

# Regular Board Meeting Agenda Tuesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 7:00PM Toluca Lake Elementary School – Auditorium 4840 Cahuenga Blvd., North Hollywood CA 91601



Supporting documents available at GTLNC.org.

For public comments, please fill out a separate speaker card for each agendized item on which you wish to be heard. Up to two (2) minutes per speaker.

- 1. Call to Order. Roll call. Announcements.
- 2. Update from Community, City, Regional and State Representatives.
- 3. Approve January 21st, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes.
- 4. Brown Act Public Comments on non-agenda items only. Please fill out a speaker card.
- 5. Committee Reports.

5.1 Treasurer's Report.
5.2 Government Affairs.
5.3 Outreach and Elections.
5.4 Public Safety.
5.5 Planning and Land Use.
(Federico Figus, Treasurer)
(Doug Hamblin, Chair)
(Tim Micsko, Chair)
(Shawn Besharaty, Chair)
(Paul Hartel, Chair)

#### 6. Consent Calendar.

- 6.1 Oppose Council File 25-0006-S16 (Hernandez, Soto-Martinez, Nazarian): Tenant Eviction Prohibition / Rent Increase Pause / Economic or Medical Hardship / Los Angeles Municipal Code / Amendment / 2025 Windstorm and Wildfire Recovery. Exhibit 1.
- 6.2 Approve GTLNC Monthly Expenditure Report, 2024 November. Attachment 1.
- 6.3 Approve GTLNC Monthly Expenditure Report, 2024 December. Attachment 2.
- 6.4 Approve GTLNC Monthly Expenditure Report, 2025 January. Attachment 3.
- 6.5 Affirm \$1,000.00 GTLNC contribution to the City of Los Angeles Animal Services East Valley Shelter pursuant to the January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025 email directive from the Los Angeles City Clerk's Neighborhood Council Funding Program regarding NC expenditures during declared emergencies. Attachment 4.
- 6.6 Approve up to \$100.00 per month for Mailchimp email newsletter marketing distribution service (currently \$54.00 per month) for GTLNC outreach. Attachment 5.

- 6.7 Approve request for cost adjustment for drinks, snacks and related incidentals for GTLNC Regular Board meeting at which Council District 2 Councilmember Adrin Nazarian will address the GTLNC Board, tentatively scheduled for March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025, for a total of \$999.00. This will enable hiring a food truck or caterer (TacoNazo.com or similar) for the GTLNC meeting at which Councilmember Nazarian appears.
- 6.8 Approve up to \$5,000.00 for snacks, rentals and incidentals to support GTLNC Public Safety Event to take place at Los Angeles Fire Department 86 or North Weddington Park Recreation Center on a Saturday morning in April or May 2025 (date TBA) to benefit residents and stakeholders of Greater Toluca Lake, demonstrate the MyLA311 service and app, and teach how to use it to improve our community. Funds will purchase GTLNC-themed gift bags and pens, flyers to promote event (design and printing), snacks from Taco Nazo (TacoNazo.com or similar), beverages, napkins, plates, plastic cutlery, trash bags and incidentals. Rentals to include rectangular tables, linens, and include set-up and pick-up. No supporting documents yet.
- 6.9 Approve up to \$500.00 to purchase Girl Scout Cookies (https://www.girlscoutsla.org/ at \$6.00 per box plus shipping) to provide at GTLNC Regular Board meetings, GTLNC-sponsored events, events at which GTLNC tables, and / or to benefit Fine Gold Manor residents.
- 7. Status update. \$5,000.00 GTLNC NPG awarded to Enrich LA on April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024.
- 8. Old Business.
- 9. New Business.
- 10. Next meeting date on Tuesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Meetings take place at 7:00PM at Toluca Lake Elementary School, Auditorium, at 4840 Cahuenga Boulevard, North Hollywood CA.
- 11. Adjournment.

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## Attachment 1 (Item 6.1)

## **Community Impact Statement**

Filed to the Office of Mayor Karen Bass;
Councilmember Adrin Nazarian, Council District 2; and
Council File 25-0006-S16 (Hernandez, Soto-Martinez, Nazarian);
Tenant Eviction Prohibition / Rent Increase Pause / Economic or Medical Hardship /
Los Angeles Municipal Code / Amendment / 2025 Windstorm and Wildfire Recovery.

The Greater Toluca Lake Neighborhood Council opposes Council File 25-0006-S16 (Hernandez, Soto-Martinez, Nazarian); Tenant Eviction Prohibition / Rent Increase Pause / Economic or Medical Hardship / Los Angeles Municipal Code / Amendment / 2025 Windstorm and Wildfire Recovery.

GTLNC requests of the Los Angeles City Council with respect to Council File #\25-0006-S16 that "Mom and Pop" [small] landlords be exempt from any ordinances requiring rent freezes and eviction moratoriums. This is the recommendation of GTLNC's Planning and Land Use Committee.

<u>Supplemental Note</u>: Having reviewed the LA City Council's agendized public hearing on the matter on Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025, Tess Taylor offers the following report and analysis:

Governor Gavin Newsom has already implemented eviction protections on January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025 (<u>Executive Order N-11-25</u>), and both he and Mayor Karen Bass have issued protections against excessive rent increases on January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025 (<u>Mayor of the City of Los Angeles, Declaration of Local Emergency, updated</u>).

Adding more broad-reaching regulations is prejudicial and harmful to residential real estate owners and investors who do not receive comparable freezes in property tax, insurance premiums and rates, maintenance costs, management fees, other expenditures and overhead. We should repudiate such unwarranted marketplace manipulation by elected officials.

Small "mom and pop" landlords must also navigate economic uncertainties and should not be required to shoulder more burden following unrecoverable losses from COVID rent freezes and moratoriums. The City of Los Angeles already has stringent rent control. This proposal imposes an overly extended ban that relies on self-attestation of hardship, prohibiting rent collection with little to no verification.

Indeed, self-attestation policies were abused during the pandemic, with many housing providers unable to recover losses. To date, over \$650 million dollars has been raised for fire relief in addition to a \$2.5 billion California state package. With such substantial resources available, rental operators should not be forced to provide housing without compensation. Regulatory uncertainty has driven many housing providers away from Los Angeles, many of whom are from immigrant families who have built generational wealth. They won't be forgiven by their lenders, and corporate housing interests stand by to snatch up any properties that go into default.