

Proposed Minutes

ENCINO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL GENERAL BOARD MEETING Wednesday July 22, 2015

Location: Encino Community Center Auditorium, 4935 Balboa Blvd. Encino

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call, Excused Absences, Determination of a Quorum, Sign-in Sheet, Public Speaker Cards, Code of Civility, & Appoint Parliamentarian:

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM and the pledge of allegiance was led by Raffy Astvasadoorian. Sherman Gamson was appointed as the Parliamentarian.

A quorum was established based on the attendance of board members. The following Board members were present: Mark Levinson, Jason Ackerman, Ken Silk, Laurie Kelson, Anni Keusseyan, Sherman Gamson, Todd Rubinstein, Kathy Patterson, Diane Rosen, Al Mass, Carol Levine, Jerry Silver, Pat Bates (for Debra George), Shelley Rivlin, Sharon Brewer, David Hudgins, Eliot Cohen and Henry Eshelman (for Victoria Miller).

The following Alternates were also present: Glenn Bailey, Norma Landau and Racquel Marshall.

2. Approval of the June 24, 2015 General Meeting Minutes (Motion required, unless no objections).

Kathy moved a motion and 2nd by Shelley. Minutes approved unanimously.

3. Reports from City/State/Fed Officials:

a) LAPD / LAFD - Senior Lead Officers (SLOs) & Captains:

- LAPD - Not present

b) LA City Council Offices (CD5) Field Deputies & Reps: Not Present.

- i. Deputy Raffy Astvasadoorian from Los Angeles City Attorney's office was present. He gave an update on the few cases that he was handling for Encino. He talked about the new Neighborhood Justice Program, which offers a special program for the 1st time offenders. 1st time offenders in non-criminal charges like petty theft and vandalism. The offender presented in front of panel, who decides on punishment, such as community service or some monetary fine. Once the assigned community service is completed, that charges could be dismissed.
 - Raffy also talked about the upcoming National Night Out for the West Valley, on August 4th at 7-10 pm at the Park in Reseda. He encouraged everyone to attend the event and meet their policy officers and the captain.
- ii. Gurmet from Council CD5 office was present. She said that the lease for the old fire station is still pending.
 - She said CD5 budget was approved for \$8.75 Million, and that street surfacing and pot hole fixings is still going on within her district
 - She also mentioned that there Caltrans is working on 101 frwy resurfacing project, which is from Studio City to Los Vergennes in

Calabasas. The work will be done at night, and will reduce the traffic to 2 lanes. The project to be completed in 2016.

- c) **State Assembly or State Senate Offices – Field Deputies & Reps (5 min):** Not present.
- d) **Federal Congresspersons – Field Deputies & Reps (5 min):** Not present
- e) **Dept of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) & Related Groups: (5 min for all)** not present
 - Jacki Koci, Encino Community Center Director, was present. She gave an update about the remodeling effort that is going on the ENC offices. She also, talked about the renovation at the park. The Encino park playground shading plans were just approved and the project will start soon and should be completed by January 2016.
 - Jacki also mentioned that she is working diligently with the LAPD and Councilmember Koretz office to stop the homeless and overnights from camping at the community center and the Encino Park. She encouraged everyone to let her know if they encounter anything out of ordinary.
 - Jacki also mentioned that the 1st annual movie at the park will be held on Saturday August 15. There will be free kids entertainments and also food trucks. The movie will start at dusk.

4. **Guest Speaker (20 min including Q&A):** **Jahayra Gastelum, Civil Engineering Associate, Water Recycling Planning | Water Engineering and Technical Services, LADWP** – Information on the Sepulveda Basin Sports Complex Water Recycling Project. This project will deliver recycled water to six customers in the Sepulveda Basin area, including Sepulveda Basin Sports Complex, Birmingham High School, Daniel Pearl High School, Independence High School, Valley Alternative School and Mulholland Middle School
- a) Serge Haddad from Los Angeles Department Water and Power was present and talked about local water supply initiative (called as the Purple Pipe Project). He explained the purpose of this initiative and its benefit on the city as a whole.
 - b) Jahayra Gaselum, the project manager of the Purple Pipe Project. She gave a presentation and explained in detail the logistics of the project and gave an update on the projects current status. She said this Purple Pipe water will only be used for irrigation purposes.
 - c) The entire project is for 11,000 feet pipe, which will offset for 308 AFY of water each year. Each 1 AFY = 326,000 gallon of water. So, when complete this project will be saving money and water.
 - d) The Purple Pipe water is recycled water and it meets the health & safety standards. It is treated water that is currently used in many parks and golf courses through out of the state.

