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## NOTICE AND AGENDA

# ENCINO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

## **MINUTES**

Tuesday February 16th, 2021 @ 6:30pm

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Call to Order. Roll call; determination of quorum.

• Meeting called to order at 6:34pm, Karie Purcell not in attendance.

Approval of January 2021 Executive Committee minutes (posted on the ENC website).

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (10 minutes) – limit to 2 minutes per speaker, time may be adjusted at the Chair's discretion.

- B.H. asked about aircraft noise and commented that it's getting worse and worse. Would like to know what the ENC will do about it.
- Victoria M., commented that the ENC has an Airport Committee and provided contact info for further information.
- Glenn B., commented that the ENC has a new NEA., suggested to add her contact info to the upcoming ENC agenda. CF 20-1114, from animal services regarding the closure of the West Valley Shelter, no surprise in what the report contains, to not open the shelter as a municipal shelter. May want to mention it at the General Board meeting. VANC voted to add reference to the new report but the ENC does not have to change our previous action regarding the shelter.
- Public Comment was closed.

#### 1. Officer's Reports:

- A. President's Report (Exec Committee) 5min
  - 1. Elections Hopefully all the candidates will get certified...should setup a stand-alone candidate forum.
- Glenn B commented on the elections and that the election folks are not letting people know what they need to get certified.
- B. Vice-President's Report (Exec Committee) 5min
  - 1. Update on committees No updates
- C. Secretary's Report (Exec Committee) 5min
  - 1. Review of General Board meeting minutes and Vote Count sheets January 2021.
- Secretary not in attendance, we'll go over the minutes at the General Board meeting.
- D. Treasurer's Report & Finance Committee (10min)
  - 1. January 2021 Monthly Expenditure Reports (MER)
- The MER was shared. Good news is that we will receive the invoice for the signs. There's about \$47K left in the account before the encumbrance. Conducted a direct mailing for the elections, spent about \$4700 on the direct mail for the elections.
- E. Review Board Member Trainings (Exec Committee) 2min Carol Levin has not completed her training and has been missing from our meetings.

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

#### 2. New Business Executive Committee (1 hour):

- A. 2021-2022 Budget Discussion on, should the ENC request that City Council approve the \$10K rollover and, with the continuance of the pandemic, and the cuts to the city budget, should we request the ability to encumber funds? Discussion and possible action on proposed motion. EXE-21-02-0007: The ENC's Executive Committee recommends that the board support requesting LA City Council to approve the rollover funds of 10K into the 2021-2022 budget. We additionally request the ability to encumber funds for future expenses from the 2020-2021 budget up to \$10K.
- Karie Purcell joined the meeting.
- Alex G. introduced the item and opened it for public comment.
- After discussion and comments from the public, the motion was revised to the following:
- EXE-21-02-0007: The ENC's Executive Committee recommends that the board support requesting LA City Council to approve rolling over all remaining funds from the 2020-2021 budget into the 2021-2022 budget. Alex G. moves, Pat B. 2nds. Passed: 4-0-0.
  - B. ENC Website After a meeting with the Web Corner, several new features were demonstrated that the ENC should incorporate into our site. The Tarzana NC flows well, both the look and features. MOTION; EXE-21-02-0008: The ENC's Executive Committee recommends that the board support redesigning the ENC's website, with the new features on the Tarzana NC's site, by our provider the Web Corner. We additionally request the approval of the \$3000 it will cost to redesign our site.
- Alex G. introduced the item and read the proposed motion.
- The item was opened to public comment.
- The item was opened to board member comments.
- After comments, it was decided to ad "up to" the motion.
- The motion was read, moved by Alex G., 2<sup>nd</sup> by Victoria M. Passed: 4-0-0
  - C. ENC Brochures Discussed at the Outreach Committee, it is time to reorder the ENC's Brochures. The only changes to the brochure will be; adding the correct address/phone for DONE and adding our social media handles. At the time of the meeting the quote was not ready but the changes were discussed and we received a QUOTE from All Printing Services, Inc. in Encino. Discussion on the following possible motion; MOTION: EXE-21-02-0009: The ENC's Executive Committee recommends that the board support spending \$395.21 for 1,000 tri-fold brochures from All Printing Services, Inc. in Encino with the following changes: update DONE's address/phone & adding our social media handles.
- Alex G. introduced the item and shared his screen to show the brochure and proposed changed.
- The item was opened to public comment.
- Glenn B. commented on the phone number, wants to make sure it's the correct number.
- Pat B. commented that the phone line is not working since they changed the floor.
- An email address may be better.
- No further comments

