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**Special Board Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, March 8, 2023
8:15 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.

- 1. Call to Order, Welcome** - Lydia Grant, President
- 2. Roll Call, Voting Eligibility** - Carol Hutchinson, Secretary
- 3. Discussion/Possible Action to submit a Community Impact Statement on any of the following:**
 - A. Discussion/Possible Action to submit a Community Impact Statement CF23-0002 - Support / Non Support for SB691 (Portantino)** Specifically, SB 691 would: ● Require the state to develop an approved list of culturally, linguistically, and developmentally appropriate screening tools to be used by schools to screen for risk of dyslexia ● Require all schools to screen students for risk of dyslexia in kindergarten, first, and second grades ● Require results to be made available to teachers and parents in a timely fashion in order to better understand students’ challenges and adapt accordingly ● Require schools to provide evidence-based literacy instruction, progress monitoring, and early intervention in the regular general education classroom to every child identified at risk of dyslexia ● Require schools to consider factors such as English language status, home language, and language of instruction when administering the

screening • Allow parents to opt out. **The STNC recommends the City Council include in its 2023 State Legislative Program support for SB691 (Portantino).**

- B. Discussion/Possible Action to submit a Community Impact Statement Council File 23-0166, Prevent Human Trafficking / Homeless Youth / Community Investment for Families Department / Youth Development Department (Park – Rodriguez):** Introduced February 14, 2023 and referred to Neighborhoods and Community Enrichment Committee. The Motion is instructing the Community Investment for Families Department, the Youth Development Department, with assistance from the Office of the Chief Legislative Analyst, and other departments as appropriate, to investigate and report on solution to prevent human trafficking among homeless youth in the City of Los Angeles. **The STNC SUPPORTS CF 23-0166. The issue of homelessness in youth is a multifaceted problem. We have children being sent, alone, across our border, being trafficked by cartels. We have children terming out of foster care with no skills, no job and nowhere to go. We have children escaping violence in the home. We have children being lured into drugs and prostitution.**
- C. Discussion/Possible Action to submit a Community Impact Statement Council File 23-0151, Lead Hazard Remediation Program / Lead-Based Paint / Low-Income Households / U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) / Notice of Funding Opportunity / Application (Raman – Yaroslavsky):** Introduced February 10, 2023 and referred to Housing and Homelessness Committee. Motion is authorizing the General Manager of LAHD or designee, to apply for, accept and execute a new grant agreement with HUD, including all certifications and other required documents. **The STNC SUPPORTS CF 23-0151**
- D. Discussion/Possible Action to submit a Community Impact Statement Council File 23-0148, Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV) / American Rescue Plan / Department of Housing and Urban Development / People Experiencing Homelessness / Permanent Housing / Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles (Raman - Yaroslavsky):** Introduced February 10, 2023 and referred to Housing and Homelessness Committee. Motion is directing the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles (HACLA), with the assistance of the Los Angeles Homelessness Services Authority (LAHSA) and any City departments, as needed, to report back within 30 days with a plan to address the factors within its control that cause the most significant delays in moving voucher-utilization and the speed with which voucher placements are made. **The STNC SUPPORTS CF 23-0148. The taxpayers are paying billions of dollars in order to provide housing for those at risk of homelessness and unnecessary delays within HACLA and LAHSA are inexcusable.**
- E. Discussion/Possible Action to submit a Community Impact Statement Council File 23-0002-S31, Catalytic Converter / Theft and Resale / S. 2024 / Preventing Auto Recycling Thefts (PART) Act (Blumenfield – Lee – Rodriguez):** Introduced February 15, 2023 and referred

to Rules, Elections, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee. Resolution is requesting that the City of Los Angeles include in its 2023-2024 Federal Legislative Program SUPPORT for legislation similar to S. 2024, the Preventing Auto Recycling Thefts (PART) Act. **The STNC SUPPORTS CF 23-0002-S31. Catalytic converter theft has become a real problem in our community and the STNC supports any efforts to stop these thefts which cost the car owner thousands of dollars and hours of their time. The STNC would like to see etching of VIN on catalytic converters be done at NO COST to owners of existing vehicles as this is an unexpected and added expense which many may find a hardship which is not equally shared by new car owners.**

- F. Discussion/Possible Action to submit a Community Impact Statement Council File 23-0002-S30, SB 4 (Wiener) / Affordable Housing on Faith Lands Act / Expedited Development (Yaroslavsky – Raman):** Introduced February 15, 2023 and referred to Rules, Elections, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee. The Resolution is requesting that the City of Los Angeles include in its 2023-2024 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for Senate Bill 4 (Wiener), Affordable Housing on Faith Land Acts. **The STNC OPPOSES CF 23-0002-S30. Churches are an integral part of many neighborhoods and for these churches to suddenly become homeless encampments with no input or acceptance from the surrounding community is a violation of the community's rights.**
- G. Discussion/Possible Action to submit a Community Impact Statement Council File 23-0002-S29, Prohibit Sale of Vehicles Without Catalytic Converter / Etched Engraved Vehicle Identification Number / Legislative Program (Blumenfield – Lee – Soto-Martinez):** Introduced February 15, 2023 and referred to Rules, Elections, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee. Resolution is requesting that the City of Los Angeles include in its 2023-2024 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for SB 55 (Umberg), which would prohibit the sale of vehicles without an etched or engraved vehicle identification number on the catalytic converter. **The STNC SUPPORTS, if amended, CF 23-0002-S29. This program will mean an additional and unexpected expense for existing car owners. If this bill is passed, there needs to be funding to provide FREE etching to owners of existing vehicles to prevent undue hardship.**
- H. Discussion/Possible Action to submit a Community Impact Statement Council File 23-0002-S28, AB 28 (Gabriel) / Firearms and Ammunition Tax / Protection Against Gun Violence (Park – Krekorian):** Introduced February 15, 2023 and referred to Rules, Elections, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee. Resolution is requesting that the City of Los Angeles include in its 2023-2024 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for AB 28 (Gabriel) which expresses the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would enact a tax on firearms and ammunition to protect against gun violence. **The STNC OPPOSES CF 23-0002-S28. This is nothing more than a money grab by greedy politicians and will do NOTHING to stem gun violence. The majority of gun violence is committed by criminals who do NOT buy guns**

through legal channels. This is merely a way to extort more money from law abiding gun owners.

- I. **Discussion/Possible Action to submit a Community Impact Statement Council File 23-0002-S27, 2023- 24 State Legislative Program / Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act (Krekorian – Blumenfield – Harris-Dawson – Hutt – Raman – Soto-Martinez):** Introduced February 14, 2023 and referred to Rules, Elections, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee. Resolution is requesting that the City of Los Angeles include in its 2023-2024 State Legislative Program OPPOSITION to the “Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act,” which would amend the State Constitution to impose restrictions on the ways in which state and local governments can levy taxes, fees, and other charges. **The STNC OPPOSES the City Council’s intent to oppose any tax payer protection and Government accountability. It is absolutely abhorrent to think that our elected officials seem to see the taxpayer as nothing more than a money tree for the wanton spending by our government. The taxpayers are struggling under unprecedented inflation and politicians seem not to care at all for the struggles of the people. That this bill tries to use homelessness as a sword against the people is also abhorrent. The taxpayers are already paying billions for homelessness through Prop H and HHH. The people of LA are having to tighten their belts due to inflation and the rampant government free for all with our tax dollars. This needs to stop. Sunland-Tujunga’s diverse community struggles to pay rent, utilities and other expenses just to get by-. You are elected by the people to represent the people, NOT fleece them for their last dollar.**

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