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CITY OF LOS ANGELES CALIFORNIA



GHNNC Board Meeting
Tuesday, March 1, 2022 – 6:30 PM
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IN CONFORMITY WITH THE SEPTEMBER 16, 2021 ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA ASSEMBLY BILL 361 (RIVAS) AND DUE TO CONCERNS OVER COVID-19, THE GRANADA HILLS NORTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED ENTIRELY WITH A CALL-IN OPTION OR INTERNET-BASED SERVICE OPTION. TO ACCESS DOCUMENTS RELEVANT TO THIS MEETING GO TO GHNNC.ORG AND CLICK ON THE LINK IN THE MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT.

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All agenda items are subject to discussion and possible Board action

- A. Call to Order, Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Comments from CD 12, LAPD Senior Lead Officers, Elected Official Reps, Government Agencies (Limited to three minutes)
- C. Public Comment on agenda and non-agenda items (Limited to two minutes).
- D. President
 - 1. Committee Motions for Board action
 - 2. Guidelines on how NCs are to host candidates running for an office
 - 3. Discussion and Motion to approve a CIS supporting the council file (21-1465) if amended, to include reinstatement of ordinance 8502, to allow the towing of recreational vehicles, as mentioned on 2/23/2022 at City Council (See Attached).
- E. Executive Committee
 - 1. Motion to approve the following Board Meeting minutes
 - a. GHNNC February 1, 2022 Board Meeting (See Attached)
- F. Treasurer Report
 - 1. Discussion and Motion to approve the January 2022 MER
 - 2. There is no February 2022 MER report as it will be issued post the March 1, 2022 meeting.
 - 3. CAG (Community Advisory Group)

- 4. Budget Advocate Report
- G. Planning and Land Use Committee Report
- H. Emergency Preparedness Committee Report
- I. Citywide Issues Committee Report
 - 1. Discussion and moved that GHNNC oppose mandatory training for members of NC Planning and Land Use Management Committees and Further moved that each neighborhood council develop its own qualifications to become a member of PLUM Committee
 - 2. Discussion and motion that GHNNC opposes the draft proposal prepared by Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (BONC) and Further moved that the BONC support to return to previous policy of attestation by Board members and Further moved that each Neighborhood council develop its own approved method of managing Code of Conduct violations committed by its Board, Committee and/ or stakeholders.(See Attached)
 - 3. Discussion and motion that GHNNC contact Council Member John Lee and advise him to initiate a Council File that Los Angeles City Council rescind its actions regarding Whiteman Airport and to propose instead that Whiteman Airport shall remain open for its activities. CF-2021-21-0002-S13 (11-24-2020)
 - 4. Discussion and motion that GHNNC communicate to the City Ethics Commission and City Attorney to open an audit to assess that the attendance at the National Football League Championship and Super Bowl games of any of the following: Los Angeles officials: City Council Members. City Mayor, City Controller, City Attorney, City Department Heads and City Appointed Commissioners, was in compliance with the Brown Act.
- J. Outreach and Publicity Committee Report
 - 1. Please mark your calendars for our Earth Day shred event Saturday, 4/23/2022 at St. Euphrasia parking lot.
- K. Public Safety Committee Report
 - 1. Discussion and Motion for DOT to install No Parking signs between 2am 6am for large vehicles over 7' high and 22' long on the north and south side of Rinaldi Ave. from Aliso Canyon to Zelzah Ave.
 - 2. Discussion and Motion for DOT to install No Parking signs between 2am 6am for large vehicles over 7' high and 22' long on the north and south side of Rinaldi Ave. from Aliso Canyon to 405 freeway.
 - 3. Discussion and Motion requesting increased LAPD police enforcement of right-turn only signage in third lane of northbound Balboa Blvd at Woodley Ave., where three lanes merges into two lanes (See Attached)
 - 4. Discussion and Motion for DOT to install no left turn sign onto Blvd. from Sesnon Blvd. Sesnon Blvd. needs to be marked as no left turns from between 4-7 p.m. (See Attached)
- L. West Valley Neighborhood Alliance on Homelessness Representative Report
- M. Small Business Representative Report
- N. Faith-Based Representative Report
- O. Student Representative Report
- P. Board Member Announcements
- Q. Adjournment

Time allocations for agenda items are approximate and may be shortened or lengthened at the discretion of the Chairperson.

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AB 361 Updates -

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AGENDA

LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL

Wednesday, February 23, 2022

10:00 AM

JOHN FERRARO COUNCIL CHAMBER

ROOM 340, CITY HALL

200 NORTH SPRING STREET, LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

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Telecommunication Relay Services

Telephone communication is one of the most important forms of communication in society today. Due to advancements in technology, telephone devices have evolved with new services and capabilities. Individuals who are deaf and hard of hearing, and individuals with a speech disability are following these trends and are rapidly migrating to more advanced telecommunications methods, both for peer-to-peer and third-party telecommunications relay service (TRS) communications.

Telecommunications Relay Service is a telephone service that allows persons with hearing or speech disabilities to place and receive telephone calls. TRS is available in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the U.S. territories for local and/or long distance calls. TRS providers - generally telephone companies - are compensated for the costs of providing TRS from either a state or a federal fund. There is no cost to the TRS user.

What forms of TRS are available? There are several forms of TRS, depending on the particular needs of the user and the equipment available: TRS includes: Text to Voice TIY-Based TRS; Speech-to-Speech Relay Service; Shared Non-English Language Relay Service; Captioned Telephone Relay Service; Internet Protocol Relay Service; and Video Relay Service. Please visit this site for detail descriptions, https://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/telecommunications-relay-service-trs.

Don't hang up! Some people hang up on TRS calls because they think the CA is a telemarketer. If you hear, "Hello. This is the relay service ... " when you pick up the phone, please don't hang up! You are about to talk, through a TRS provider, to a person who is deaf, hard-of-hearing, or has a speech disability.

For more information about FCC programs to promote access to telecommunications services for people with disabilities, visit the FCC's Disability Rights Office website.

