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**NOTICE AND AGENDA
ENCINO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
GENERAL BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, December 8th, 2021 @ 7 pm**

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Encino Neighborhood Council Board Members

Lee Blumenfeld Area 1 Rep	Walter Almora Area 2 Rep x	Miriam Davis Area 3 Rep x	Jess Whitehill Area 4 Rep	Michael Silva Area 5 Rep
Laurie Kelson Area 6 Rep	Jim Esterle Area 7 Rep	Heather Michaels At-Large Rep x	Henry Eshelman At-Large Rep	Alex Garay Apt/Condo Rep
Victoria Miller Business Rep	Andrew Zucker Business Rep	Jennifer Goldstein Education Rep	David Krygier Encino Chamber Rep	Kathy Moghini- Patterson EPOA Rep x
Eliot Cohen HOME Rep	Glenn Bailey Park/Advocate Environment Rep	Darin Spillman PLU Rep	Samuel Apikyan Public Safety Rep x	Anni Keusseyan Religious Rep
Patricia Bates Volunteer Rep	Vacant Youth Rep			

Encino Neighborhood Council Alternates

Dana Frances Caruso Area 1 Rep Alt +	Vacant Area 2 Rep Alt	Vacant Area 3 Rep Alt	Robert Wenger Area 4 Rep Alt	Jonathan Gabriel Area 5 Rep Alt
Vacant Area 6 Rep Alt	Lenny Beckerman Area 7 ReQp Alt	Lissa Morrow Christian At-Large Rep Alt 1+	Vacant At-Large Rep Alt 2	Vacant Apt/Condo Rep Alt
Vacant Business Rep Alt 1	Vacant Business Rep Alt 2	Vacant Education Rep Alt	Vacant Encino Chamber Rep Alt	Daniel Freedman EPOA Rep Alt
Daniel Kashani HOME Rep Alt	Maury Geller Park/Advocate Environment Rep Alt	Melody Korehe PLU Rep Alt	Vacant Public Safety Rep Alt	Vacant Religious Rep Alt
Vacant Volunteer Rep Alt				

- 1) **Call to Order. Start recording. Roll call. determination of quorum. – Meeting called to order at 7:05pm**
- 2) **Determine compliance with all required training; Sergeant-at-Arms Report.** Note the new Anti-Bias Learning for employees (ABLE) is required with an updated completion deadline of January 1, 2022. The completion date for Planning 101 training for PLU Committee members has also been updated to 1/1/2022.
 - The SAA outlined the rules for public comment and defined the scope of comments. An updated regarding on-going training was provided.
 - Lissa M. commented that she completed her trainings yesterday.
 - It was confirmed and she is eligible to vote if seated.
 - Lee B. commented on the use of NC members data being used by DONE and would like clarification on the steps taken to protect the sensitive information regarding NC members and also when did we (NC members) agree to have our information used?
 - The SAA will ask DONE for an update.
 - Heather M. joined the meeting at 7:15pm
 - Victoria M. commented that if a board member is seeking monetary compensation that they should make their own inquiry.

3) **Open Board positions in the Encino Neighborhood Council. Open Positions Include:** Youth Rep (1), Area 2 Atl (1), Area 3 Alt (1), Area 6 Alt (1), At Large Alt (1), Apartment/Condo Alt (1), Business Rep Alt (2), Education Alt (1), Public Safety Rep Alt (1), Religious Alt (1), Volunteer Alt (1), Appointed position Encino Chamber of Commerce Alt (1). **Discussion and possible action on any applications received.**

- **The open positions were read.**
- **An application for the Youth Representative was received.**
- **Brooke Resnick introduced herself and expressed interest in the Youth Representative position.**
- **Board members asked a few questions.**
- **Pat B. moved to accept the application, Victoria M. 2nd**
- **No objections received and the application was approved unanimously.**

4) **Seating of Alternates:** The chair will appoint eligible Alternates with affirmation of the board. **Discussion and Possible Action:** *If at any Board meeting, a Representative who is absent either (a) has no designated Alternate or (b) has an Alternate who is also absent, then the president or presiding officer may, with the approval of a majority of the members entitled to vote at the meeting, designate an existing Alternate for any other Representative to serve and vote during the meeting in place of the absent Representative. In such an instance, the seat of any absent Representative temporarily becomes an At-Large Seat. The appointed Alternate must be in good standing with all required training to be eligible.*

