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**SUNLAND-TUJUNGA
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**General Board Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, July 13, 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.

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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 4th of July Parade
 - C. Save the Date: National Night Out, Aug 2 at Little Landers Park.

- 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 comment/support letter recommendation for 7740 McGroarty

- 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.** Presentation and video on Evacuation Routes

- 8.** Discussion/Action: Motion to approve a letter to Councilwoman Monica Rodriguez as the Chair of the Public Safety Committee in regards to Evacuation Routes.

- 9.** Discussion/Action: Motion to approve letter of support for investigation into the Evacuation Routes for the County of Los Angeles with a paragraph specific to the concerns of Sunland -Tujunga.

10. 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 May 2022 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) and Balances.
- B. **Discussion/Action:** Approve June 2022 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) and Balances.
- C. **Discussion/Action:** Approval recurring expenses for 2022 – 2023 fiscal year to include: Storage Costs \$7,044, Ring Central up to \$600, Web Corner \$1,830, Constant Contact \$1,140, USPS up to \$400, 2 Adobe accounts \$359.76, General Printing up to \$1,000.
- D. **Discussion/Action:** Reimburse Ed Babakhanian in the amount of \$62.58 for spending on water and snacks related to previously approved tree watering.
- E. **Discussion/Action:** Approve up to \$3,000 for National Night Out to be held on August 2, 2022. Previously approved on prior fiscal year budget, revolting in new fiscal year.
- F. **Discussion/Action:** Approval of up to \$1,800.00 for light pole banners previously approved in last fiscal year budget. Items to be procured from Gold Media.
- G. **Discussion / Motion:** To accept \$14.99 reimbursement to STNC funding account from Treasurer Ed Babakhanian due to accidental payment by STNC purchase card. Once paid back, NC funding will add back to STNC budget for 2022 - 2023 fiscal year spending. *[Recommended by City Clerk NC Funding Division]*

11. Discussion/Action: That STNC board approves letter to the L.A. City Librarian, Board of Library Commissioners and Sunland-Tujunga Head Librarian regarding an obscene novel given to children.

12. 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 funding consent calendar:

- A. **Discussion/Motion:** **Support** appointment of Cindy Cleghorn to the NC Budget Advocates
- B. **Discussion/Motion:** **CF 22-0392** Digital Off-Site Signs / Outdoor Advertising / Transportation Communication Network Program Structures / Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA). That STNC opposes the Council motion CF#22-0392 because the joint program between METRO and the City would result in the placement of 300 digital billboards on the shared public right-of-way. *[CIGA Committee recommends **Oppose**]*
- C. **Discussion/Motion:** Approve June 8, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes
- D. **Discussion/Possible Action:** **CF11-1020-S3** – would rename the Budget Advocates account to “budget advocacy” with no mention as to where the funds would go. The SUNLAND-TUJUNGA Neighborhood Council **OPPOSES** Council File 11-1020-S3. Neighborhood Councils form alliances when they want to join together to work on issues of common interest. We want to be able to contribute specifically to alliances we support. The name of the overall fund is not important. What is important is that every recognized alliance has the ability to raise its own funds and those funds are reserved for its use and its use alone. The SUNLAND-TUJUNGA Neighborhood Council wants the ability to direct our funds to a specific alliance and not to a fund that is allocated without our input. We ask the motion be amended to make this clear.
- E. **Discussion/Possible action:** LA City Council has resumed in-person meetings, but they are not planning to continue to allow public comment via telephone. The current city council agenda states: “Members of the public may also attend City Council meetings in-person. Public comment will be taken in-person, only, and not via teleconference. **“The SUNLAND-TUJUNGA Neighborhood Council requests that the City Council again allow remote participation in City Council meetings, by telephone or online means, in addition to in-person public comment.”**”
- F. **Discussion/Possible Action:** School Police on LAUSD Campuses. School Police Officers are not allowed on Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) school campuses. On July 15, 2021, the Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (VANC) unanimously passed the following resolution: The Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (VANC), representing the 34 Neighborhood Councils throughout the San Fernando Valley, views the safety of our children and school staff of utmost importance, and strongly supports the resolution of School Board Members Scott Schmerelson and Dr. George McKenna, Resolution Number 029-20/21, entitled Ensuring Local School Site and Community Control, Authority, Autonomy and Choice Regarding Safe Campuses and the Protection of Our Students and Staff. The Valley Alliance of

Neighborhood Councils (VANC) strongly supports local control by each school site and school community to allow the Los Angeles School Police onto LAUSD school campuses, ensuring safe campuses and the protection of our students and staff. The Schmerelson/McKenna Resolution did not pass at the LAUSD School Board meeting, so School Police are still not allowed on school campuses. In light of the school shooting in Texas on May 24, 2022 the LAUSD School Board should reconsider stationing of School Police on LAUSD campuses, re-funding the School Police Department, and hiring additional School Police Officers. Therefore the **Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council supports the VANC resolution supporting local control.**

OLD BUSINESS

14. Discussion/Motion: to approve final STNC Elections Worksheet for 2023

NEW BUSINESS

15. 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

16. 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).

17. FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS & BOARD COMMENTS

18. ADJOURN

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