



General Board Meeting Agenda

Thursday, November 16, 2023, 7:00pm

Meetings end at 9:30pm unless the Board votes to end earlier or extend the time.

**Location: The Residence Inn, 1177 S Beverly Dr, Los Angeles, CA 90035- Meeting Room
(Street Parking or free Self-Parking on level C)**

The amount of time for public comment on each agenda item is to be determined by the Chair at each meeting. Speakers shall limit their comments to matters relevant to the item on the agenda. The Chair may rule that the speaker is out of order if the comments are not germane to the item under consideration. If multiple requests for public comment are submitted on one agenda item, preference will be granted to members of the public who have not spoken previously during the meeting, either during general public comment or on another agenda item. Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Committee's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. General Public Comment is limited to 15 minutes maximum. No individual speaker will be allowed more than two (2) minutes during General Public Comment unless the presiding officer decides differently.

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- 1. Call to Order**
 - 2. Pledge of Allegiance**
 - 3. Roll Call**
 - 4. General Public Comment** *(time for each speaker to be determined by- 15min divided by # hands raised: max 2 minutes per speaker)*
 - 5. Brief Board Announcements**
 - a. Board Retreat
 - b. Items for General Board Agendas and other Brief Board Announcements
 - 6. Community Reports**
 - a. LA Police Department (Baker/Ojeda)
 - b. LA Fire Department- Battalion 18
 - c. Office of Councilmember Hutt (Guevara)
 - d. Office of Councilmember Yaroslavsky (Rodriguez)
 - e. Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (Erving)
 - f. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (VACANT)
 - g. Office of Mayor Bass (Ensley)
 - h. Office of County Supervisor Horvath (Laflan)

- i. Office of State Assemblymember Bryan (Persoff)
- j. Office of State Senator Smallwood-Cuevas (Vacant)
- k. Office of Congressman Kamlager-Dove (Riley)
- l. Other Neighborhood, City and State offices

7. Board Membership- Selections, Removals, & Resignations *(Members of the public can choose to speak on multiple agenda items in this section for no more than one (1) minute total, with the time for each speaker to be determined by- 5min divided by # virtual hands raised)*

- a. Motion to Appoint At-Large Representative (Unfilled Resident Zone 8 Representative - Term expires June 30, 2027) **(No Applicants)**
- b. Motion to Appoint At-Large Representative (Unfilled Business Representative 5- Term expires June 30, 2027) **(No Applicants)**
- c. Motion to Appoint At-Large Representative (Unfilled Organization Representative 3 - Term expires June 30, 2027) **(No Applicants)**
- d. Motion to Appoint At-Large Representative (Term expires June 30, 2025) **(No Applicants)**

8. Committees, Liaisons and Alliance Representatives

- a. Liaison and Alliance Representative Appointments
 - I. LADWP (GB111623-01)
 - II. LADWP alternate (GB111623-02)
 - III. Budget Advocates (1) (GB111623-03)
- b. Committee, Liaisons and Alliance Reports
 - I. Standing and Ad-hoc Committees: Executive; Education; Land Use; Public Safety; Homelessness; Outreach; Transportation; Business Advocacy & Development; Parks and Recreation; Budget & Finance; Bylaws; Board Development;
 - II. Liaisons and Alliances: LANCC, WRAC, LADWP, Budget Advocates, City Attorney, Sustainability, District 37 Congressional Council
- c. Opportunity to Join and/or Change Membership to Board Committees (GB111623-04)

9. Unfinished Business *(Members of the public can choose to speak on multiple agenda items in this section for no more than one (1) minute total, with the time for each speaker to be determined by- 5min divided by # hands raised)*

- a. None

10. Consent Agenda *(Members of the public can choose to speak on multiple agenda items in this section for no more than one (1) minute total, with the time for each speaker to be determined by- 5min divided by # hands raised)*

- a. Motion to approve October 19, 2023 General Board Meeting Draft Minutes (GB111623-05)
- b. Motion to approve October 2023 MERS Report (GB111623-06)
- c. Motion to approve the nomination of Michael Lynn as Chair of the SORO NC Outreach Committee (GB111623-07)
- d. Motion to approve the nomination of Jon Liberman as Vice-Chair of the SORO NC Outreach Committee (GB111623-08)

- e. Motion to approve the SORO NC Outreach Meeting Calendar for fiscal year 2023-24: 10/30/2023, 11/27/2023, 1/29/2024, 2/26/2024, 3/25/2024, 5/1/2024, 5/29/2024, 6/24/2024, 7/29/2024 (GB111623-09)
- f. Motion for the SORO NC to fund up to \$2000.00 for the purchase of SORO NC branded promotional items to give away to Stakeholders, including mugs, jellybeans, keychain flashlights, and safety whistles (GB111623-10)
- g. Motion for the SORO NC to fund up to \$750.00 for the purchase of 25 SORO NC polo shirts for Boardmembers (GB111623-11)
- h. Motion for the SORO NC to send a letter to the Zoning Administrator in support of the application for an alcohol license by Ocean Café/Bar, for 850sf unit at 1517-1521 S. Robertson Blvd. (GB111623-12)
- i. Motion for the SORO NC to host a Town Hall on personal and public safety with leading experts. Planning of content to be performed by an ad hoc committee made up of the following Board members: Joseph Mollaie, Baila Romm, Jon Liberman, Stuart Weiss (GB111623-13)
- j. Motion for the SORO NC to approve funding of an NPG for \$1500 to “The Friends of Westwood Recreational Complex” to provide and distribute prepackaged Thanksgiving Meals within the SORO NC boundaries (GB111623-14)

11. New Business (*Members of the public can choose to speak on multiple agenda items in this section for no more than one (1) minute total, with the time for each speaker to be determined by- 5min divided by # virtual hands raised*)

- a. Motion for the SORO NC to elect to use teleconferencing pursuant to Cal. Gov. Code § 54953.8 and notify the city council based on the following justifications: a) Increases public participation; b) Solves location issues c) enables board members with minor children to participate in all meetings d) meeting location limitations e) room capacity and meeting time limitations (GB111623-15)
- b. Motion for the SORO NC to send a letter to the Zoning Administrator in support of the demolition of a one story former bank building and construction of a future school and house of worship of approximately 9,000sf by Merkaz Hatorah Community Kolel at 9080 W. Pico Blvd. (corner of Pico Blvd. & Doheny Blvd) with 16 underground parking spaces (GB111623-16)
- c. Motion for the SORO NC to send a letter to the Zoning Administrator to support the demolition of two Single Family Residences on two abutting lots at 1904-1906 Preuss to construct 12 townhomes of approximately 2,400sf each, including one low income, each with a two car garages (GB111623-17)
- d. Motion for the SORO NC to send a Letter to CD 10, CD 5, and LADOT to support individual blocks to request the addition of Slow Streets (GB111623-18)
- e. Motion for the SORO NC to support the WRAC motion (requesting Neighborhood Councils to spread the word in their neighborhoods to ensure more community engagement in the Housing Element and Community Plans to remove needless rezoning of R1 and sensitive, rent stabilized multi-family areas and focus on adding housing in existing commercial corridors (GB111623-19)

12. Adjournment

Note: Public comment will be taken for multiple agenda items in each section (as noted), as well as for any item in the consent agenda prior to Board action. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on matters brought to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue may become the subject of a future meeting. In the interest of addressing all items on the agenda, time limits for individual comments and discussion may be set at the discretion of the Chair.

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