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# NOTICE AND AGENDA ENCINO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL GENERAL BOARD MEETING Wednesday, October 26, 2022 @ 7 pm

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**Encino Neighborhood Council Board Members** 

Lee Blumenfeld	Vacant	Alex Ventura	Jess Whitehill	Michael Silva
Area 1 Rep	Area 2 Rep	Area 3 Rep	Area 4 Rep	Area 5 Rep
Laurie Kelson	Jim Esterle	Heather Michaels	Henry Eshelman	Alex Garay
Area 6 Rep	Area 7 Rep	At-Large Rep	At-Large Rep	Apt/Condo Rep
Victoria Miller	Andrew Zucker	Jennifer Goldstein	Vacant	Daniel Freedman
Business Rep	Business Rep	Education Rep	Encino Chamber Rep	EPOA Rep
Eliot Cohen HOME Rep	Glenn Bailey Park/Advocate Environment Rep	Darin Spillman PLU Rep	Samuel Apikyan Public Safety Rep	Anni Keusseyan Religious Rep
Patricia Bates Volunteer Rep	Brooke Resnik Youth Rep			

**Encino Neighborhood Council Alternates** 

Dana Frances Caruso Area 1 Rep Alt	<b>Vacant</b> Area 2 Rep Alt	Vacant Area 3 Rep Alt	Robert Wenger Area 4 Rep Alt	Jonathan Gabriel Area 5 Rep Alt
<b>Vacant</b> Area 6 Rep Alt	Lenny Beckerman Area 7 ReQp Alt	Lissa Morrow Christian At-Large Rep Alt 1	Daniel Glaser At-Large Rep Alt 2	Vacant Apt/Condo Rep Alt
Vacant Business Rep Alt 1	<b>Vacant</b> Business Rep Alt 2	Vacant Education Rep Alt	Vacant Encino Chamber Rep Alt	Vacant EPOA Rep Alt
Daniel Kashani HOME Rep Alt	Maury Geller Park/Advocate Environment Rep Alt	Melody Korehe PLU Rep Alt	Vacant Public Safety Rep Alt	Vacant Religious Rep Alt
Vacant				

1. Call to Order. Start recording. Roll call. determination of quorum.

Reports from Public Officials/Departments/Community Agencies, not limited to:

2. LAPD, Senior Lead Officer Walia, 34024@lapd.online (818) 374-7634

Councilmember Nithya Raman: Josef Siroky, josef.siroky@lacity.org

Assemblymember Jesse Gabriel: Sarah Martin, <u>Sarah.Martin@asm.ca.gov</u> (818) 346-4521 LA County Supervisor Kuehl: Blake Clayton, <u>BClayton@bos.lacounty.gov</u> (818) 880-9416

West Valley Neighborhood Prosecutor: Michael Liu, Michael Liu@lacity.org

Department of Neighborhood Empowerment: Dina Andrews Dina. Andrews@lacity.org

CalTrans District 7: Cuong Phu Trinh Cuong.Trinh@dot.ca.gov

**Budget Advocates: Glenn Bailey** 

Volunteer Rep Alt

- 3. **Multiple Agenda Items Comment.** Comments by members of the public who wish to speak on multiple agenda items shall be allowed to speak for up to one minute per item up to a total of five (5) minutes per meeting. Members of the public who choose to speak during the Multiple Agenda Items period will be given the opportunity to also speak during General Public Comments. This comment period includes comment on all numbered agenda items including public officials' reports.
- 4. **General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items** Public comments on non-agenda items within the ENC's subject matter jurisdiction is limited to TWO MINUTES (2) per speaker. Time may be adjusted at the Chair's discretion. Public calling in, please press \*9 on your phone to raise your hand to speak. For those who are using the Zoom application, please use the Raise Hand feature to speak.
- 5. Seating of Alternates: The chair will appoint eligible Alternates with affirmation of the board. Discussion and Possible Action. Per the ENC Bylaws (Article V, Section 1D.1): "If at any Board meeting, a Representative who is absent either (a) has no designated Alternate or (b) has an Alternate who is also absent, then the president or presiding officer may, with the approval of a majority of the members entitled to vote at the meeting, designate an existing Alternate for any other Representative to serve and vote during the meeting in place of the absent Representative. In such an instance, the seat of any absent Representative temporarily becomes an At-Large Seat. The appointed Alternate must be in good standing with all required training to be eligible."

