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## General Board Special Meeting Draft Minutes

Thursday, December 11, 2025 @ 7:00pm

Location: online- <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89787982890> and by phone (877) 853-5257  
(Meeting ID No. 897 8798 2890)

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1. **Meeting Called to Order by Chair at 7:03 PM**
  2. **Pledge of Allegiance led by David Bruk**
  3. **Roll Call-**  
**Board Members Present: Stuart Weiss, Shia Fisher, Terrence Gomes, Michael Lynn, Michelle Bega, Barry Levine, Sandy Block, Beth Klein, Marlene Katz, Joseph Mollaie, Margarita Guzman, Judit Maull, Jack Twaijri, David Bruk, Baila Romm**  
  
**Board Members Absent: Megan Golding, Mallory Smith, Nathan Maryamian, Shirley Traum, Mitch Cohen, Joe Lisuzzo, Meera Srinivasan, Ryan Spivey**  
  
**Jason Plummer entered the meeting at 7:06 PM**  
**Baila Romm left the meeting at 7:47 PM**  
**Terrence Gomes left the meeting at 7:56 PM and returned at 8:20 PM**
  4. **General Public Comment:**  
No public comment.
  5. **Brief Board Announcements**
    - a. Items for Committee Agendas and other Brief Board Announcements
  6. **Community Reports**
    - a. LA Police Department (Baker) - 39796@lapd.online / (Ojeda) - 36393@lapd.online **Not present.**
    - b. LA Fire Department- Battalion 18 lafdbattalion18@lacity.org - **Not present.**
    - c. Office of Councilwoman Yaroslavsky, CD-5 (Rodriguez) - [cairo.rodriquez@lacity.org](mailto:cairo.rodriquez@lacity.org) **Present, gave report.**
    - d. Office of Councilwoman Hutt, CD-10 (Guevara) - [mayra.guevara@lacity.org](mailto:mayra.guevara@lacity.org) - **Not present.**

- e. Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (Erving) - [commission@empowerla.org](mailto:commission@empowerla.org) - **Not present.**
- f. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (Manzo)- [alfonso.manzo@lacity.org](mailto:alfonso.manzo@lacity.org) - **Not present.**
- g. Office of Mayor Bass (Hull) - [jennifer.hull@lacity.org](mailto:jennifer.hull@lacity.org) - **Not present.**
- h. Office of County Supervisor Mitchell, 2nd District (Park) - [DPark@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:DPark@bos.lacounty.gov) - **Not present.**
- i. Office of County Supervisor Horvath, 3rd District (Laflen) - [ALaflen@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:ALaflen@bos.lacounty.gov) - **Present, gave report**
- j. Office of State Assemblymember Bryan, AD-55 (Persoff) -[Michelle.Persoff@asm.ca.gov](mailto:Michelle.Persoff@asm.ca.gov) - **Not present.**
- k. Office of State Senator Smallwood-Cuevas, SD-28 (Hickambottom) - [Ann.Hickambottom@sen.ca.gov](mailto:Ann.Hickambottom@sen.ca.gov) - **Not present.**
- l. Office of Congressman Kamlager-Dove, CD-37 (Benarroch) - [Jackson.Benarroch@mail.house.gov](mailto:Jackson.Benarroch@mail.house.gov) - **Not present.**
- m. Other Neighborhood, City and State offices

**7. Board Membership- Selections, Removals, & Resignations**

- a. No actions or changes reported.

**8. Committees, Liaisons and Alliances**

- a. Liaison and Alliance Representative Appointments
  - I. Motion to appoint Budget Advocates Representative 2 (GB121125-01)

**No applicants were received; no action taken. Continued to next General Board Meeting**

- b. Committee, Liaisons and Alliance Reports

- I. Standing Committees: Executive (Lynn); Education (Guzman); Land Use Cohen); Public Safety (Gomes/Romm); Outreach (Lynn); Transportation (Plummer); Budget & Finance (Gomes); Bylaws (Fisher); Board Development (Plummer)

**Executive- No report.**

**Education- Committee Meeting to be rescheduled to January 2026.**

**Land Use-No report.**

**Public Safety- The Committee reported on its coordination with the City regarding traffic accidents along La Cienega Boulevard. Traffic enforcement is currently underway along the street to help prevent further accidents.**

**Outreach- SORONC will participate in the Winter Wonderland and Festival of Lights Event at Reynier Park on Dec. 15, 2025.**

