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# NOTICE AND AGENDA ENCINO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL GENERAL BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, April 28th, 2021  
7:00pm Meeting

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### Encino Neighborhood Council Board Members

|                                 |                                      |                                     |                                      |                                 |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Lee Blumenfeld<br>Area 1 Rep    | Walter Almora<br>Area 2 Rep          | Alex Garay<br>Area 3 Rep            | Jess Whitehill<br>Area 4 Rep         | Samantha Greitzer<br>Area 5 Rep |
| Laurie Kelson<br>Area 6 Rep     | Jim Esterle<br>Area 7 Rep            | Heather Michaels<br>At-Large Rep    | Henry Eshelman<br>Ar-Large Rep       | Mary Moore<br>Apt/Condo Rep     |
| Victoria Miller<br>Business Rep | Jodie Francisco<br>Business Rep      | Jennifer Goldstein<br>Education Rep | Karie Purcell<br>Encino Chamber Rep  | Kathy Patterson<br>EPOA Rep     |
| Evan Oshan<br>HOME Rep          | Glenn Bailey<br>Park/Environment Rep | Eliot Cohen<br>PLU Rep              | Samuel Apikyan<br>Public Safety Rep  | Anni Keusseyan<br>Religious Rep |
| Patricia Bates<br>Volunteer Rep | Alex Miller<br>Youth Rep             | Erik Yoo<br>At-Large Alternate      | David Krygier<br>Encino Chamber Alt. | Carol Levin<br>EPOA Alternate   |
| Lissa Morrow<br>HOME Alternate  |                                      |                                     |                                      |                                 |

#### 1. Call to Order at 7:00pm – Roll Call

#### 2. Seating of Alternates

**Discussion and Possible Action:** Should any Representative and its Alternate be absent The President may nominate Alternates of other seats to fill that seat for this meeting only, whom may be seated upon approval by the seated members of the Board.

**MOTION:** To approve President Garay’s Recommendations for the seating of alternates

#### 3. Reports from Public Officials/Departments/Community Agencies (20 min):

- \*Councilmember Paul Koretz: **Chris Givens**, [christopher.givens@lacity.org](mailto:christopher.givens@lacity.org) (818) 971-3088
- \* Assemblymember Jesse Gabriel: **Jeremy Saraie**, Field Representative, [Jeremy.Saraie@asm.ca.gov](mailto:Jeremy.Saraie@asm.ca.gov) (818) 346-4521
- \* LA County Supervisor Kuehl: **Blake Clayton**, [BClayton@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:BClayton@bos.lacounty.gov) (818) 880-9416
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- \* Department of Neighborhood Empowerment – **Adriana Cabrera**, [adriana.cabrera@lacity.org](mailto:adriana.cabrera@lacity.org)
- \* Budget Advocate: **Lee Blumenfeld**, [encleeb@gmail.com](mailto:encleeb@gmail.com)

### Officer’s Reports:

#### 4. Officer's Reports:

A. President’s Report (2 min) –

B. Vice President’s Report (2 min) –

C. Treasure’s Report – (5 Minutes):

C1. **MOTION – Approval of the March 2021 MER**

D. Sergeant at Arms Report (2 minutes):

E. Secretary’s Report (5 min): **MOTION: Approval of the March Adjourned Regular Board Meeting.**



## Motion, Discussion, and Vote may be taken on all items

### 5. NEW BUSINESS: Funding

**5A. Hand Sanitizers, Outreach Items – Please see supporting document: [Hand Sanitizers](#).**

**MOTION; OUT-21-04-0009: The ENC’s Outreach Committee recommends that the General Board approve the purchase of 250 ENC Hand Sanitizers from Marcos Promos with a cost up to \$295.00. Passed: 4-0-0.**

**5B. Pill Cases, Outreach Items – Please see supporting document: [Pill Cases](#). MOTION; OUT-21/04/0010: The ENC’s Outreach Committee recommends that the General Board approve the purchase of 250 ENC pill cases from 4 Imprint with an expense of, up to, \$350. Passed: 4-0-0.**