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BASIC CITY COUNCIL MEETING RULES

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Ten (10) members of the Council constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The Council may consider an item not listed on the agenda only if it is determined by a two-thirds (10) vote that the need for action arose after the posting of an Agenda. Some items on the agenda may be approved without any discussion, however, any item may be called "special" by a Councilmember. If an item is called "special" it will be "held" until the remainder of the items on the Council agenda have been acted on by the Council. An item may also be called "special" if a member of the public has requested to speak on the item and a public hearing was not previously held.

The City Clerk will announce the items to be considered by the Council, however items will be grouped. For example, all items for which required public hearings have not previously been held are listed in one section on the printed agenda. The Council President will ask if any Councilmember or member or the public wishes to speak on one or more of these items. If anyone wishes to speak on an item, it will be called "special". The remaining items in this section will be voted on by Council with one roll call vote.

PUBLIC INPUT AT CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS - An opportunity for the public to address the Council on agenda items for which public hearings have not been held will be provided at the time the item is considered or during the Multiple Agenda Item Comment period. Members of the public who wish to speak on items shall be allowed to speak for up to one minute per item up to a total of three minutes per meeting. The Council has determined that a cumulative total of 20 minutes is a reasonable minimum amount of time for the Multiple Agenda Item segment of each regular meeting.

The Council will also provide an opportunity for the public to speak on public interest items. Each speaker shall be limited to one minute of general public comment each regular meeting for a cumulative total of ten (10) minutes. The Council shall not discuss or take action relative to any general public comment.

If you wish to provide documents to the full Council for consideration on an item, please present the Sergeant-At-Arms with 35 copies. Otherwise, your materials will simply be added to the official record.

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<u>VOTING AND DISPOSITION OF ITEMS</u> - Most items require a majority vote of the entire membership of the Council (8 members). Items which have not been discussed in a Council Committee and have been placed directly on the agenda will require 10 votes to consider. Once considered, these items will normally require eight (8) affirmative votes to be adopted. Ordinances require a unanimous vote (at least 12 members must be present) in order to be adopted on first consideration. If an ordinance does not receive the necessary unanimous vote, it is laid over one calendar week. The

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When the Council has failed by sufficient votes to approve or reject an item, and has not lost jurisdiction over the matter, or has not caused it to be continued beyond the next regular meeting, the item is continued to the next regular meeting for the purpose of allowing the Council to again vote on the matter.

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RULE 16 MOTIONS - Council Rule No. 16, in part, allows a member to send an item directly to the Council without it having to go to a Council Committee first, by giving the City Clerk a motion (seconded by an additional member) during a Council session to be placed on the next regular available Council agenda.

Los Angeles City Council Agenda
Wednesday, February 23, 2022
JOHN FERRARO COUNCIL CHAMBER ROOM 340, CITY HALL 200 NORTH SPRING STREET,
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012 - 10:00 AM

Roll Call

Approval of the Minutes

Commendatory Resolutions, Introductions and Presentations

Multiple Agenda Item Comment

Public Testimony of Non-agenda Items Within Jurisdiction of Council

Items for which Public Hearings Have Been Held

(1) **21-1499**

ORDINANCE SECOND CONSIDERATION relative to amending Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 4.110 pertaining to part-time employment to provide clarifying and updated language regarding the application of benefits for half-time and intermittent employees.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The CAO reports that there is no cost associated with the clarifying and updated language contained in the ordinance amending LAAC Section 4.110.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(Personnel, Audits, and Animal Welfare Committee report adopted in Council on February 16, 2022)

(2) **22-0093**

ORDINANCES SECOND CONSIDERATION relative to amending the Los Angeles Administrative Code in regard to vacation for part-time employees.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The CAO reports that there are no costs associated with the technical changes reflected in the ordinances attached to its report, contained in the Council file.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(Personnel, Audits, and Animal Welfare Committee report adopted in Council on February 16, 2022)

(3) **21-0896 CD 11**

ORDINANCE SECOND CONSIDERATION relative to granting a private line franchise to Los Angeles World Airports to install and maintain a private line telecommunications facility in the public right-of-way connecting the buildings and facilities located at 9160 South Loyola Boulevard.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> None submitted by the City Attorney. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

<u>Community Impact Statement:</u> None submitted.

(Information, Technology, and General Services Committee report adopted in Council on February 16, 2022)

(4) **14-0880-S1 CD 15**

ORDINANCE SECOND CONSIDERATION relative to levying the Wilmington Commercial Business Improvement District (District) special assessment for the District's 22nd Fiscal Year (operating year) beginning on January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The City Clerk reports that there are no assessments for City-owned properties located within this merchant-based Business Improvement District. Therefore, there is no impact on the General Fund.

(Communication from the City Attorney dated February 4, 2022 adopted on February 16, 2022)

(5) **13-1724-S1 CDs 4, 13**

ORDINANCE SECOND CONSIDERATION relative to levying the Los Feliz Village Business Improvement District (District) special assessment for the District's 21st Fiscal Year (operating year) beginning on January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The City Clerk reports that there are no assessments for City-owned properties located within this merchant-based Business Improvement District. Therefore, there is no impact on the General Fund.

(Communication from the City Attorney dated February 4, 2022 adopted on February 16, 2022)

(6) **13-0765-S1 CD 12**

ORDINANCE OF INTENTION SECOND CONSIDERATION relative to the reconfirmation of the Chatsworth (Merchant-Based) Business Improvement District.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The City Clerk reports that there is no impact to the General Fund.

<u>Community Impact Statement:</u> None submitted.

(Economic Development and Jobs Committee report adopted in Council on February 16, 2022)

(7) **22-0058 CD 4**

ORDINANCE OF INTENTION SECOND CONSIDERATION relative to the renewal of the Larchmont Village (Property-Based) Business Improvement District (BID).

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The City Clerk reports that the assessment levied on the one City-owned property within the BID to be paid from the General Fund total \$7,576.71 for the first year of the BID. Funding is available in the BID first operating year. Proposition 218 requires the separation of general benefits from the special benefits. The general benefit portion for the Larchmont Village Business Improvement District is \$5,984.00 for the first year. However, funds other than assessment revenue must be budgeted annually for the general benefit expense for the remaining years of the BID's five-year term.

