



General Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 19, 2024, 7:00pm

Meetings end at 9:30pm unless the Board votes to end earlier or extend the time.

Location: The Residence Inn, 1177 S Beverly Dr, Los Angeles, CA 90035- Meeting Room

1. **Call to Order: 7:39 pm**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call: Shirley Traum, Stuart Weiss, Mitch Cohen, Laurie Levine, Jon Liberman, Michael Lynn, Ken Blaker, Marlene Katz, Barry Levine, Baila Romm, Terrence Gomes, Avi Youshaei, Joel Weinberger**
Quorum: 13

Jason Pummer entered the meeting at 8:03 pm

Mitch Cohen left the meeting at 8:27 pm

4. **General Public Comment: None**
5. **Brief Board Announcements**
 - a. Items for General Board Agendas and other Brief Board Announcements
The Board needs to find a secretary. Baila Romm will be resigning from the position
6. **Community Reports**
 - a. LA Police Department (Baker - 39796@lapd.online / Ojeda - 36393@lapd.online)
 - b. LA Fire Department- Battalion 18 (lafdbattalion18@lacity.org)
 - c. Office of Councilmember Hutt (Guevara - mayra.guevara@lacity.org) **Terrence Gomes gave report**
 - d. Office of Councilmember Yaroslavsky (Rodriguez - cairo.rodriguez@lacity.org) **Gave Report**
 - e. Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (Erving - commission@empowerla.org)
 - f. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (Andrews- dina.andrews@lacity.org)
 - g. Office of Mayor Bass (Miller - kenneth.g.miller@lacity.org)

- h. Office of County Supervisor Horvath (Laflan - ALaflen@bos.lacounty.gov) **Gave Report**
- i. Office of State Assemblymember Bryan (Persoff - Michelle.Persoff@asm.ca.gov) **Gave Report**
- j. Office of State Senator Smallwood-Cuevas (Vacant - Elizabeth.Birks@sen.ca.gov)
- k. Office of Congressman Kamlager-Dove (Riley - Naomi.Riley@mail.house.gov)
- l. Other Neighborhood, City and State offices Tristen Marler LA San NC Liaison
Tristen.marler@lacity.org

7. ~~Presentation: Weingart Center to turn the current assisted living facility located at 3340 Shelby Drive into an interim housing facility targeting low-income seniors~~
Not Present – Will give presentation next month

8. **Presentation: Ocean Café / Bar at 1517-1521 S. Robertson Blvd. - application for an alcohol license (SOUTH ROBERTSON NEIGHBORHOODS COUNCIL previously voted to support application)**

Jason Pummer has entered the meeting at 8:03 pm

9. Board Membership- Selections, Removals, & Resignations

- a. Motion to Appoint At-Large Representative (Unfilled Resident Zone 8 Representative - Term expires June 30, 2027) (GB031924-01)
— Gabriel Gershov Withdrawn
- b. Motion to Appoint At-Large Representative (Unfilled Business Representative 5- Term expires June 30, 2027) **(No Applicants)**
- c. Motion to Appoint At-Large Representative (Unfilled Organization Representative 1 - Term expires June 30, 2027) **(No Applicants)**
- d. Motion to Appoint At-Large Representative (Unfilled Organization Representative 3 – Term expires June 30, 2027) **(No Applicants)**
- e. Motion to Appoint Student Representative (Term expires in 1 year) **(No Applicants)**
- f. Motion to Appoint Zone 4 Representative seat (Term expires June 30, 2027) **(No Applicants)**

10. Committees, Liaisons and Alliances

- a. Liaison and Alliance Representative Appointments
 - I. Motion to appoint LADWP Representative (GB031924-02)
 - II. Motion to appoint LADWP Alternate Representative (GB031924-03)
 - III. Motion to appoint Budget Advocates Representative (1) (GB031924-04)
- b. Committee, Liaisons and Alliance Reports
 - I. Standing Committees: Executive; Education; Land Use; Public Safety; Homelessness; Outreach; Transportation; Business Advocacy & Development; Parks and Recreation; Budget & Finance; Bylaws; Board Development (No Volunteers)
 - II. Ad-hoc Committees: Tree Removal Notification; Medallion Locations; Tree Placement; Public Safety Town Hall (No Volunteers)

- III. Liaisons and Alliances: LANCC, WRAC, LADWP, Budget Advocates, City Attorney, Sustainability, District 37 Congressional Council, Homelessness (No Volunteers)
- c. Opportunity to Join and/or Change Membership to Board Committees (GB031924-05) **Avi Youshaei joined Land Use Committee**

