

- A. STNC In Person Board & Committee Meeting updates/meeting locations + Update on SB411 (Portantino) regarding NC meetings on Zoom.
- B. Land Use Committee Vacant Seats
- C. Updates / Changes to the STNC Bylaws due April 1. If you have suggestions, submit through the stnc.org website or to president@stnc.org or secretary@stnc.org
- D. Status of STNC Board approved Light Pole Banners - We are waiting for Councilwoman Rodriguez to provide her support. Sites already identified.

4. Roll Call, Voting Eligibility - Karen Moran, Recording Secretary

- A. Completion of City / DONE Required trainings status for the STNC board
- B. Announce any Board member recusals or paid lobbyists in attendance

5. Discussion/Q&A with LAPD, Elected Officials/Representatives, DONE, NC Budget Advocates, City Departments (2 min per Representative including Q&A)

- Budget Advocates Report - Region 1 - <https://www.budgetadvocates.org/reports>

6. Motion: To fill the vacancy in Region 2: Mapi Moran

7. INFORMATION / UPDATES: Pending Land Use Committee projects:

- A. 7665 Machrea – Subdivision into 7 single family dwelling lots, zoned RE3-1. LUC waiting for owner’s rep to schedule a second meeting. Over 40 neighbors attended the Oct. 16 meeting with several major concerns regarding this many units on that site and the impacts to neighbors’ quality of life.
- B. 9604 Hillhaven - addition to two story home and relief from 20ft widening of street. - waiting for owner & City response to building, quality of life & street width concerns by neighbors & LUC.
- C. 7577 Foothill & Plainview - Former Denny’s site. - PLUM denied the neighbor appeal and approved the plans for 46 apartments [7 reserved very low income]. Approval by City Council any time now and then the owner can proceed with building.
- D. Update to CEQA Thresholds and Methodology In response to requests from various stakeholders, an additional 30-day extension for public review and comments is being granted until **February 19, 2024**. Pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guideline Section 15064.7(b), the Department of City Planning (Department) is considering adopting updated thresholds of significance and methodologies to analyze impacts: 1) for construction noise and vibration, and 2) to historic resources. Written comments or questions may be submitted by email to mindy.nguyen@lacity.org. Any updated guidance would be publicly available on the Department’s website at planning.lacity.org/project-review/environmental-resources.

8. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Motion to approve STNC letter to City Council & Budget & Innovation Committee regarding the 2024-25 DONE budget.

9. 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: **[Budget Committee approved 1/3/24]**

- A. **Discussion/Action:** Approve December 2023 and January 2024 MER

C. **Discussion/Action:** Approve \$200 for one Zoom license for the STNC [Approved in annual budget, vote required to make payment]

10. 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. Discussion/Action: Approve January 2024 STNC Board Meeting Minutes
- B. Discussion/Action: Motion of support and submit Community Impact Statement (CIS) for **Council File 24-0055, Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers** / Fiscal Year 2022-23 Complaints and Citations / Enforcement / Education Program (Raman – Blumenfield): Introduced January 16, 2024 and referred to Public Works Committee. Motion is instructing the Bureau of Street Services (BSS) to report within 60 days on the number of complaints received and the number of citations issued for gas-powered leaf blower violations in Fiscal Year 2022-23. Data should include the BSS enforcement area and the Council District in which the citation was issued. *CIS: The Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council supports the report back regarding gas-powered leaf blower violations.*
- C. Motion of support for **Council File 24-0050 Nuisance Abatement Properties** / On-Site Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity / Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) / Amendment (Hutt – Rodriguez): Introduced December 12, 2023, and referred to Planning and Land Use Management Committee. Motion is instructing the City Planning Department (CPD), with the assistance of DCR, to initiate amendments for consideration by the Citywide Planning Commission that would amend Article V, Chapter X of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) relative to regulating onsite retail commercial cannabis activity to add nuisance abatement properties. *CIS: The Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council supports regulating onsite retail commercial cannabis activity to add nuisance abatement properties.*
- D. Motion of support for **Council File 23-0652-S3, Homelessness Emergency Declaration**/Fiscal Year 2023-24/Second Quarterly Report (City Administrative Officer): Introduced January 1, 2024 and referred to Housing and Homelessness committee. City Administrative Officer report is relative to the Homelessness Emergency Declaration 2023-24 Second Quarterly Report. *CIS: The Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council supports the Homelessness Emergency Declaration.*
- E. Motion to support **Council File 24-0079 [To Public Safety Committee] Motion (de Leon - Park) relative to instructing the Police Department to create a Copper Wire Task Force** to address copper wire theft in Downtown, Boyle Heights, El Sereno, and Lincoln Heights communities, and transfer/appropriate funds from the General City Purposes Fund to cover task force costs. Motion amended to add: This CF needs to be amended to include the community of Sunland Tujunga. Being a more rural, dark area with narrow, crowded streets, many lacking sidewalks, the absence of street lighting, due to copper wire vandalism, is acutely felt, Our community is a high accident area and needs. *CIS: The Sunland Tujunga Neighborhood Council requests the Sunland Tujunga area also be included due to copper wire theft in our area.*