- **The President nominated to seat Lissa M in Walter M's absence.**
- **No opposition was received and Lissa M. was seated.**
- **Sam A. joined the meeting at 7:26pm**

5) Reports from Public Officials/Departments/Community Agencies. Due to a very large agenda for this meeting, the question and answer period will be limited to 1 minute per speaker. Any unaddressed issues will be forwarded to the designated official. Further guidance from DONE will be announced if received prior to the meeting. *LAPD, Senior Lead Officer Walia, 34024@lapd.online (818) 374-7634

* An update was provided by SLO Walia – follow home robberies are the main calls he has been receiving and they are working to combat these. 9 different gang sets have been discovered and are looking into it further. People need to be vigilant of their surroundings. Crime in Encino is down but there was an uptick in GTA's and theft from vehicles.

- * LA Urban Forestry Division Supervisor Stephen DuPrey, to address issue of fallen oak tree on Odessa Avenue in Encino which resulted in a fatality Stephen.duprey@lacity.org
Tree inventory for Encino was recently completed; report [linked here](#) – Not in attendance
- * Councilmember Paul Koretz: Jarrett.Thompson@lacity.org (818) 971-3088 – Not in attendance
- * Mayor Garcetti - West Valley Area Rep. Erin Seinfeld erin.seinfeld@lacity.org
(213)422-0815 – Not in attendance
- * Assemblymember Jesse Gabriel:(818) 346-4521 Sarah Martin (Sarah.Martin@asm.ca.gov)

* Sarah Martin provided an update regarding an upcoming event (toy drive) and will provide legislative updates as they come up.

* LA County Supervisor Kuehl: Blake Clayton, BClayton@bos.lacounty.gov (818) 880-9416\

- A quick update was provided.
 - * West Valley Neighborhood Prosecutor: Michael Liu, Michael.liu@lacity.org
- Michael Liu provided an update that courts are implementing a new program called the normalizations of operations work (NOW) to resume the operations as they were prior to the pandemic. A further update regarding a party house was provided.
- A question regarding the reporting of fireworks was asked.
- Illegal fireworks can be reported at: reportfireworks@lapdonline.org/fireworks
- The President commented that she would put the link on the ENC's website.
- It was noted that Dana C. joined the meeting.
- A Ranger was in attendance and the President asked if we should take an agenda item out of order.
- The agenda continued in the current order.
- Dana C. was seated for Miriam D.

* Department of Neighborhood Empowerment: Adriana Cabrera, adriana.cabrera@lacity.org – Not in attendance, Glenn B. provided an update regarding the digital media policy and the Jan 4th meeting may include an updated/revised proposal with a final vote in March.

* Budget Advocate: Lee Blumenfeld, enclieb@gmail.com – A quick report was provided.

6) Officer's Reports:

- A) President's Report - **a quick report was provided.**
Before the VP's report, the ENC's new Youth Rep was sworn in.
- B) Vice-President's Report – **A quick report was provided regarding the ENC's committees.**
- C) Treasurer's Report

- 1) Motion to approve the [October 2021](#) Monthly Expense Report
- 2) Motion to approve the [November 2021](#) Monthly Expense Report

- **The MERs were shared. A motion to approve was received from Glenn B., 2nd by Henry E.**
- **A roll call vote took place, the MERs were approved: 17 (Y), 0 (N), 0 (A), 2 board members were absent.**
- D) Secretary's Report: Approval of [August 25, 2021](#), [September 22, 2021](#), and [October 27, 2021](#) General meeting Minutes
- **A motion to approve all the minutes was received from Alex G., Pat B. 2nds. The minutes were approved without objection: 17 (Y), 0 (N), 0 (A).**

7) **Old Business - Non-Funding - Motion, Discussion and Vote may be taken on all items:**

A) Update on Los Angeles City Council, LAUSD, and other Redistricting: The Los Angeles City Council on 12/1/2021 approved an amendment to [CF 20-0668-S7](#) to include a minor change to City council boundaries which does not appear to affect our Encino area. The City Ordinance defining Los Angeles City Council boundaries will be subject to a vote by City council on December 7, 2021, results will be presented at the ENC 12/8/2021 meeting. It should be noted that the [map](#) presented by the Los Angeles City Attorney incorrectly shows the Sepulveda Basin areas which are shared by the Encino and Lake Balboa Neighborhood Councils as part of Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council, while omitting Encino's joint purview. While this does not affect the City Council boundaries as adopted, it is incorrect, it will cause confusion as to why the Encino Neighborhood Council is involved in matters concerning the area, and it ought to be corrected forthwith. The City Ordinance defining LAUSD boundaries, [CF 20-0668-S6](#) appears to have been unanimously adopted on December 1, 2021.