<u>Community Impact Statement:</u> None submitted.

(Economic Development and Jobs Committee report adopted in Council on February 16, 2022)

(8) **22-0040**

HOUSING COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a program to help lowincome city residents and Community Land Trusts (CLT'S) build and upgrade accessory dwelling units through new financial incentives that include financing for land acquisition and construction, and related matters.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Martinez – Cedillo):

REQUEST the City Administrative Officer (CAO), with assistance from the Los Angeles Housing Department, the Department of City Planning, and the Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety, to report back on a program that would help low-income city residents and CLT's build and upgrade Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU) through new financial incentives. This should include:

- Financing for land acquisition and construction
- How to leverage SB 9 incentives for affordable housing and CLT's (Council file No. 21-1045)
- Identifying low income homeowners at risk for foreclosure and connecting them to CLT's
- Utilizing Rent Escrow Account Program (REAP) properties for CLT's.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> Neither the CAO nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

(9) 22-0038

HOUSING COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the resources needed to build out the City's First-Time Homebuyer program and increase the number of loans and financing options provided to Los Angeles homebuyers.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Martinez – De Leon):

DIRECT the Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD) to report back with an assessment of the financial need among low- and moderate-income potential homebuyers in Los Angeles; and, PROVIDE recommendations, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer (CAO) in preparation for budget discussions for FY 2022-23, on the resources needed to further build out the City's First-Time Homebuyer program and meaningfully increase the number of loans and financing options provided to Los Angeles homebuyers.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> Neither the CAO nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

(10) **21-1060**

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the grant application and award for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22 Department of Homeland Security Port Security Grant Program in the amount of \$150,000 for the period of September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2024.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

- 1. AUTHORIZE the Chief, Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), or designee, to:
 - a. Retroactively apply for and accept the grant award from the United States Department of Justice, Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, for Fiscal Year 2021 Port Security Grant Program (FY21 PSGP) in the amount of \$150,000 for the period of September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2024.
 - b. Negotiate and execute the grant award agreement, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form.

2. AUTHORIZE the LAPD to:

a. Spend up to the total grant amount of \$150,000 in accordance with the grant award agreement.

- b. Submit grant reimbursement requests to the grantor and deposit the grant receipts in the Police Department Grant Fund No. 339/70.
- c. Prepare Controller instructions for any technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer (CAO), and authorize the Controller to implement the instructions.

3. AUTHORIZE the Controller to:

a. Establish a grant receivable and appropriate \$150,000 to an appropriation account to be determined, in the Fund No. 339/70, for the receipt and disbursement of the FY21 PSGP funds.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The CAO reports that approval of the recommendations within this report will provide up to \$150,000 in funding to the LAPD for the FY21 PSGP. The LAPD will provide \$50,000 in expense account funding as an in-kind match to meet the 25-percent match requirement. This funding is already provided as a part of the Department's FY 2021-22 Adopted Budget. There is no impact to the General Fund as a result of these recommendations.

<u>Financial Policies Statement:</u> The CAO reports that the recommendations provided in this report comply with the City's Financial Policies in that one-time grant funding will be utilized for one-time program expenditures.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

(11) 21-1292

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the grant application and award for the 2021 Community Policing Development De-Escalation Training Program (21 CPDDTP) in the amount of \$200,000 for the period of October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2023.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

 AUTHORIZE the Chief, Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), or designee, to:

- a. Retroactively apply for and accept the grant award in the amount of \$200,000 from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), for the 21 CPDDTP for the period of October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2023.
- b. Negotiate and execute the grant award agreement, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form.

2. AUTHORIZE the LAPD to:

- a. Submit grant reimbursement requests to the grantor and deposit grant receipts in Fund No. 339/70.
- b. Spend up to the total grant amount of \$200,000 in accordance with the grant award agreement.
- c. Prepare Controller instructions for any technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer (CAO), and authorize the Controller to implement the instructions.

3. AUTHORIZE the Controller to:

- a. Establish a grant receivable and appropriate \$200,000 to appropriation, account number to be determined, within Fund No. 339/70, for disbursement of the COPS 21 CPDDTP.
- b. Increase appropriations as needed from Fund No. 339/70, COPS 21 CPDDTP appropriation, account number to be determined, to Fund No. 100/70, account number and amount as follows:

Account No. 001092, Overtime Sworn, \$37,080

1. AUTHORIZE the City Clerk to:

a. Place the following action relative to the COPS 21 CPDDTP on the Council agenda on July 1, 2022 or the first meeting day thereafter:

Authorize the Controller to transfer from Fund No. 339/70, appropriation account number to be determined, to Fund No. 100/70, account number and amount as follows:

Account No. 001092, Overtime Sworn, \$37,080

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The CAO reports that approval of the recommendations within this report will provide \$200,000 in grant funding to the LAPD for the 21 CPDDTP. The grant will provide overtime funding for sworn personnel, training and travel, supplies and software development expenses. No matching funds are required for this grant. There is no impact to the General Fund as a result of these recommendations.

<u>Financial Policies Statement:</u> The CAO reports that the recommendations in this report comply with the City's Financial Policies in that one-time revenue is used for one-time expenses.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

(12) **13-1301-S5**

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to extending the grant performance period and contract authorities for the Securing the Cities (STC) Grant Program.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

- 1. AUTHORIZE the Mayor, or designee, to:
 - a. Approve the time extension of the STC grant award from all approved budget periods, Fiscal Years 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2016 (FY 12, 13, 14, 15, 16), extending the grant performance period through October 14, 2022.
 - b. Negotiate and execute a contract amendment with Insight Global Consulting Group, Inc. (Contract No. C-136315) to extend the term of the agreement through October 14, 2022, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form.
 - c. Negotiate and execute a contract amendment with the Long Beach Police Department (Contract No. C-124773) to decrease its total contract amount by \$33,818.00 from the previous approved amount of \$89,442.50 for a new contract amount of \$55,624.50, subject to the approval of the City Attorney as to form.

