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Silver Lake Neighborhood Council Governing Board

Meeting Agenda (Amended)

June 2, 2010 7:00pm

Micheltorena School Auditorium

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| I. | Call to Order | 7:00 |
| II. | Roll Call | 7:02 |
| III. | Approval of May 5, 2010 Minutes | 7:04 |
| IV. | Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items | 7:10 |
| V. | Correspondence | 7:15 |
| VI. | Election of Board Secretary | |
| VII. | Special Reports & Presentations | 7:20 |
| | a. Mary Rodriguez Council District 4 | 7:25 |
| | b. Ryan Carpio, Council District 13 | 7:30 |
| | c. Gracie Lui, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment | 7:35 |
| | d. Felton Newell, Candidate for Congress | 7:40 |
| VIII. | Consent Agenda | 7:50 |
| | a. Resolution to Promote Neighborhood Block Parties | |
| | b. Motion: Treasurers Report | |
| | c. Motion: Budget Report | |
| VIII | New Business | |
| | a. Motion: Promote Bicycling in Silver Lake (UDP) | 7:55 |
| | b. Motion: Traffic Calming Measures Rowena (UDP) | 8:00-8:20 |
| | c. Motion: Town Hall funding | 8:25 |
| | d. Motion: Cell Phone Towers | 8:35 |
| | e. Motion: Banning Plastic Bags | 8:45 |
| | f. Motion: Food at board meetings | 8:50 |
| | g. Motion: Appoint Apple One to take board minutes | 8:57 |
| XI | Committee Reports | 9:06 |
| XII | Agenda Items for next meeting | |
| XIII | Announcements: All items not acted upon by 10:00 p.m. will be carried over to the next meeting | |
| XIV | Adjourn | 9:30 |

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**GOVERNING BOARD
Meeting Agenda
May 5, 2010 7:00 p.m.
Micheltorena School Auditorium
1511 Micheltorena Street**

Parking available at the teacher's lot at Micheltorena Elementary School and at St. Francis of Assisi Church, located at 1523 Golden Gate Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90026, the lot north of the Church or the lot north of the Convent

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I. Call to Order 7:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call 7:01 p.m.
Eighteen present.

a. Votes to pass
Nine

b. Attendance report:: Neuman said that the board might want to revisit this policy

III. Approval of April 7, 2010 Governing Board Minutes: **Millar said that it would be nice to receive the Minutes before the Agenda is released. Former Secretary Renahan said that the draft Minutes were posted to the DONE site, which links to the SLNC site, two days after the April meeting. Neuman said he would consider emailing.**

IV. Welcome and rules for actions on agenda items 7:04 p.m.

V. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items 7:05 p.m.: **Derrick spoke about Ursa Minor, the ionosphere, Goldman-Sachs, and CBS.**

Millar said that an LADP senior lead officer would host a meeting May 12 at 6:00.

Nahum said that the Bark for Life dog walk around the Lake will be Sunday, May 16, 3:00 to 6:00.

Joanne Paden said that she is the team captain for the SLNC Relay for Life team.

Crump said Bass would have a legislative update town hall on Saturday 10:00 to 11:30 at LA High.

Crump suggested merging the Community Liaison Committee and the Outreach Committee, and suggested this perhaps as an agenda item for June.

VI. Correspondence 7:11 p.m.: **Neuman reported that emails to the Board were received from Laurie Pepper requesting emails and photos for the Outreach Committee, Carol Liu regarding Workforce Investment, Tanya Wallace regarding a nursery auction, Karen Elpert regarding the SL Moms rummage sale, Brenda Sanchez requesting demographic information, Alex regarding emergency preparedness, Mark Krasnow regarding Sunset Junction, Matin Bagish regarding an abandoned house, and two regarding Tesla boardwalk. Bougart-Sharkov recommended that the Co-chairs refer to regional representatives. Millar said he either refers to the appropriate source or to a Council office. Crump suggested meeting with former Board Member Pepper re Board emails. Neuman said that traditionally, co-chairs refer or respond.**

Vazquez said that she received a phone message regarding an art can.

VII. Special Presentations and Reports 7:12 p.m.

a. Mary Rodriguez, Council District 4 (LaBonge): **Not present.**

b. Ryan Carpio, Council District 13 (Garcetti) : **Not present.**

c. Ronald O. Palacios, Director of Community Partnerships, Office of LAUSD Board Vice President Yolie Flores: **Not present.**

d. Casey Lo, District Representative, Office of State Senator Carol Liu, 21st District: **Not present.**

e. Rebecca Bernal, Field Deputy, SD 26, Office of State Senator Curren D. Price, Jr. : **Not present.**

f. Grayce Liu, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment: **Not present.**

g. Other "notables" in attendance. **Speaker Emeritus Karen Bass swore in the Board. Bass said she is a candidate for the U.S. Congress. She remembers when Mark Ridley-Thomas started neighborhood councils 20 years ago with the Empowerment Congress. She wants to incentivize green business.**

VIII. Possible filling of Governing Board Region 2 Seat 2 vacancy. 7:40 p.m.: **None.**

IX. Election of Board Officers (Two Co-Chairs, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Secretary -- candidates for Co-Chair must have served on the board for at least one year) 8:00: **Neuman read the rules and called for nominations for co-chair Jaffe nominated Millar. Cunningham nominated Lukens.**

Millar said that we should focus on neighborhood issues, rather than Sacramento issues. He said we should focus on City-wide issues like what is going on in Arizona. He said co-chairs should put together the agenda. He said he would listen rather than talking at meetings.