#### 6. Officer's Reports:

- A. President's Report
- B. Vice-President's Report
- C. Treasurer's Report
  - 1. Motion to approve the **September 2022 Monthly Expense Report**
- D. Secretary's Report: Approval of the September 2022 meeting minutes.
- E. Sergeant-at-Arms Report

## 7. OLD BUSINESS – Items not discussed at the September 28, 2022 Regular Board meeting:

#### **Executive Committee:**

- **A. Designation of a Tree Notification Removal Respondent (TNRR)** The entire ENC board is usually copied when trees will be removed from our community. These notices often do not allow for our NC to meet, vote on the item and send in our recommendation before the trees are removed. We would like to have a designated board member and alternate to respond to these notices. The Tree Notification Removal Respondent (TNRR) and Alternate, will be provided a guide on protected trees, replacement ratios and or anticipated fines. This position is open to any ENC board member or ENC Alternate. **Discussion and possible appointment of a TNRR and TNRR Alternate.**
- **B. Extend the ENC's Weed and Clean Project -** The ENC's weed and clean project was a huge success. There is an ongoing need to assist in the community to help weed and clean areas. Additionally, Encino Fire Station 83 must use their own funds for the upkeep of the station and maintenance of the grounds. They are in need of volunteers that assist with weeding and painting. **MOTION: The ENC's weed and clean campaign will be extended indefinitely.**

#### 8. NEW BUSINESS - FUNDING:

#### **Outreach Committee:**

A. Banner at the Encino Little League Field: \$1,000 for one 4' x 8' Banner to hang on an ELL field and a logo in the sponsor section of the ELL website. Artwork would be simple, our logo, ENC, www.encinonc.org and the city seal. We could also tie in the election, see sample banner here: ELL ENC BANNER. MOTION: The ENC's outreach Committee requests that the board approve up to \$1200 for an 8' x 4' banner to hang at a Encino Little League (ELL) field and a logo in the sponsor section of their website. Passed: 4 (Y), 0 (N), 0 (A)

#### **Homelessness Committee:**

B. Participation in the 2023 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count - A motion recommending the board of the ENC approve participation in the 2023 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count (usually the end of January). MOTION: The ENC Homelessness Committee recommends that the ENC participate in the 2023 Greater Los Angeles homelessness Count by staffing the Encino deployment center, soliciting volunteers, and requests up to \$250 for related expenses such as snacks for volunteers, printing and other related costs. (Pat/Laure 4 yes/0 no/0 abstentions)

#### Added at the discretion of the President (time sensitive):

- C. LAPD Appreciation Day On November 10th, 2022, there will be a West Valley LAPD Officer Appreciation Day. In addition to looking for volunteers to assist serving meals and are looking for donations. We should show support for our officers with the following MOTION: The Encino Neighborhood Council supports the West Valley LAPD Officer Appreciation Day on November 10, 2022 and will allocate up to \$300 for pizzas from Domino's or other local pizza establishments or other restaurants.
- D. Halloween Event at Encino Park The Encino Community Center is hosting a Halloween event at Encino/Genesta Park on October 29th, from 12pm 4pm with activities, community booths and other activities for kids. We have been asked to have or share a table at the booth and would like to allocate some funding for refreshments. MOTION: The Encino Neighborhood Council supports having/sharing a table at the Halloween Carnival on October 29, 2022 and supports funding up to \$250 for refreshments (not limited to; water & snacks) from Smart & Final or other Encino establishment.
- 9. NEW BUSINESS CONSENT ITEMS: Items 9A. thru 9G. all passed their respective committees with full consent, following discussion by committee members and the public. Public comment was taken on all of the following consent items in committee. Unless a board member pulls an item, items 9A. thru 9G. will be deemed approved unanimously by the Encino Neighborhood Council. If an item is pulled, the remaining consent items will pass by consent and the pulled items will be discussed in the order on the agenda.

