STUDIO CITY NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
DRAFT REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, November 18, 2026 @ 7:00 PM
4024 Radford Avenue, MPR-3, Studio City, California 91604 | Hybrid Meeting
DRAFT - SUBJECT TO BOARD APPROVAL

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

President Jerry Lewis called the meeting to order at approximately 7:02 p.m. The Secretary conducted roll call. The meeting was conducted in person with a Zoom participation option.

Present (12): Merci Borden, Kim Clements, Dean Cutler, Andrew Epstein, Jay Friedman, Daniel Fuselier, Dimitri Gatsiounis, Jeff Hartwick, Jerry Lewis, Richard Niederberg, Laurie Rittenberg, and Matt Thompson. Absent (3): Kesara Borirak, Victoria Brown, and Lusine Galadjian. Drew Lattuca attended as a non-voting Youth Committee representative. A quorum was present.

Voting record note: Richard Niederberg was not eligible to vote; his responses are classified as ineligible and excluded from the voting totals. Daniel Fuselier was eligible and all his recorded votes are counted. The youth representative's advisory responses were excluded from binding votes.

2. Welcome to First-Time Attendees and How to Be Heard

Secretary Jay Friedman welcomed new attendees and explained the in-person and Zoom procedures for public participation.

3. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

Public comment was received on matters within the Neighborhood Council's jurisdiction. No Board action was taken during general public comment.

4. Announcements by Government Representatives

Government representatives provided community updates and responded to public and Board questions.

5. President's Report

October 28 meeting minutes: The Board approved the October 28, 2026 regular board meeting minutes unanimously by show of hands. The individual vote marks are reconstructed in the tally because a separate individual roll call was not taken.

Motion PR-A - Council District 4 vacancy: Recommend a special election for the CD4 vacancy and an interim non-voting caretaker arrangement, with the special election to be held no later than April 30, 2027.

Second: A second was voiced; individual speaker not reliably identified in the available record.

Discussion: Special-election timing was revised during discussion. The available record does not establish a separate formal amendment roll call.

Vote: PASSED (11–0–0 eligible yes–no–abstain).

Action: Transmit the adopted recommendation.

6. Vice President's Report

The Vice President provided an officer report; no separate motion was recorded.

7. Corresponding Secretary's Report

The Corresponding Secretary provided an officer report; no separate motion was recorded.

8. Secretary's Report

The Secretary provided an officer report and meeting updates.

9. Treasurer's Report

Motion TR-A - October 2026 Monthly Expenditure Report: Approve the October 2026 Monthly Expenditure Report.

Second: A second was voiced; individual speaker not reliably identified in the available record.

Discussion: The Treasurer reviewed the report.

Vote: PASSED (11–0–0 eligible yes–no–abstain).

Action: Process the approved report.

Motion TR-B - revised 2026–2027 fiscal-year budget: Approve the revised 2026–2027 fiscal-year budget.

Second: A second was voiced; individual speaker not reliably identified in the available record.

Vote: PASSED (11–0–0 eligible yes–no–abstain).

Action: Implement the approved revised budget.

10. LADWP Community Forum

The Board held its community forum, “Why Is My LADWP Bill So High? And What Can We Do About It?” The speaker lineup included Ann Santilli, Chief Financial Officer, LADWP; Arash Saidi, Director of Power Planning and Innovation, LADWP; Jack Feldman, retired LADWP senior manager and board member, Water and Power Associates; Jack Humphreville, President, Neighborhood Council DWP Advocacy Committee; Tim O’Connor, Executive Director, City of Los Angeles Office of Public Accountability (Ratepayer Advocate); Micah Reed, LADWP ratepayer activist and founder of the Cap the Heat campaign; and James Moore, Professor Emeritus, University of Southern California (USC), who participated via Zoom. The forum included public questions. No Board vote was taken as part of the forum.

11. Budget and Finance Committee

Motion B&FC-A - youth art competition supplies and printing: Authorize up to $350 for youth art competition supplies, printing, certificates, and holders.

Second: A second was voiced; individual speaker not reliably identified in the available record.

Vote: PASSED (11–0–0 eligible yes–no–abstain).

Action: Coordinate purchases within the approved cap.

Motion B&FC-B - Tujunga Village Music Festival sponsorship: Approve up to $1,500 for festival sponsorship and related outreach benefits.

Second: A second was voiced; individual speaker not reliably identified in the available record.

Discussion: Merci Borden recused herself and did not vote. A proposed animal-adoption-related addition received no second and therefore was not voted upon.