Lukens said that one co-chair should have tenure such as Millar. He said that, given the City's budget, we should rely more on each other.

Nahum said that it takes a lot of time to be a co-chair. Millar said he has the time and would get the agenda out more than one day before the meeting. Lukens said he has the time. Bougart-Sharkov spoke in favor of Millar's experience and noted Lukens' leadership in closing the office.

Millar received 15 votes. Lukens received one vote. One abstained and co-chair Neuman did not vote. Neuman declared Millar elected co-chair.

For the second co-chair seat, Nahum nominated Lukens. Marvel nominated Vasquez.

Vasquez said that during her tenure, only white males have been co-chair, so it would be good to have a woman and a Latina. She said that younger people should be more involved. She said that as vice-chair she arranged meetings and food.

Lukens spoke in favor of Vasquez.

Bougart-Shakov observed that there have been three women co-chairs.

Lukens received 11 votes. Vasquez received three votes. Three abstentions. Neuman did not vote. Neuman declared Lukens elected co-chair.

Bougart-Shakov nominated Bromberg for Vice-Chair. Bromberg received 15 votes. One abstention. Neuman did not vote.

Neuman called for nominations for Secretary. Several nominees declined. Bougart-Shakov and Millar spoke in favor of hiring a stenographer.

Lukens nominated Charles, who received 15 votes. Neuman declared him elected.

Lukens nominated Jaffe for treasurer, who declined. Nahum nominated Vasquez, who declined. Lukens nominated Crump.

Millar noted that treasurers are required to take a DONE class and sign quarterly statements. Crawford noted that former treasurer Avila has offered to help for three months. Crump said he is familiar with account keeping and city procurement. Crump received 17 votes. Neuman did not vote. Neuman declared Crump elected treasurer.

X. **Consent Calendar** 8:45:

a. **Motion: Urban Design and Preservation Committee** (Motion #20100505 -- 1)

Moves that the SLNC Gov. Board approves the UD&PAC support for application Case No. ZA 2010-321 regarding renewal of conditional use permit, pursuant to Condition No. 7 of Case No. ZA 2001-4475 (CUB) to allow the continued sale of beer and wine only for off-site consumption; in conjunction with an existing 2,844 sq. ft./dell market at 2501 West Sunset Blvd., #D; having hours of operation from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. daily; in the (Q)C2-1VL zone. **Pulled by Herman-Wurmfeld. Crump seconded. Herman-Wurmfeld spoke in favor of this mom and pop operations, but the committee forgot to ask if they use plastic bags. Bougart-Shakov said she would add that condition . Crump Moved to Amend at the end: the business explore environmentally-friendly practices such as not using plastic bags. Amendment passed. Original Motion passed with one no vote and no abstentions.**

b. **Motion: Urban Design and Preservation Committee** (Motion #20100505 -- 2)

Moves that the SLNC approves the UD&PAC decision to reject support for the application Case No. ZA 2009-3974-ZV for conversion of recreation room into a third unit on property consisting of two units already in R1-1VL zone (Single Family Homes)

c. **Motion: Executive Committee** (Motion #20100505 -- 3)

Moves that candidates for governing board secretary assert to the board that they know or will learn how to prepare and produce agendas and minutes. This regards the technical and computer aspects of such efforts, since co-chairs will still bear responsibility for the conceptualization, creation, arrangement, final realization, and implementation of the governing board agendas

d. **Motion: Executive Committee** (Motion #20100505 -- 4)

Moves that candidates for governing board vice chair assert to the board that they know or will learn PowerPoint.

e. **Motion: Joanna Paden** (Motion #20100505 -- 5)

Move that the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council supports a fundraiser for the Relay for Life of Griffith Park at Silverlake Wine before the Relay for Life as a team fundraiser.

f. **Motion: Public Safety Committee** (Motion #20100505 -- 6)

Moves that the attached letter be sent to those who inquire about the CERT activities of February 27, 2010...The class that was held was not a "table top exercise" as defined by the Department of Homeland Security manual, so any

stakeholder asking for a situation manual and AAR/IP should be referred to the LA Fire Department for further information, but should also be sent the accompanying letter.

g. **Motion: Susan Hutchinson and Annemarie Ralph** (Motion #20100505 -- 7)