**Transportation- No report.**

**Budget & Finance- No report.**

**Bylaws- The Committee reported that it held a special meeting at the end of November. The committee is preparing a consolidated recommendation sheet that will be shared publicly. Members were reminded that the final recommendations will require two readings and two votes, including a supermajority, in order to proceed with bylaws revisions. The committee is moving forward on an accelerated timeline.**

**Board Development- A date for the Board Retreat will be shared with the Board once finalized.**

II. Ad-hoc Committees: Trees  
**No report.**

III. Liaisons and Alliances: LANCC (Gomes), WRAC (Lynn), LADWP (Plummer, Maull), Budget Advocates (Maull), City Attorney (Lynn), District 37 Congressional Council (Weiss), Homelessness (Katz)

**LANCC- A Charter Reform Committee has been actively working on proposed reforms and will present before the Charter Reform Commission in January 2026. The full body will review the committee's work at the January meeting, vote on the recommendations, and, if approved, submit them to the Commission.**

**WRAC - No report.**

**LADWP - No report.**

**Michael Lynn stated that, per City Attorney guidance, Board members are required to have their cameras turned on during virtual meetings for votes to count. He noted that cameras must be on to confirm quorum and requested that all members turn on their cameras. Barry Levine asked for clarification on the rules regarding cameras being on or off and raised concern that quorum cannot be confirmed if members' cameras are off. Terrence Gomes clarified that quorum cannot be established if cameras are off and stated that cameras are required to be on throughout the meeting. Michael Lynn acknowledged the clarification and directed all Board members to turn on their cameras.**

**Shia Fisher explained that members may raise a point of privilege to request that unseen members turn on their cameras or to request a quorum call, which would require re-taking attendance, recording it in the minutes, and does not require a vote. She noted that the camera requirement is based on state law and offered to circulate the applicable policy. Jason Plummer asked whether there is a specific reference for the camera requirement, and Michael Lynn confirmed that it is set forth**

in state law. Marlene Katz and Margarita Guzman raised practical concerns related to timing and bandwidth when cameras are on. Michael Lynn clarified that while cameras may be turned off during discussion if necessary, both camera and audio must be on for votes to count, and members without cameras on during a vote will be marked absent and will not be counted toward quorum.

**District 37- No report.**

**Homelessness - No report.**

- c. Opportunity for Boardmembers to Join and/or Change Membership of Standing Committees (GB121125-02) - **None**
- d. Motion to confirm Miger Diaz as a Stakeholder Committee Member of the Education Committee (GB121125-03)

**Moved by Joseph Mollaie, seconded by Margarita Guzman.**

**No public comment.**

**Roll call; Michael Lynn**

**Shia Fisher-Yes, Stuart Weiss- Yes, Baila Romm- Yes, Terrence Gomes- Yes, Michael Lynn- Yes, Michelle Bega-Yes, Barry Levine-Yes, Jason Plummer-Yes, Sandy Block-Yes, Beth Klein-Yes, Marlene Katz- Yes, Joseph Mollaie- Yes, Margarita Guzman-Yes, Judit Maull-Yes, Jack Twajiri-Yes, David Bruk-Yes**

**16 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstain. Motion passes.**

## **9. Unfinished Business**

- a. Motion to recommend that the SORO NC fund a Community Improvement Project (CIP) up to \$1,000 to purchase and install a Little Free Library (choice of Double Door Shed Unfinished Little Free Library or Composite Two Story Forest Little Free Library) at Reynier Park (GB121125-04)

**Michael Lynn introduced the agenda item taken out of order from Unfinished Business, a motion to recommend funding a Community Improvement Project (CIP) in an amount not to exceed \$1,000 to purchase and install a Little Free Library at Reynier Park, with a choice between a Double Door Shed Unfinished Little Free Library or a Composite Two-Story Forest Little Free Library. He confirmed that the related budget line item had already been approved through the consent agenda and opened the item for technical questions.**

**Beth Klein asked whether the \$1,000 reflected a new line item in the updated fiscal year budget, and Michael Lynn confirmed that it did. Barry Levine asked whether the budget approval needed to occur prior to consideration of the motion, and Michael Lynn confirmed that it had already been approved.**

Barry Levine asked what the \$1,000 would cover, including whether it included construction, installation, and books. Michael Lynn clarified that the funding would cover the purchase of the library unit, post, shipping, and taxes, and that installation would be handled by Recreation and Parks facilities staff, with no funding beyond the \$1,000 cap. Stuart Weiss commented that prior cost estimates for Little Free Libraries were lower, and Michael Lynn responded that additional costs, such as shipping, tax, and the post brought the total close to \$900, with the amount rounded up for contingency. Jason Plummer asked whether installation costs were included, and Michael Lynn reiterated that costs would not exceed the approved amount.