2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor, or designee, to prepare Controller instructions for any technical adjustments, subject to approval of the City Administrative Officer (CAO); and, AUTHORIZE the Controller to implement the instructions.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> The CAO reports that approval of the recommendations in this report will modify the STC grant program budget through funding reallocations, reappropriations, and amended subrecipient agreement terms for the FY 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 STC grant awards. No matching funds are required. There is no additional impact to the General Fund.

<u>Financial Policies Statement:</u> The CAO reports that the recommendations in this report are in compliance with the City's Financial Policies in that grant funds will be expended for grant-eligible activities and costs.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

(13) **21-1465**

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to violent and property crimes originating from or occurring within corridors populated with recreational vehicles.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by (Rodriguez - Koretz):

- 1. DIRECT the Los Angeles Police Department to report on violent and property crimes originating from or occurring within corridors populated with recreational vehicles.
- 2. INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Fire Department to report on fires originating from or occurring within corridors populated with recreational vehicles.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

(14) **21-1461**

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to replacing the Los Angeles Fire Department's (LAFD) Complaint Tracking System (CTS) with the Training Evaluation and Management System (TEAMS II), or a comparable system, to track internal complaints and investigations of misconduct.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Rodriguez - Krekorian):

INSTRUCT the LAFD, with assistance of the Los Angeles Police Department, to report on the feasibility of replacing the CTS with the TEAMS II, or a comparable system, to track internal complaints and investigations of misconduct.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

(15) **21-1283**

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to maintaining adequate sworn personnel staffing levels in the event of substantial noncompliance with the City's vaccination requirement for City workers.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Cedillo - Rodriguez):

INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Fire Department, with assistance of the City Administrative Officer (CAO) and the Personnel Department, to report with a plan to maintain adequate sworn personnel staffing levels in the event of substantial noncompliance with the City's vaccination requirement for City workers.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> Neither the CAO nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: Yes

For:

Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council

Against:

Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council

(16) **21-0028**

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the security measures the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) currently has in place to control access to City Hall; the actions taken to prepare for large-scale demonstrations in the Civic Center area; and enhancing City Hall security to prevent an intrusion similar to the January 6, 2021 incident at the United States Capitol.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Buscaino - Rodriguez - Martinez):

DIRECT the LAPD to report, in closed session as necessary, on security measures currently in place to control access to City Hall, the actions the LAPD undertakes to prepare for large-scale demonstrations in the Civic Center area, and recommendations to enhance City Hall security and prevent an intrusion similar to the January 6, 2021 incident at the United States Capitol.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

(Council may recess to Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(a), to confer with the LAPD on matters posing a threat to security of public buildings, a threat to the security of essential public services, or a threat to the public's right of access to public services or public facilities.)

(17) **15-0103-S4**

CONTINUED CONSIDERATION OF PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT (PLUM) COMMITTEE REPORT and AMENDING MOTION (RAMAN – KORETZ) relative to a detailed work plan and timeline for a comprehensive review and update to the Health and Wellness Element, and/or the General Plan Framework, and/or the creation of a

standalone Environmental Justice Element, to guide the City's climate, land use, and housing policies alongside the citywide zoning program.

A. PLUM COMMITTEE REPORT

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Raman – Price – Bonin – Martinez):

INSTRUCT the Department of City Planning to report to the Council within 90 days following the adoption of the 2021-2029 Housing Element with a detailed work plan and timeline for a comprehensive review and update to the Health and Wellness Element, and/or the General Plan Framework Element, and/or the creation of a standalone Environmental Justice Element to guide the City's climate, land use, and housing policies alongside the citywide rezoning program; this work plan should include funding, staff, and resources required to carry out this critical task; and, the report should:

- a. Conduct an evaluation of Chapter 8 "Implementation Programs" of the Plan for a Healthy Los Angeles, also known as the Health and Wellness Element, that identifies the barriers, challenges, and opportunities for successful implementation.
- b. Identify impacted and disadvantaged communities using CalEnviroScreen and other demographic data highlighting housing insecurity and climate displacement risk, proximity to freeways and noxious land uses, formerly redlined areas and current high opportunity and high poverty areas, and other important population characteristics that capture environmental racism.
- c. Develop a strategy for thorough public outreach and community engagement, especially to marginalized, historically underserved, and disadvantaged communities.
- d. Establish and convene an Environmental Justice Working Group composed of resident leaders and community organizations representing impacted communities, subject area experts, and City staff from relevant departments to co-develop targeted environmental justice priorities, policy recommendations, and solutions-oriented implementation actions.
- e. Detail a process to conduct a climate change vulnerability assessment in order to guide priorities in climate adaptation, emergency and safety preparedness, risk management, and community resilience.

f. Include a plan for regular maintenance and updates to the City's General Plan to ensure that it exceeds State standards, exemplifies best practices in environmental justice planning, and maintains active stakeholder involvement.

B. AMENDING MOTION (RAMAN - KORETZ)

Recommendation for Council action:

ADOPT the following in lieu of Recommendation d. of the above-listed PLUM report:

d. Establish and convene an Environmental Justice Working Group composed of representatives of the Climate Emergency Mobilization Office and the Climate Emergency Commission, resident leaders and community organizations representing impacted communities, subject area experts, and City staff from relevant departments to co-develop targeted environmental justice priorities, policy recommendations, and solutions-oriented implementation actions.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

(Continued from Council meeting of February 16, 2022)

(18) **21-1188-S2**

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the proposed legal services agreements with Beveridge and Diamond PC and Everett Dorey LLP; a conflicts waiver recommendation; and amendments to contracts regarding the July 11, 2021 flooding incident at the Hyperion Water Reclamation Plant.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. APPROVE the retention of Beveridge & Diamond PC and Everett Dorey LLP with a not-to-exceed amount of \$2.3 million and \$1.4 million, respectively, related to the aforementioned civil and administrative representation.

- 2. APPROVE the requested conflict waiver by Beveridge & Diamond PC.
- APPROVE the contract amendments with Summa LLP for a revised not-to-exceed amount of \$1.6 million and with Beveridge & Diamond PC for a revised not-to-exceed amount of \$1.15 million.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> None submitted by the City Attorney. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

(19) **21-0874-S1**

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the COVID-19 Emergency Response Account – General City Purposes Fund Status Reports.