Move that the SLNC Governing Board initiates an open community dialogue and will host a community meeting in order to obtain community input to address the pedestrian traffic with regard to the proposed boardwalk along Tesla St. at the northern end of Silver Lake/Ivanhoe Reservoir. SLNC Gov. Board will extend an invitations to Council Members Tom LaBonge (CD 4) and Eric Garcetti (CD 13), as well as to Silver Lake Conservancy to attend the meeting. **G was pulled. Vasquez seconds. Nahum moved to amend to move language relating to conservancy. Neuman seconded. Crump moved to amend. Noah stein makes comment. His request is notification respecific location of meeting. He addresses the history. On behalf of the Silver Lake conservancy. The conservancy wishes to be represented by the council. This is an issue of urgency. Next comes Tori Black a resident of Tesla. She's concerned about cost. She doesn't believe it will cost \$250,000. She'd prefer that monies be spent in other ways. Dave Keitel takes the podium. He's advocating a safe walking path around the whole lake as promised. He believes Tesla is a traffic safety problem. Tomas O'Grady said he wants outreach and discussion. Mo Burnett said that the walking path was not thought out and she sees people with accidents every day and the foliage is dying. Millar read correspondence form Shelly Marks and another in favor of the Tesla boardwalk. Millar said he has committed to Councilmember LaBonge that he will hold a public meeting.**

The amendment to delete the invitations from the Motion passed with no no's and no abstentions. The amended Motion passed unanimously.

h. **Motion: Leonardo Chalupowicz and Charles Herman-Wurmfeld** (Motion #20100505 -- 8)

Move that the SLNC Governing Board will vow to endeavor as a board to carpool, bike, walk, or take public transit to board and committee meetings and related city business whenever possible. Furthermore, we vow to bring reusable bags, water bottles and utensils for food in support of a zero waste goal for all board and committee meetings. Moreover board members will encourage stakeholders to that effect in meeting agendas and event advertising and promotion.

Vasquez pulled h.

Nueman moved consent calendar without a, g, and h; passed by voice vote.

XI. **New Business** 8:50

a. **Motion: Arts and Culture Committee** (Motion #20100505 -- 9)

Motion to allocate \$2500 to sponsor the Independent Shakespeare Company's 2010 Summer Season of free Shakespeare in Griffith Park.

b. **Motion: Arts and Culture Committee** (Motion #20100505 -- 10)

Moves that the SLNC allocate up to \$1,000 for 23 port-o- potties to the Silver Lake Jubilee, a community music and arts festival, organized by the Los Angeles Arts & Athletics Alliance (LAAAA), a local non-profit that serves the community by (1) providing a festival where local artists and businesses are given opportunities to create and present, (2) creating local arts and athletics programs, (3) raising funds and awareness for other local charities.

XII. **Reports of Officers** (those who were officers at the start of this meeting) 9:43

- a. Co-Chair, Paul Neuman
- b. Co-Chair, Scott Crawford
- c. Vice Chair, Claudia Vasquez
- d. Treasurer, Vacant
- e. Secretary, Vacant

XIII. **Committee reports** 9:45

Go to Citi Bank to sign up on the sheet for your committee meeting this month!

- a. Parks and Beautification
- b. Outreach
- C. Budget and Finance
- d. Friends of Silver Lake Animals
- e. Urban Design and Preservation
- f. History Collective
- g. Arts and Culture
- h. Community Liaison
- i. Public Safety
- j. Governmental Affairs
- k. Youth and Families
- l. Transportation and Public Works

- m. NC/LADWP MOU Task Force
- n. LANC Congress
- o. NC/LADOT MOU strategic planning committee
- p. Gateways MOU

XIV. **Agenda items for next meetings 9:55 p.m.**

XV. **Announcements 9:58 p.m.**

XVI. **Adjourn 10:00 p.m.**

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**REQUEST FOR AGENDA ITEM SEEKING
APPROVAL OF FUNDING, PROGRAMS, OR EVENTS**

Date 6/2/2010

Name/Committee: Urban Design & Preservation

Text of Motion on the Agenda*:

MOTION:

“The Silver Lake NC Governing Board moves to approve the following in order to PROMOTE WALKING, BICYCLING and PUBLIC TRANSIT RIDING as viable alternatives to driving in Silver Lake; to promote the establishment of "Living Streets" where pedestrians and cyclists have the same status as drivers; to continue to move from pass-through to destination community:

Discussion: To ENCOURAGE Businesses, Property Owners, Institutions, Utilities and the City of LA to implement, at their discretion, one or more of the following suggested measures:

1/ Collaborate with the implementation of traffic calming measures to increase safety (i.e. road diets, raised landscaped medians, bulb-outs, etc)

2/ Support wider sidewalks to accommodate outdoor seating, and any opportunity to increase usable public space

3/ Champion the expansion of bicycle lanes and installation of bicycle racks.

4/ Collaborate with the expansion/creation of a DASH or similar- a trolley - in Silver Lake

5/ Support efforts to increase Public Transportation service to Silver Lake

6/ Promote ride-sharing and car-pooling through websites and/ or bulletin boards

7/ Provide free deliveries and/ or rides home for pedestrian shoppers

8/ Collaborate in the creation of a park, greening project, landscaped existing parking lots, or living street in front of business or nearby

8/ Plant and maintain trees along the street in front/nearby to promote foot traffic.

