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Board Meeting Agenda Monday May 11, 2020 - 6:30 PM

Virtual Meeting: See teleconferencing number for public participation below

The City's Neighborhood Council system enables civic participation for all Angelenos and serves as a voice for improving government responsiveness to local communities and their needs. We are an advisory body to the City of Los Angeles, comprised of volunteer stakeholders who are devoted to the mission of improving our communities and bringing government closer to us.

VIRTUAL MEETING TELECONFERENCING NUMBER FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – In conformity with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 (MARCH 17, 2020) and due to concerns over COVID-19, the Hollywood Studio District Neighborhood Council meeting will be conducted entirely telephonically.

Every person wishing to address the Neighborhood Council must dial 1-669-900-9128 and enter 896 2148 8224 and then press # to join the meeting. Instructions on how to sign up for public comment will be given to listeners at the start of the meeting.

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All items are listed for discussion and possible action, and may be discussed out of order.

I. OPENING CEREMONIES

(5 min)

- A. Call Meeting to Order
- B. Board Roll Call

REPORTS

- II. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR (3 min)**
- III. COMMUNITY/GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS (10 min)**
Representatives from government offices and community-based organizations
- A. LA City Council District 13, Mitch O’Farrell**
 - B. LAPD**
 - C. Other Government Departments/Agencies**
- IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS (5 min)**
Reports from standing and ad hoc committees
- A. Executive**
 - B. Outreach**
 - C. Bylaws, Selection, & Election**
 - D. Budget & Finance**
 - E. Planning & Land Use Management (PLUM)**
 - F. Public Safety**
 - G. Youth**
 - H. Other standing and ad hoc committee reports**
- V. LIAISONS, ALLIANCES, AND COALITIONS REPORTS (5 min)**
Reports from liaisons and alliances and coalitions HSDNC is a member of.
- VI. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS (5 min)**
Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board’s jurisdiction
(Up to 2 minutes per speaker; when prompted, speakers are requested to dial *9)

BOARD ACTIONS

- VII. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS (5 min)**
- A. Approve the March 9th, 2020 meeting minutes**
 - B. Approve the Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for March 2020**
 - C. Approve the Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for April 2020**

Board meeting minutes are available from the HSDNC website at <https://www.hsdnc.org/agendas-and-minutes/>.

Monthly Expenditure Reports are available from the Neighborhood Council Funding Dashboard at <https://cityclerk.lacity.org/NCFundPortal/Dashboard.html>

- VIII. Small Asphalt Repair initiative: priorities and liaison (5 min)**
- IX. Approve up to \$700 for mailing list services (5 min)**
- X. Resolution to support opening streets during COVID-19 crisis (10 min)**

Proposed Resolution Text:

Whereas COVID-19 has wreaked havoc on the City of Los Angeles, disrupting lives, costing lives, and severely hampering our economy;

Whereas essential workers still need to get to/from their place of work while maintaining 6' between them and another person;

Whereas poor air quality may increase susceptibility to COVID-19 and particulate matter may be linked to the spread of COVID-19;

Whereas Angelenos need access to the outdoors to maintain their physical and mental health during this difficult time;

Whereas our current bike lane network is inadequate to make people feel like cycling is a safe alternative to public transit;

Whereas Los Angeles has seen an increase in speeding since the stay at home order was implemented;

Whereas the average width of our sidewalks in the City of Los Angeles is 4.43', making maintaining 6' impossible and resulting in many people walking, running or biking in the street itself;

Whereas having open streets throughout the city eliminates the tendency for people to congregate in limited number of available open areas;

Whereas other major cities such as Oakland and New York City, have successfully closed street and experienced an improved the quality of life for residents;

Therefore be it resolved that the Hollywood Studio District Neighborhood Council supports enhancing mobility and open space access in Los Angeles during COVID-19, and specifically supports:

