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SYLMAR NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
GENERAL BOARD
MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, January 23rd, 2025
6:30 pm

14940 Osceola Street Sylmar, CA 91342
(Osceola Street Elementary School)

Meeting may be attended virtually

Please use the link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86423239940> to join webinar;
and/or, Dial (669) 900-6833 enter 864 2323 9940
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.

Every person wishing to address the Board must dial (669) 900-6833 and enter 864 2323 9940 and then press # to join the meeting. Instructions on how to sign up for public comment will be given to listeners at the start of the meeting.

SB 411 Updates: In the event of a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting to members of the public using the call-in option or internet-based service option, or in the event of a disruption within the eligible legislative body's control that prevents members of the public from offering public comments using the call-in option or internet-based service option, the eligible legislative body shall take no further action on items appearing on

the meeting agenda until public access to the meeting via the call-in option or internet-based service option is restored. Actions taken on agenda items during a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting may be challenged pursuant to Section 54960.1.

The eligible legislative body shall not require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the legislative body and offer comments in real time.

Notwithstanding Section 54953.3, an individual desiring to provide public comment through the use of an internet website, or other online platform, not under the control of the eligible legislative body, that requires registration to log in to a teleconference may be required to register as required by the third-party internet website or online platform to participate.

(i) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph , to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed.

(ii) An eligible legislative body that does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to subparagraph (D), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment.

(iii) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed general public comment period that does not correspond to a specific agenda item shall not close the public comment period or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), until the timed general public comment period has elapsed.

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 notification, and facilities information.
- 4. Pledge of Allegiance.**

- 5. Public Comment on matters not appearing on the agenda. (2 minutes per person)**
- 6. Discussion and Possible Action: Hurst Fire.** Large wildfire that began on 1/7/2025, 10:29pm, Location: Near Diamond Road, Sylmar [34.32533,-118.478134] Cause: under investigation, Evacuation orders placed immediately and lifted on 1/9/2025 - Open discussion with community stakeholders, Sylmar Neighborhood Council members, elected officials and their representatives, agency or department representatives on reactions, responses, what worked-what did not work, suggestions on improvement etc. Information gained in the public discussion will be used in the drafting of SNC letters and Community Impact Statements.
- 7. Meeting Break (10 Minutes)**
- 8. Public Official & Community Representative announcements and presentations:** followed by public announcements. Up to (5) minutes per report.
 - A. Los Angeles Police Department (Mission Division)**
Senior Lead Officers: Keith Crawford or Joseph Carter
Officer Crawford - 38491@lapd.online , Officer Carter - 38835@lapd.online
 - B. Department of Health Services Olive View UCLA Medical Center**
Community Relations Lead: Brenda Yanez Zamora,
byanezzamora@dhs.lacounty.gov
 - C. Los Angeles City Council District 7 / Councilwoman Monica Rodriguez**
Field Representative: Jose Hernandez jose.h.hernandez@lacity.org
 - D. Los Angeles Mayor / Karen Bass**
Field Deputy: Michelle Vergara, michelle.vergara@lacity.org
 - E. Los Angeles County Board Of Supervisors 3rd District / Lindsey Horvath**
Field Deputy: Melissa Esparza mesparza@bos.lacounty.gov
 - F. California State Assembly 43rd District / Celeste Rodriguez**
Field Rep: Marisol Sánchez marisol.c.sanchez@asm.ca.gov
 - G. California Congressional District 29 / Congresswoman Luz Rivas**
Field Deputy: Cynthia Becerra, cynthia.becerra@mail.house.gov
 - H. California State Senate District 20 / Caroline Menjivar**
District Rep: Katherine Castrejon, katherine.castrejon@sen.ca.gov
 - I. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment**
Advocate: Vincent Autiero, vincent.autiero@lacity.org

J. Region - 1 Budget Advocates: Lionel Mares LionelMaresNCs@gmail.com

- 9. Discussion and Possible Action:** Neighborhood Council Elections. To file to be a candidate <https://clerk.lacity.gov/clerk-services/elections/neighborhood-council-elections/how-become-nc-candidate> Interested individuals can apply beginning on January 31st 2025, the deadline for candidate filing will close on March 17, 2025. **All voting will be done by Vote By Mail** which will begin on April 4th 2025 and end on May 27th, 2025.
To register for a Vote By Mail Ballot - <https://clerkappsele.lacity.org/NCElection/login>
Election Day is June 3rd, 2025
- 10. Discussion and Possible Action:** To approve SNC General Board meeting minutes from **November 21st, 2024.** <https://www.sylmarneighborhoodcouncil.org/committees/viewCommittee/general-board>
- 11. Discussion and Possible Action: SNC Committee Chair Reports**
- Budget - George Ortega
 - Bylaws - Maria Strmsek
 - Education - Jose Velasquez
 - Equestrian - Cheri Blose
 - Executive - Kurt Cabrera-Miller
 - Planning & Land Use - Peter Postlmayr
 - Public Safety - Jay Palmer
 - Transportation - Jeremy Steinert
 - Outreach - Kurt Cabrera-Miller
- 12. Discussion and Possible Action:** Introduction and approval of annual license “Sylmar Retailer LLC dba Weed Sylmar” at 13187 San Fernando Rd. Sylmar CA 91342. Department of Cannabis Regulation. Application no.: LA-R-24-320087-ANN (Mark Herburger, Representative)
- 13. Discussion and Possible Action:** Sylmar Neighborhood Council to take the position against having LA wildfire waste coming to the Sylmar area. To provide letters to our City, County, State, and Federal representatives requesting that waste and debris from the recent Los Angeles wildfires does not come to Lopez Canyon Landfill, May Canyon Sediment Placement Site, or Sunshine Canyon Landfill.
- 14. Discussion and Possible Action:** To approve an amount not to exceed \$1,300.00 for Sylmar Neighborhood Council’s annual Holiday Community Party. The previous amount approved was for \$1,100.00. The event occurred on December 12th and was (\$147.41) over budget. Approximately 200 people attended, breakdown would be \$6.50 per person. This item is for the true accounting and full disclosure and transparency.
- 15. Discussion:** Treasurer’s Report.

16. Discussion and Possible Action: The approval of the **November 2024** Monthly Expenditure Report (MER)

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18. Discussion & Possible Action: SNC Liaison Reports

LA City Sylmar Library/Friends of the Library - Jose Velasquez
Homelessness Liaison - Kurt Cabrera-Miller

19. Board Member updates and announcements.

20. President's closing remarks, acknowledgments 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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Reconsideration and Grievance Process -

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