Vote: PASSED (9–1–0; one recusal eligible yes–no–abstain).

Action: Process the approved sponsorship subject to applicable funding procedures.

Motion B&FC-C - community blood drive: Authorize hosting a community blood drive with up to $250 for refreshments and printing.

Second: A second was voiced; individual speaker not reliably identified in the available record.

Vote: PASSED (10–1–0 eligible yes–no–abstain).

Action: Coordinate event planning and expenditures.

12–14. Riverwalk, Disaster Preparedness and Youth Committees

Committee matters were addressed. No separate binding Board motion was recorded under these report headings.

15. Public Safety and Homelessness Committee

Amendment to PSH-A: Revise references to the Council District 4 office and Council District 2 / Councilmember Nazarian. The amendment was separately voted upon and PASSED, 11–0–0.

Motion PSH-A - multi-jurisdictional encampment task force, as amended: Request coordination across relevant City and County agencies to address encampments affecting neighboring jurisdictions.

Second: A second was voiced; individual speaker not reliably identified in the available record.

Discussion: The Board approved the amendment and then separately approved the amended motion.

Vote: PASSED (11–0–0 eligible yes–no–abstain).

Action: Transmit the approved request to the relevant Council offices.

16. Government Affairs Committee

Motion GAC-A - attached ADUs and Baseline Mansionization Ordinance: Request City Council action concerning removal of dividing walls in attached ADUs following issuance of certificates of occupancy.

Second: A second was voiced; individual speaker not reliably identified in the available record.

Vote: PASSED (11–0–0 eligible yes–no–abstain).

Action: Transmit the approved request.

Motion GAC-B - teardowns, setbacks and demolition notice: Request action to prevent small retained wall sections from being used to bypass setback or demolition-notice requirements.

Second: A second was voiced; individual speaker not reliably identified in the available record.

Vote: PASSED (10–1–0 eligible yes–no–abstain).

Action: Transmit the approved request.

Motion GAC-C - LADWP rates, billing and customer programs (CF 26-1504): Support the requested LADWP report-back and related Community Impact Statement.

Second: A second was voiced; individual speaker not reliably identified in the available record.

Vote: PASSED (11–0–0 eligible yes–no–abstain).

Action: Submit the approved CIS to Council File 26-1504.

Motion GAC-D - LA100 ratepayer impacts versus SB100 (CF 26-1572): Support a report on projected ratepayer costs and a comparison between LA100 implementation and SB100 requirements.

Second: A second was voiced; individual speaker not reliably identified in the available record.

Vote: PASSED (11–0–0 eligible yes–no–abstain).

Action: Submit the approved CIS to Council File 26-1572.

17. Transportation Committee

Motion TC-A - recreational vehicle parking ordinance (CF 26-1505): Support a proposed citywide RV parking ordinance with a limited loading/unloading permit process.

Second: A second was voiced; individual speaker not reliably identified in the available record.

Vote: PASSED (11–0–0 eligible yes–no–abstain).

Action: Submit the approved CIS to Council File 26-1505.

Motion TC-B - Ventura Boulevard and Lankershim Boulevard bike-lane study: Request an LADOT study of Class IV bikeways on the identified Ventura and Lankershim corridors.

Second: A second was voiced; individual speaker not reliably identified in the available record.

Vote: PASSED (9–2–0 eligible yes–no–abstain).

Action: Transmit the approved request.

18. Sustainability and Beautification Committee

Motion S&B-A - Colfax Avenue Bridge security fencing (CF 26-0011-S25): Support installation of security fencing associated with Council File 26-0011-S25.

Second: A second was voiced; individual speaker not reliably identified in the available record.

Vote: PASSED (11–0–0 eligible yes–no–abstain).

Action: Submit the approved CIS.

19. Outreach Committee

The committee report was addressed. No additional recorded motion.

20. Land Use Committee

The committee report was addressed. No additional recorded motion.

21. Cultural Affairs Committee

Three possible 2027 movie events—Movies in the Park, Movie Night Block Party, and Rooftop Movie Night—were discussed for preliminary input. None was moved to a vote or approved for expenditure at this meeting.

22. Bylaws and Procedures Committee

The committee report was addressed. No additional recorded motion.

23–24. Board Comments and Good of the Order

Board members acknowledged the LADWP forum and discussed follow-up items, including accessibility concerns at the Radford venue.

25. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made near 10:32 p.m. The recording does not establish a distinct roll-call vote or exact adjournment time.