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Regular Board Meeting Agenda

Monday, July 25, 2022 7:00 pm

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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.

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*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 AND ROLL CALL President Lynda Valencia

2. ADMINISTRATIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS & MOTIONS

Motion to Approve: Minutes of the Regular Meeting June 27, 2022

3. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT The public may provide comments to the board on NON-AGENDA ITEMS within the Neighborhood Councils subject matter jurisdiction. However, please note that under the Brown Act, the board is prevented from acting on the issue you bring to its attention until the matter is agendaized for discussion at a future public meeting. (Limited to 2 minutes per speaker.)

4. PRESENTATIONS FROM PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND OTHERS

- Presentation by representative from CD-14: zoning exemption sought for Monterey Hills street banners.
- Presentation by representative from CD-1: status of Flat Top's transfer to City of Los Angeles, permit Montecito Heights, Mt. Washington and Sycamore Grove to have street banners.
- Presentation by the Mayor's office, LAFD, LAPD, Supervisor Hilda Solis, State Senator Maria Elena Durazo, State Assemblymember Wendy Carrillo, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, and/or other officials.

5. FUNDING MOTIONS

- Motion to approve June 2022 Monthly Expense Reports.
- Request up to \$150 in Outreach funds to purchase a battery powered work light to illuminate the storage unit, from Harbor Freight or similar.

6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- Committee membership All members are required to join the Local Issues Committee that serves their residential area in addition to one Standing Committee. Participation in committee work forms the basis of ASNC's endeavors.
- Reminder to committee chairs: please allow time for physical posting of agendas, as required by the Brown Act. Submitting agendas at the last minute makes it physically impossible for those posting to meet their deadline.
- Call for candidates for five At Large and one Monterey Hills positions Applications are due by Wednesday, August 17, 2022 to be considered at the August 22, 2022 Board meeting. Note: Recruiting new Board members is an obligation of the Board. All eligible members of the community, including friends and neighbors, are to be encouraged to apply.
- Appointment of the ASNC Secretary.

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7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Nominate and vote Jamie Crespo as Monterey Hills representative.
- b. Nominate and vote Beverly Williams as At Large representative.
- c. Motion to approve letter to City Councilmember Kevin De Leon to inform him that the Arroyo Seco Neighborhood Council endorses the Elephant Hill Illegal Off-Roading Mitigation Plan and asks him to advance the Mitigation Plan's objectives with City agencies.
- d. Motion to approve letters from Arroyo Seco Neighborhood Council to City Council updating them with the fact that LACCD is defying court ordered assessment of ADA measures and resisting an audit of the \$25 million it receives to pay for accommodations for disabled students. ASNC passed last February 28, 2022 support for CF 22-0002-S15, the Resolution against LACCD's petition to the US Supreme Court to eliminate ADA/Rehabilitation Act of 1973's protections of disabled civil rights. Mounting a new lawsuit to compel compliance is costly and worse would provide LACCD another opportunity to appeal to the Supreme Court, which is likely to eliminate the ADA/Rehabilitation Act given the chance. The only recourse open to advocates for the disabled is through political leaders.
- e. Motion to approve letters to Planning, Councilmember Kevin de Leon and the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners, in keeping with California's commitment to biodiversity and accessible parks, requesting them to restore the original zoning and intent of the Community Redevelopment Agency to preserve vital green space and wildlife corridors in Monterey Hills. The attached letter details the relevant properties.
- f. Motion to approve a letter to the Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks requesting creation of a regional park advisory board that would include Flat Top (after it is transferred to the city), Montecito Heights Recreation Center, Sycamore Grove Park and perhaps Greayer's Oak Park.
- g. Motion to approve a letter to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors to cease efforts to change portions of the Los Angeles City Code that would accelerate the deployment of wireless technology, and instead undertake a process to research, design and implement community-owned fiber optic broadband networks for the underserved communities of Los Angeles County.

8. PLANNING & LAND USE MOTIONS

- a. Motion to approve a letter to Councilmember Cedillo, Planning Department, LAFD, Board of Public Works, East Los Angeles Planning Commission, and others to increase protection of the Southern California Black Walnut. It has been reported that the planning department is applying the Protected Tree and Shrub Ordinance inconsistently and that California Department of Fish and Wildlife regulations are being inappropriately by-passed on larger projects within hillside habitat areas in northeast LA. The letter includes ten points to help correct these lapses.
- b. Motion to approve a letter to the Urban Forest Division requesting that tree removal requests provide a link to tree reports and planting plans for all Tree Removal Requests and allow for a time extension if needed to provide this material. That the department provides tree removal requests is much appreciated, but supporting documents and time for consideration will enable the ASNC to evaluate the reports in a meaningful way for land management.
- c. Motion to approve a letter to the Planning Department stating that 4487-4497 Bend Drive is generally compliant with the Mt. Washington-Glassell Park Specific Plan, deferring to the Fire Dept on the issue of space for access. Many community comments were received regarding the space for fire vehicle turn around.
- d. Motion to approve a letter to the Planning Department expressing concerns regarding 352 W. Avenue 51 whose applicants have not presented to the ASNC Planning and Land Use Committee (PLUC) as required. Community members have reported specific problems to our committee. Work on the project has already commenced.
- e. Motion to approve a letter to the Planning Department requesting that Planning require that the applicant for the proposed project at 3550 E. Tacoma Ave present to the ASNC PLUC Committee. It is a complex project requesting many waivers that has prompted much concern from community members.
- f. Motion to approve a letter to Planning in opposition to the application for the project at 3918-3924 Rome Ct. due to ZAD request for a waiver of street improvement for a portion of the site in front of the property, and also to request that the applicant return to ASNC PLUC to report back on the increased stormwater run-off caused by roadway extension.
- g. Motion to approve a letter to Planning to state that our review of found that the application for 3918-3924 Rome Ct. is in compliance with building standards required by the specific plan project permit.

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9. COMMITTEES AND LIAISON REPORTS

- Budget Advocates liaison *Lynda Valencia*
- LGBTQ+ Alliance *Alan Meier*
- Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC)
Lynda Valencia
- City Attorney Liaison *Lynda Valencia and Teri Bonsell*
- Tree Removal *Lynette Kampe*
- Communications and Outreach *Teri Bonsell*
- Sustainability and Resiliency *open*
- Education, Family and Culture *to be convened*
- Planning and Land Use *Derek Ryder*
- Local Issues
 - i. Monterey Hills *Lynda Valencia*
 - ii. Montecito Heights *Steve Austin*
 - iii. Mount Washington *Alan Meier*
 - iv. Sycamore Grove *to be convened*

10. ADJOURNMENT Next meeting Monday August 22, 2022, 7:00pm

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