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WEST LOS ANGELES SAWTELLE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Board of Directors Meeting -- Agenda Wed., April 27, 2022 -- 7:00 PM

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All items on the agenda are subject to discussion, possible action and filing of a Community Impact Statement to the Office of the City Clerk.

- 1. Call to Order: Board is 15 members, 9 are required for quorum.
- 2. Administrative: This is a regular meeting, not a special meeting, because it is held at its regularly scheduled time (per DONE's virtual meeting requirements).
 - a. <u>Minutes</u>: **Mar.** meeting recording: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/VfGEDN9ICeoH8sa9HAvRLRxDGde44ItuV7R7xwBosjAuUUTzCPB97CdCw6pd7HhN.QfPS-5xzKtpNzvBr</u>
 - b. MERS: Mar. (Monthly Expenditure Reports).
 - c. Funding: Motions:
 - i. Allocate a maximum of \$10,000 for 8 movies in the park.
 - 1. Dates: Jun. 24, Jul. 1, Jul. 8, Jul. 5, Jul. 22, Jul. 29, Aug. 5, Aug. 12.
 - 2. Recipient: Stoner Park.
 - 3. Tasks: Hire organization to set up, clean up, storage of equipment and buy snacks. Print banners and flyers.
 - ii. Allocate a maximum of \$3,500 for local children to attend Stoner Park summer camp.
 - 1. Dates: Jun.-Aug. 2022.
 - 2. Recipient: Stoner Park.
 - 3. Tasks: Activities, T-shirts.
 - iii. Allocate a maximum of \$4,000 for Stoner Park summer camp offsite trips for local children.
 - 1. Dates: Jun.-Aug. 2022.
 - 2. Recipient: Stoner Park.
 - 3. Tasks: Staff, transportation, registration fees.
 - iv. Allocate a maximum of \$1,500 for Stoner Park summer camp merchandise (tote bag with water bottle, sunglasses, sunscreen, towel, hats, hand sanitizer). Include the NC logo.
 - 1. Dates: June-Aug. 2022.
 - 2. Recipient: Stoner Park.
 - 3. Tasks: Merchandise, printing.
 - v. Allocate a maximum of \$500 for Stoner Park Easter event to purchase candy and supplies.
 - 1. Dates: Apr. 2022.
 - 2. Recipient: Stoner Park.
 - 3. Tasks: Candy, snacks.

- d. <u>Neighborhood Purposes Grant</u>: Allocate \$5,000 to Pacific Graffiti Solutions for graffiti clean-up within 24 hours of reporting.
 - i. Dates: May 1, 2022, to May 1, 2023.
 - ii. Recipient: Pacific Graffiti Solutions.
 - iii. Tasks: Funds will help purchase an additional vehicle for service calls.
- e. Video license: Nominate additional Boardmembers (\$200 fee).
- f. Film L.A.: Appoint liaison to receive notifications of film shoots.
 - i. Nomination: J.Ross.
- g. Stoner Park: Appoint liaison to the Stoner Park Advisory Board.
- h. Monthly profile: Cornerstone training (see Exhibit at end of Agenda).
- i. <u>LAUSD use permit</u>: NC can request Civic Center permit for neighbors to use schools' open space.
 - i. <u>Info</u>: https://www.laschools.org/new-site/facility-use/civic-center-permit/
- 3. General Public Comment: Items not on the Agenda (1-minute minimum).
 - a. Erin Darling, CD11 candidate www.ErinDarling11.com
 - b. Mike Newhouse, CD11 candidate www.NewhouseForLA.com
 - c. Greg Good, CD11 candidate www.Good4CD11.com
 - d. Allison Holdorf Polhill, CD11 candidate www.AllisonForLA.com
 - e. Soni Lloyd, CD11 candidate www.Lloyd4LACityCouncil.com
- 4. Government/Agency/Community Partner updates:
 - Mayor Eric Garcetti: West Area field deputy Vivesh Anand.
 Vishesh.Anand@LACity.org (213) 320-8205.
 - b. Council District #11-Mike Bonin: Planning Deputy Jason Douglas, WLA Field Deputy Gaby Markley.
 Jason.Douglas@LACity.org , Gaby.Markley@LACity.org
 - c. Supervisor District #3-Sheila Kuehl: Field Deputy Zachary Gaidzek, ZGaidzik@BOS.LACounty.gov
 - d. State Assembly District #30-Sydney Kamlager: Field Representative Josef Siroky, Josef.Siroky@Sen.CA.gov
 - e. State Assembly District #54-Isaac Bryan: Field Representative Michelle Persoff, Michelle.Persoff@Sen.CA.gov
 - f. Police Dept.: Senior Lead Officer James Lavenson 30627@lapd.online
 - g. Citizens Forestry Advisory Council (Urban Forestry): CD11 representative-Isabelle Duvivier.
 - h. DWP: Deborah Hong Deborah.Hong@LADWP.com .
 - i. LA Equity 100 program (clean energy).
 - Website for affordable units: https://LAHousing.LACity.org/AAHR
- 5. <u>Ex parte communications</u>: J. Ross conferred with Lara Regus, Abode Housing for scheduling (West LA Commons); Jesi Harris, Brian Silveira & Assoc., for scheduling (11835 Tennessee Pl. houses), Will Cipes, Carmel Partners, for scheduling (Bundy/ Expo/ Amherst apartments).
- 6. Officer Reports:
 - a. Chair.
 - b. Vice Chair.