9/ Install sidewalks where missing/ repair and improve existing ones

10/ Install water fountains

11/ Support the creation of a public parking facility in Silver Lake to ease traffic needs and liberate street parking spaces to create bike lanes, wider sidewalks, and traffic calming measures

12/ Host a Zip Car or similar shared vehicle program, like a bicycle share program.

These suggested and voluntary measures are examples and the list will be tailored to fit each individual situation and budget.

These measures will also be suggested to Public and private institutions, the City of Los Angeles and Public Utilities when undertaking projects in Silver Lake.

What is the perceived/potential impact on the community if we adopt the motion (pro and con)?

Pro:

- Indicates the commitment of the SLNC to move in a direction of transportation sustainability, ease congestion, reduce energy consumption, improve air quality, provide mobility alternatives and make the overall experience of navigating Silver Lake much more pleasurable.

-Moves Silver Lake in the direction of LIVING STREETS, where pedestrians, cyclists, riders, children at play and drivers share the same status in the public right of way.

-Promotes face to face interaction of stakeholders, increasing road safety and reducing crime.

-It encourages stakeholders to take an active role in the greening of the community.

-It supports the general national trend towards sustainability.

-Walking, riding bikes and public transit forge stronger and enhanced interpersonal relationships amongst neighbors. It creates sense of community.

- Encourages active and healthy lifestyle / Lower medical costs for healthier stakeholders

- Cleaner air reduces global warming.

- Prepares for the future when fossil fuels will be less available and less viable/ more expensive.

- Saves money in the long run.

- Raises property values across the neighborhood.

- Sets positive example for neighborhoods across LA: conserve for future generations

- Direct investment in the overall wellbeing of the community with benefits across the board, regardless of age, sex, racial group or income level.
- Businesses that invest in their communities forge stronger longer lasting relationships with their clients, resulting in increase in sales. Investing in the community helps the bottom line.
- Opens up business to all, regardless of mobility status, fostering healthier and just commerce.
- Planting trees provides a cool canopy of trees to stroll under while cooling the neighborhood, reducing heat island effect while beautifying the streetscape.

Con:

Individuals, businesses and property owners may find some of these costly to implement, cutting into their bottom line, or taking time away from business activities.

Reminder: all measures are voluntary

What is the total budget for the project? How much is the SLNC asked to commit? Are there alternate funding sources? (Please attach itemized budget.)

None

What is the timeline for the project? (Be sure to include deadline for Board action, major dates, etc.)

Immediately

From which budget line(s) are the funds to be drawn?

n/a

How will this motion be implemented, and by whom:

The motion will be implemented by the SLNC Governing Board as businesses and property owners come to it requesting its support in cases of variances, CUB & CUP applications, or of new businesses and residential projects coming to Silver Lake (gives SLNC negotiating points when considering action).

These measures will also be suggested to Public and Private Institutions, the City of Los Angeles and Public Utilities when undertaking projects in Silver Lake

SLNC Governing Board Members will, at their discretion, and at the request of constituents, approach established businesses and property owners to request their support in implementing some of these improvements.

To this effect a Task Force headed by Charles Herman-Wurmfeld, Dale Benson and Leonardo Chalupowicz and will be created to help facilitate the different projects and initiatives related to this motion. Task Force will have the authority to contact, on behalf of the SLNC Governing Board, businesses, property owners and stakeholders in general, in order to initiate, promote or support projects related to this motion. When approaching stakeholders, Task Force will use the following SLNC Gov. Board approved letter as a general model to be modified to fit the particular business and circumstance per the discretion of the Task Force.

THE SAMPLE LETTER

Dear Silver Lake (Business Owner, Property owner, Civic Institution) -

Greetings!

It is the intention of the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council (SLNC) to make Silver Lake a more pedestrian, bike and public transit friendly environment, one composed of "Living Streets", where pedestrians, cyclists and riders have the same status as drivers, to encourage the move from pass-through to destination oriented community.

Towards this end, the SLNC wishes to encourage you to consider adopting one or more of the suggested measures included in the attached menu (and "what we will all gain" list).

These suggested measures are intended to be of service to all businesses and stakeholders alike; each according to their means and abilities. There should be no hardship involved in adopting any chosen measure: only increased community, more neighborhood, safer, more livable streets and increased business/ prosperity for all.

To this effect we will contact you in order to help you asses which measures may be a fit for you/ your business, and to facilitate their implementation.

On behalf of a healthier more livable Silver Lake, thank you in advance for your careful cooperation of this endeavor.

Warmly ~X.....

On behalf of the SLNC

THE MENU

(Same as the text of the Motion)

WHAT WILL BE GAINED?

(Same as the Pro impact of the Motion)

*If motion is approved, please be sure to see the Treasurer to fill out a Demand Warrant so that payment may be issued promptly.