Michelle Bega explained that books would be supplied through community donations and asked whether the Board would vote on the specific library model. Michael Lynn stated that the final choice would be left to stakeholders, depending on whether they preferred an unfinished or prefabricated option. Joseph Mollaie asked whether SORO NC would be recognized on the library, and Michael Lynn confirmed that a plaque would be included. Jason Plummer asked how the proposal originated, and Michael Lynn stated that the request came from stakeholders living in the area.

**Motion to recommend that the SORO NC fund a Community Improvement Project (CIP)**

**Moved by Terrence Gomes, Seconded by Michelle Bega**

**Roll call; Michael Lynn**

**Shia Fisher-Yes, Stuart Weiss- Yes, Terrence Gomes- Yes, Michael Lynn- Yes, Michelle Bega-Yes, Barry Levine-Yes, Jason Plummer-Yes, Sandy Block-Yes, Beth Klein-Yes, Marlene Katz- Yes, Joseph Mollaie- Yes, Margarita Guzman-Yes, Judit Maull-Yes, Jack Twaijri-Ineligible, David Bruk-No**

**13 Yes, 1 No, 0 Abstain, 1 ineligible. Motion Passes.**

## **10. Consent Agenda**

- a. Motion to accept the November 20, 2025 General Board Meeting Draft Minutes (GB121125-05)
- b. Motion to approve the November 2025 Monthly Expenditure Report (GB121125-06)
- c. Motion for the South Robertson Neighborhoods Council (SORO NC) to approve the REVISED FY2025-2026 SORO NC Budget (GB121125-07)
- d. Motion for the SORO NC to fund up to \$500 to purchase SORO NC Shirts for Boardmembers to wear at NC meetings and outreach events (GB121125-08)
- e. Motion for the SORO NC to submit a CIS to strongly support the motion contained in Council File 251136, with the following text:

“At a properly noticed Brown Act meeting of the General Board of the South Robertson Neighborhoods Council (SORO NC), the General Board voted \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_ Ineligible to strongly support the motion contained in Council File 25-1136.

The Neighborhood Prosecutor Program has proved to be invaluable to the Neighborhood Council system. In the past, the Program has been instrumental in facilitating the removal of illegal dispensaries, illicit massage parlors, and other nuisance properties and businesses within the SORO NC community. Without the Neighborhood Prosecutor Program, it is unlikely that we would have achieved success.” (GB121125-09)

- ~~f. Motion for the SORO NC to send a letter to CD5, LAPD, LADOT, LADBS about the operations of the business at 8600 W. Pico Blvd. The SORO NC has received numerous complaints from the community about double parking, parking in the red zone, and impeding traffic. The SORO NC is requesting active enforcement at this location. (GB121125-10)~~
- ~~g. Motion for the SORO NC to send a letter of support for a Preferred Parking District (PPD) in the Reynier Village area (GB121125-11)~~
- h. Motion for the SORO NC to send a letter to the Office of CD-10, to the Police Commission, LADOT, and other city departments, to let them know of our continued support for this project, and that the developer has created many mitigations that will relieve a lot of the problems during the rest of the construction period; And that they speedily give them any other permits or whatever they need to be able to finish the project (GB121125-12)

**[Bailla Romm left the meeting at 7:47 PM]**

**Public Comment: None**

**Items Removed:**

Item G was removed by Jason Plummer.  
Item F was removed by Beth Klein.

**Motion to approve the Consent Calendar - Items A, B, C, D, E, H  
Moved by Joseph Mollaie; Seconded by Jason Plummer**

**Roll Call; Michael Lynn**

◀ **Shia Fisher- Yes, Stuart Weiss- Yes, Terrence Gomes-Yes, Michael Lynn-Yes, Michelle Bega-Yes, Barry Levine-Yes, Jason Plummer-Yes, Sandy Block-Yes, Beth Klein-Yes, Marlene Katz-Yes, Joseph Mollaie-Yes, Margarita Guzman-Yes, Judit Maull-Yes, Jack Twaijri-Yes, David Bruk-Yes**

**15 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain. Motion Passes.**

**11. New Business** ▼

- a. None

**12. Items Removed from Consent Agenda**

- ~~g. Motion for the SORO NC to send a letter of support for a Preferred Parking District (PPD) in the Reynier Village area (GB121125-11)~~

Michael Lynn introduced the item and explained that the specific boundaries would be determined through a street-by-street petition process in a contiguous area, rather than a fixed map, and clarified that the PPD concept discussed included daytime two-hour limits for non-permit holders and permit-only overnight parking on the residential side (not including the park area). Barry Levine asked whether a map would be provided. Michelle Bega asked whether the effort was already underway and whether a PPD would affect parking for an upcoming event; Michael Lynn said it would not.