#### **Executive Committee (CONSENT ITEMS):**

A. CIS regarding statements made by Councilmember DeLeon and Cedillio asking for an immediate resignation, Council File 22-1189, Elected Officials / de Leon and Cedillo / Offensive - Given the recent discovery of recordings where, CM deLeon and CM Cidillo clearly violate Ehtics, Code of Conduct and the City Charter, should we file a CIS requesting the immediate resignation and the censure of CM deLeon and Cidillo. A possible CIS may be read here: CIS CM deLeon & Cedillio. MOTION: The ENC's Executive Committee recommends that the board support filing a CIS supporting CF-22-1189. Passed: 4 (Y), 0 (N), 0 (A)

- B. Council File 22-1196, Charter Reform Ballot Initiative, Los Angeles 2024, Population Growth / Major Immigrant Destination, Los Angeles City Council Seats City Residents Representation: Introduced on October 11, 2022. Motion is instructing the Chief Legislative Analyst, with the Assistance of the City Attorney, to report on the steps needed to place a charter reform ballot initiative before the voters of Los Angeles in 2024, with recommendations that ensure representation is fixed to population growth, in order to increase the number of Los Angeles City Council Seats. MOTION: The ENC's Executive Committee recommends the board support filing a CIS, supporting CF 22-1196, to increase in the amount of City Council Seats immediately after the passage of the charter amendment. Passed: 4 (Y), 0 (N), 0 (A)
- C. City Council 22-1125: Van Nuys Airport / Scheduled Charter Flight Operations Increase / Part 380 Regulations / Community Concerns Since the pandemic, general aviation airports have seen a surge in charter flights as individuals have been willing to pay a premium to reserve a single seat aboard a chartered flight instead of flying a commercial airline. MOTION: The ENC's Executive Committee recommends the board support filing a CIS in support of Council File 22-1125 to report back on actions the City can take to address the increase of scheduled charter flights at Van Nuys Airport, including an analysis of current regulations and recommendations on how to address community concerns. The CIS will include dates and those that were present in previous discussion. Passed: 4 (Y), 0 (N), 0 (A).
- D. Council File 22-1197, New Ad Hoc Committee / City Government Reform / October 2021 Recordings Release / Transparency and Limit Corruption / Los Angeles Residents Trust (Raman Bonin): Introduced on October 11, 2022. Motion is calling for the City Council to convene a new Ad Hoc Committee on City Governance Reform, which will be charged with implementing reforms to increase transparency, limit corruption, and make City leadership more representative of our communities with the aim of restoring the faith of the people of Los Angeles in their city government. MOTION: The ENC's Executive Committee recommends that the board support filing a CIS in support of Council File 22-1197 if full transparency is provided and the committee follows Brown Act requirements, including the 72 hour posting rule. Passed: 4 (Y), 0 (N), 0 (A)
- E. PLU Committee members We have taken strides to ensure our PLU representative must live or own property in Encino, however this does not apply to our PLU Committee members. Should we add a standing rule that stipulates that any ENC PLU Committee members must live in or own property in Encino? MOTION: The ENC's Executive Committee recommends the board support the addition of a standing rule requiring that all PLU Committee members, including but not limited to board members and stakeholders, must live or own property within the Encino NC boundaries. Passed 4 (Y), 0 (N), 0 (A)

#### **Outreach Committee (CONSENT ITEM):**

F. Election Bus Bench Adverts – The board approved funds for up to 6 bus bench adverts to promote our elections. You can view the initial design here: <u>ELECTION BUS BENCH ADVERT</u>. Please note, the QR codes are samples only, the correct codes will be placed prior to production. MOTION: The ENC's Outreach Committee recommends the board support the Election Bus Bench Advert design and move forward with the approved purchase and installment. Passed: 4 (Y), 0 (N), 0 (A).

#### **Homelessness Committee (CONSENT ITEM):**

G. Encampments in high-fire risk areas - A recommendation regarding encampments in high-fire areas. Motion: The ENC Homelessness committee recommends that the Board file a Community Impact Statement with the City Council, Mayor's Office, and Fire Marshall to request amendment of Ordinance 186294 to expand application to all areas with extreme fire potential that are not in Very High Fire Severity Hazard Zones (e.g. Sepulveda Basin), and further institute an immediate "zero"

tolerance" policy for any encampments or noticed trespassing in such areas as determined by the LAFD Valley Bureau Commander or designee, subject to criminal trespassing sanctions and immediate removal of persons and any materials deposited in the area by appropriate outreach and sanitation personnel. Any action would reference the ordinance and <a href="CF 19-0050">CF 19-0050</a>. (Pat/Ryan 4 yes/0 no/ 0 abstentions).

