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SILVER LAKE RESERVOIR COMMITTEE MEETING

****CO-CHAIR ELECTION FOR SLNC BOARD MEMBER WILL BE HELD****

MEETING AGENDA

In person (only):

**Silver Lake Public Library
2411 Glendale Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90039**

Tuesday, September 26, 2023, 6:30 pm to 7:45 pm

No Zoom

Si requiere servicios de traducción, favor de avisar al Concejo Vecinal 3 días de trabajo (72 horas) antes del evento. Por favor contacte Kevin Rutkowski, Secretaria, al (323) 413-7562 o por correo electrónico secretary@silverlakenc.org para avisar al Concejo Vecinal.

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I. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME 6:30pm

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Silver Lake Reservoir Committee Meeting 8-15-2023 6:32pm

<https://www.silverlakenc.org/silver-lake-reservoir>

III. GOVERNMENT REPORTS 6:35pm

IV. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT 6:40pm

Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. Each speaker will be allowed up to 2 minutes or as defined by the Co-Chairs.

V. ADMINISTRATIVE 6:50pm

Co-Chair Election - Nomination will be opened from the floor for the one open SLNC Board co-chair officer position. Anyone may nominate or self-nominate. Nominee must be present to accept or refuse the nomination.

VI. NEW BUSINESS – Discussion and Possible Action 7:05pm

a. Letter to Department of City Planning HCM #422 Name change requested.

b. Letter to Councilmember Soto-Martinez regarding safety issues around the Silver Lake Reservoir Complex.

c. Next step regarding the Silver Lake Complex Master Plan Final EIR.

d. Future Committee Business

VII. ADJOURNMENT 7:45 pm

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- Silver Lake Recreation Center 1850 W. Silver Lake Drive Los Angeles CA 90026
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ITEM XI a

TO BE PLACED ON SLNC LETTER HEAD – PLEASE INCLUDE NEW OFFICERS

September X, 2023

Mr. Lambert Giessinger
Mr. Ken Bernstein
Department of City Planning
Cultural Heritage Commission
200 N. Spring Street
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VIA EMAIL

RE: HCM #422 Change Request: Spelling of Name

Dear Mr. Giessinger and Mr. Bernstein:

The Silver Lake Neighborhood Council requests a name change of HCM #422: Silver Lake and Ivanhoe Reservoirs on Historical_Cultural_Monuments_List.pdf:

https://planning.lacity.org/odocument/24f6fce7-f73d-4bca-87bc-c77ed3fc5d4f/Historical_Cultural_Monuments_List.pdf

The correct spelling of **Silver Lake** is *two* words not one (Silverlake) as it appears on the list.

From SLNC website:

“Silver Lake Reservoir in 1930 – Silver Lake Reservoir was named for Herman Silver, first president of the Board of Commissioners, Domestic Water Works System. He served from 1902-1903. The reservoir is an earth fill dam, asphalt concrete, with paved slopes. It was put into service in May 1908.”

We would appreciate a correction to the name upon next updating of the list.

Thank you,

Kevin Rutkowski
SLNC Secretary

On behalf of the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council
Voted October 4, 2023 X yes, X no, X pnv

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September X, 2023

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VIA EMAIL

RE: Safety Issues at Silver Lake and Ivanhoe Reservoirs Complex

Councilmember Hugo Soto-Martinez:

In 2011, the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council created the Reservoir Advisory Committee to provide community oversight and input for the entire Silver Lake Reservoir Complex including the walking paths, dog park, Meadow, Knoll, eucalyptus grove and adjacent areas. One of our focuses has been that of **safety** for the community members and wildlife.

The first key issue that needs your immediate attention is the new sidewalks that were completed during the past eight months on Van Pelt and West Silver Lake Blvd. We had worked diligently with your predecessor to have this work implemented since the condition of the sidewalks made it dangerous for pedestrians to walk. We welcomed this project and are thrilled with the new curbs. However, it is not complete. Curbs are not marked or painted **red** in the appropriate safety places/corners such as the intersections, turn of the curb adjacent to the Recreation Center on West Silver Lake Drive, or **blue** for the Handicap parking space.

Second, we are concerned with the condition of the walk path along West Silver Lake Blvd. No effort has been made to level the path which has major uneven channels - the result of the past rains. In addition, on Armstrong, there is a section with a concrete slab and then a drop of four inches to the dirt path. All these situations are dangerous and need immediate attention. As a result of this poorly maintained walking path, many joggers/walkers are forced onto the street where there is very little protection against the cars that often exceed the speed limit.

Third, we have repeatedly requested larger signs designating the Knoll and the Meadow as being **dog free** zones. We recognize that in your weekly newsletter you do have a Pet of the Week. However, we do have two dog parks within the Silver Lake Reservoir Complex; one for large dogs and another for smaller dogs. There is no reason for dogs to be in these 'safe zones' for stakeholders who crave a dog free area to enjoy.

We look forward to your help to resolve these issues.

Thank you,

Kevin Rutkowski
SLNC Secretary

On behalf of the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council
Voted October 4, 2023 X yes, X no, X pnv