5. Officer's Reports: Due to time constraints – no reports were given

6. Committee Reports: (New and Old Business) :

- a) Education -Update from Chair if needed – Report on Enc Youth Orchestra
- b) Planning & Land Use (PLU) – Information about other projects, etc
- c) Traffic / Transportation – Burbank /Hayvenhurst, etc
- d) Outreach Committee – Updates: Goals, Strategy, & New ENC Marketing effort

7. Committee or General Action Items: (New & Old Business):
- a) Open Board/Alternate Positions: Area 1 Alternate, Area 4 Rep, Area 5 Rep, and Alternate, At-Large Alternate Positions open. None to review.
 - b) ENC Elections 2016 – creation of an Elections Ad Hoc Committee
This item will be agendized for the next month’s meeting.
 - c) Change of Date for ENC General Board Meeting from Wed, September 23, 2015 – Jewish Holiday of Yom Kippur.
It was discussed and agreed. Todd Rubinstein moved and was seconded by Diane Rosen to move the ENC General Board Meeting to Wednesday September 30th. Motion passed unanimously.
 - d) Council Files - ENC moves to support various Council Files.
 - i. Should the Board of the Encino Neighborhood Council support Councilmember Paul Koretz’s May 16, 2014 motion proposing amendments to the citywide Baseline Mansionization Ordinance (BMO), to adopt the amendments expeditiously and with an urgency clause. If so this motion should be submitted as a Community Impact Statement for Council File 14-0656.

➤ **The motion on the BMO and ICO was approved 17/0/1 (Todd R Abstained). Jerry Silver moved and Carol Levin seconded.**

"Any new Residential construction in Encino, per the attached map, must have mandated set-back, articulation, and environmental features as described on the four attached amended pages of the Baseline Mansionization Ordinance with no building bonus for compliance.



Council File BMO
Map.pdf

- ii. Should the Board of the Encino Neighborhood Council support an additional allocation of \$5,000 for NCs as advocated by LA City Council Pres. Herb Wesson and Funding Rollover, retroactively, If so this motion should be submitted as a Community Impact Statement for **Council File 15-0524**
 - **Jason Ackerman moved and was seconded by Carol Levin. The Board of the Encino Neighborhood Council supports an additional allocation of \$10,000 for NCs as advocated by LA City Council Pres. Herb Wesson and Funding Rollover, retroactively. Motion passed unanimously. 18/0/0**

- e) Outreach Committee - Motion to provide a food budget for Outreach Committee Meetings in budget (fiscal) year 2015/2016 of up to \$99 per meeting not to exceed 12 meetings for a total of \$1,188.
- ❖ **Henry Eshelman moved and was seconded by Diane Rosen to approve 7e. Motion failed by 4/10/4**
- f) Motion to re-approve Donation to the San Fernando Valley Audubon Society for the Sepulveda Basin Educational Program Summer 2015 in an amount not to exceed \$2,495.00 and whose mission is to:
- i. to promote the conservation of resources, to preserve and enhance the natural habitat within our territory
 - ii. to increase the public's and our awareness and appreciation of bird life and the natural environment and
 - iii. to create a social environment that encourages individual knowledge, development, and participation
- g) Motion to re-approve up to \$750 to help fund FoLAR for LA River Cleanup Event 4/11/15. Motion approved at 3/15/15 General Board Meeting
- h) Motion to re-approve up to \$750 to help co-sponsor ONE Generation Senior Symposium Event on Sat 4/25/15. Unanimous consent from 4/8/15 Executive Committee Meeting
- i) Motion to re-approve the Consideration of Grant to Friends of Encino for Encino Community Center Daddy Daughter Prom on Feb 20, 2015 in the amount not to exceed \$1,500.00 from the ENC Special Board Meeting held on 2/11/2015
- j) Education Committee (5 min) – Motion to re-approve the Motion(s) that passed at Education Committee Meeting Sat, Jan 17, 2015 and the ENC Special Board Meeting held on 2/11/2015
- i. Eight NPG applications were read by those attending, and scored according to the rubric. Following a tally and discussion of points and availability of funds, **Motion** by Shelley Rivlin, Jean Straber second, and unanimous approval of those in attendance, including 3 committee members to recommend that the Encino Board Meeting on January 28, allocation of \$4,957 as follows:
 - \$569 - Portola MS for Printerbot Simple Kit Metal (3D)
 - \$1462 - Portola MS for study of Dead Sea Scrolls at CSC
 - \$1359 - Reseda SH for IDigital-Tutors,Intuos Pen & Touch Medium
 - \$1000 - Encino Charter for staff First Aid/CPR Training
 - \$428 - Lanai Rd for Discovery Cube admission
 - \$139 - Lanai Rd. for sketch books & tempera cakes
- ❖ **All consent items 7 f-j listed therein above were approved by a vote of 16-0-1 and Pat Bates (Parks Alternate) left the room during voting, because item 7f there might have been a potential conflict of interest as she**

serves as an officer for the organization." Todd Rubinstein moved and was seconded by David Hudgins.