Recommendation for Council action:

NOTE and FILE the City Administrative Officer (CAO) reports dated January 21, 2022 and February 4, 2022, attached to the Council file, relative to the COVID-19 Emergency Response Account – General City Purposes Fund Status Report for the weeks ending January 14, 2022 and January 31, 2022.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> Not applicable.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

(20) **22-0095**

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to approving the retention of Kutak Rock LLP, and Hawkins, Delafield and Woods LLP, to provide bond, special tax, disclosure, and related legal counsel services.

Recommendation for Council action:

AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to enter into three year contracts with Kutak Rock LLP and Hawkins, Delafield & Wood LLP for the provision of housing bond counsel services to the Los Angeles Housing Department.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> None submitted by the City Attorney. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

(21) **22-0096**

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the below market value sale of one tack truck to the City of Carson.

Recommendations for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Blumenfield – De Leon):

- FIND that the City of Carson is eligible to purchase one surplus tack truck (VIN#2NP2H28XOLM701104) at below market value (\$1.00), in accordance with LAAC Sec. 22.547 (Donation of Surplus City Equipment), as the recipient is a governmental agency and the cost to discard, recycle, or transport the surplus equipment would impose a net financial burden to the City.
- 2. REQUEST the City Attorney to prepare a contract to effectuate the sale and transfer of the above identified surplus equipment at below market value to the City of Carson.
- 3. INSTRUCT the City Clerk to inform the City of Carson [Eliza Jane Whitman, Director of Public Works, City of Carson, 701 East Carson Street, Carson, CA 90745, (310) 952-1754] that the surplus equipment must be claimed within 60 days from the date of Council approval of the request after which time it will revert to the City's surplus equipment pool for disposal by the Department of General Services.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

(22) **22-0090**

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to funding the Mayor's Office of Gang Reduction and Youth Development (GRYD) for pilot programs regarding unarmed alternatives to policing at GRYD zones most acutely affected by the recent surge of gun violence.

Recommendations for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Rodriguez – Harris-Dawson – Price), SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

- 1. TRANSFER and APPROPRIATE \$2,295,000 from the Unappropriated Balance Fund No. 100/58, Community Initiatives Account No. 580335, to Mayor Fund No. 100/46, Contractual Services Account No. 003040, to provide the Mayor's Office of GRYD funding for deploying unarmed alternatives to policing pilot programs targeted specifically at those GRYD zones most acutely affected by the recent surge in gun violence.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor's Office to prepare, process and execute any documents, including contracts and contract amendments, with service providers or any other agencies or organizations, as appropriate to provide said pilot programs.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Items for which Public Hearings Have Not Been Held - (10 Votes Required for Consideration)

(23) **22-0175 CD 12**

MOTION (LEE - BUSCAINO) relative to funding for a pilot program in Council District 12 aimed at eliminating copper wire theft from vulnerable locations.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

- TRANSFER and APPROPRIATE \$60,000 in the Council District 12 portion of the Neighborhood Service Enhancements line-item General City Purposes Fund No. 100/56, to the Bureau of Street Lighting Fund No. 100/84, Account No. 001090 to fund a pilot program in Council District 12 aimed at eliminating copper wire theft from vulnerable locations.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the Bureau of Street Lightning to make any technical corrections or clarifications to the above fund transfer instructions in order to effectuate the intent of this motion.

(24) **20-1205-S1**

ENERGY, CLIMATE CHANGE, ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE, AND RIVER COMMITTEE REPORT relative to grant funding from the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy (SMMC) for the Sepulveda Basin Vision Plan Project.

Recommendations for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Martinez – Raman), SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

- 1. AUTHORIZE the City Engineer, Bureau of Engineering (BOE), to apply for a grant up to \$950,000 from the SMMC, execute agreements if successful, receive funding, and to administer project implementation for the Sepulveda Basin Vision Plan Project.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the City Engineer, BOE, to make any correction, revisions, or clarifications to the above instructions to effectuate the intent of this Motion.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: Yes

For if Amended:

Encino Neighborhood Council

(25) **22-0171**

COMMUNICATION FROM THE BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS relative to a donation of registration costs for the Los Angeles Women Peace Officers and Associates 26th Symposium from the Los Angeles Police Foundation.

Recommendation for Council action:

APPROVE the acceptance of the donation of registration costs to attend the Los Angeles Women Peace Officers and Associates 26th Symposium, valued at \$40,000, from the Los Angeles Police Foundation for the Los Angeles Police Department's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Group; and, THANK the donor for this generous donation.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement:</u> None submitted by the Board of Police Commissioners. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

(Public Safety Committee waived consideration of the above matter)

Items Called Special

Motions for Posting and Referral

Council Members' Requests for Excuse from Attendance at Council Meetings

Closed Session

(26) **22-0076**

The City Council may recess to Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1), to confer with its legal counsel relative to the case entitled Matthew Allen Haugle Jr, et al. v. City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC709005. (This matter arises from treatment administered by Los Angeles Fire Department paramedics during an ambulance run on August 26, 2017.)

(Budget and Finance Committee considered the above matter in Closed Session on February 14, 2022)

(27) **22-0131**

The City Council may recess to Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1), to confer with its legal counsel relative to the case entitled Lysa Cooper v. City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV07211. (This matter arises from a trip and fall accident at 903 Superba Avenue in the Venice area on March 28, 2019.)

(Budget and Finance Committee considered the above matter in Closed Session on February 14, 2022)

(28) **22-0134**

The City Council may recess to Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1), to confer with its legal counsel relative to the case entitled <u>Armando Sandoval v. City of Los Angeles</u>, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 21STCV14856. (This matter involves a traffic accident that occurred on March 31, 2020 near Vermont Avenue and 119th Street, in the City of Los Angeles.)

(Budget and Finance Committee considered the above matter in Closed Session on February 14, 2022)

(29) **22-0136**

The City Council may recess to Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1), to confer with its legal counsel relative to the case entitled <u>Tu Ly v. City of Los Angeles</u>, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 19STCV33791. (This matter arises from the employment of a contractor with the Information Technology Agency that ended in 2019.)