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**REQUEST FOR AGENDA ITEM SEEKING
APPROVAL OF FUNDING, PROGRAMS, OR EVENTS**

Date May 21, 2010

Name/Committee: Urban Design & Preservation

Text of Motion on the Agenda*:

Move that the SLNC Gov. Board supports the "Proposal for Altering Road Layout" on Rowena Avenue & Glendale Boulevard in the Silver Lake Section of the City of Los Angeles. Improvements within this proposal include:

1. New designated bicycle lanes linking existing bicycle corridors
2. Traffic calming measures
3. New designated left turn lanes
4. Pedestrian crossing islands
5. Pedestrian safety staging areas in dangerous crosswalks
6. Additional metered parking spaces
7. New merge islands for left turning vehicles
8. Increased safety for fire vehicles
9. Slower traffic speeds

Describe the event/project in detail. Include as much supplemental information as possible (background information; supporting and opposing viewpoints, if available, etc.) Attach additional sheets as necessary.

It has been one of the UD&PAC pledged goals "To improve the urban design regarding street layout on Rowena Ave. and Glendale Blvd. in the Silver Lake area".

The proposed idea to improve the existing situation and add calming traffic measures as a first phase to this project came from Michael Groszkruger, a Silver Lake NC stakeholder

who lives in the area. He presented his proposal to the UD&PAC at its meeting on May 12, 2010. The Transportation & Public Works Committee Chairs were invited to the meeting. Erik Knudsen attended.

The UD&PAC membership and all stakeholders in attendance expressed their overwhelming excitement and unconditional unanimous support for Mr. Groszkruger's effort to engage and offer a highly professional approach the issue. The proposal suggests a menu of solutions to the existing problems, based on extensive professionally sound research.

What is the perceived/potential impact on the community if we adopt the motion (pro and con)?

Pro: This Proposal is a perfect example as to how the SLNC stakeholders can constructively engage and participate in the mutual Silver Lake Community efforts to improve the quality of life within the SL area.

One of the most important pluses of this timely proposal is that it can be implemented in conjunction with the ongoing DWP by-pass project involving exactly the same area, subject to this proposal. It will save enormous amount of funds for the City and will greatly improve public safety on the street.

This proposal is in tune with the SLNC ongoing effort to promote walk-ability and green practices in our neighborhoods.

Con: With the suggested "road diet" by reducing the traffic lanes form 2 to 1 in each direction on Rowena Ave. the transit auto-commuters may find Silver Lake area not such a fast short cut to 2-Fwy and distant areas any more.

What is the total budget for the project? How much is the SLNC asked to commit? Are there alternate funding sources? (Please attach itemized budget.)

None

What is the timeline for the project? (Be sure to include deadline for Board action, major dates, etc.)

Immediately, in order to be presented for consideration to various potentially involved departments and agencies of the City of Los Angeles.

From which budget line(s) are the funds to be drawn?

n/a

How will this motion be implemented, and by whom?

By Michael Groszkruger with the assistance of the UD&PAC and Transportation and Public Works committee Chairs

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REQUEST FOR AGENDA ITEM SEEKING APPROVAL OF FUNDING, PROGRAMS, OR EVENTS

Date June 2, 2010

Name/Committee: Charles Herman-Wurmfeld

The Silver Lake Neighborhood Council resolves that:

"Whereas knowing one another and fostering healthy relationships without regard to race or any social-economic consideration is vital to our well-being as individuals living in community, and

Whereas neighborhood gatherings such as block parties encourage cooperation and mutual understanding, and

Whereas neighbors are the best source for information in case of an emergency or whenever there are happenings in the neighborhood that affect the community at large, such as vandalism and robbery,

The Silver Lake Neighborhood Council resolves to promote and encourage the formation of block parties within the community at large and foster and advance the idea to other communities that share commonality."

Describe the event/project in detail. Include as much supplemental information as possible (background information; supporting and opposing viewpoints, if available, etc.) Attach additional sheets as necessary **BLOCK PARTIES: A NEIGHBORHOOD TRADITION**

There is nothing that brings a neighborhood together more than a good, old-fashioned **Block Party!** In an era of budget cuts and strained pocketbooks, the importance of looking out for each other has never been more important. Living in **Silver Lake** for many years, we discovered that block parties play an important part in the community's social fabric. I have been singing their praises ever since I began writing a column for the Ledger. The **Sanborn-Venango Community Group** (*Ledger, January 2006*) has been meeting continuously for over 25 years; the **Primrose Hill Block Party** (*Ledger, October 2005*) held their first event in 1994, and the **Elevado Street Block Party** will hold its third consecutive event on Labor Day weekend this year.

Since moving to Los Feliz more than 3 years ago, we have bemoaned the fact that we don't know many of our neighbors. A few weeks ago, my wife Donna and I decided to do something about it. We began knocking on doors, meeting our neighbors and asking them, "What about a BLOCK PARTY?" The response has been overwhelmingly positive. We are discovering that most people

know only a few people around them, perhaps the family on their right or left, and maybe one or two folks across the street. For the most part, there seems to be a real desire for connection. Taking a cue from what we learned in Silver Lake, we decided to do something about it. On Saturday, June 12, 2010, we will be hosting a 1st Annual "Griffith Park + Amesbury Road Block Party", inviting our nearby-neighbors and their families to take part.