- c. Treasurer.
- d. Secretary.
- 7. Committee Reports:
 - a. Planning and Land Use Management (J. Ross, Chair).
 - i. West L.A. Commons (civic center re-development)
 - 1. Case #: ENV-2022-1357-EAF (submitted Mar. 1, 2022).
 - 2. Town Hall: Design charrette May 11, 7:00 pm.
 - 3. Town Hall: Apr. 13 recording –

 https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/uNK3rVBxzeOe1iGJKl0
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 - 4. Motion: Establish ad hoc committee for 6-12 months.
 - 5. Planner: Courtney Shum (Courtney.Shum@LACity.org)
 - ii. Motions: 11835 Tennessee Pl. houses:
 - 1. Request that City purchase the entire triangle of 18,675 sf, and build a public park (3 houses / parcels).
 - a. 2300 S. Westgate Ave. (APN 4259-037-001).
 - b. 2306 S. Westgate Ave. (APN 4259-037-002).
 - c. 11835 W. Tennessee Pl. (APN 4259-037-003).
 - iii. Motion: Request that the City revise the Exposition Station Transit Neighborhood Plan as follows: Building breaks shall be clarified and defined per the same standards of the Westside Multifamily Q Conditions.
 - 1. Buildings that exceed 150 ft. in length shall have a break that is at least 20 ft wide and landscaped as an amenity, continuous from the ground floor to the sky, and must extend back the entire building. Garage entrances shall not count as breaks.
 - iv. <u>Motion</u>: Request that Planning Dept. provide zoning capacity of the city, in order to review Community Plan and Housing Element proposals for upzoning.
 - Justification: This information may be readily available because the City has completed and voted to approve its Housing Element, and it would need this information to approve a plan. Also, the Planning Dept. has spent two years studying demographics as part of the Westside Community Plans updates, and should have information available after two years (LUPC WRAC motion).
 - v. West L.A. Community Plan update:
 - 1. EIR Notice of Preparation will be released in the summer.
 - 2. A Community Plan Advisory Board will be formed with applications available in the Spring (35-40 members, including 1 PLUM member for each NC).
 - 3. Responses to conceptual land use suggestions will be in the Fall (based on last year's community meetings).

- b. Homeless (J.Handal, Chair).
- c. Outreach:
 - i. Nominations for Chair.
 - ii. Website updates and posting of documents.
 - iii. Email newsletters.
- d. Budget Advocates (J.Handal, Chair): April report #7.
 - Website: https://www.BudgetAdvocates.org/reports
- e. DWP:
 - i. Updates;
 - 1. Construction staging equipment and noise from workers in the morning, and parking on neighborhood streets.
 - 2. EMF impacts from new high-power lines.
 - 3. Installation of new infrastructure (tall poles, high-power wires, generators/ transformers).
 - ii. Proposal to build new office building on Nebraska Ave.: Original proposal for 60-ft tall building to start CEQA review.
 - 1. <u>Motion</u>: Request for Board to submit previous Resolution with project concerns to Board of DWP Commissioners.
 - a. Neighbor concerns with traffic, air pollution and noise in early morning on Nebraska Ave.
- f. Public Safety (R.Migdal, Chair).
- g. By-Laws:
 - i. <u>Motion</u>: Add 2 geographic resident seats to Board of Directors to better balance population and demographics.
- h. Environmental (J.Ross, Chair) N.C. Sustainability Alliance (Phil Ganchev, representative).
 - i. Nomination of Monica Mejia as stakeholder member.
 - ii. <u>Motion</u>: Oppose CF 19-0603 city proposal to expand City Fire District #1 (high fire hazard areas in urban centers that requires concrete construction).
 - iii. Motion: Oppose CF 21-0002-S106 city proposal to oppose AB 1401 (allows cities to eliminate parking minimums with ½-mile of high-quality transit stations).
 - iv. <u>Motion</u>: Support for CF 22-0151 city proposal to prohibit natural gas connections for new residential and commercial buildings, in order to reduce greenhouse emissions.
 - v. <u>Motion</u>: Support for CF 21-1463 city proposals to study and develop strategies to reduce greenhouse emissions from existing residential and commercial buildings during retrofits.
- 8. WRAC (Westside Regional Alliance of Councils): https://westsidecouncils.com/
 - a. Homeless Committee (J.Handal, Chair) Motion: Requests for consideration of CF 22-0158.
 - i. Information: https://westsidecouncils.com/motion/requests-for-consideration-e-cf-22-0158/.
 - b. Land Use and Planning Committee (J.Ross, representative).
 - c. Transportation Committee (J.Ross, representative).

