



General Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 18, 2026 @ 6:30pm

Location: [Claude Pepper Recreational Senior Citizens Center](#)
[1762 S. La Cienega Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90035](#)

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1. Meeting Called to Order by President Michael Lynn at 6:40 PM
 2. Pledge of Allegiance led by Michael Lynn
 3. Roll Call:
Boardmembers Present- Michael Lynn, Terrence Gomes, Stuart Weiss, Baila Romm, Michelle Bega, Barry Levine, Daniel Romm, Rachael Petru, Joe Lisuzzo, Sandy Block, Beth Klein, Judit Maull, Marlene Katz, Ronald Steinhoff, Ryan Spivey, Jack Twaijri.

Boardmembers Absent- Mitch Cohen, David Bruk, Shirley Traum, Jason Plummer, Aaron Sinai, Megan Goldring.

Joseph Mollaie entered the meeting at 6:51pm
Daniel Romm left the meeting at 6:56pm and rejoined the meeting at 8:13pm
 4. General Public Comment: None
 5. Brief Board Announcements
 - a. Items for Committee Agendas and other Brief Board Announcements
SORO NC Shirts are still available for Boardmembers who haven't received them yet
New Notetaker- Gustavo Silva
 6. Community Reports
 - a. LA Police Department (Cohen) - 41706@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

Cairo reported on the recent ordinance regarding oil well drilling and the protection of small businesses from harassment. Discussed reports of noise and littering at a local Ghost Kitchen. The office is monitoring the situation; investigations into business operations do not have a set timeline.

- d. Office of Councilwoman Hutt, CD-10 (Guevara) - mayra.guevara@lacity.org
Terrence Gomes announced a shredding and recycling event on July 25. The CD10 Movies-In-The-Park event last Friday was very successful, with over 500 people.
- e. Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (Erving) - commission@empowerla.org -**Not Present**
- f. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (Manzo)- alfonso.manzo@lacity.org -**Not Present**
- g. Office of Mayor Bass (Hull) - jennifer.hull@lacity.org / (Moret) allen.moret@lacity.org -**Not Present**
- h. Office of County Supervisor Mitchell, 2nd District (Park) - DPark@bos.lacounty.gov -**Not Present**
- i. Office of County Supervisor Horvath, 3rd District (Laflan) - ALaflen@bos.lacounty.gov
Not Present
- j. Office of State Assemblymember Bryan, AD-55 (Persoff) -Michelle.Persoff@asm.ca.gov
Michelle provided updates on the state budget deadline (June 29) and legislation regarding attorney access to hospitalized clients.
- k. Office of State Senator Smallwood-Cuevas, SD-28 (Hickambottom) - Ann.Hickambottom@sen.ca.gov -**Not Present**
- l. Office of Congressmember Kamlager-Dove, CD-37 (Benarroch) - Jackson.Benarroch@mail.house.gov -**Not Present**
- m. Office of LAUSD School Board District 1 – (Newbill) -**Not Present**
- n. Other Neighborhood, City and State offices – **None Present**

7. Board Membership- Selections, Removals, & Resignations

- a. Appointment of the Organization Representative 3 Board Seat (Currently At Large, Term ending June 2027) (GB061826-01)
 - **Postponed to the July 16, 2026 General Board meeting, due to technical issues with the Website form submission function**
- b. Appointment of the At Large Representative 3 Board Seat (Term ending June 2029) (GB061826-02)
 - **Postponed to the July 16, 2026 General Board meeting, due to technical issues with the Website form submission function**
- c. Motion to appoint a SORO NC Vice President (GB061826-03)
Continued to next General Board meeting by Chair, without objection

8. Committees, Liaisons and Alliances

- a. Committee, Liaisons and Alliance Reports
 - I. Standing Committees: Executive (Lynn); Education (Twaijri); Land Use Cohen); Public Safety (Gomes/Romm); Outreach (Lynn); Transportation (Plummer); Budget & Finance (Gomes); Bylaws (VACANT); Board Development (Plummer)

Education: No meeting was held this month. The committee will be terminated unless a board member volunteers to take over its leadership.

Outreach: The committee reported a busy calendar of upcoming events to provide outreach at our table. This includes the Pico Cleanup confirmed for Sunday, October 11, and the "Splish Splash" event scheduled for August 9 from 3:00 PM to 10:00 PM at Reynier Park.

- II. Ad-hoc Committees: Trees
- 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: There will be no meeting in July, due to the Holiday weekend.

WRAC: The organization voted to host a debate for the City Attorney race.

Budget Advocates (BA): "Budget Day" is scheduled for June 27, beginning at 7:30 AM, with the formal program starting at 9:00 AM. The event provides an opportunity for members and stakeholders to discuss how the city budget is allocated and managed.