Beyond that, I hope that the idea spreads, first across Los Feliz, then to other communities across Los Angeles. Then why not all over California? The United States? The World? In these troubled times, we need more than ever to live by the principal, "Love Thy Neighbor"!

What is the perceived/potential impact on the community if we adopt the motion (pro and con)?

Pro: Neighborhood Improvement builds a community

Con: Can't think of anything

What is the total budget for the project? How much is the SLNC asked to commit? Are there alternate funding sources? (Please attach itemized budget.)

N/A

What is the timeline for the project? (Be sure to include deadline for Board action, major dates, etc.)

Adopt at June SLNC Governing Board Meeting

From which budget line(s) are the funds to be drawn?

N/A

How will this motion be implemented, and by whom?

Outreach Committee and or other board members

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REQUEST FOR AGENDA ITEM SEEKING APPROVAL OF FUNDING, PROGRAMS, OR EVENTS

Date June 2, 2010

Name/Committee: Susan Hutchinson and Annemarie Ralph, Silver Lake Neighborhood Council Representatives, Region 6

Text of Motion on the Agenda*:

"Move that the SLNC Governing Board provide a small budget of \$200 to host and promote the community meeting voted for unanimously at the 5/5/2010 SLNC Meeting. This town hall is being hosted by the SLNC in order to obtain community input to address the pedestrian

traffic with regard to the proposed boardwalk along Tesla St. at the northern end of Silver Lake/Ivanhoe Reservoir.

Describe the event/project in detail. Include as much supplemental information as possible (background information; supporting and opposing viewpoints, if available, etc.) Attach additional sheets as necessary.

- **Budget**

Silver lake Rec Center Gym – free of charge to community

Flyers - not to exceed \$50

Enlargements and poster board – not to exceed \$75

Surveys to be handed out to public at Town Hall – not to exceed \$75

Refreshments - potluck

A more specific budget can be defined (not to exceed \$200) once the date and location is set.

What is the perceived/potential impact on the community if we adopt the motion (pro and con)?

Pro: This motion will provide open feedback to Council Members LaBonge and Garcetti, to the Mayors Office, and to the DWP, by creating forum for all parties who have stake in the continued nurturing of one of the great treasures of our community - the Silver Lake/Ivanhoe Reservoir.

The 5/5/10 motion passed to provide a forum for an open public dialogue. The town hall must be held at a large public hall and be properly advertised to include all stakeholders.

Con: We have a very limited budget to fund community events and proposals. Risking relationships with proponents of the current plan.

What is the total budget for the project? How much is the SLNC asked to commit? Are there alternate funding sources? (Please attach itemized budget.)

\$200

No.

What is the timeline for the project? (Be sure to include deadline for Board action, major dates, etc.)

June 20, 2010 SLNC Town Hall Meeting on the Tesla Boardwalk

From which budget line(s) are the funds to be drawn?

general

How will this motion be implemented, and by whom?

A SLNC Task Force managed by SLNC Region 6 Representatives to handle the set up, to conduct and do outreach for the community meeting.

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**REQUEST FOR AGENDA ITEM SEEKING
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Date 6/2/2010

Name/Committee: Rusty Millar, Region 4 & Charles Herman-Wurmfeld, At Large

Text of Motion on the Agenda*:

Motion for Corporate Cooperation

MOTION:

The Silver Lake Neighborhood Council moves to draft letters in regard to T-Mobiles proposed - and now paused - installation of a 48 foot cell phone tower, large electrical power box & three in ground grates to be installed in Silver Lake on 931 Micheltorena Street- to be developed in committee, for approval at next council meeting.

The letters will be adressed to the FCC and T-Mobile according to the following logic:

To T-Mobile: In support of 45,000 residents and over 100 stakeholders who have signed petition in protest of the towers in proposed location, and further stakeholders who may be effected by future tower location; the council will write a letter of support thanking t-mobile for pausing their project (neighbors logic included in attachment below). Further said letter will advocate for committee and neighbor involvement & general safety guidelines in future tower locations plan.

To the F.C.C. : The council will write a letter to the FCC requesting that legislation be adjusted so that people in urban areas have a larger input on location of such facilities.

The SLNC Further moves that the Urban planning committee initiate examination of current SL cell tower guidelines and consider additionally protective language in an open conversation on this topic: to thank T-Mobile for pause, to air grievances, raise awareness, study health conscious European models, and to examine and continue to develop our 'community approved guidelines' relating to "cell tower installation" throughout silver lake.

Re-examined and further developed guidelines to be included in a proposed motion for the July SLNC agenda.

What is the perceived/potential impact on the community if we adopt the motion (pro and con)?

Pro:

- Indicates the commitment of the SLNC to support stakeholders in their quest for quality of life, for input over local matters.

- Indicates our commitment to guide and work with local businesses as they attempt to navigate the neighborhood concerns.

- Moves Silver Lake in the direction of a democratic community where all stakeholders - businesses and citizens and children have equal representation in the long term urban plan and fabric.