**To see all the NPGs, please visit our Financial Tab on our website or click: [NPG Requests](#)**

**5C. NPG, Prince of Peace Church (West Valley Food Pantry) – \$1000: To provide \$1,000 for acquisition of food and supplies for anyone needing food.**

**5D. NPG, Friends of the Encino/Tarzana Library – \$1000: To provide \$1,000 to acquire new editions.**

**5E. NPG, Lani School – \$2500: To provide \$2,500 for a student garden project.**

**5F. NPG, New Friends Homeless Center - \$1000: To provide \$1000 for food for meals provided to homeless/hungry individuals in Encino.**

**5G. NPG, Imagine LA - \$1000: To provide \$1,000 to assist with mentoring services for prevention of homelessness.**

**5H. NPG, Firemen’s Fund - \$5000: To provide \$5,000 to help with redoing the landscaping at Fire Station 83 in our community.**

**5I. NPG, Friends of the Los Angeles River (FOLAR) - \$1500: To provide \$1,500 to support several LA River watershed cleanups in our area.**

### 6. NEW BUSINESS

**6A. Seating of the new board – DONE’s new policy seats all new board members on July 1<sup>st</sup>. However, for this year only, NCs will be able to vote on when to seat the new board. We can recommend that the new board is seated at the May 26<sup>th</sup> 2021 General Board meeting, however there may be several new board members and it’s possible that there will be no official actions due to trainings not being complete, especially on funding items. The May General Board meeting would be the last meeting to approve expenditures from our current budget. We could recommend moving the June General Board meeting to the 5th Wednesday of the month, June 30<sup>th</sup>, and seating the new board at that time. That way they can begin with their new duties the following day, July 1st.**

**MOTION; EXE-21-04-0010: The ENC’s Executive Committee recommends that, per DONE’s Board Seating Policy we are opting to seat the new board on June 30<sup>th</sup>. The ENC’s Exe Committee further recommends that the board approve changing the ENC’s June General Board Meeting from the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday to the 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday (6/30/21) so the new board may be seated and officers elected. Passed: 5-0-0.**



**6B. LAHSA Valley Office** – With the increased amount of homeless in the San Fernando Valley and with the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) the primary responding agency, response times are varied and based on priority. Should the ENC request that Councilmember Koretz introduce a motion to City Council requesting that the CAO investigate and report on the benefits and feasibility of LAHSA having an office in the San Fernando Valley. **MOTION; EXE-21-04-0011: The ENC’s Executive Committee recommends that the board support requesting that Councilmember Koretz introduce a motion to City Council requesting that the CAO’s Office investigate and report on the benefits and feasibility of LAHSA having an office in the San Fernando Valley. Passed: 5-0-0**

**6C. Airport Committee Motion** – The Encino Neighborhood Council Airport Committee has drafted the following motion to be sent to our city leaders as well as officials at VNY, LAWA, and BOAC, and the VNY CAC. This motion was passed unanimously in committee on April 15, 2021 (MSP 5-0-0). The purpose of this motion is to alert recipients that VNY Airport Master Plan has not been updated since 2006. Due to the increase of air noise complaints, especially due to NextGen, it is time that the VNY Airport Master Plan be reopened and updated, including consideration of the following points: **Please see supporting document, Airport Committee Motion April 15<sup>th</sup> 2021 by clicking here: [Airport Committee Motion April 15<sup>th</sup> 2021](#)**

**6D. White Paper** – The White Paper has been released and the ENC is able to send in support, opposition or partial support of the White Paper. Please see supporting document: [White Paper](#). **MOTION; EXE-21-04-0013: The ENC’s Executive Committee recommends that the board requests that the CAO seriously consider and report back to City Council on the recommendations in the White Paper. Passed: 5-0-0. (A CIS will be filed for CF 21-0600 with the board’s recommendation).**

**6E. Area 1 Test program, sidewalk repair, request by ENC Board Member Lee Blumenfeld** – Lee Blumenfeld would like to nominate Area 1 for a test program to repair sidewalks in Area 1. Does the Encino NC support, as a pilot program, commissioning a la carte city service purchase of a one-time amount NTE \$2,100.00 for the day, for one AC truck and crew for one day to repair by ramping broken and off grade sidewalks in area 1. Area 1 Rep will be with truck during the installation day.