Terrence Gomes recused himself due to involvement in the project and left the meeting at 7:56 PM. Quorum was maintained.

Jason Plummer spoke in opposition to PPDs, raising concerns about displacement of parking to adjacent neighborhoods, equity impacts, and conflicts with broader mobility and climate goals/Margarita Guzman echoed opposition, stating concerns that surrounding neighborhoods would bear the burden.

Barry Levine expressed agreement with their concerns, while Joseph Mollaie argued that affected areas can apply for their own PPD and questioned the equity framing. Jason Plummer responded that public streets are funded broadly and should remain accessible. Beth Klein raised public safety concerns described by a community member who had to park far from home and felt unsafe.

David Bruk asked generally about recusal requirements for members who live in affected areas, and Michael Lynn advised members to consult the City Attorney in advance if an agenda item may present a conflict. Before moving to a vote, Michael Lynn noted he is generally opposed to preferred parking on principle but acknowledged residents' safety and accessibility concerns given inadequate parking in some areas, stating he understood both sides.

**Motion to send letter of support for a PPD**  
Moved by Shia Fisher; Seconded by Joseph Mollaie

**Roll Call; Michael Lynn**  
Shia Fisher-No, Stuart Weiss-Abstain, Michael Lynn-Abstain, Michelle Bega-Abstain, Barry Levine-No, Jason Plummer-No, Sandy Block-Abstain, Beth Klein-Yes, Marlene Katz-Abstain, Joseph Mollaie-Yes, Margarita Guzman-No, Judit Maull-No, Jack Twaijri-No, David Bruk-No

**2 Yes, 7 No, 5 Abstain. Motion Fails. The SORONC will not send a letter in support.**

f. Motion for the SORO NC to send a letter to CD5, LAPD, LADOT, LADBS about the operations of the business at 8600 W. Pico Blvd. The SORO NC has received numerous complaints from the community about double parking, parking in the red zone, and impeding traffic. The SORO NC is requesting active enforcement at this location. (GB121125-10)

**Terrence Gomes returned to meeting at 8:20PM.**

**Beth Klein explained she had requested removal of the item because she was concerned it appeared unfairly targeted at one business when similar issues may exist elsewhere, and noted she had not personally observed the double-parking problem, though she supports safer streets and enforcement generally.**

**Jason Plummer stated he lives near the location and regularly observes vehicles occupying the red zones, particularly because the site is on a corner with extensive red curb, and suggested exploring solutions such as designated motorcycle/scooter parking while emphasizing that red zones should not be used for parking. Joseph Mollaie responded that widespread behavior does not make it legal, said stakeholders have raised the business as a nuisance, and supported requesting City involvement while noting the same standards could apply across other businesses as well.**

**Beth Klein asked whether the letter would be too late if the City is already involved. Michelle Bega suggested the letter could serve as reinforcement, referenced witnessing a parking-related confrontation near the business, and noted that action has been discussed for months without resolution.**

**Jason Plummer added that the Transportation Committee has an upcoming agenda item addressing red-zone parking on Pico more broadly and expressed a preference for solution-oriented action rather than solely punitive measures. Joseph Mollaie noted that the business owner would be copied on the letter so they have an opportunity to respond.**

**Motion for the SORO NC to send a letter to CD5, LAPD, LADOT, LADBS about the operations of the business at 8600 W. Pico Blvd.**

**Moved by Terrence Gomes, Seconded by Joseph Mollaie**

**Roll Call; Michael Lynn**

**Shia Fisher- Yes, Stuart Weiss- Yes, Terrence Gomes-Yes, Michael Lynn-Yes, Michelle Bega-Yes, Barry Levine-Yes, Jason Plummer-Yes, Sandy Block-Yes, Beth Klein-Abstain, Marlene Katz-Yes, Joseph Mollaie-Yes, Margarita Guzman-Abstain, Judit Maull-Yes, Jack Twaijri-Yes, David Bruk-Yes**

**13 Yes, 0 No, 2 Abstain. Motion Passes.**

**13. Meeting Adjourned by Chair, without objection at 8:34 PM**