(Budget and Finance Committee considered the above matter in Closed Session on February 14, 2022)

(30) **22-0107**

The City Council may recess to Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1), (2), to confer with its legal counsel relative to the case entitled City of Los Angeles v. Cellco Partnership, Case No. 17-CV-000810-TLN-AC; City of Los Angeles v. New Cingular Wireless National Accounts LLC, Case No. 17-CV-00816-TLN-AC; City of Los Angeles v. Sprint Solutions, Inc., et al., Case No. 17-000811-TLN-AC; Cost/Benefit Corporation, Contract No. C-120227. (The contractual dispute concerns payment on the City's contract with Cost/Benefit Corporation for the audits of its wireless carrier invoices. The pending litigation concerns the City's California False Claims Act claims for overcharges in connection with the provision of wireless services.)

(Budget and Finance Committee considered the above matter in Closed Session on February 14, 2022)

(31) **21-1334**

The City Council may recess to Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1), to confer with its legal counsel relative to the case entitled Emanuel Brown v. City of Los Angeles, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC716880. (This matter arises from Plaintiff's claim of discrimination, harassment, and retaliation under the Fair Employment and Housing Act.)

(Budget and Finance Committee considered the above matter in Closed Session on January 24, 2022)

Adjourning Motions

Council Adjournment

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Tuesday, February 1, 2022 – 6:30 PM
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All agenda items are subject to discussion and possible Board action

A. Call to Order, Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance

		Ro	oster		
Board Member	Present	Absent	Board Member	Present	Absent
Alfredo Castillo	Х		Nathan Lee	Х	
Alvin Waters Jr.	Х		Oscar Jimenez	Х	
Brian Allen	Х		Rahim Kazi	Х	
Chris Coyle	Х		Ralph Kroy	Х	
Citlali Manzo		Х	Robert Moore	Х	
Danitza Pantoja	Х		Sid Gold	Х	
Graham Czach		Х	Thomas Hartfield	Х	
Jason Lester	Х				
Keren Waters	Х		Stakeholders		

B. Comments from CD 12, LAPD Senior Lead Officers, Elected Official Reps, Government Agencies (Limited to three minutes)(COMMENTS MADE FROM: Tessa Charnofsky, Matt Vallecia, Salvador Manriquez,

Ben <u>Steinberge rbsteinbe@socalgas.com</u>), Richard Fisk-Crime is down mostly because businesses are reporting crimes because they understand police response.)

- C. Public Comment on agenda and non-agenda items (Limited to two minutes).(Comments made by Richard Fisk and questions the status of the construction project on Woodley and San Fernando.. Update will be at PLUM Meeting from the project manager)
- D. President
 - 1. Motion to approve the GHNNC January 4, 2022 Board Meeting minutes (Keren motions to approve and Brian 2nds, Votes: Yes: 13 No: Abstain: 1 Motion Passes)
 - 2. Discussion and Motion to approve the December 2021 MER (Votes: Yes: unanimous No: Motion Passes.)
 - 3. There is no January 2022 MER report as it will be issued post the February 1, 2022 meeting.
 - 4. Discussion and motion to approve an NPG (Neighborhood Purposes Grant) for VCC (Volunteers Cleaning Communities) up to an amount of \$1,500(Discussion made by Jill Mather, questions answered by Jill; Votes: Yes: 13 No: Motion Passes)
 - 5. Motion to appoint Financial Officer (Keren Nominates Alfredo Castillo as Financial officer Votes: Yes: Unanimously Motion Passes)
 - 6. Discussion and motion to request that DONE block chain and spam emails. (Nothing Happened)
- E. Executive Committee (No comments or reports made)
- F. Treasurer Report
 - 1. CAG (Community Advisory Group (Report made by Brian Allen, the 260 page report does not provide clarification of the health study and DPH is not doing a health study that is patient centric, when it should be. We are still fighting the same cause)
 - 2. Budget Advocate Report (Report made by Brian Allen)
- G. Planning and Land Use Committee Report (Report made by Thomas Hartfield that there will a meeting this Thursday at 630pm)
- H. Emergency Preparedness Committee Report (Nothing to report)
- I. Citywide Issues Committee Report (No meeting this month)
- J. Outreach and Publicity Committee Report (Keren Waters reports)
 - 1. The free drive through DocuShred event is rescheduled for Earth Day weekend Saturday, April 23, 2022. 9:00am to 11:30am.
 - 2. Motion to approve up to \$3,000 for new shred event banners, shred event pole banners, shred event advertising, giveaways: N95 masks, GHNNC masks, wrist wallets, hand sanitizer. Suggestions from the board are welcome.

 (Discusson made by Keren: Votes: Yes: Unanimously No: Motion Passes)
 - 3. Motion to approve Jason Lester to oversee design and order of shred event banners. (Motion Passes Unanimously)
 - 4. Motion to approve GHNNC Mayoral candidate listening tour series as they contact GHNNC. Concept is a 10 minute presentation per candidate, followed by Q & A with stakeholders and board members at the monthly GHNNC board meeting. (Motion tabled)
 - 5. Outreach and community announcements.
- K. Public Safety Committee Report (Nathan Lee made report that there was meeting but there was nothing for the agenda as they were still working on items to put on the agenda)
- L. West Valley Neighborhood Alliance on Homelessness Representative Report (Report made)
- M. Small Business Representative Report (Nothing to report)
- N. Faith-Based Representative Report (There is a drive to raise goods for those affected with the Tongan victims)
- O. Student Representative Report (Representative not available)
- P. Board Member Announcements (comments made by board)
- Q. Adjournment(meeting adjourned 8:55pm)

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AB 361 Updates -

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July 19, 2021

TO: President Eli Lipmen, Members of the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners

FROM: Raquel Beltrán, General Manager

SUBJECT: Proposed Amendments to the Code of Conduct Policy

BACKGROUND:

Over the years, the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners became aware of a rise in relationship and board dynamic challenges involving Neighborhood Council board members and stakeholders. Particularly alarming were challenges reaching acute levels of concern. Increasingly, board member and stakeholder public testimony at Commission meetings, requested action be taken to provide Neighborhood Councils with policies and implementing rules that would make it possible resolve these challenges. In 2018-2019, the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners initiated a process to review policies related to board conduct, engagement, and leadership development. The policies selected were adopted or revised between 2016 – 2019. They included the Leadership Orientation (2020-01), Censure (2020-03), Removal (2020-04), and the Code of Conduct (2014-2(2)) policies.