- 9. General Public Comment: Items not on the Agenda (1-minute minimum).
- 10. Member announcements.
- 11. Adjournment.

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#2-D. Monthly profile (Mar. 2022) - next page:

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Jean	Shigematsu	At-Large Representative (2023)	12/7/2022	12/3/2022	3/4/2024 6/23/2022 8/11/2023
Jay	Handal	Large Business Representative (2023)	11/19/2023	8/13/2022	
Jamie	Keeton	Organizational Representative (2023)	6/23/2022	11/10/2022	
Ron	Migdal	At-Large Representative (2023)	10/23/2022		1/27/2024
Arman	Ghorbani	South East District Representative (2023)		11/29/2022	11/11/202
Jay	Ross	Organizational Representative (2023)	2/14/2024	10/27/2022	11/2/2023
Pierre	Tecon	At-Large Representative (2023)	11/15/2022	11/7/2022	11/9/2022
Galen	Pindell	South West District Representative (2023)	12/23/2022	12/22/2022	12/22/202
Mollie	Rudnick	North East District Representative (2023)	3/5/2023	3/4/2023	3/4/2023
Ehsan	Zahedani	At-Large Representative (2023)	12/11/2021	2/23/2024	2/23/2024
Danilo	Torro	Small Business Representative (2023)	10/10/2022	10/5/2022	10/5/2022
Teri	Temme	At-Large Representative (2023)	11/26/2022	2/9/2023	11/26/202
Adrian	Ransom	At-Large Representative (2023)	3/8/2024	3/7/2024	3/7/2024
Diedra	Greenaway	Small Business Representative (2023)			
Walton	Chiu	North West District Representative (2023)	3/9/2024	3/7/2024	3/7/2024

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i	Southwest	G. Pindell	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes			
j	Southeast	A. Ghorbani	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes			
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0	At Large	P. Tecon	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes			
1	At Large	R. Migdal	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes			
2	At Large	A. Ransom				Yes	Yes	Yes			
3	Business	J. Handal	Yes	NO		NO	Yes	Yes			
4	Business	D. Greenaway	Yes	NO		NO	NO	Yes			
5	Business	D. Torro	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes			
6	Organization	J. Ross	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes			
7	Organization	J. Keeton	Yes	Yes		NO	Yes	Yes			

#7-e: DWP Committee update (Deborah Hong, DWP)

As your West LA community liaison, I have consulted with several managers and subject matter experts at LADWP in relation to the topics noted in your email.

1. **Parking and Equipment Staging**: While street parking in the area is public, employees are discouraged from parking on the street and parking is provided inside the station for all personnel. There have been occasions when external contractors have been hired to complete some projects, but they are also instructed to park inside the station. The site supervisor has been patrolling and monitoring this for compliance.

Recently there have been a few projects located outside the station such as the sidewalk replacement, installation of parkway trees, and stringing cable parallel to Centinela, for which, trucks and equipment needed to be staged outside to facilitate the completion of work. We make every effort to minimize disruption to the public and complete work as quickly and safely as possible.

The ivy that covered the chain link fence along Nebraska was removed because it made the gate inoperable. The chain link fence currently has privacy screening, which is a standard material. We have re-located as much construction materials as we can to the south side of the station to reduce the level of activity at the north side along Nebraska. We will explore adding sound blankets and other sound mitigation measures.

- 2. **EMFs**: Conducting EMF measurements in the public right of way captures real time EMF levels resulting from nearby sources. EMF levels are known to dissipate with distance and may fluctuate. It is important to note that So Cal Edison has a power line that runs the length of Nebraska Ave and we cannot isolate EMF levels that may be emitted from that source, or from LADWP equipment alone. We recommend that customers contact the EMF Inquiry Line at (213) 842-0221 and request an individual reading at their home to get a better understanding of EMF levels that are applicable to their location.
- 3. **Monopole Locations**: The physical footprint of RS-K is small and adding upgraded equipment has been a challenge. Monopoles are connected to transformers and the locations were carefully selected to meet safety and clearance requirements. Unfortunately, the monopole at the NE corner of Nebraska and Centinela cannot be relocated due to its connection to a transformer. In addition, more monopoles will be added to the south side of the station.

We understand that this facility is near homes and that the residents have questions. As we mentioned before, RS-K is a critical facility that distributes power imported from renewable energy sources to the City of Los Angeles. Operations are complex and essential to maintaining power and reliability. We value the community's input and continue to encourage open dialog and communications.