#### 10. New Business:

### Wildlife Ordinance (recommendations from the ENC's Parks & Environment & PLU Committee:

A. Wildlife Corridor Ordinance - A code amendment to Sections 12.03, 12.04, 12.32, 13.21, 13.22, and 16.05 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) to create a new "Wildlife District," or "WLD," Supplemental Use District and a zone change to apply the Wildlife District and its regulations to properties within the district. The proposed Wildlife Ordinance and related materials may be read by clicking: Wildlife Ordinance. In 2014 the ENC voted to support the project but at the time there were no details. The motion passed by the ENC was: "Motion to support CF 14-0518, which instructs the Planning Department to prepare and present an ordinance to create a Wildlife Corridor in the eastern area of the Santa Monica Mountains (Hillside Ordinance zone). We recommend that this ordinance be applicable to all of the Santa Monica Mountains within the City of Los Angeles. Community Impact Statement to be filed and communication sent to Planning and Land Use Management." Now that the draft ordinance has been created, we are able to review and comment on the report. It should be noted that City Planning decided it was best to integrate the Ridgeline Ordinance development with the Wildlife Study, see CF 11-1441 and 11-1441-S1 2 regarding the Ridgeline, Baseline Mansionization and Baseli.

Recommendation from the ENC's PLU Committee: The ENC PLU supports the concepts and goals of the proposed Wildlife Ordinance but some concerns still remain in terms of the security of property owners, feasibility, and interlinking limitations of wildlife corridors. Hopefully the ordinance could be tailored down as a result of community based input. It is also our recommendation that all required trees provide adequate canopy. 7 Yes, 1 No, 0 Abstain

Recommendation from the ENC's Parks and Environment Committee: The ENC Parks/Environment committee recommends that the Encino NC support implementation of the Draft Wildlife Ordinance forthwith, and expand it city-wide with all urgency. Further, it recommends the city set aside significant financial resources for acquisition of property in all identifiable wildlife areas for preservation in perpetuity as habitat and open space. Said opinion would be in the form of a Community Impact Statement filed to CF 14-0518 and referencing planning cases City Planning Case: CPC-2022-3413-CA, CPC-2022-3712-ZC Environmental Case: ENV-2022-3414-CE (Pat/Marianne, 4 yes/0 no/ 0 abstentions)

Discussion and possible action based on the recommendations from committees to file a CIS supporting the Revised Wildlife Ordinance.

#### **Executive Committee:**

- B. Council File 22-1127: Van Nuys Airport Specific Plan / Zoning Ordinance 177.327 / Community Impact Mitigation. And write a CIS While much of the airport operations is controlled by the Federal Aviation Commission, the City of Los Angeles does have some tools at its disposal in terms of land use. The Van Nuys Airport Plan establishes land use zones for the airport and the land surrounding it. However, this plan was adopted in 2006 and will soon be out of date. A new specific plan is needed for Van Nuys Airport to plan for its future and mitigate impacts to the surrounding community. MOTION The ENC's Executive Committee recommends the board support a CIS in support of creating a new plan and report back on the regulation of activity. Passed 4 (Y), 0 (N), 0 (A).
  - 11. Board Member comment on non-agenda items.

Note from the President: The following items are for information only at this time, there will be no discussion or action on the following items:

- Halloween Event CD4 will host a Halloween event at Genesta Park on October 29th.
- LAPD West Valley Officer Appreciation Day It's time to support our West Valley LAPD officers on November 10th lunch and dinner will be served to the officers. They are looking for volunteers, donations or just go by to say thank you. This will be at the West Valley LAPD Station

## 12. Adjournment

Next meeting: Wednesday, November 30, 2022

Announcements: Please see the Encino NC <u>website</u> for announcements of other events and to join our mailing list.

- Open Board positions in the Encino Neighborhood Council. Open Positions Include: Area 2 Rep (1), Area 2 Alt (1), Area 3 Alt (1), Area 6 Alt (1), Apartment/Condo Alt (1), Business Rep Alt (2), Education Alt (1), Public Safety Rep Alt (1), Religious Alt (1), Volunteer Alt (1), Appointed position Encino Chamber of Commerce Rep & Alt
  - (1). Encino Property Owners Association Alt. (1).

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