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**BOARD MEETING**  
**Thursday, September 20th,**  
**2018**  
**7:00 PM**

4024 Radford Avenue, Building 8, MPR 3  
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1. Call to Order & Roll Call (1 min).
2. Approval of August board meeting minutes (3 min).
3. Update by the President (2 min).
4. Public Comments on non-agenda items within the boards jurisdiction (1 minute per stakeholder)
5. Jessica Fugate, CD 2 (5 min).
6. Presentation by Ben Besley Senior Vice President of Development from Midwood Management who is the lead on the Sportsmen's project to discuss the current plans for expansion and answer questions and concerns from the public. (20 minutes)
7. Alex Villanueva, Candidate for Sheriff of Los Angeles, to answer questions from the public (10 minutes)
8. Land Use Committee report, Denise Welvang (1 minute per stakeholder)

Motion A: The Studio City Neighborhood Council supports the Aroma Café license application ZA-2018-2162-CUB.

Proposed 2,437 Sq Ft Restaurant with 41 interior seats, 6,000 Sq Ft covered patio with 151 seats for sale and dispensing beer and wine for on-site, hours of 6:00am to 11:00pm daily. Pursuant to LAMC SECTION 12.24-W1 Contingent upon the building of a 6-7 foot high sound wall across the rear of the property (with a possible canopy) to decrease the sound carried from the café, no smoking signs be placed in the alleyway and it's use monitored, no trash or bottles deposited in the dumpster in the evening and access to or egress from the property via the alley way be barred after 8:00PM.

Motion B: The Studio City Neighborhood Council supports the 3240 Iredell Lane application DIR-2018-4485DRB-SPP. The building of three new accessory buildings and a funicular

Pursuant to LAMC Section 16.50, Design Review for the Mulholland Design Review Board for three (3) new accessory living quarters, funicular and widened driveway in conjunction with a property with an existing single-family dwelling. Pursuant to LAMC Section 11.5.7, project permit compliance for the Mulholland Specific Plan for three (3) new accessory living quarters, a funicular and a widened driveway in conjunction with a property with and existing single family dwelling.

9. Public Safety report by Craig Radow (1 min per stakeholder)
10. Government Affairs Committee report by Eric Preven (1 min per stakeholder)

**Proposed Amendments to the City's Public Matching Fund Program:**

On August 21, 2018, after six months of review and sporadic discussion, the Ethics Commission of the City of Los Angeles unanimously [approved recommendations](#) to amend certain aspects of the City's campaign finance laws.

Several factors led to this review. First, the voters adopted a change to the City's election cycle, which will move City elections to even-numbered years. The first of these elections will be held in 2020, and there is some uncertainty about the ability of City candidates to raise sufficient campaign funds when competing with state and federal candidates.

The Matching Funds Trust Fund, as envisioned in the City Charter, is intended to reduce the power of moneyed special interests in elections by ensuring qualified candidates will receive enough funding, through public financing, to allow their voices to be heard. The Ethics Commission has recommended increased matching funds rates for City elections, due to the surplus in the Matching Funds in the Trust Fund. As of July 1, 2018 the fund had a balance of \$16.1 million dollars.

The Government Affairs Committee of the Studio City Neighborhood Council had a meeting on September 5, 2018 in Studio City with a quorum present. After discussion and public comment the committee voted to recommend to the City Council that each clerk verified in-district ballot qualifying signature, up to 500, be counted as an in-kind contribution of \$10 and be eligible for automatic submission to the public matching fund program.

After further discussion and comments from the public the Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council supports the following motion.

**Motion:** The Studio City Neighborhood Council supports the recommendations of the Ethics Commission August 21, 2018 12-1269-S5 (CFMS) with the following three proposed changes.

- 1) Remove the threshold requirements to receive minimum amounts of qualified contributions, depending on the office sought (\$25,000 for City Council; \$75,000 for Controller or City Attorney; \$150,000 for Mayor).
- 2) Amend LAMC 49.7.22 - 49.7.30, LAAC 24.31 et seq. to clarify that qualifying ballot signatures shall be considered in-kind campaign contributions valued at \$10 each and shall be eligible contributions for ALL candidates who opt in to the public matching program or enact rules that would achieve the same result.
- 3) Amend the Debate requirement as written so that candidates would be required to actually participate in 2 debates in the Primary election and 2 debates in the General election. In order to ensure equitable face-to-face meetings of the candidates delete the word Town Hall.

The Studio City Neighborhood Council shall submit a Community Impact Statement to the City Case file [12-1269-S5 \(CFMS\)](#) and any other related case files on this matter forthwith.

11. Budget Committee Report by Eric Preven (1 min per stakeholder)

The following eight funding requests were discussed and pending board approval and separate vote should be expedited for payment:

**A) Friends of Reed** -- 501c3 -- Walter Reed middle school parent organization requests support for After School Math Enrichment Program at Library on Wednesday and Thursdays. Request for **\$1,000** Neighborhood Purpose Grant for program that serves up to 200 students during the school year; 50 students regularly. The Budget Committee heard from Karen Shoemaker, an accompanying parent, and one of the instructors. Friends of Reed is investigating the possibility of flying the SCNC banner on Colfax.

**B) East Valley Emergency Preparedness Summit** Hands-on Police Community Advisory Board CPAB planning event for Earthquake preparedness in Studio City, North Hollywood. Request for **\$300** for outreach and food for the third annual event at which SCNC is invited to set up a table. 500 people expected to attend:

Saturday, October 13, 2018 -- 8:30am to 11:30am  
Auditorium: Church of Scientology  
11455 Burbank Blvd. North Hollywood, CA 91601

The Budget Committee discussed the event with Patty Kirby of CPAB and the public.

**Motion:** The Studio City Neighborhood Council approves the above expenditures.

**C)** Reimburse Eric Preven for **\$70.28** for copies and printer ink in connection w/ GAC, Budget committee. BAC to be voted on separately.

**Motion:** The Studio City Neighborhood Council approves the above expenditures.

**D)** Reimburse Patrice Berlin for refreshments **\$252.48** for July Board meeting. BAC to be voted on separately.

**Motion:** The Studio City Neighborhood Council approves the above expenditures.

**E)** Authorize Office expense of up to **\$120** (per year plus tax) to have phone messages converted to emails to the board. BAC to be voted on separately.

**Motion:** The Studio City Neighborhood Council approves the above expenditures.

**F)** Reimburse Craig Radow for receipts submitted for **\$475.72** to cover the board approved refreshments for the May 26, 2018 North Hollywood LAPD Appreciation BBQ. BAC to be voted on separately.

**Motion:** The Studio City Neighborhood Council approves the above expenditures.

**G)** Authorize one-time funding of **\$600** for the Chamber of Commerce River Cleanup. on November 3, 2018. BAC to be voted on separately.

**Motion:** The Studio City Neighborhood Council approves the above expenditures.

**H)** Authorize **\$2,500** request for Halloween Family Festival/Movies in the park October 27, 2018. BAC to be voted on separately.

**Motion:** The Studio City Neighborhood Council approves the above expenditures.

12. Treasurer's Report by Richard Welsh (1 min per stakeholder and member, 5 min total).

Motion: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council has reviewed the Monthly Expenditure Report for August 2018, and hereby accepts and approves it. (3 min).

13. Outreach Committee Report by Patrice Berlin (1 min per stakeholder)

14. Cultural Affairs Committee Report by Richard Niederberg (1 min per stakeholder)

15. Comments from members on subject matter within the Board's jurisdiction (2 min per member, 10 Min Total)

16. Closing comments from the president (1 min)

17. Adjournment (1 min).

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