1. A temporary emergency safe streets network throughout the Hollywood Studio District jurisdiction, redistributing street space to widen sidewalks and create temporary protected bike lanes using cones or other temporary infrastructure to create more space for people walking, running, or biking on segments including but not limited to:
 - a. Bronson between Hollywood and Santa Monica,
 - b. Sunset between El Centro and Bronson, and
 - c. Gower between Hollywood and Melrose.
2. Using cones or other traffic calming measures on neighborhood streets to make them safer for people walking, running, or biking in neighborhoods, while maintaining local and emergency vehicle access throughout the Hollywood Studio District.
3. Using cones or other temporary infrastructure to close non-arterial, residential streets to non-local traffic including but not limited to:
 - a. El Centro between Fountain Ave and Melrose,
 - b. Oxford between Santa Monica and Melrose, and
 - c. Ridgewood between Santa Monica and Melrose.

The Hollywood Studio District Neighborhood Council supports this effort and calls on Councilmember O'Farrell, the Mayor's office and LADOT to quickly enact the proposals above to ensure the safety and livability of our city during this trying time.

XI. Community Impact Statement on CF 20-0416, Neighborhood Council Funds Rollover (5 min)

XII. Community Impact Statement on CF 20-0405, COVID-19 Infrastructure Accelerator (10 min)

Proposed CIS Text:

Whereas emissions from cars are the largest contributor to poor air quality and climate change in Los Angeles;

Whereas Los Angeles has one of the highest rates of childhood asthma in the country and gridlock costs our economy \$19 billion per year;

Whereas the average Angeleno spends 168 hours per year stuck in traffic;

Whereas the Hollywood Studio District is significantly impacted by vehicle traffic and resulting air pollution;

Whereas the Hollywood Studio District Neighborhood Council represents a largely transit-oriented population;

Whereas the Los Angeles City Council adopted a "2035 Mobility Plan" in 2015;

Whereas the City traditionally implements street reconfigurations such as adding bike and/or bus lanes while repaving a street;

Whereas COVID-19 has resulted in a dramatic reduction of vehicle traffic in Los Angeles;

Whereas the Bureau of Street Services (StreetsLA) is taking advantage of the drop in vehicle traffic to accelerate the repaving of major streets in the City through the "ADAPT" program;

Whereas the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) is responsible for striping the street, thereby dictating how the space is used;

Whereas LADOT is responsible for community outreach and generating necessary political will to reconfigure streets to include bus and/or bike lanes;

Whereas LADOT cannot keep up with the pace at which ADAPT is moving, resulting in streets on the Mobility Plan being repaved without the implementation of the 2035 Mobility Plan;

Whereas the City may be unlikely to restripe streets to insert bus and/or bike lanes before the streets must be repaved again (potentially in decades);

Whereas Mayor Eric Garcetti issued Executive Directive on February 10, 2020, instructing city departments to “deliver more and better bus transit”, to “activate streets” with more active transportation options, and to “prioritize the Right-of-Way” fulfilling commitments under L.A.’s Green New Deal;

Whereas bike lanes will provide a post-COVID-19 alternative to people fearful of public transit;

Whereas bus lanes could provide a post-COVID-19 alternative to crowded buses;

Whereas current transit riders may opt to use personal motor vehicles post-COVID-19 for fear of transit, without efficient alternatives available to them;

Whereas a comprehensive bus and bike lane network will dramatically reduce single occupancy vehicle use and traffic congestion;

Whereas Los Angeles’ streets were already unable to support vehicle traffic volume pre-COVID-19;

Therefore be it resolved that the Hollywood Studio District Neighborhood Council requests that the City implement the 2035 Mobility Plan, including any bus or bike lanes as specified in the Plan, when repaving streets under the ADAPT program. Where the City is unable to do so, the City will delay repaving until such a time that the 2035 Mobility Plan can be implemented.

CLOSING

XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS (5 min)

(Up to 1 minute per speaker; speakers are requested to fill out speaker cards)

XIV. NEW BUSINESS (5 min)

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XV. ADJOURNMENT

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