- F. Motion to support on **Council File 22-0156-S2** [To Public Safety Committee]
 Motion(deLeon,Park-Lee) relative to instructing the Police Department, with the assistance of the City Attorney, Bureau of Street Lighting, and City Clerk, to report with recommendations to **establish a standing reward offer for information resulting in the identification, apprehension and conviction for copper wire theft and streetlight vandalism crimes.**
 Recommendation: *The Sunland Tujunga Neighborhood Council requests the Sunland Tujunga area also be included due to copper wire theft in our area.*
- G. Motion of recommendation of **NON support regarding California SB1772:AB1772**, as introduced, Ramos. Theft. Existing law, the **Safe Neighborhoods and Schools Act, enacted by Proposition 47**, as approved by the voters at the November 4, 2014, statewide general election, defines and prohibits an act of shoplifting and prohibits prosecution for an act of shoplifting under any other law. Existing law defines shoplifting as entering a Commercial establishment with intent to commit larceny while the establishment is open during regular business hours. This bill would revise the definition of shoplifting to require an intent to steal retail property or merchandise. Existing law provides that a person with a prior conviction for specified sex offenses may be charged with a felony for shoplifting or for theft of property not exceeding \$950 in value. This bill would require a person convicted of petty theft or shoplifting, if the person has or more prior convictions for specified theft-related offenses, to be punished one year, or for 16 months, or 2 or 3 years, and would make conforming changes. This bill would provide that its provisions would become effective only upon approval of the voters, and would provide for the submission of its provisions to the voters for approval at the statewide general election. Motion of **NON support** with recommendation:*The Sunland Tujunga Neighborhood Council recommends the City Council not support SB1722:AB1722. It makes it difficult to convict shoplifters in our neighborhoods. In 2014, Prop 47, originally sold to the voters as: The Safer Neighborhoods and Schools as a way to reduce overcrowding in our prison system. And it has been nothing more than a failed experiment in criminal justice reform which needs to be changed so that we can put a stop to property crime. Originally, it was intended to keep non-violent criminals out of crowded prisons and treat low-level criminals with more compassion. What it has done is to create an atmosphere of lawlessness and destruction. We are hearing of businesses closing, nearly every day due to wanton theft. Many businesses don't even bother to report crimes as they know nothing will be done. The costs of these thefts are usually either passed on to the paying customer or the business tries to absorb the loss until it can no longer afford to do so and closes its doors. Many of our stores resort to creating barriers- even heavy chains- to prevent theft. Californians should not be forced to live like this. The proposed amendment is nothing more than a bandage on a gaping wound. Prop 47 needs to be repealed in its entirety. We need to stop this onslaught against our businesses and communities. We need to actually make our neighborhoods safe and take criminals off our streets so they can no longer prey on the law abiding. The Sunland Tujunga Neighborhood Council requests City Council support any legislation to repeal Prop 47.*

11. **Committee & Liaison Reports - by committee chairs present** (See last page for meeting and committee member and meeting locations:

- Community Improvement & Government Affairs: TBA
- Outreach: 2/22 @ 7pm
- Beautification: 2/15 @ 6pm
- STAT: 2/27 @ 6pm
- STARC: 2/27 @ 7:30pm @ McGroarty Art Center

- Youth & Adult Education: TBA
- Budget & Finance: 2/28 @ 6pm
- Executive: 2/28 @ 6:45pm

12. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS - 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 one minute per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

13. 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 (Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils - VANC meets 2nd Thursday on Zoom; LANCC meets 1st Saturday at 10am; PlanCheckNC meets 2nd Saturday at 10am, STNC Community Events/Meetings, Other Training Opportunities

14. FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

15. ADJOURN

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.

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