With respect to any other proposed redistrictings: MOTION: Regarding the redistricting of County Supervisor, State Assembly, State Senate and Congressional districts, the Board supports the Encino NC **boundaries** being kept intact for each respective district and that it not be split amongst two or more districts. For each, the Board supports Encino being included in a Valley-only or a Valley-majority district.

- **Pat B. introduced the item and made a motion to approve. Henry E. 2nds.**
- **Board member discussion took place.**
- **A board member questioned the language and requested a change.**
- **The motion was slightly revised to add an additional word, "boundaries" reflected in the motion above in red.**
- **The item was opened for discussion and then a vote took place.**
- **The motion passed: 19 (Y), 0 (N), 0 (A)**
- **A motion was made to take item 9C2 out of order to respect the Rangers time.**
- **An objection was received because PLU items are usually last and they cover very important communities concerns.**
- **The President commented that the PLU item would be considered after item 9C2.**

8) **New Business - Funding -Motion, Discussion and Vote may be taken on all items:**

A) Outreach/Finance motion: Encino Neighborhood Council Banner at the Encino Charter Elementary School – The sponsorship fee for a banner (4ft x 3ft) placed on the fence at Genesta and Addison at the Encino Charter Elementary School is \$1000. The ENC would provide the artwork and the school will print and maintain the banner for 1 year. Please refer to the supporting documents for the [artwork](#). The Finance Committee discussed and inquired as to the cost of the banner and how much the school would net for their use, and noted that an invoice from the school should be provided. Outreach MOTION: The Encino Neighborhood Council’s Outreach Committee recommends that the board support sponsoring an ENC banner at Encino Charter Elementary with a sponsorship fee of \$1000 for one calendar year. The ENC will provide the artwork and Encino Charter will print and maintain the banner. Alex G. moved, Heather M. 2nds - passed: 5 (Y), 0 (N), 0 (A) Finance Committee Motion: The ENC Finance Committee has reviewed the Outreach Committee request and recommends that the cost of the banner be attributed to the budget category of Outreach Advertising. Pat B. moved, Henry E. seconded; motion passed 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain

Motion: The ENC will sponsor an ENC banner at Encino Charter Elementary with a sponsorship fee of \$1,000 for one calendar year, with the cost of the banner categorized as outreach advertising.

- **The motion was read and moved by Pat B. and received a 2nd from Michael S.**
- **A question regarding how the school would use the funds.**
- **There’s no clear indication on how the funds would be used however, it is known that the school receives the majority of the funds.**
- **Lee B. commented that there seems to be an issue with the Principal and would like to know if the situation was resolved and how the school will protect the other children.**
- **Several other board members spoke in support of the motion.**
- **A role call vote took place and the motion passed: 14 (Y), 1 (N), 2 (A)**

B) Outreach /Homelessness/Finance motion: Point in Time Homelessness Count – The Encino Neighborhood Council will be able to participate and host the site location for Encino in the 2022 homelessness count. In conjunction with Valley Beth Shalom and the Encino Community Center, the ENC will host a location for the volunteers participating in the homelessness count in Encino (Evening of 1/25/2022). Said event could require incidental expenses including possible equipment rental, facility charges, advertising, printing, copying, etc. HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE Motion to approve the ENC’s participation as a community partner with the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) for the [Greater Los Angeles 2022 Homeless Count](#) on January 25, 2022. Said commitment may incur up to \$500 in incidental expenses. (Pat B moved, Rochelle M. 2nd, Motion passed 3 yes/0 no /0 abstentions).

