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**SUNLAND-TUJUNGA
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**General Board Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, August 10, 2022
7:00 PM**

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IN CONFORMITY WITH THE SEPTEMBER 16, 2021 ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA ASSEMBLY BILL 361 (RIVAS) AND DUE TO CONCERNS OVER COVID-19, THE SUNLAND-TUJUNGA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED ENTIRELY WITH A CALL-IN OPTION OR INTERNET-BASED SERVICE OPTION.

PUBLIC INPUT AT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETINGS: Every person wishing to address the Board must dial **(888) 475-4499** or **(669) 900 6833**, and enter **918 9278 5703** and then press # to join the meeting. When prompted by the presiding officer, to provide public comment at the Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council meeting the public will be requested to dial ***9 or use the Raise Hand option**, to address the Committee on any agenda item before the Board takes an action on an 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 jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board 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 meeting. Public comment is limited to two minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

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The Neighborhood Council system enables meaningful civic participation for all Angelenos and serves as a voice for improving government responsiveness to local communities and their needs. We are an advisory body to the City of Los Angeles, comprised of stakeholder volunteers who are devoted to the mission of improving our communities.

Unless otherwise specified, all items on the meeting agenda are for Discussion and Possible Action and may be taken out of order at the discretion of the President. This is an online virtual meeting, please understand that there may be some connection delays from time to time.

1. Call to Order, Welcome - Lydia Grant, President

- A. Volunteer Recognition
- B. Report on National Night Out
- C. CERT Training
- D. Board Member Attendance
- E. Feedback from DONE re: March 10, 2022 letter
- F. Feedback from CM Rodriguez re: North Valley City Hall / Storage Update
- G. Update on STNC Zoom account(s) paid by DONE/STNC
- H. STNC PO Box update
- I. In Person / Hybrid Meetings Update
- J. STNC YouTube Meeting Link: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAxPhaALDxHWQncRU_UL09Q
- K. STNC Shirts / Business Cards

2. Roll Call, Voting Eligibility - Carol Hutchinson, Secretary

- A. Completion of City / DONE Required trainings status for the STNC board
- B. Announce any Board member recusals or paid lobbyists in attendance
- C. Announcement of vacant board seats: Stakeholder Group Representative - Two Positions - Details at https://www.stnc.org/readpost.php?news_id=776

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Comments: LAPD, Elected Officials/Representatives, DONE, City Departments (2 min per Representative including Q&A)

5. Report from The Land Use Committee (LUC): Discussion/Possible Action that STNC board approves LUC support letter for: 6239 Foothill Blvd Tujunga –ZA-202203282-CUB and ENV-2020-3283-CE - Conditional Use to allow sale full-line alcohol in conjunction with expanding to a 2,011 sq ft grocery store at Shop Easy.

6. Committee & Liaison Reports (see last page for meeting and committee member information)

- A. Budget & Finance
- B. Land Use
- C. STAT
- D. STARC
- E. Community Improvement & Government Affairs
- F. Outreach - open stakeholder seats, Coffee with STNC
- G. Youth & Adult Education
- H. Beautification - *Update on Pinewood Mural*
- I. Liaison Reports: LANCC / VANC /Budget Advocates /Other
- J. Ad Hoc Bylaws / Standing Rules
- K. Other

7. Discussion/Action: To Fill Vacant Board Seats.

- A. Discussion/Motion to approve Michael Goglia, Stakeholder Group Representative - Verdugo Hills Cemetery Restoration
- B. Discussion/Motion to approve Sherry McCoy, Stakeholder Group Representative - Neighborhood Watch

8. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS (FUNDING) - Note: Consent calendar items are considered to be non-controversial and will be treated as one agenda item. Any Board member or stakeholder may request that an item be removed. There will be no discussion of these items unless an item is removed from the consent calendar, in which case it will go to the end of New Business and be considered as time allows. MOTION: The STNC Board approves the funding consent calendar:

- A. **Discussion/Action:** Approve June 2022 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) and Balances.
- B. **Discussion/Action:** Approve July 2022 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) and Balances.
- C. **Discussion/Action:** Approve up to \$2,000 for Movies in the Park with location at one of our Parks or other Tujunga Little League Field.
- D. **Discussion/Action:** Approve up to \$150 for water, ice, buckets, cookies for the Pinewood School Welcome taking place on Aug. 30 5:30-7PM. *[The board already approved last fiscal year. Revote required in this fiscal year.]*
- E. **Discussion/Action:** Approve up to \$300 for printed postcard or business card promoting STNC.
- F. **Discussion/Action:** Approve up to \$1,500 to sponsor Making It Happen Back To School Backpack Drive.
- G. **Discussion/Action:** Approve up to \$600 to cover cost of STNC committee banners to be used at outreach / tabling events.

9. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS (NON-FUNDING) - Note: Consent calendar items are considered to be non-controversial and will be treated as one agenda item. Any Board member or stakeholder may request that an item be removed. There will be no discussion of these items unless an item is removed from the consent calendar, in which case it will go to the end of New Business and be considered as time allows. MOTION: The STNC Board approves the non-funding consent calendar:

A. Motion regarding Sidewalk and Transit Amenities Program (STAP) digital signs.

Whereas, Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council has previously expressed serious concerns regarding the Sidewalk and Transit Amenities Program (STAP) and about digital signs in particular

Whereas, the program will involve the collection of individuals' personal data, and the City does not define what data will be collected, which **vendors and/or** City departments will have access to it, or how it will be used;

Whereas, the program has moved forward for City Council review having been mis-represented to the public and without addressing critical concerns and questions raised during public outreach;

Whereas, the further failure to produce an Environmental Impact Report and perform a full CEQA review is problematic, and the introduction of a new L.A. Municipal Code (LAMC) within the STAP Mitigated Negative Declaration is inappropriate, as there already is a dedicated LAMC to allow for advertising on the public right-of-way for transit shelters;

Whereas, the failure to incorporate any formal avenues for input and consideration from Neighborhood Councils or from the local City Council District Offices on future placement of structures (in this program or in any new programs resulting from the new LAMC) is unacceptable.

Resolved, the Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council opposes the actions of the L.A. City Council related to digital signs **in Council Files 22-0392, 21-0600-S110, and 20-1536.**

Be it further resolved, the Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council strongly opposes the collection of any personal data in conjunction with this program.

Post to CF Nos. 22-0392, 21-0600-S110, 20-1536

B. Motion in support of the Draft Wildlife Ordinance.

Whereas, Los Angeles has extraordinary natural wildlife resources distributed across a broad landscape; and

Whereas, wildlife vitality depends critically on open migration for animals to find food and to reproduce; and

Whereas, the City of Los Angeles is considering a "Wildlife District Supplemental Use District and Zone Change", which would create a special "Wildlife District" in the Santa Monica Mountains, in which carefully considered

modifications to zoning and planning requirements (such as setbacks, lot coverage, fencing, lighting, and grading) would be made to preserve wildlife connectivity through private and commercial properties; and

Whereas, it is in the best interest of all City residents to preserve and enhance our irreplaceable and valuable natural heritage;

Therefore, the Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council supports the proposed “Wildlife District Supplemental Use District and Zone Change”. CIS or letters to: City Planning Department (citing cases CPC-2022-3413-CA and CPC-2022-3712-ZC), Council File 14-0518

Supplemental Information:

Notice of Public Hearing:

https://planning.lacity.org/odocument/98193a4a-70b5-4bcb-a4c7-e2a152bc394e/Final_202206_Wildlife_HearingNotice.pdf

Revised Draft Wildlife Ordinance Fact Sheet:

https://planning.lacity.org/odocument/657f9e1a-2651-462a-9729-32d1c67b29fe/2022_Revised_Draft_Wildlife_Ordinance_Fact_Sheet.pdf

City Planning Wildlife Ordinance Informational Website: <https://planning.lacity.org/plans-policies/wildlife-pilot-study>

- C. **Motion that STNC support the Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (VANC) Resolution regarding the Northeast Valley Animal Shelter.** The Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (VANC) represents the 34 Neighborhood Councils throughout the San Fernando Valley, including all of the Neighborhood Councils in the vicinity of the Northeast Valley Animal Shelter. This shelter is a City facility built with Proposition F funds to be a municipal animal shelter, open to the public. It was not meant to be a private facility to house rescue organizations. Nevertheless, the Board of Animal Services Commissioners has issued an RFP (Request for Proposal) to do just that, lease the Northeast Valley Animal Shelter to rescue organizations to operate. The Board of Animal Services Commissioners and Animal Services Department did not provide an opportunity for the affected Neighborhood Councils to provide input into this decision. Therefore, it is RESOLVED that VANC takes the position that the Department of Animals Services and City Council should receive input from the affected Neighborhood Councils before releasing the Request for Proposal for rescue organizations to operate the Northeast Valley Animal Shelter. The lack of transparency is very concerning on a matter as important as who will operate the Northeast Valley Shelter and the terms of operation. [City Council Motion dated 8/5/22]

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

10. PRESENTATION & TRAINING on the Neighborhood Council (NC) System

- A. Bylaws, Standing Rules, BONC Policies, Brown Act (Meeting Agenda Posting, ENS)
- B. NC Meetings: Agenda Items, Presenters, Meeting Agendas, Making Motions, Community Impact Statements
- C. NC Alliances, STNC Community Events/Meetings, Other Training Opportunities

11. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS - One minute per speaker unless otherwise announced by the presiding officer – Comments from the Public on Non-Agenda items, issues, announcements within the jurisdiction of the Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council. The Brown Act prevents the Board from commenting on your comments. If you wish to speak, either raise your hand (on computer or tablet) or dial *9 (on your cell phone).

12. FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS & BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

13. ADJOURN

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RECONSIDERATION AND GRIEVANCE PROCESS - For information on the STNC's process for board action reconsideration, stakeholder grievance policy, or any other procedural matters related to this Council, please consult the Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council Bylaws. The Bylaws are available on our website www.stnc.org