- k) Planning & Land Use (PLU) Committee - Motion(s) passed at PLU Committee Meeting Tuesday, July 14, 2015
- i. 4A – SUSHI 2 U - 17237 VENTURA BLVD - CUB ZA 2015-1753 - Motion: The Encino Neighborhood Council Planning and Land Use committee recommends to approve the application for a type 41 permit for Sushi 2U 17237 Ventura Blvd CUB ZA 2015-1753 replacing previous permit at same location. Ackerman/ Mass 4-1-0 Motion passed.
 - ❖ Janelle Williams representing Sushi 2 U restaurant was present. She gave a brief background about the restaurants owner and their plans for their new restaurant.
 - **Shelley Rivlin moved the motion and was seconded by Laurie Kelson to approve the request. Motion passed by 17/1/0**
 - ii. 4B – RALPHS - 17840 VENTURA BLVD - ZA 2015-1620 - Motion: The ENC PLU Committee approves the application for a type 86-Licence at Ralphs 17840 VENTURA BLVD ZA 2015-1620 as presented. Condition: Tastings not to exceed 3 times per week. We are concerned that it would become a daily occurrence and not preserve the educational value of the events. Hudgins/Ackerman 3-1-1 Motion Passed.
 - ❖ Alex Campbell from Rodriquez & Associates representing Ralphs was present. He gave brief description of the request and the type of permit that Ralphs was applying for. He said tasting will be offered 3 times a week between the hours of 4-8
 - **Shelley Rivlin moved to approve the motion as listed above, seconded by Henry Eshelman. Motion passed by 15/2/1**

8. Consent Items (Old & New Business):

- a. Planning & Land Use (PLU) Committee – (Old Business from 5/27/15 General Board Meeting) Motion(s) passed at PLU Committee Meeting Tuesday, May 12, 2015:
- i. PLU Committee plan for extending mailings for projects presented at meetings outside the 500ft radius. Possibly request additional hours from staff person, possibly request help from Outreach Committee. **Motion:** For Fiscal Year 2015-16: The PLU requests 5 staff hours per project presented and \$150 in postage and \$40 in envelopes/copies to do mailers to neighbors in a radius from 500 to 1,000ft, for up to 3 projects per month. Not to exceed \$810/month or \$7,720/ year. Hudgins/Ackerman Unanimous – Motion Passed.
- b) Planning & Land Use (PLU) Committee - Motion(s) passed at PLU Committee Meeting Tues, July 14, 2015
- i. 4C - BEVMO! 17965 Ventura Blvd - ZA 2015 1078 – Motion: The Planning and Land Use Committee supports the application for a type 86 license at BevMo! 17965 Ventura Blvd as long as tastings do not exceed 3 hrs and do not go past 8PM and only occur 1 time per week. We are concerned with public safety. Ackerman/ Hudgins 5-0-0 Motion Passed unanimously. Representative from BevMo was present. She explained their request for the type 86 license.

❖ **Shelley Rivlin moved to approve the motion as listed above, seconded by Henry Eshelman. Motion passed by 15/2/1**

c) Outreach Committee Meeting – Motion(s) passed at Outreach Committee Meeting
Wednesday July 15, 2015

- i. The committee moved and approved the amount of \$375.00 for the "Taste of Encino" Community Event on Sunday October 11, 2015, to purchase Helium filled balloons as we did last year, Water, Juice, Ice, cups, snacks & light food for ENC Board & Outreach Committee members that will man/cover the booth throughout the day from 6:00 a.m. (set up time) to 5:00 p.m. (tear down time). Moved by Todd Rubinstein/ 2nd Michelle Weisman. Motion was approved unanimously 5-0-0
 - ii. The committee moved and approved the amount of \$175.00 for the 8th Annual Valley Disaster Preparedness Fair, on Saturday, October 3, 2015 in the rear of Fire Station 87, 10124 Balboa Blvd., Granada Hills, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. This is to purchase Helium filled balloons, light decorations, Ice, water and light snacks for ENC Board & Outreach Committee members that will help man/cover the booth. Moved by Todd Rubinstein/ 2nd Racquel Marshall-Cianci. Motion was approved unanimously 5-0-0
 - iii. The committee moved and approved the amount of \$500.00 for "Movies in the Encino Park" Community Outreach event on Saturday, August 15, 2015. The Encino Community Center would like the ENC to co-sponsor the entertainment - Mad Scientist - for that of \$500 and also promote the event to the community. Moved by Todd Rubinstein/ 2nd Toni Siciliano. Motion was approved unanimously 5-0-0
 - The movie will be Despicable Me.
 - The CD 5 will be donating the projector and screen for the event.
 - Encino Community Center will be in charge of the licensing of the film and the free face painting.
 - Encino Park Advisory Board is looking for food trucks for the event.
 - Other Community groups will be encouraged to come out and support the event.
- ❖ **All Outreach Committee consent items 8ci-iii herein were approved by a vote of 16/2/0. Todd Rubinstein moved and was seconded by Anni Keusseyan.**

9. Public Comments:

- There was a public comment by Sandy Logan, Brent Lowensohn and Amy Zidell.

10. Board Member Comments: There were none.

Adjournment: 9:15 pm