OUTREACH MOTION: The ENC's Outreach Committee requests that the Encino Neighborhood Council support the ENC in participating in the 2022 Point in Time Homelessness Count in conjunction with Valley Beth Shalom and approve up to \$500 for incidental expenses. Alex G. moved, Miriam D. 2nd - motion passed: 5 (Y), 0 (N), 0 (A). FINANCE MOTION: The ENC Finance Committee has reviewed the outreach Committee request and recommends that any costs incurred for this activity be attributed to the budget category of Outreach Events. Henry E. moved, Pat B. seconded; motion passed 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

Motion: The ENC approves ENC’s participation as a community partner with LAHSA for the Greater Los Angeles 2022 Homeless Count on January 25, 2022 and authorizes up to \$500 in incidental expenses associated with the event. Any charges incurred will be categorized as Outreach Events.

- **The motion was introduced and the motion was moved by Pat B. with a 2nd from Alex G.**
- **The item was opened to discussion – after board member comments the item was ready for a vote.**

- **A roll call vote took place, the motion passed: 17 (Y), 0 (N), 0 (A)**
- **It was noted that Anni K. was no longer in attendance.**

9) **New Business - Non-funding: Motion, Discussion, and Vote may be taken on all items - Board members please inform the Chair prior to the meeting of consent items to be pulled for discussion.**

A) Bylaws Committee:

- 1) **Announcement regarding Bylaws: DONE is accepting Bylaws amendments now. The submittal deadline is April 1, 2022.**
- 2) **Discussion and Possible Action:** Standing Rules re-organization and amendments if available

- **Updates were provided by Victoria M., Lee B. & Glenn B with reminder that there will be a future agenda item regarding the ENC's Standing Rules as well as Bylaws revisions.**

B) Executive Committee:

- 1) **Motion** Selecting 2022 General meeting Dates through December 2022 General Meeting dates for 2022. 1/26/2022, 2/23/2022, 3/23/2022, 4/27/2022, 5/25/2022, 6/22/2022, 7/27/2022, 8/24/2022, 9/28/2022, 10/26/2022, 12/14/2022 (Pat B. moved, Glenn B. 2nd, Motion passed 4 yes/0 no/1 abstained)

- **The item was introduced and a motion to approve the dates was made by Pat B. Glenn B. 2nds.**
- **After a roll call vote the item passed: 15 (Y), 1 (N), 0 (A)**
- **It was noted that Eliot C. was no longer in attendance.**

- 2) **Motion** to create a position of Training Compliance Officer to be added to the duties of any officer selected, with consent, by the ENC Executive committee (Pat B. moved, Alex G. 2nd, Motion passed 5 yes/0 no/0 abstain).

If approved, appointment of a Training Compliance Officer - possible MOTION

- **The item was introduced by Pat B., who made a motion to create the position and nominated Henry E. to be the officer.**
- **Lee B. pulled B2**
- **Pat B. commented that this item may be postponed to a future meeting.**

3) **Motion:**

- (a) The ENC will file a resolution with the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment authorizing the following members as authorized Community Impact Statement filers: Patricia Bates, Victoria Miller, Alex Garay, Glenn Bailey and Darin Spillman [Alex Garay is replacing Jodie Francisco]

- (b) The ENC will appoint Alex F. Garay as Alternate Signer for funding purposes

(Glenn B. moved, Victoria M. 2nd, Motions passed 5 yes/0 no/ 0 abstention)

- **The item was introduced & moved by Pat B., Glenn B., made a comment that there have to be separate BACs for these 2 and 2nd the motion.**
- **Laurie K. commented that she had to leave the meeting.**
- **A roll call vote took place, the motion passed: 12 (Y), 0 (N), 1 (A)**
- **It was noted that Dana C. was no longer in attendance.**
- **It was noted that Victoria M. was no longer in the meeting.**

- 4) **Discussion and Possible Action:** Recommendation to change appointment of Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance (NCSA) Representative and Alternate to Heather Michaels as ENC representative and Patricia Bates as ENC alternate for voting purposes. (Pat B moved, Victoria M. 2nd, Motion passed 4 yes/0 no/ 1 abstention)

- **Pat B. read the motion and moved, Glenn B 2nds.**
- **Glenn B. further commented on the item.**

- After discussion a vote took place, the motion passed: 14 (Y), 0 (N), 0 (A)

5) **Discussion and possible action:** Motion Regarding Fireworks Displays: Motion would ask the City Council to request a report back regarding notification requirements for sanctioned fireworks displays. [See detailed description.](#) (Executive committee concurred in presenting a draft motion, to be written, to the entire board for consideration).