Details.

- A. StreetsLA has given the prices and is excited to test this out
- B. Request must be sent to CM Koretz for presentation and approval by city council. (Or maybe pat has additional ideas?)
- C. Funds to come out of Community improvements funds.

For the asphalt crew to work on sidewalks, it would be \$2,093/day. This includes a modest cost bump as overtime work, because our workload is so heavy with our programmed responsibilities.

**MOTION: EXE-21-04-0012: The ENC’s Executive Committee recommends that the board approve the sidewalk test project in Area 1 per the items noted in the agenda and request matching funds from CD5. Cost not to exceed \$2100 to the ENC. Passed: 5-0-0.**



**6F. CLAW, Mulholland Specific Plan** – On March 30, Planning Director Vince Bertoni published a memo which utilizes his authority to remove a large number of land parcels from being included in the Mulholland Design Review Board public process. Please see supporting document: [Bertoni Memo](#). For over thirty years, this public process has been the single most effective tool for preserving wildlife corridors on speculative development sites, and currently is the only city policy that is effectively protecting the environment in hillside areas. Without alternative environmental analysis and protective ordinances in place, the Director of Planning has given an immediate free pass to hillside developments. It would only take one ill-planned project to completely cut off wildlife movement between the 405 and 101 Freeways. Therefore it is important that the five hillside councilmembers who represent the area and appoint the Mulholland Design Review Board (MDRB) hear from the public. Should the ENC request that Councilmember Koretz introduce a motion to place a moratorium on any developments in the Mulholland Corridor as well as objecting to the memo and report from Vince Bertoni? **Key points to include could be:**

- The Director's decision will result in the degradation of the ecological and watershed health of the eastern Santa Monica Mountains.
- The Director's reduction of MDRB public review will have adverse environmental impacts.
- The MDRB brings professional expertise at no public cost, and the Director's decision removes their oversight.
- The MDRB oversight and public review must not be reduced until other environmental analysis and protective ordinances have been put in place.
- The Director should not take oversight away from the MDRB, but instead redirect his planning staff to perform environmental review to protect the region's large mountain lion habitat and comply with state law.

**Discussion and possible action.**

**6G. CF 21-0318 - Animals Recovered Data / Deceased Animals Recovered / Illegal Fireworks / Fireworks Buyback Program, short description:** Motion (Rodriguez - Koretz) relative to directing the Department of Animal Services, with the assistance of the Bureau of Sanitation, to report with data on the number of animals recovered, turned in by members of the public, and deceased, during periods of increased fireworks usage. Please see supporting document for the full motion: **CF 21-0318**.

**Discussion and possible action.**

**7. Public Comment on “Non-Agenda” Items (10 min):** Public calling in can press \*9 on your phone to speak on non-agenda items. Those that are using the video feature can use the “raise your hand” feature to request to speak on non-agenda items. **TWO MINUTES (2) per speaker is allotted; total time for all public comment is limited to 10 minutes.** Time may be adjusted at President’s discretion.

**8. Committee Reports Items:**

**8A. Outreach Committee (5min): Alex Garay**

**8B. Planning & Land Use: Eliot Cohen**

**8C. Homelessness Committee: Pat Bates**

**8D. Airport Committee: Victoria Miller/Jim Esterle:**

**8E. Bylaws Committee: Karie Purcell/Lee Blumenfeld**

**8F. Parks & Environment: Glenn Bailey**



**8G. Public Safety:**

**8H: Traffic & Transportation – Laurie Kelson**

**8I: Executive Committee – Alex Garay**

**9. Board Member Comments on Non-Agenda Items (5 min).**

**Adjournment at 9:00pm**

**Next Encino Neighborhood Council General Board Meeting: TBD**

The Encino Neighborhood Council (ENC), is a Certified Neighborhood Council of the City of Los Angeles which ADVISES City, other Governmental Officials' and the Community on issues or concerns that are affecting the community of ENCINO. The ENC is made up of volunteers who are ELECTED by the community who live, work or otherwise are involved in the community of ENCINO. The ENC also makes appropriations of City Funds for Community Projects and needs as requested and approved by various committees and the general board.

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