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WEST LOS ANGELES SAWTELLE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Board of Directors - Agenda Tuesday, Nov. 14, 2023 – 7:00 pm

Stoner Park Small Gym 1835 Stoner Ave. CA 90025

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All items on the agenda are subject to discussion, possible action and filing of a Community Impact Statement to the Office of the City Clerk.

- I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL: 15 members (9 in-person for quorum).
- II. MINUTES: Oct. 25 meeting: https://tinyurl.com/bdczfebb
- III. **GOVERNMENT/ AGENCY PARTNER REPORTS (list of reps at end of agenda)**. a. Written reports in advance are welcome, to distribute to neighbors.
- IV. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT: Comments on non-agenda items (maximum 90 seconds).
 a. LAUSD candidate: Dr. DeWayne Davis.

V. MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS / COMMENTS

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE

- a. <u>Cornerstone</u> trainings: Anti-bias trainings. Reminder to member to complete.
- b. <u>Board of Directors</u>: Removal of J.Ross failure to attend past 3 meetings.
 - i. <u>Secretary</u>: Motion to appoint.
- c. Committees:
 - i. Motion: Establish West LA Commons Ad Hoc Committees and appoint members West L.A. Commons (civic center / courthouse re-development):
 - 1. NC sent letter in August to request that CD11, SD3 and Developer update the NC on how the NC's requested designs changes are being integrated into the design. <u>https://tinyurl.com/2rew2suu</u>
 - ii. Motions: Appointment of members and representatives:
 - 1. PLUM: Open Boardmember seat (removal of J.Ross).
 - 2. Homeless: Nomination.
 - 3. Public Safety: Nomination.
 - 4. By-Laws: M.Mejia-Lambert. Jay Handal. Adriane Ransom. Lynn Hill.
- d. <u>Elections</u>: Records from the 2023 NC Elections (candidate filing forms, voter registration forms, and ballots).
 - i. Posted in the Google drive in the "Election Cmte" folder: . <u>https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/1SMKOrWJRpPPxSnpQNnAD0cTbxDUIx</u> <u>Er?sjid=13087252034837002842-NA</u>
 - ii. For paper copies, contact Naima Pulliam (<u>naima.pulliam@lacity.org</u>).
 - iii. Election records will be disposed on Dec. 29, per NC records retention policy.
- e. <u>Reports on NC events</u>: Congress of NCs, By-Laws webinar. Share learnings.
- f. <u>SB411</u>: Motion WLASNC shall support the City Council's motions CF23-1114 (allows NCs to vote to hold virtual meetings) and CF12-1113 (instruct DONE to report back on how to best facilitate a return to virtual meetings as implementation of SB411 including audio/visual equipment). The NC shall notify the City that our intent is to provide greater access to all neighbors to participate in the NC and join the Board and committees. Some neighbors may not be able to attend for physical or health reasons, or scheduling/ job/ family commitments, and video will allow more options for participation (requires approval of 2/3 of Board).

VII. **OFFICERS REPORTS:** Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Secretary

- a. <u>Treasurer</u>:
 - i. <u>Motion</u>: Approve **Oct.** Monthly Expenditure Report (MERs)
 - 1. NPG Update
 - 2. Recurring outreach and office expenditures.
 - ii. Motion: Reimbursement to M.Mejia-Lambert for refreshments at Oct. 25 Board

meeting for \$26.12.

iii. Motion: Allocate as much as \$3,000 for notetaker staff for committee meetings.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- a. <u>By-Laws</u>: Motion Amend the By-Laws to Create a Youth Seat (Sect. V-501-A) [2nd reading, DONE must approve the Amendment and issue revised By-Laws].
- b. <u>Barrington Plaza evictions</u>: Request for update from CD11 on legality of evictions and if renovations can be done building by building (instead of full evictions).
- c. <u>Presentation and possible motion</u>: Proposal by LAANE to increase salaries/ "living wages" for tourism industry workers.<u>https://tinyurl.com/4y3xddwt</u>
- d. <u>Education</u>: LAUSD established a free Universal Transitional Kindergarten at Brockton Elementary starting this fall for all families with 4-year-old children (no low-income requirement). LAUSD representative: Dean Togawa. <u>https://lausd.org/eced</u>

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. <u>Outreach and Communications (W.Chiu)</u>: <u>https://tinyurl.com/4r9art9k</u> .
- b. <u>Planning and Land Use Management: https://tinyurl.com/yckv79tz</u>
 - i. <u>11430 W. Exposition Blvd., 11434 W. Pico Blvd., 11460-11488 Gateway Ave.</u> <u>apartments</u>: <u>Motion</u> - Oppose the project as designed and request the following design changes (6-0-0). Report from Ad Hoc Committee:
 - 1. Break the project into 2 separate buildings.
 - 2. Provide public open space / access as a trade-off for vacating the two alleys:
 - a. Access to parklet at end of Butler Ave. (card access at gate entrance) for residents living 250 feet down Butler Ave.
 - b. Access to the Fitness Center for two adjacent properties south of the building property on Butler Ave.
 - 3. Plant 8 trees within the property with 6-7 feet planter depth visible along the building frontages and south side.
 - 4. Add 3 moderate-income units.
 - 5. Include 30 installed EV chargers.
 - 6. Ensure that the metal standing seam panels are well-detailed without overlapping trim pieces.
 - 7. Install open joint tiles at the base of the building.
 - 8. Ensure the design and construction of the 2-story building height area adjacent to the southern Butler Ave. residences.
 - 9. <u>Proposed Amendments</u>: Provide a 10,000-sf quasi-public park onsite for use of neighbors during daylight hours. Reduce windows in the rear, and remove balconies in the rear. Increase stepbacks in the rear, which will reduce the height in the rear. Remove or relocate the vehicle entrance/exist on Colby Ave. No vacation of alleys.
- c. <u>Homeless</u>: <u>https://tinyurl.com/yeyvphak</u> .
- d. Budget Advocates (J.Handal): Website: https://www.BudgetAdvocates.org/reports
- e. <u>DWP</u>: Proposal to build new office building on Nebraska Ave.: CEQA approved for proposal for 60-ft tall building.
- f. Public Safety (R.Migdal).
- g. By-Laws: https://tinyurl.com/2vu3uu22
- h. Environmental: https://tinyurl.com/mrx9w7st_
- i. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee (M.Mejia-Lambert): https://tinyurl.com/375afamu
- j. <u>Stoner Park Advisory Cmte. (K.Kaisaki, representative)</u>:

XI. EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS

- a. D.Swartz, R.Ben-Yehuda: Ben Spector, Mark Spector, Onni Development (Pico/Gateway apartment) will update.
- XII. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT: Comments on non-agenda items (max 90 seconds)

XIII. MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS / COMMENTS

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

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