- The motion was read, Victoria M. 2nds. Item passed: 4-0-0.
  - **D.** Review Applications Received Two applications have been received, one for the Education Position and the other for the open Business Rep position.
- 2 applications were received, one for the Education Rep and the other for the opened Business Rep position. It will be reviewed at the General Board meeting.
- Waiting on the letter from the Chamber regarding David K.
- Will send the applications to the VP for verification of the documents.
- The applications will be reviewed at the General Board Meeting.
  - E. LAFD, Station 83 Landscaping A revised proposal has been submitted for new landscaping at Fire Station 83. Please refer to supporting document, <u>Fire Proposal</u>. The ENC may be able to help fund the new landscaping from the existing budget. Should the ENC help fund the landscaping, if so how much? **Discussion and possible action.**
- The item was opened for public comment.
- After discussion, it was decided to wait for an NPG from the Fireman's Foundation to assist with the landscaping.
- We will revisit the item once we receive an NPG and will speak with the Audubon Society as they may contribute to the landscaping.
  - F. Cannabis Enforcement Requested by Lee B. Due to the reduction of the LAPD budget, the Chief of Police has discontinued the cannabis enforcement detail. This causes an un-level field allowing illegal shops who sell dangerous and illegal product in an unsafe way, and causes a revenue shortfall to the City estimated at over \$150,000,000.00 per year. We hereby request said funding be reinstated. A request to file the following CIS was provided: CIS on Cannabis Enforcement

The	neighborhood council, at a Brown Acted Meeting
dated	moved to approve the following Community Impact Statement:

Moved to request the City Council reinstate funding of LAPD for cannabis enforcement

Discussion and possible action. No City Council File number was provided

- Lee B. commented that we will start seeing CIS's to NCs for discussion and possible support.
- Victoria M. requested to wait until we have further information.
- Pat B., commented that the LAPD is losing hundreds of millions and perhaps another organization should enforce an illegal business.
- The item was tabled to a future meeting.
  - **G.** City Pensions. Requested by Lee B., The City's two pension plans, the Los Angeles City Employees' Retirement System and the Los Angeles Fire and Police Pension Plans, are not sustainable. Since 2005, the City's annual contribution has quadrupled, from \$350 million to \$1.4 billion next year. Its share of the General Fund budget has more than doubled to over 20%. During the same time frame, the unfunded pension

liability has tripled, from \$4 billion to over \$12 billion and is by far the City's largest liability. Despite repeated requests, the Mayor and the City Council have refused to address the ever increasing cost of the City's two pension plans that are crowding out basic services such as street repair, affordable housing, services for the homeless, and public safety. The following CIS has been proposed by the Budget Advocate:

As recommended by the LA 2020 Commission and the Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates, the Encino Neighborhood Council urges the Mayor, the City Council, and the Council's Personnel Committee to establish an independent Pension Commission to review and analyze the City's two underfunded pension plans (including Other Post-Retirement Employee Benefits), develop projections for future Actuarially Determined Employer Contributions and the unfunded liability assuming a range of investment rate assumptions, make recommendations to eliminate the unfunded liability over the next 20 to 30 years, and report back to the public within 90 days on its findings.

This CIS is in reference to CF 20-0600 which is the Council File number for the 2020-21 City budget.

Please include the Board of Fire and Police Pension Commissioners as well as the City Council and Committees when filing this CIS. Additionally, please e-mail Mayor Garcetti (Mayor.Garcetti@lacity.org), the Commissioners of both the Los Angeles Employees' Retirement System (LacersBoard@lacers.org) and the Fire and Police Pension Plans (Pensions@lafpp.com) with a copy to the Budget Advocates at (info@budgetadvocates.org).

#### Discussion and possible action.

- Lee B. introduced the item.
- Item was opened to public comment and board member discussion.
- A motion was created after discussion. MOTION; EXE-21-02-0010: The ENC's Executive Committee recommends that the ENC support the budgets advocates CIS as written and file our own CIS in support of. Alex G. moves, Karie P. 2nds, passed: 4-0-0.
  - **H. Redistricting** Update on redistricting after attending a meeting held by the BCC & the ENC's next steps. **Discussion and possible action.**
- Alex G. commented that he attended a meeting with our Commissioner. Provided an update on process and will work on having a meeting with our Commissioner.
- 3. Review General Board Meeting Draft Agenda
  - A brief overview of the agenda
- 4. Board Member Comment on Non Agenda Items
- 5. Adjournment by 8:30pm, adjourned at 8:29pm

Next Executive Committee meeting: March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021