action:

A. Finance Committee Recommendations regarding revisions to ENC budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2010. Over to accept. Passed by 14 votes, one no, one abstention.

Mr. Silver moved to reconsider Encino ES project. 2nd by Ms. Rosen. Motion withdrawn.

B. Outreach Committee

Report re ENC Elections proposed outreach efforts. Postponed

* C. Parks Committee

Motion to recommend to the Department of Recreation and Parks that future Persian New Year (Norooz) Festivals be held at a location other than Beilenson Park/Lake Balboa due to the size and scope of the event which results in closure of the park to other park goers and an inconvenience to the general public.” VOTE: 6-0 [Consent Calendar]

D. Planning & Land Use Committee

*1. **16721 Ventura Blvd. Mercedes-Benz Dealership** Application for expansion including Specific Plan Exception Project Permit. Case No. APCSV-09-3551-SPE-SPP VOTE: 9-0 to recommend support for project. [Consent Calendar]

*2. **17150 Ventura Blvd. Fresh & Easy Market**, Application for Conditional Use Permit for Sale of Alcohol and Project Permit Case Nos: ZA 2010-18-CUB and DIR 2009 4082 VOTE: 9-0 to recommend support for project. [Consent Calendar]

E. Public Safety Committee Report on CERT Training and Disaster Preparedness and Motion by Mr. Silver, 2nd by Mr. Bailey to approve \$150 for CERT Training meetings. Passed by voice vote.

F. Airport Committee

Report on Van Nuys Airport (Addressed by Mr. Bailey)

G. Education Report

11. Treasurer's Report and Update on ENC office (refer to Finance report above)

12. A. Approval of corrected December, 2009 ENC Meeting Minutes as amended with roll call. Moved by Mr. Silver, 2nd Bailey.

B. Approval of corrected January, 2010 ENC Meeting Minutes

13. Board Member Comments on subjects matters within the Board's jurisdiction. Frances Zamir's illness.

14. Future Meetings

A. Next Executive Committee Meeting: March 9, 2010 (At-Large TBD)

B. Next ENC Board Meeting: March 24, 2010

Guest Speaker: LA County Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky

Adjourned at 9:45

Respectfully submitted,
Shelley Rivlin, Secretary