Through a town hall engagement review process, the Commission started with the Censure and Removal policies. These two policies were revised in March and April 2020 respectively. A new Leadership Orientation Policy was adopted in February 2020.

On March 3, 2020, the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners adopted a motion calling for amendments to the Commission's Code of Conduct Policy. The action was deemed necessary to provide additional language and updates to the Commission's Code of Conduct Policy. Two members of the Commission were appointed to an Ad Hoc Committee to work with the Department to prepare draft amendments to the Policy. They include Commissioners Len Shaffer and Quyen Vo-Ramirez.

SUMMARY:

In partnership with the Commission's Ad Hoc Committee, the Department led a Neighborhood Council Code of Conduct Work Group of City Department leaders with neighborhood council experience. They set out to review current policy, implementing procedures and processes, and current and anticipated City policies. The Work Group members included representatives of the Personnel Department's Division, the City Attorney's Labor Relations and Neighborhood Council

Advice Divisions, and EmpowerLA's Leadership Team. Additionally, the Work Group included representatives of the City of Los Angeles Civil, Human Rights, and Equity Department (LA Civil Rights). EmpowerLA is grateful to these seasoned professionals for their dedication to this project.

The Work Group began meeting in October 2020 on an accelerated schedule. They met twice a month to review the Code of Conduct Policy's history, the <u>City of Los Angeles Draft Workplace Equity Policy</u>, and the numerous authorities representing the regulatory framework of the Neighborhood Council System. The Work Group presents these proposed amendments as reasonable considerations necessary to address the escalating incidents of acts that do not comport with the City of Los Angeles's expectations for representatives of City employees, advisory bodies, commissions, and volunteers. The draft amendments advance the mission, desired characteristics, and foundational mandates of the Neighborhood Council System.

FISCAL IMPACT: Staff time required to oversee and manage the administration of the Code of Conduct and related proceedings.

REQUESTED ACTION:

The Ad Hoc Committee and Department of Neighborhood Empowerment respectfully request the Commission:

- Approve the attached DRAFT amendments to the Code of Conduct Policy adopted in 2018 solely to circulate to the Neighborhood Council System for education, discussion, and comment.
- 2. Approve the Department's Neighborhood Council and City Department review schedule:
 - a. Include the DRAFT Code of Conduct Policy Amendments on the Commission's agenda once per month until the conclusion of the review schedule.
 - b. Maintain a report on comments and community impact statements filed on the DRAFT Code of Conduct Policy Amendments on the Commission's webpage.
 - c. Administer a minimum of four workshops (two weekday evenings and two weekends) to introduce the DRAFT Code of Conduct Policy Amendments and to respond to questions. Weekday workshops will be held on a Monday Thursday evening when Neighborhood Councils are not having regular board meetings.
 - d. After the review period, the Department will summarize the most commonly asked questions and comments.
 - e. At the conclusion of the review period, the Department will prepare a summary of the most commonly asked questions and comments.
- 3. At the end of the review period, the Department's report will include recommended amendments to regulatory authorities that guide administration of the Neighborhood Council System, including but not limited to the Los Angeles Administrative Code (which incorporates portions of the Plan for a Citywide System of Neighborhood Councils) and Commission Policy(ies).
- 4. As a courtesy, once revisions to the Code of Conduct Policy have been approved, the Department will return to the Commission and present the procedure the Department will follow to implement the new Code of Conduct Policy. The presentation shall include how the Department proposes to:
 - a. Support Neighborhood Councils with the application of the policy to Committee Members,
 - b. Assist Neighborhood Councils with roster management, including that of Committee Members in compliance with the policy,

- c. Clarify the steps Neighborhood Council will be expected to take to address Code of Conduct issues,
- d. Provide resources to assist Neighborhood Councils in their efforts to manage board dynamic challenges to avoid the necessity to suspend or remove Board and or Committee Members.
- e. Manage Neighborhood Council rosters and compliance notification.
- 5. Once revisions to the Code of Conduct have been approved and the implementing procedures developed, the Department will hold workshops for Neighborhood Council Board and stakeholder Committee members to review expectations.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Community Impact Statements and letters filed are available on the Commission's EmpowerLA webpage.

CONCLUSION:

The proposed amendments to the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners Code of Conduct Policy are consistent with the envisioned desired characteristics of the Neighborhood Council System and values expressed in current Mayoral Executive Directives. These amendments provide clear guidelines of expected behavior in the Neighborhood Council System.

The recommendations include a well-defined process to involve Neighborhood Councils and their stakeholders in a notice of proposed rule-making comment period. By advancing a transparent and inclusive process, the Ad Hoc Committee and Department believes Neighborhood Councils will be more likely to integrate the final version of the Code of Conduct Policy into the Neighborhood Council System's meeting and decision-making culture.

