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Approved Minutes
Wednesday – January 25, 2012
Encino Woman's Club
4924 Paso Robles Ave.
Encino, CA 91316

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1. **Call to Order at 7:01. Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call:** Present – Mr. Gamson, Mr. Kaufman. Mr. Rubinstein, Ms. Barseghian, Ms. Brewer, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Silver, Ms. Rosen, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Krokover, Mr. Silk, Mr. Moses, Ms. Rivlin, Ms. Kelson, Mr. Arnstein, Ms. Moghimi-Patterson, Ms. Henderson, Ms. Tempel, Ms. Levin, Ms. Dardarian (7:16). Excused: Ms. Strauber, Mr. Steinberg, Ms. Watson, Mr. Martayan. Absent: Ms. Loeffle, Mr. Heller, Mr. Hudgins, Mr. Goldberger. and **Determination of a Quorum of 18.**

2. **Approval of the December 2011 General Minutes**

3. **Reports from City Officials:**

City Council Offices Jeff Ebenstein (Koretz) Tentative Council District Map. Raised \$150,000 to save Los Encinos. Museum of SFV will match if they can be housed there. Rate-payer advocate will assume duties. Council office worked with Royal Woods HOA to reduce accidents on Sepulveda

LAPD / LAFD – Officer Trulik – Distributed LAPD questionnaire and crime map. “Lock it, hide it, keep it” to reduce crime.

Original agenda order adjusted 8. Presentations:

- A) **Councilmember Mitchell Englander** representative of the 12th Council District

Agenda resumed:

Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils – Upcoming mtgs. @

Sherman Oaks Hospital.
Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition -

4. President's Report (Louis Krokover)

Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates Report -
Mayor's Budget Survey

Website link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2012LABudgetSurvey>

Reviewed Email protocol with Brown Act - If you have an issue direct it to Exec. Committee, not majority of Board. Abstentions do not count pro or con.
Contr. Wendy Gruel spoke briefly following her meeting next door to encourage participation.

5. Vice-President's Report (Laurie Kelson) – Newsletter going to 1000 homes.

6. Treasurer's Report (Michael Kaufman)

Motion, 2nd by Rosen to approve ENC sponsorship of the Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils 9th Anniversary Mixer, for an amount not to exceed \$100. March 8, 2012, 5:30 - 9:00PM, at Carla's Cafe, CBS Studios, Studio City Passed unanimously.

Approval of Monthly Expenditures 2nd by Karen Henderson. Passed unanimously

7. Public Comment - none

B) West **Valley Senior Symposium**. Presentation on the 2012 symposium, which will take place at ONEgeneration in Reseda, May 12, 2012.
Requested \$1000 support from ENC.

9. By-Laws

Bylaws Committee Meeting November 30, 2011 CONSENT ITEMS Mr. Silver moved to approve #1. Kelson 2nd. Passed unanimously.
Requests to pull #2, both items of #3.

1. Proposed Cancellation of 2012 Neighborhood Council Elections: Proposed Ordinance CF 11-1912 - City Attorney report and Ordinance relative to amending Sections 20.36 and 22.816 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC) relating to neighborhood council elections

MOTION (Brewer/Steinberg) to recommend that the Encino Neighborhood Council (1) oppose the proposed ordinance as drafted which would cancel Neighborhood Council elections in 2012 and (2) support Neighborhood Councils having the ability to conduct an

election, selection, or to opt out for 2012.

Passed 4-0-0 CONSENT ITEM

Pulled - 2. Proposed New ENC Standing Committee Concerning Citywide Issues/Legislation

MOTION (Steinberg/Bailey Passed 4-0-0)

to recommend that the Encino Neighborhood Council establish a "Governmental Affairs Committee" as a standing committee to consider legislative issues at the local, state, and federal levels and to make recommendations to the ENC for its consideration. Failed 6,pro 10 against. Mr. K requested Outreach appt a board member to represent ENC in govt. affairs.

3. ENC Bylaws: Possible Amendments including, but not limited to: Article V Governing Board Section 8 Censure (including recommendations of ENC Ad Hoc Committee inclusion in Bylaws or Standing Rules); Section 9 Removal of Governing Board (including consultation with/review by City Attorney)

MOTION (Steinberg/Rosen Passed 4-0-0) to recommend that the Neighborhood Council Bylaws Template Language relating to Censure (Section 8 of Article V) be included in the Encino Neighborhood Council Bylaws and that the Ad Hoc Censure Committee's proposed wording as amended by the ENC Bylaws Committee on November 30, 2011 be included in the ENC Standing Rules after City Attorney's review and comments have been considered by both the Ad Hoc Censure Committee and the Bylaws Committee and subsequently approved by the ENC. Board tabled until we have written response from Rita Venegas, confirming her verbal approval of the wording.

The following was superceded by 2nd reading vote on censure:

MOTION (Rosen/Steinberg) to recommend that the Neighborhood Council Bylaws Template Language relating to Removal of Governing Board Members (Section 9 of Article V), Section 2 Petition by Board, if and when considered as a Bylaws amendment, that option 1 number of signatures be 14 Board members and that option 2 removal of the identified Board member requires 2/3 majority.

Passed 4-0-0

By Kathy Patterson:

Dear Executive Committee:

As the chair of Ad Hoc Committee on Removal and Censure, I request that the matter be sent back to the General Board for discussion and

review. Accordingly, please include in your agenda the following for your review and discussion.

