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**TARZANA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL  
BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

**SPECIAL MEETING**

**Tuesday December 12, 2023 7:00 PM**

**Tarzana Child Care Center  
5700 Beckford Ave.  
Tarzana, CA 91356**

**General Public Comment:** 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 two minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

Supporting documents related to the below agenda items are posted on the TNC website at <https://www.tarzananc.org/committees/viewCommittee/board>

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Welcoming Remarks
2. Remarks by representatives of public officials
3. Public Comments – Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. Public comments are limited to two minutes per speaker.
4. Budget Advocate/Representative Report
5. Executive Secretary's Report – Enter into the minutes members who have missed 6 meetings.
6. Discussion and motion – Approval of minutes of the October 24, 2023 meeting.
7. Discussion and motion – Approval of minutes of the November 14, 2023 Special meeting.
8. **Committee and other Reports** (General committee reports will be limited to no more than 3 minutes)
  - Budget
  - Land Use
  - Outreach
  - Events
  - Transportation
  - Public Safety
  - Rules
  - Government Action
  - Animal Welfare
  - Beautification
  - Homelessness

DWP MOU Report  
VANC Report  
LANCC Report  
NCSA Liaison  
Ad Hoc VNY

9. Discussion and motion: Resolved: The TNC Board adopts the Budget Committee's recommendation and approves the October 2023 expenditures for submission to City Clerk (MER) and Financial Statements as of October 31, 2023.
10. Discussion and motion: Resolved: The TNC Board adopts the Budget Committee's recommendation to approve the request from TNC President for repairs to Fender Passport 150 Speaker System by Sam Ash (vendor) at a cost NTE \$225.00. Minimum diagnostic charge \$70.00. To be classified as Operations, General, Equipment Repairs. Funds to come from Unallocated.
11. Discussion and motion: Resolved: The TNC Board adopts the Budget Committee's recommendation to approve the NPG request for \$5,000 from PoP/West Valley Food Pantry to purchase food and supplies for distribution to seniors, families with school age children and the homeless in the west San Fernando Valley. To be classified as NPG PoP/West Valley Food Pantry. Funds to come from Unallocated.
12. Discussion and motion: Resolved: The TNC Board adopts the Budget Committee's recommendation to approve the request from the TNC Beautification Committee to purchase clean-up supplies for the January 27, 2024 to clean-up the area around Ventura Blvd & Reseda Blvd in Tarzana in conjunction with Volunteers Cleaning Communities at a cost NTE \$150 from vendors TBD. To be classified as Community Improvement Projects, Community Cleanup Supplies. Funds to come from Unallocated.
13. Discussion and motion: Resolved: The TNC Board approves a revised budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2023 -June 30, 2024 to include the above items 10, 11, and 12, and approves all necessary forms and paperwork required to update the budget and directs the Treasurer and/or President to prepare such and to submit it to the City Clerk's Funding Division.
14. Discussion and motion: Resolved: The TNC Board adopts the Beautification Committee's recommendation to join the Volunteers Cleaning Communities (VCC), the West Valley Warner Center Chamber, and CM Blumenfield in a clean-up of the area around Ventura Blvd & Reseda Blvd in Tarzana on Saturday January 27, 2024 between 8:00 and 10:00 AM.
15. Discussion and motion: Resolved: The TNC Board approves the Executive Committee's recommendation to appoint 2 Homelessness Representatives.
16. Discussion and motion: Resolved: The TNC Board approves the Executive Committee's recommendation to appoint 2 Grievance Panel Representatives.
17. Discussion and motion: Resolved: The TNC Board approves the Executive Committee's recommendation to appoint Pam Majumdar as one of TNC's Social Media Administrators.
18. Discussion and motion: Resolved: The TNC Board approves the Executive Committee's recommendation to file a CIS supporting CF 23-1164 making it a misdemeanor for anyone to litter "with the intent to willfully injure, intimidate, interfere with, oppress, or threaten any other person based on their perceived characteristics."
19. Discussion and motion: Resolved: The TNC Board approves the Executive Committee's recommendation to file a CIS supporting CF 23-0452 requesting a report back on the costs of spay and neutering as follows:

