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BOARD MEETING AGENDA
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18,
2017

Light Buffet 6:30 PM
Meeting 7:00 PM

4024 Radford Avenue, Bldg. 8, MPR 3
Studio City, CA 91604
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1. Call to Order & Roll Call (2 min).
2. Approval of December 14, 2016 Board Minutes (4 min).
3. Update by the President (4 min).
4. Public Comments on non-agenda items within the Board's jurisdiction (2 min per stakeholder, total of 15 min).
5. Presentation of Certificates of Appreciation. (10 min)
6. **Courtney Hamilton**, update from CD2 (1 min per stakeholder and member, 10 min total).
7. Treasurer's Report by **Rob Schiller** (2 min per stakeholder and Board Member, 10 min total).

Motion: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council has reviewed the Monthly Expenditure Report for December 2016, and hereby accepts and approves.

8. Budget Committee Report by **Patrick Lewis** (2 min per stakeholder and member, 10 min total).

Motion A: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council approves the allocation of the additional \$5,000 City funds to the SCNC 2016-2017 budget as follows: \$2,000 to Operation, \$1,000 to Outreach, and \$2,000 to Neighborhood Purpose Grants.

Motion B: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council approves the addition of business cards for all current and future board members as a line item expense under operations in the annual budget.

Motion C: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council approves and allocates \$150 towards the purchase of plastic storage bins for Luminaria equipment.

Motion D: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council approves and allows the President, in her/his absence the Vice President, the second signer or the Treasurer to make purchases up to \$150 for special circumstances without prior board approval.

9. Sustainability Committee Report by Lisa Cahan-Davis (2min per stakeholder and member, 10 min total).

Motion: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council supports the Code Amendment per Council File Number 13-1339 to add the Toyon, our official Los Angeles plant, and Mexican Elderberry to the list of Protected Trees of the City of Los Angeles.

This motion should be filed as a CIS to CF 13-1339

10. Transportation Committee Report by **Barry Johnson** (2 min per stakeholder and member, total 20 min).

Motion A: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) requests that Councilmember Krekorian take immediate action to propel forward his Motion - Council File: 15-0448 "Street Trees Policy" to protect all City parkway trees from removal because of a new driveway apron or other construction similar to the successful expedited Motion the Councilmember made that protects parkway trees on only Cantura Street in Studio City.

Motion B: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) requests that the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) rescind its decision to sell off naming rights to all MTA stations.

11. Cultural Affairs Committee Report by **Richard Niederberg** (2 min per stakeholder and member, 10 min total).
12. VANC Report by **Richard Niederberg** (2 min per stakeholder and member, 10 min total).
13. Public Safety Committee Report by **Craig Radow** (2 min per stakeholder and member, 10 min total).
14. Outreach Committee Report by **Alex Bosschaerts** (2 min per stakeholder and member, 10 min total).

15. Land Use Committee Report by **Richard Welsh**, (2 min per stakeholder and member, 10 min total).

Motion: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council supports ZA-2014-3395-ZAD and finds that the existing approximately 19'-6" (nineteen foot - six inch) wide roadway is in substantial compliance with requirements for such roadways and further supports retention of existing clear paved width in order to facilitate preservation of at least 12 (twelve) existing mature Eucalyptus trees aligning with and immediately adjacent to said roadway. Studio City Planning Case Filing Summary and Notes:

<http://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/Caseld/MTk4ODIx0>

<http://planning.lacity.org/caseinfo/casesummary.aspx?case=ZA-2014-3395-ZAD>

16. Government Affairs Committee Report by **Rita Villa**, (2 min per stakeholder and member, 10 min total).

Motion A: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council supports the development of a regulatory framework for the cannabis industry in an open and transparent process. As the oversaturation, proliferation and illegal operation of marijuana businesses is a major concern to our stakeholders, we support the request of the PLUM Committee for a report including data on the impact of Prop D with respect to the distribution of dispensaries throughout the City as an important first step in the process. We submit the following additional recommendations:

- 1. An overriding concern in the development of any regulation is that such regulations are enforceable and that they are enforced. Regulations without meaningful penalties for the failure to comply with the regulations and an adequate budget to enable such enforcement is pointless.**
- 2. Immediate action should be taken to ensure that Prop D compliant business be issued some form of license or permit so that they will be able to qualify for a state license when they become available in January 2018. Additionally, compliance with Prop D should be enforced.**
- 3. The regulatory framework should be developed in such a way that we ensure that, not only is there equal access in the permitting process for all interested stakeholders, but that priority be given to those that are already here and who have worked hard to achieve the legalization of this business.**
- 4. Additionally, provisions should be incorporated to ensure that small businesses and minorities are able to enter the market, such as the adoption of cottage licenses as provided for in state law.**

- 5. Los Angeles is a large and diversified city composed of many unique neighborhoods. Development of land use requirements should take this into account. The regulatory framework should provide every community a way to restrict the number and type of marijuana businesses in their area. This could be done by requiring neighborhood councils input in the permitting process. Licenses should be given based upon location and should not travel with the owner.**
- 6. There are several distinct types of marijuana businesses including cultivation, manufacture, testing, dispensing, distribution and transportation. Licensing for each of these business segments should be distinct.**
- 7. Consideration must be given to the impact of vertical integration within the industry. The number of segments a business can be licensed to operate in should be limited.**
- 8. Cultivation and manufacture of marijuana should be restricted to agricultural and commercial zones and compliance with appropriate building and safety as well as OSHA regulations should be required.**
- 9. Provisions defining the proximity to other sensitive land uses for each type of marijuana business should be distinct.**

This motion should be filed as a CIS to CF 14-0366-S5 and CF 17- 1100-S2

Motion B: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council supports the motion by Herb J. Wesson Jr. and Nury Martinez dated June 15, 2016, regarding exploring the feasibility of a regulation program that applies to nuisance motels through the collection of data by the Los Angeles Police Department including the number of calls they receive about problem motels, how many arrests and what kind of arrests take place on motel properties, and how many hours officers spend on these types of calls that might be avoided if motel operators are forced to adopt better management practices. Additionally, we support the council's direction to the Office of Finance that they audit nuisance motels to see if they are current with the payment of their transient occupancy taxes.

This motion should be filed as a CIS to CF 06-0125-S2

Motion C: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council supports the motion by Jose Huizar dated November 22, 2016, reaffirming the City Council's support for the LAPD's policies related to dealing with undocumented immigrants, including Special Order 40, which ensures that all members of the community, regardless of immigration status, can interact with the Police Department without fear of being asked about their immigration status or being deported.

This motion should be filed as a CIS to CF 16-1324

17. Bylaws & Procedures Committee Report by **Alex Izbicki** (2 min per stakeholder and member, 10 min total).
18. Comments from members on subject matter within the Board's jurisdiction (2 min per member, total 20 min).
19. Closing comments by the President (3 min).
20. Adjournment (1 min).

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GRIEVANCE PROCESS - A stakeholder or group of stakeholders may present a grievance concerning the legality of actions by the Board during public comment. Substantive grievances will be examined by a panel set by the Board and the decisions may be appealed to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment.

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