- b. Opportunity for Boardmembers to Join and/or Change Membership of Standing Committees (GB061826-04)

Michelle Bega removed herself from Outreach Committee

9. Unfinished Business

- a. Motion for the South Robertson Neighborhoods Council (SORO NC) to send a letter to CD 5 Councilwoman Yaroslavsky and the Los Angeles Zoning Administrator recommending approval of the construction of a new seven-story, 78' height, 55,567sf apartment building on a vacant lot at 1416 S. Beverly Dr., on the condition of review of the impact on the water supply, sewer and electrical systems servicing the site (GB061826-05)

Continued to next General Board meeting by Chair, without objection

10. Consent Agenda

- a. Motion to accept the May 14, 2026 General Board Meeting Draft Minutes (GB061826-06)
- b. Motion for the SORO NC to send a letter to CD5 to request the authority for the SORO NC to use the Robertson Recreation - Child Care Center, with the following text- "Dear Councilwoman Yaroslavsky, The SORO NC would like to request to use the former

Child Care Center at the Robertson Recreation Center as an office for the SORO NC and to host its Committee Meetings there. If approved, we would need CD5 to pay for the changing of the locks. Sincerely, ..." (GB061826-07)

Technical Question Summary:

There were questions about the current status of the Child Care Center and how it would be used as an office. Chair answered that the previous CD5 Councilmember Paul Koretz had promised the SORO NC that it could be the NC office after the Rec Center renovation completion, but a previous SORO NC President chose not to pursue. At the SORO NC Board Retreat, the Rec Center employee was unaware of any current Recs and Parks Department plans to use, but the Rec Center does use it for some activities.

Public Comment: None

Items Removed (and who removed them): Item a (Baila Romm)

Motion to approve remaining item (b) on the Consent Agenda
Moved by Terrence Gomes; Seconded by Michelle Bega

Roll Call Vote: Michael Lynn- **Yes**, Terrence Gomes- **Yes**, Stuart Weiss- **Yes**, Baila Romm- **Yes**, Michelle Bega- **Yes**, Barry Levine- **Yes**, Rachael Petru- **Yes**, Joe Lisuzzo- **Yes**, Sandy Block- **Yes**, Beth Klein- **Yes**, Judit Maull- **Yes**, Marlene Katz- **Yes**, Ronald Steinhoff- **Yes**, Ryan Spivey- **Yes**, Joseph Mollaie- **Yes**, Jack Tawijiri- **Yes**.

16 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain. Motion Passes

11. New Business

Multiple Item Public Comment:

a. Motion to approve the May 2026 Monthly Expenditure Report (GB061826-08)
Moved by Terrence Gomes; Seconded by Baila Romm;

Roll Call Vote: Michael Lynn- **Yes**, Terrence Gomes- **Yes**, Stuart Weiss- **Yes**, Baila Romm- **Yes**, Michelle Bega- **Yes**, Barry Levine- **Yes**, Rachael Petru- **Yes**, Joe Lisuzzo- **Yes**, Sandy Block- **Yes**, Beth Klein- **Yes**, Judit Maull- **Yes**, Marlene Katz- **Yes**, Ronald Steinhoff- **Yes**, Ryan Spivey- **Yes**, Joseph Mollaie- **Yes**,

Motion approved (15 yeses, 0 nos, 1 0 abstains).

b. Motion for the SORO NC to approve its 2026-27 Budget, Second Signer, Alternate Signer, Credit Card Holder (GB061826-09)
Moved by Terrence Gomes; Seconded by Baila Romm;

Discussion: Baila Romm inquired whether the rollover funds were under 10k USD. Rachael Petru asked about the process for reallocating unspent funds should the Council require additional storage. It was noted that once the budget is approved and submitted, it will be published on the website for public review; the Board may

hold two or three additional meetings throughout the year to adjust the budget as necessary.

Roll Call Vote: Michael Lynn- Yes, Terrence Gomes- Yes, Stuart Weiss- Yes, Baila Romm- Yes, Michelle Bega- Yes, Barry Levine- Yes, Rachael Petru- Yes, Joe Lisuzzo- Yes, Sandy Block- Yes, Beth Klein- Yes, Judit Maull- Yes, Marlene Katz- Yes, Ronald Steinhoff- Yes, Ryan Spivey- Yes, Joseph Mollaie- Yes

Motion approved- 15 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain

c. Motion for the SORO NC to renew one (1) Zoom License for the 2026-2027 year in the amount of up to \$256 (GB061826-10)

Moved by Terrence Gomes; Seconded by Michelle Bega;

Roll Call Vote: Michael Lynn- Yes, Terrence Gomes- Yes, Stuart Weiss- Yes, Baila Romm- Yes, Michelle Bega- Yes, Barry Levine- Yes, Rachael Petru- Yes, Joe Lisuzzo- Yes, Sandy Block- Yes, Beth Klein- Yes, Judit Maull- Yes, Marlene Katz- Yes, Ronald Steinhoff- Yes, Ryan Spivey- Yes, Joseph Mollaie- Yes, Daniel Romm- Abstain

Motion approved (15 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain)

12. Items Removed from Consent Agenda

Motion to accept the May 14, 2026 General Board Minutes, to with the correction that Baila Romm voted "Yes" rather than "No" to approve Item 10 (Consent Agenda)

Roll Call Vote: Michael Lynn- Yes, Terrence Gomes- Yes, Stuart Weiss- Yes, Baila Romm- Yes, Michelle Bega- Yes, Barry Levine- Yes, Rachael Petru- Yes, Joe Lisuzzo- Yes, Sandy Block- Yes, Beth Klein- Yes, Judit Maull- Yes, Marlene Katz- Yes, Ronald Steinhoff- Yes, Ryan Spivey- Yes, Joseph Mollaie- Yes, Daniel Romm- Yes, Jack Twaijri- Yes.

Motion approved (17 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain)

13. Meeting Adjourned by Chair at 8:19 PM, without objection

