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**SYLMAR NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
GENERAL BOARD
MEETING AGENDA
Thursday, August 24th 2023, 6:30 pm
14940 Osceola St. Sylmar, CA 91342**

Meeting may be attended virtually

**Please use the link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83691511305>
to join webinar; and/or, Dial (669) 900-6833 enter 836 9151 1305
and Press # to join the Meeting via Phone**

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Public comment cannot be required to be submitted in advance of the meeting, only real-time public comment is required. If there are any broadcasting interruptions that prevent the public from observing or hearing the meeting, the meeting must be recessed or adjourned. If members of the public are unable to provide public comment or be heard due to issues within the Neighborhood Council's control, the meeting must be recessed or adjourned.

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PUBLIC INPUT AT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETINGS The public is requested dial *9, when prompted by the presiding officer, to address the Board on any agenda item before the Board takes an action on an item. Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board meeting. Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

The Neighborhood Council system enables meaningful civic participation for all Angelenos and serves as a voice for improving government responsiveness to local communities and their needs. We are an advisory body to the City of Los Angeles, comprised of stakeholder volunteers who are devoted to the mission of improving our communities.

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Housekeeping:** Sign-in Sheets, Speaker Cards for public comments, Recording and Timekeeper, facilities information.
- 4. Pledge of Allegiance.**
- 5. Public Comment on matters not appearing on the agenda.**
- 6. Public Official and Community Representative Announcements & Presentations followed by Public Announcements. (5 Minutes each)**
- 7. Discussion and Possible Action:** Approving General Board Meeting Minutes from July.
- 8. Discussion:** What brought each Council Member to be “of service” to the community.
- 9. Discussion and Possible Action:** SNC Board Members not yet on a committee, signing up as committee members.
- 10. Presentation:** Sylmar Library, Heidi Mark, Adult Librarian
- 11. Meeting Break (10 minutes)**
- 12. Discussion and Possible Action:** Treasurer’s Report.
- 13. Discussion and Possible Action:** Approval of the (M.E.R.) Monthly Expenditure Report July.
- 14. Discussion and Possible Action:** Approving an amount not to exceed \$1,000 for the annual Sylmar holiday party / community event (Event to be held in December.)
- 15. Discussion and Possible Action: SNC Committee Chair Reports**
 - Public Safety - Jay Palmer
 - Planning & Land Use - Peter Postlmyr
 - Bylaws - Maria Strmsek
 - Education - Jose Velasquez
 - Equestrian - Cheri Blose
 - Sylmar Sign - Juliana Simon
 - Budget - George Ortega
 - Outreach - Kurt Cabrera-Miller
- 16. Discussion and Possible Action:** Approving a letter to Councilwoman Monica Rodriguez CD7 and Community Leaders drafted by the Public Safety Committee in regards to RV/s and the homelessness situation in Sylmar.

- 17. Discussion and Possible Action:** Approving letter to Councilwoman Monica Rodriguez CD7 and Community Leaders drafted by the Public Safety Committee in regards to the need of additional fire station(s) and services in Sylmar.
- 18. Discussion and Possible Action:** Approving letter to Councilwoman Monica Rodriguez CD7 and Community Leaders drafted by the Public Safety Committee in regards to the greater need of sanitation services in Sylmar.
- 19. Presentation / Point of Community Interest -** Los Angeles County Flood Control District mailed a “Notice of Availability of Notice of Preparation for Pacoima Reservoir Restoration Project.” For more information visit - www.pw.lacounty.gov/wrd/projects/pacoima/
- 20. Discussion and Possible Action:** Board Seat Vacancies / Possible appointment of new SNC Board Member.
- 21. Discussion /Progress Report - “Bark-Tober” Animal Resource Fair to be held at El Cariso Park, Saturday, October 14th, 2023.**
- 22. Closing Remarks, Announcements, Acknowledgements and Adjournment.**

All Agenda items may include presentations, discussions and actions by the Committee for recommendations to the SNC Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may discuss the recommendations and take action on the item, which could result in a Community Impact Statement to the City and/or a position letter to a City agency.

The Stakeholders may comment on any Agenda item only when the item comes up for discussion. The Committee will determine the length of discussion and comment times. The attending stakeholders may be polled for their opinion on any Agenda item before the Committee takes action for a recommendation to the Board. Comments from the stakeholders on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a stakeholder may become the subject of a future Board meeting.

Any Committee action may be reconsidered following the Meeting when the original action occurred. A Committee Member makes a Motion for Reconsideration and if approved another vote on the issue takes place based on the reasoning for the reconsideration. The Committee Member must have been on the prevailing side of the action/issue.

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