11. Unfinished Business

- a. None

Mitch Cohen left the meeting at 8:27 pm

12. Consent Agenda

- a. Motion to approve February 15, 2024 General Board Meeting Draft Minutes (GB031924-06)
- b. Motion to approve February 2024 MERS Report (GB031924-07)
- c. Motion for the SOUTH ROBERTSON NEIGHBORHOODS COUNCIL to approve the Medallion Location Ad-hoc Committee report and submit request to CD-10 and CD-5 to create a council file (GB031924-08)
- d. Motion for the SOUTH ROBERTSON NEIGHBORHOODS COUNCIL to fund up to \$500.00 for refreshments for Board Retreat on April 15, 2024 from 6-9 pm at the Robertson Rec Center (GB031924-09)
- ~~e. Motion for the SOUTH ROBERTSON NEIGHBORHOODS COUNCIL to write a letter to all of the Councilmembers, (cc Mayor Bass and the Police Commission) to open a council file to explore drone as a first responder programs that allow LAPD to utilize drones to combat crime (GB031924-10)~~
- ~~f. Motion for the SOUTH ROBERTSON NEIGHBORHOODS COUNCIL to send a letter to CD 10 requesting "No Parking at Any Time" signs be installed in the Garth Underpass under the 10 Freeway on both sides of the street from Corning to Beverlywood (GB031924-11)~~
- ~~g. Motion for the SOUTH ROBERTSON NEIGHBORHOODS COUNCIL to request that CD 10 create a special account for brighter streetlights in the SORO area. Each location is \$1000 per light and the SORO NC Public Safety Committee would focus on 10 locations for a total of \$10,000.00. The SORO NC Public Safety Committee would work with LAPD to determine the best locations to decrease crime (GB031924-12)~~
- h. Motion for the SOUTH ROBERTSON NEIGHBORHOODS COUNCIL to send a letter to CD 5 and CD 10 to request LADOT that the cross walk light on Robertson Blvd at Sawyer Street be changed from a flashing yellow light to a solid red Light for pedestrian safety (GB031924-13) **Removed permanently as moot**
- i. Motion for the SOUTH ROBERTSON NEIGHBORHOODS COUNCIL to send a letter to CD 5 to request LADOT that a traffic study be performed on La Cienega Blvd. at Airdrome St. for a possible "No Turn on Red" sign on the Southwest corner of La Cienega and Airdrome St. (GB031924-14)
- ~~j. Motion for the SOUTH ROBERTSON NEIGHBORHOODS COUNCIL to send a letter to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment and the Board of~~

~~Neighborhood Commission to address deficiencies in the anti-bias trainings
(GB031924-15)~~

Public Comment: None

Moved: Ken Blaker Second: Barry Levine
Consent Agenda items a, b, c, d, i only

Vote: Yes 13 no 0 abs 0
Yes: Shirley Traum, Stuart Weiss, Mitch Cohen, Laurie Levine, Jon Liberman, Michael Lynn, Ken Blaker, Marlene Katz, Barry Levine, Baila Romm, Terrence Gomes, Avi Youshaei, Joel Weinberger
Consent Agenda Approved items a,b,c,d,i only

13. New Business

- d. Motion for the SOUTH ROBERTSON NEIGHBORHOODS COUNCIL to write a letter to all of the Councilmembers, (cc Mayor Bass and the Police Commission) to open a council file to explore drone-as-a-first-responder programs that allow LAPD to utilize drones to combat crime (GB031924-10)

Moves: Baila Romm Second: Laurie Levine

Amend: Add wording “Unarmed” before Drones... replace “cameras would” with “cameras could”

Moved Amend: Baila Romm Second: Terrence Gomes

Vote to amend the letter:

Yes: Joel Weinberger, Baila Romm, Michael Lynn, Stuart Weiss, Terrence Gomes, Barry Levine, Shirley Traum, Ken Blaker, Avihi Youshaei, Jason Plummer, Laurie Levine, Marlene Katz, Jon Liberman

Vote to Amend Yes: 13-0-0

Motion as amended:

Yes: Joel Weinberger, Baila Romm, Michael Lynn, Stuart Weiss, Terrence Gomes, Barry Levine, Shirley Traum, Ken Blaker, Avihi Youshaei, Laurie Levine, Marlene Katz, Jon Liberman

No: Jason Plummer

Yes12 No1 Abstain 0

- e. Motion for the SOUTH ROBERTSON NEIGHBORHOODS COUNCIL to send a letter to CD 10 requesting “No Parking at Any Time” signs be installed in the Garth Underpass under the 10 Freeway on both sides of the street from Corning to Beverlywood (GB031924-11)

Moved: Baila Romm Second: Jon Liberman

Vote Yes: Joel Weinberger, Baila Romm, Michael Lynn, Stuart Weiss, Terrence Gomes, Barry Levine, Shirley Traum, Ken Blaker, Avihi Youshaei, Jason Plummer, Laurie Levine, Marlene Katz, Jon Liberman

Yes 13 No 0 Abs 0

Motion Passes

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Moved: Stuart Weiss Second: Jon Liberman

Vote: Yes 13 No 0 No 0

Yes: Shirley Traum, Stuart Weiss, Mitch Cohen, Laurie Levine, Jon Liberman, Michael Lynn, Ken Blaker, Marlene Katz, Barry Levine, Baila Romm, Terrence Gomes, Avi Youshaei, Joel Weinberger
Motion Passes

- j. Motion for the SOUTH ROBERTSON NEIGHBORHOODS COUNCIL to send a letter to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment and the Board of Neighborhood Commission to address deficiencies in the anti-bias trainings (GB031924-15)

Moved: Jon Liberman Second: Avi Youshaei

Yes: 12 No 1 Abs 0

Yes: Shirley Traum, Stuart Weiss, Mitch Cohen, Laurie Levine, Jon Liberman, Michael Lynn, Ken Blaker, Marlene Katz, Barry Levine, Baila Romm, Terrence Gomes, Avi Youshaei,
No: Joel Weinberger
Motion passes

14. Adjournment 9:12 pm by Chair without objection