Second Reading of the following:

1. Petition by Board - A Board Member may be removed from the Board for good cause, including, but not limited to, disruptive conduct; interfering with Council business; violations of the Bylaws, Operating Procedures or Code of Conduct following a Board Member's submission to the Board of a petition which includes: i) the identity of the Board Member to be removed, ii) states the reason for removal by identifying the violation of the internal rules or procedures and specifies the conduct of the person, and iii) contains the signatures of at least three (3) board members.
 - a. The petition shall be delivered simultaneously to all Board Members and the matter placed on the agenda and scheduled for a vote at the next regular Board Meeting.
 - b. Removal of the identified Board member requires a majority of the attending Board Members.
 - c. The Board Member who is the subject of the removal action shall have the right to deliver to Board Members a written statement about the matter and/or to speak at the Board Meeting prior to the vote, but shall not be counted as part of the quorum, nor allowed to vote on the matter.
 - d. The Board member being removed must first have been censured by the Board once for the same action before a Petition by the Board for removal shall be considered by the Council.

Already in the bylaws: "Based on the finality of the application and interpretation of censure as the censure clause by itself and as dictated by DONE has been approved by the general board. The minor changes in the language of the application and interpretation of censure will not affect the Removal by the Board clause."

Following 2nd reading, Ms. Kelson moved to approve. 2nd by Ms. Moghimi Patterson. Passed by roll call as follows: 11 Pro - Gamson, Kaufman, Cohen, Silver, Rosen, Krokover, Moses, Rivlin, Kelson, Arnstein, Moghimi-Patterson. 2 Con – Brewer, Bailey. 3 Abstentions – Silk, Dardarian, Barseghian. Absent for the vote – Henderson, Rubinstein,

Glenn Bailey shared the following to be considered as comment in a vote.

(e) MOTION (Brewer/Steinberg) to recommend that the Neighborhood Council Bylaws Template Language option for Removal of Governing

Board Members by Petition by Board (Section 9.2 of Article V) not be included in the Encino Neighborhood Council Bylaws as such a provision has never been included in the past and the other Template option, Removal by Stakeholders (Section 9.1), is already included.
Passed 3-1-0

10. Committee Consent Items:

Executive Committee

Motion by Laurie Kelson 2nd by Tonya Barseghian: To approve up to \$500 request for the purchase of "Ham Radio(s)" and related equipment for the Encino Park Information Center's Incident Commander to communicate with law enforcement agencies. Passed by voice vote.

11. Committee Reports:

Outreach Appreciate Laurie and Theresa work on newsletter. Contact list is increasing. Table at Gelson's to collect more.

Appoints Diane Rosen and Glenn Bailey (subject to Glenn's interests) as ENC representative(s) to the Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (VNAC). It also appoints Diane Rosen to represent the ENC at the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC). We encourage another Council Member to join Diane Rosen.

Council Redistricting 2012 – Glenn Bailey

Motion by Ms. Kelson 2nd by Silver that the ENC moves that Encino (Victory to Mulholland, 405 Freeway to Lindley) be wholly included in only one City Council district, preferably CD 5.

Passed by unanimous voice vote. February agenda should include a request for community impact statement. Glen will provide Chairman's direct email in addition to panel address – <http://www.redistricting2011.lacity.org> Neighborhood council will send request to chair. Map accessed at

<http://www.redrawla.org/>

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LOS ANGELES RIVER IMPROVEMENT OVERLAY (LA-RIO).

PROPOSED ORDINANCE –CASE NO.CPC-2007-3036-RIO / CEQA – ENV – 2007-3037
ND.

Original motion MOTION #4/B by: Gerald Silver 2nd by: Talar Dardarian

The LA-RIO establishes the area in which projects will need to comply with the RIO standards; and the *River Guidelines* which

establishes guidelines that DESCRETIONARY PROJECTS will need to comply with. The provisions of the LA-RIO ordinance and the River Guidelines SHALL APPLY TO ALL PROPERTIES LOCATED GENERALLY WITHIN APPROXIMATELY 2,500 FT. OF THE LOS ANGELES RIVER as illustrated in the RIO boundary map.

Original motion by Mr. Silver, 2nd Ms. Dardarian (For (5) Against (2) Abstain: (0)) I move that the Encino NC oppose the establishment of a Los Angeles River Overlay Supplemental Use district through Encino – CPC-2008-3125-CA, ENV-2008-3103-CE. We oppose the conversion of the LA River from a concrete lined flood control channel to a riparian, recreational facility. We oppose forcing property owners within 2500 feet of the LA River to abide by the proposed design standards regarding landscaping, screening and river access. The LA River must maintain its full flood control capacity to prevent disastrous floods similar to those that occurred in the 1930s. The LA River must remain a flood control channel, and not be burdened by new regulations, and recreational uses, unless they are approved by a two-thirds vote of the property owners living within the proposed overlay district. The LA Planning Department must engage in much more extensive outreach to local residents, before any River Improvement Overlay Supplemental Use District ordinance is approved.

Mr. Baily supplemental motion approved as follows: I move that the ENC oppose the establishment of an L.A. River Overlay as proposed– CPC-2008-3125-CA, ENV-2008-3103-CE. We oppose forcing property owners within 2500 feet of the LA River to abide by the proposed design standards regarding landscaping, screening and river access. . The LA River must remain a flood control channel, and not be burdened by new regulations, and recreational uses, unless they are approved by a two-thirds vote of the property owners living within the proposed overlay district. The LA Planning Department must engage in much more extensive outreach to local residents, before any River Improvement Overlay Supplemental Use District ordinance is approved. Passed by voice vote.

12. Board Member comment – RIO is being expanded to Valley Vista.
Election task force meets Saturday.

13. Future Meetings:

- A. The next Executive Committee Meeting, February 14, 2012 1:00PM
- B. The next General Board Meeting: February 22, 2012 7:00PM

Adjourned at 9:15

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley Rivlin