- **This item was pushed to the Public Safety Committee**

C) Parks and Environment Committee (Consent):

1) **Motion:** The Parks & Environment Committee recommends the Encino Neighborhood Council (ENC) Council file a Community Impact Statement (CIS) in favor of Council File [21-0890](#) (Energy, Climate Change, Environmental Justice, and River Committee Motion (O'Farrell - Krekorian - Price)) relative to creating a strategic long term citywide Electric Vehicle (EV) Master Plan that includes provisions to maximize federal and state funding for the equitable placement of Electric Vehicle infrastructure citywide. Said approval is contingent on adequate provisions being made for the range of EV models in use and adaptable to future use, without bias as to model. Further, that placement of locations for such facilities be subject to consultation with the respective local Neighborhood Councils. (Davis moved/Bates Motion passed 2nd 5 yes/0 no/0 abstention).

- **Item 9C1 was pulled by Eliot C., and will be moved to a future meeting.**

2) **Motion:** The Parks & Environment Committee recommends the Encino Neighborhood Council (ENC) Council file a Community Impact Statement (CIS) in favor of Council File [20-0190](#) (Buscaino - Cedillo) relative to the City Attorney be directed to prepare and present an Ordinance amending Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 63.41 to allow park rangers to be armed while on duty, in accordance with state law. (Zidell moved Davis 2nd Motion passed 5 yes/0 no/0 abstain)

- **This item was moved up in the agenda. The motion was read by the President and a motion to approve was made by Pat B., Alex G. 2nds.**
- **In attendance was Ranger Sean Kleckner who provided details regarding the issue and provided updates.**
- **Several board members spoke in support of the motion.**
- **After discussion, the motion passed unanimously, 18 (Y), 0 (N), 0 (A)**

3) **Motion** The Parks & Environment Committee recommends the Encino Neighborhood Council (ENC) Council file a Community Impact Statement (CIS) regarding irrigation of White Oak Avenue parkway medians between Victory and Burbank Boulevards including requesting a feasibility study and/or funding request to the Board of Public Works for extension of reclaimed water (purple pipe) to the medians. (Bailey moved/Bates 2nd Motion passed 5yes 0no 0 abstentions)

- **The item was introduced and a motion to approve was received by Lee B. , Glenn B. 2nd.**
- **Lee B. provided 2 updates regarding the motion.**
- **After discussion the item was voted on and the motion passed, as written: 12 (Y), 0 (N), 0 (A)**

D) Planning and Land Use committee (non-consent):

1) Discussion and Possible action, regarding the City of Los Angeles response to passage and signing into law California Senate Bill SB-9. **The ENC PLU committee had considered certain responses prior to the introduction of Los Angeles City council file [21-1414](#). This ENC motion supports [CF 21-1414](#) and notes certain desired amendments to the proposed statutes. [See Detailed Motion.](#)**

- **Item 9CD was taken out of order.**
- **The item was introduced by the PLU Chair, Darin Spillman while the entire motion was shared on the screen.**
- **The motion was moved by Darin S. with a 2nd from Eliot C.**
- **Victoria C. asked if the item had gone through the PLU Committee because there was no vote count.**
- **The President commented that the committee took a vote on the provisions but that the council file was not available at the time which is why it's listed as a non-consent item.**
- **Additional board members commented on the motion.**
- **A modification was recommended, Lee B. moved, 2nd from Darin S.**
- **A role call vote on the amendment took place.**
- **The amendment passed: 15 (Y), 1 (N), 1 (A)**
- **A vote took place on the amended motion and passed: 15 (Y), 1 (N), 1 (A)**
- **The agenda resumed at item 8A.**

10) Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items – Public comments on non-agenda items within the ENC's subject matter jurisdiction is limited to TWO MINUTES (2) per speaker. Time may be adjusted at the Chair's discretion. Public calling in, please press *9 on your phone to raise your hand to speak. For those who are using the Zoom application, please use the Raise Hand feature to speak.

- **The public comment period was opened – no public comment.**

11) Committee Reports

12) Board Member comment on non-agenda items.

- **Lissa M., asked if the Gate (restaurant) could be on a future agenda.**

13) Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 9:55pm

Next meeting: Wednesday, January 26, 2022