- Promotes common sense health hygiene in relation to cell phone emmissions and the good health of our children

- It encourages stakeholders to take an active role in community by supporting those that are passionate about local issues.

- It supports the general national trend towards healthcare and the notion of "people before profit"

- When we listen to and support one another in our common quest for quality of life we forge stronger and enhanced interpersonal relationships amongst neighbors.

- Lower medical costs for healthier stakeholders

- Reinforces Silver Lake's commitment to the continuing beautification of the neighborhood
- Prepares for the future when more network demand may increase pressure to build towers.
- Maintains property values across the neighborhood.
- Sets example for neighborhoods and businesses across LA: cooperate for the greater good.
- Direct investment in the overall wellbeing of the community with benefits across the board, regardless of age, sex, racial group or income level.
- Businesses that cooperate with communities forge stronger, longer lasting relationships with customers, resulting in increase in sales.
- Encourages more ethical, healthier and just commerce.

Con:

- Individuals, businesses and property owners may find difficult to cooperate.
- Stakeholders may not receive better coverage.

What is the total budget for the project? How much is the SLNC asked to commit? Are there alternate funding sources? (Please attach itemized budget.)

None

What is the timeline for the project? (Be sure to include deadline for Board action, major dates, etc.)

Immediately

From which budget line(s) are the funds to be drawn?

n/a

How will this motion be implemented, and by whom: Micheltorena Neighbors will draft letters to be developed in committee, for approval at next council meeting; Urban planning committee will initiate examination of current SL cell tower guidelines and consider additional language. Willing board members will sign petition to resist tower at proposed location and encourage T-mobile to continue searching for .

Letter to FCC to be written by neighbors, developed at committee, and approved at next board meeting including the following logic:

Whereas we expect corporations, in this case T-mobile, to work symbiotically and gently with our community if they expect the welcome and the patronage of our community:

&

Further: As these towers are not allowed by law within 500 feet of schools, the council infers that placement near domicile or play area of neighborhood children would also be problematic. IT should be noted that children live within 50 feet of the now paused tower, making it- again by inference - 10 times more dangerous than the recommended distance from schools. Any new site chosen should consider this inferred reasoning. Finally as this intrusion is unsightly we recommend that towers, electrical boxes and ventilation grates be placed in less intrusive and esthetically appropriate locations and never where they disrupt children at play.

Letter to T-Mobile to be written by committee for approval at the next board meeting to include the following logic:

Whereas we expect corporations, in this case T-mobile, to work symbiotically and gently with our community if they expect the welcome and the patronage of our community:

&

Further: As these towers are not allowed by law within 500 feet of schools, the council infers that placement near domicile or play area of neighborhood children would also be problematic. IT should be noted that children live within 50 feet of the now paused tower, making it- again by inference - 10 times more dangerous than the recommended distance from schools. Any new site chosen should consider this inferred reasoning. Finally as this intrusion is unsightly we recommend that towers, electrical boxes and ventilation grates be placed in less intrusive and esthetically appropriate locations and never where they disrupt children at play.

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**REQUEST FOR AGENDA ITEM SEEKING
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Date

Name/Committee – Gale Jaffe

Text of Motion on the Agenda*:

I move that the SLNC urge the California Assembly to pass AB 1998, which will ban all single-use plastic shopping bags and send a position letter to the assembly persons who represent Silver Lake..

Describe the event/project in detail. Include as much supplemental information as possible (background information; supporting and opposing viewpoints, if available, etc.) Attach additional sheets as necessary

The assembly is voting June 4, 2010 on this ban. With 100 million tons of plastic floating off our shore in an area known as the Pacific Garbage Patch, we need to start cutting plastic -- especially since California uses 19 billion bags per year. If California switches to reusable bags it would be a huge step forward and set a precedent for other states.

Every year, the Pacific Garbage Patch gets worse. The amount of the plastic in the ocean has tripled since the 1980s, and it will just keep increasing unless we take action to stem the plastic flowing into the ocean. A draft letter will be provided to the board.

What is the perceived/potential impact on the community if we adopt the motion (pro and con)?

Pro: A ban on plastic bags is one of the biggest single cuts we can make to the plastic pollution that's swirling around the Pacific, marring our beaches and harming ocean wildlife.

Con: Cost to Californians to buy reusable bags, or cost to grocery stores to supply recycled paper bags.

What is the total budget for the project? How much is the SLNC asked to commit? Are there alternate funding sources? (Please attach itemized budget.)

NA

What is the timeline for the project? (Be sure to include deadline for Board action, major dates, etc.)

Need to fax or e-mail a letter to Assembly persons before June 4,2010

From which budget line(s) are the funds to be drawn?

NA

How will this motion be implemented, and by whom?

Secretary will send letter.