Respectfully,

Raquel Beltran, General Manager

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Department of Neighborhood Empowerment

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCL BOARD MEMBER CODE OF CONDUCT POLICY 2021-1

WHEREAS, on June 19, 2020, Mayor Eric Garcetti issued Executive Directive No. 27 calling for efforts to ensure fairness, diversity, equal opportunity, and transparency in City government;

WHEREAS, the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (the Commission) adopted a Code of Conduct Policy in 2016 and an amended Code of Conduct Policy in 2018, to govern the conduct of Neighborhood Council members;

WHEREAS, the Workplace Equity Policy protects volunteers, including Neighborhood Council board members from harassment, sexual harassment, hazing, bullying, and inequitable conduct, as defined in the Workplace Equity Policy, thus superseding and/or expanding the type of conduct encompassed by the Commission's current Code of Conduct policy;

WHEREAS, the Commission has long recognized that a Neighborhood Council System that is physically and emotionally safe and secure for all Board Members promotes good social responsibility, increases Stakeholder attendance and supports community engagement;

WHEREAS, the Commission recognizes that improper conduct may occur within the Neighborhood Council System, the Commission expects Board Members and Committee Members (including stakeholders serving on committees) to conduct themselves in a manner in keeping with the Commission's Code of Conduct and with a proper regard for the rights and welfare of other Board Members, Stakeholders, Committee Members, and volunteers;

WHEREAS, Section 902 (b) of Article IX of the City Charter provides that the Commission "shall be responsible for policy setting and policy oversight and the promulgation of rules and regulations but not be responsible for day to-day management;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commission amends the Code of Conduct policy to implement and administer the <u>City of Los Angeles Draft Workplace Equity Policy</u>.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commission amends the Code of Conduct POLICY NUMBER: 2014 2(2) to say:

POLICY NUMBER: 2021-(1)

- 1. Neighborhood Council Board Members and Committee Members are required to affirm acceptance of this policy (Exhibit "A") in the manner established by the Department. Neighborhood Council Board Members and Committee Members shall reaffirm acceptance of this policy every two years. This policy and the City's Workplace Equity Policy apply regardless of whether or not a Board Member or Committee Member has affirmed acceptance.
- 2. The Neighborhood Council shall have the responsibility for informing stakeholder and board Committee Members of their obligation to affirm and accept this policy as a condition of committee service. Maintaining a record of their completion shall be the responsibility of the Neighborhood Council.

- 3. Newly elected, selected, appointed or re-elected Neighborhood Council Board Members and Committee Members shall have a grace period of 30 days from the date the board member begins assuming their duties and responsibilities to comply with this policy as indicated in Item #1. Neighborhood Council Boards shall be responsible for informing appointed board and committee members of their responsibility to sign the Code of Conduct affirmation. Board Members and Committee Members should consult the applicable funding guidelines to determine their eligibility to vote on funding matters.
- 4. In such circumstances where a Neighborhood Council Board Member or Committee Member fails or refuses to comply with item #1, the Department shall proceed to suspend the Board Member or Committee Member from their Neighborhood Council. Said Board Member or Committee Member shall not be eligible to act on any matter that comes before their Neighborhood Council and shall not be counted for the purpose of establishing a quorum of the Neighborhood Council or Committee.
 - a. The Department shall notify the Board Member (or Committee Member) of their suspension by sending a letter to their last known email address and/or physical mailing address.
 - b. The Department shall also notify the remainder of the Board Members by email and/or U.S. mail of the suspension of the Board Member (or Committee Member).
- 5. If within 30 days of being suspended the Neighborhood Council Board Member or Committee Member does not comply with the provisions of item #1 above, they shall be removed as a Neighborhood Council Board Member or Committee Member by the following procedures:
 - a. The Department will notify the individual of their removal by sending a letter to their last known email address and/or mailing address.
 - b. The Department will also notify the Board by email and/or First-Class U.S. mail regarding the removal of the Board Member or Committee Member and that the Board Member or Committee Member's seat or position shall be considered vacant.
 - c. Any Board Member [or Committee Member removed pursuant to this policy shall have the right to present to the Department evidence that he or she has in fact complied with this policy. The Department shall be the sole and final decision maker.
- 6. If a Board Member or Committee Member is alleged to have violated either the City's Workplace Equity Policy or the Commission's Code of Conduct, the Department, with written approval from the General Manager, may immediately suspend the Board Member or Committee Member for a period of up to 90 days. Said Board Member or Committee Member shall not be eligible to act on any matter that comes before their Neighborhood Council Board or Committee and shall not be counted for the purpose of establishing a quorum of the Neighborhood Council Board or Committee.

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a. The Department will also notify the Board by email and/or First Class U.S. mail regarding the suspension of the Board Member and that the Board Member's position shall not be deemed vacant during the suspension period.

- b. The Department shall be the sole decision-maker with respect to a suspension. The Board Member or Committee Member may not appeal the suspension decision.
- c. The Neighborhood Council shall retain its authority to remove Committee Members for failure to affirm this policy or for failure to adhere to its provisions.
- 7. The Department may petition the Commission to remove the Board Member for a violation of the Workplace Equity Policy or this Policy pursuant to the process for Declaring a Board Vacancy in Los Angeles Administrative Code 22.810.1(e)(3).

ATTACHMENT A

- 1. Neighborhood Council Board Members and Committee Members shall conduct themselves in a professional and civil manner.
- 2. This Policy and the City's Workplace Equity Policy apply at all times and locations referenced within Section 2.2 of the City's Workplace Equity Policy, including at all Neighborhood Council meetings, events, activities, online and at social events when interacting with City employees, contractors, and Neighborhood Council Board Members, Committee Members and volunteers.
- 3. Neighborhood Council Board Members and Committee Members shall promote and, if necessary, enforce a safe and equitable environment. If other Board Members or Committee Members become disruptive or violate the Code of Conduct or the City's Workplace Equity Policy, Neighborhood Council Board and Committee Members have agreed to abide by, Board Members and Committee Members should demand that the offending Board Member or Committee Member conduct themselves in a respectful and orderly manner. In the absence of the board taking action to do so, employees of the Department may intercede to do so.
- 4. By signing this document, I affirm that I have received, read, and understand the Code of Conduct. I acknowledge that I have been informed of the expectation to abide by the Code of Conduct at the time of my appointment or election to the Board. I understand that if I fail to provide the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment with a signed and dated copy of this Neighborhood Council Board Member Code of Conduct, I may be subjected to suspension and/or removal from my Neighborhood Council Board.

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I also understand that if I am found to have violated the signed Code of Conduct, I may be subject to

Office of Councilmember John S. Lee Council District 12 9207 Oakdale Ave, Chatsworth, CA 91311

Captain Andy Neiman Valley Traffic Division Los Angeles Police Department 7870 Nollan Pl, