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**PUBLIC SAFETY MEETING
AGENDA**

**THURSDAY, MAY 24, 2018 at
7:00 PM**

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Committee Members: Craig Radow (Chair), Marsha Newman (Stakeholder), Michael Piscitelli (Stakeholder), Patty Kirby (Stakeholder), Patrice Berlin (Stakeholder), Denise Welvang (ex-officio),

1. Call to Order & Roll Call (1 min).
2. Approval of the minutes from March 22, 2018 Public Safety Committee Meeting
3. Committee update by the Committee Chair (5 min).
4. Public Comments on non-agenda items within the Committee's jurisdiction (8 min).
5. Final logistic discussion regarding the **SCNC Officer Appreciation BBQ** to be held on Saturday, May 26th at the North Hollywood Division. Among the topics: volunteer attendees, roles and responsibilities, and overall plan for the day. We will be serving twice to accommodate both the day and evening shift. In addition, we will finalize outreach plans for the Van Nuys Division appreciation breakfast.
6. Presentation, discussion, and possible motion regarding the following:

In regards to City Council motion [#18-0357](#) presented by Councilman Paul Krekorian, the Studio City Neighborhood Council is strongly opposed to any review, assessment, and / or development of the properties located at 11220 Ventura Blvd and 12225 Ventura Blvd in regards to providing temporary or permanent homeless shelter, storage facility, and / or parking. We are facing a homeless epidemic in Los Angeles and we strongly recommend finding appropriate shelter and mental health locations in less residentially populated and local business driven neighborhoods.

7. Presentation, discussion, and possible motion regarding the following:

In addition to the establishment of an Illegal Fireworks Task Force to report on issues related to illegal fireworks and steps that could be taken to curtail their use within the City, the Studio City Neighborhood Council strongly supports the amended motion #[17-1421](#) ([Motion](#) & [Amended Motion](#)), to instruct the LAPD and LAFD, with the assistance of other departments, as needed, to include in their report backs the feasibility of developing incentive programs, such as a monetary reward, to encourage individuals to surrender their illegal fireworks or report use, sale, or ownership of illegal fireworks, and the feasibility of developing a program with the Los Angeles Port Police and other related public safety enforcement bodies to ensure illegal fireworks are confiscated at the point of entry at the Port of Los Angeles.

Motion Background: Each year around the Independence Day and New Year's Eve holidays, the City of Los Angeles experiences a significant increase in reports of illegal fireworks being set off, especially in areas of northeast Los Angeles. These fireworks can cause significant disruption to people's daily lives, by interrupting sleep, increasing air pollution, traumatizing wildlife, and causing pets to run away or panic.

8. Presentation, discussion, and possible motion regarding the following:

The Studio City Neighborhood Council supports the [City Council Motion #18-0117](#) that the City Attorney's Office investigate and report on Worker's Compensation issues as it pertains to the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) program. It is critical that City investigate these allegations and take steps to prevent abuses in order to protect both tax payer funds and the integrity of the program.

Motion Background: A recent Los Angeles Times article about the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) offered to both Los Angeles Firefighters and Police Officers identified a correlation between entry in the program and extended periods of paid time off due to injuries - many within days or weeks of entering the program. DROP was originally anticipated to help both sworn departments retain veteran staff members by allowing them to collect their salary and pension for a period of five years and was approved overwhelmingly by voters in 2001. The LA Times story charges that nearly half of all DROP participants have gone on disability leaves after entering the program (36% of Police Officers and 70% of Firefighters) and that sworn members of the DROP program were nearly twice as likely to miss work for injuries, illness or paid leave. The story also presents several egregious examples of abuse, including likely fraud

9. A discussion of final updates and plans as the Studio City Neighborhood Council Public Safety Committee prepares for final submission and presentation of a proposal to the Police Panel Commission. The effort is aimed at local leaders to attain additional officers and safety reinforcements for Studio City, and overall East San Fernando Valley communities. As the proposal relates to the police divisions of Van Nuys and North Hollywood, covering all of East Valley, representatives from neighboring Neighborhood Councils are invited and welcome to speak at this time (20 minutes)
10. Presentation and update with respect to North Hollywood CPAB (Community Police Advisory Board) – NH-CPAB Representative (5 min).
11. Update from attending Studio City Neighborhood Watch Groups (10 min).
12. Comments from members on subject matter within the Committee's jurisdiction (5 min).
13. Closing comments by the Committee Chair (3 min).
14. Adjournment (1 min).

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