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REQUEST FOR AGENDA ITEM SEEKING APPROVAL OF FUNDING, PROGRAMS, OR EVENTS

Date July, 2010

Name/Committee

Anthony Crump

Text of Motion on the Agenda*:

In order to encourage stakeholder participation in neighborhood council meetings and promote the diverse restaurants and businesses located within our community, the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council Governing Board hereby authorizes the purchase and serving of light refreshments and/or food at governing board meetings. Refreshments and/or food must be purchased from food/retail establishments located within the boundaries of the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council in an amount not to exceed \$100 per meeting. The name of the food/retail establishment that provides food will be announced at the beginning of each meeting by the governing board member presiding over the meeting. This authorization will remain in effect for all governing board meetings in fiscal year 2010/11 unless otherwise modified by the governing board.

Describe the event/project in detail. Include as much supplemental information as possible (background information; supporting and opposing viewpoints, if available, etc.) Attach additional sheets as necessary

Purchase of food and/or refreshments for each governing board meeting. Refreshments will be purchase from a local restaurant and will not exceed \$100 per meeting.

For the period December 2009 through March 2010 the governing board authorized a similar program that was met with great success. This motion seeks to continue the previous program.

What is the perceived/potential impact on the community if we adopt the motion (pro and con)?

Pro: Promotes local businesses and encourages public participation and attendance at governing board meetings.

Con: None known

What is the total budget for the project? How much is the SLNC asked to commit? Are there alternate funding sources? (Please attach itemized budget.)

\$1,100 total, not to exceed \$100 per meeting
(11 meetings x \$100=\$1,100)

What is the timeline for the project? (Be sure to include deadline for Board action, major dates, etc.)

August 2010-June 2011

From which budget line(s) are the funds to be drawn?

Governing Board Outreach

How will this motion be implemented, and by whom?

Vice Chair or other designate of the Governing Board/Executive Committee will make arrangements, purchase food and deliver (or arrange delivery) to each meeting.

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**REQUEST FOR AGENDA ITEM SEEKING
APPROVAL OF FUNDING, PROGRAMS, OR EVENTS**

Date June 2, 2010

Name/Committee: Executive Committee

Text of Motion on the Agenda*: Move that the SLNC hold a special election for the vacant Region 2 seat by July 31, 2010

Describe the event/project in detail. Include as much supplemental information as possible (background information; supporting and opposing viewpoints, if available, etc.) Attach additional sheets as necessary. At present there is a vacant seat in Region 2 for the governing board. This region typically has the smallest turnout this last election being the lowest. The board will do outreach which would include passing out flyers or other outreach actions to Region 2. Candidates that are interested would be given contact information and the SLNC would hold an election in Region 2 that would make it easier for stakeholders to vote on the designated day of the election. We feel this is a new and better way to do outreach in a region that has typically received the lowest turnout. We would also recruit board members to pass out flyers and manage the election booth on the designated day.

What is the perceived/potential impact on the community if we adopt the motion (pro and con)?

Pro: This helps the SLNC in its outreach efforts to all of our stakeholders and will give stakeholders in this region a better picture of what the SLNC is and how we can help all stakeholders.

Con: This region has typically had the lowest turnout and most likely will continue on this path.

What is the total budget for the project? How much is the SLNC asked to commit? Are there alternate funding sources? (Please attach itemized budget.)

\$250, estimated cost for copying flyers and possible translation services. These costs are estimates and adjustments may be requested.

What is the timeline for the project? (Be sure to include deadline for Board action, major dates, etc.)

June 2, 2010 Governing Board meeting

From which budget line(s) are the funds to be drawn?

Outreach

How will this motion be implemented, and by whom?

The Outreach Committee

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**REQUEST FOR AGENDA ITEM SEEKING
APPROVAL OF FUNDING, PROGRAMS, OR EVENTS**

Date June 2, 2010

Name/Committee: Executive Committee

Text of Motion on the Agenda*: Move that the SLNC contract with Apple One to take minutes for the monthly GB meetings. Costs not to exceed \$200 per meeting unless deemed necessary.

Describe the event/project in detail. Include as much supplemental information as possible (background information; supporting and opposing viewpoints, if available, etc.) Attach additional sheets as necessary. **Taking minutes at the SLNC GB meetings has always been difficult for anyone in the secretary position. They have not always been finished in a timely fashion for either board members or the community. This service has worked very well for the past two years for the UDP Committee. We recommend the board adopt this action.**

What is the perceived/potential impact on the community if we adopt the motion (pro and con)?

Pro: The minutes for the governing board will be better recorded and available much faster for review by board members and the general public. And spelling errors will be reduced.

Con: Typically the position of secretary has taken the minutes and for 5 years having the minutes produced in a timely fashion vs the night of the next months meeting has been burdensome. It also causes the board position of secretary to generally miss the discussion as they are to busy taking minutes. Also, in all likelihood having them done will continue to be a problem.

What is the total budget for the project? How much is the SLNC asked to commit? Are there alternate funding sources? (Please attach itemized budget.)

A limit of \$200 per meeting although costs are more likely to be less. The cost for Apple One is \$24.06/hr

What is the timeline for the project? (Be sure to include deadline for Board action, major dates, etc.)

June 2, 2010 Governing Board meeting

From which budget line(s) are the funds to be drawn?

Administrative operating funds.

How will this motion be implemented, and by whom?

The Executive Committee

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