There is an **emergency** taking place regarding animals in the City. **Severe overcrowding and killing of healthy adoptable dogs in the City Animal Shelters for lack of space is an emergency.** The overpopulation of dogs is costing the City millions of dollars. Please see: [Crucial City Funding: Spay and Neuter Saves Money and Lives \(citywatchla.com\)](http://citywatchla.com)

It is crucial that steps be taken immediately to decrease the number of dogs coming into the shelters. A moratorium on breeding permits is a necessary step in doing so, at least until this immediate emergency is resolved.

At the same time, we suggest that the City Council also take the following steps to address the overcrowding emergency:

1. Encourage spay/neuter of pets by increasing funding for more free and discounted spay/neuter vouchers and increasing the amount veterinarians are paid for performing spay/neuters under the vouchers. The amount of payment to vets pursuant to the vouchers is ridiculously low and, as a result, there are not enough vets willing to perform spay/neuters under the vouchers. Increasing the availability of vouchers and raising the fees paid to veterinarians to encourage them to perform spay/neuters is a necessary step in solving the emergency.
  2. Deploy an advertising/email/social media/news media campaign for spay/neuter vouchers. As part of this campaign, make clear that the City is going to **start enforcing spay/neuter laws more vigorously, much more vigorously**. Publicize that you can use a free or discounted spay/neuter voucher to avoid a severe fine. There should be severe fines for failure to spay/neuter, with minimal or no waivers.
  3. Use the Northeast Valley Animal Shelter in Mission Hills and the Jefferson Park Animal Shelter in South L.A. on an emergency basis to house dogs from overcrowded shelters in any empty kennels, without displacing any dogs currently at those shelters. Encourage all experienced former volunteers to return to help care for the animals there. This will allow this to be done at the lowest cost for the city.
20. Discussion and motion: Resolved: The TNC Board approves the Land Use Committee's recommendation to file a CIS supporting CF 21- 1230 if amended as follows:
1. The Housing Element specifically excludes overlays for up-zoning in R-1 or more restrictive zones beyond what SB9 and laws regarding ADUs allow.
  2. The Housing Element specifically excludes overlays for up-zoning areas with older, rent stabilized multi-family housing beyond what SB9 and laws regarding ADUs allow.
  3. The Housing Element confines its up-zoning and density bonus overlays to commercial corridors and public lands.
  4. The Housing Element specifically includes Adaptive Reuse.
21. Discussion and motion: Resolved: The TNC Board by a 2/3 vote of the entire Board approves the Executive Committee's recommendation to submit a CIS for CF 23-1114 stating that the Tarzana Neighborhood Council wants to take advantage of the provisions of SB 411 for the following reasons:
1. We have stakeholders who would be members of the Board if they were allowed to participate virtually. When we returned to in-person meetings two valuable Board members could not continue due to lack of child-care.
  2. Board members who are unable to leave work early enough to be at our meetings starting time could continue to participate. One person elected in the 2023 election had to resign when they changed jobs and were too far away to be at the in-person meetings on time.
  3. It would be easier for Board members and stakeholders who have mobility problems to participate in our meetings.
  4. Several of our Board members are seniors and the ability to attend virtually will ensure their continued participation.
  5. Virtual meetings enhanced our ability to accommodate persons having business before the Board, such as developers and others seeking approval of projects.
  6. During COVID, virtual meetings increased participation by our stakeholders which has dropped off with in-person meetings.
22. Board Business - Comment from Board members on subject matters within the Board's jurisdiction.
- a. Comment on Board members own activities/brief announcements.
  - b. Brief response to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising their general public comment rights.

c. Introduce new issues for consideration by the Board at its next meeting and request they be considered for the next Board agenda.

## 23.. Adjournment

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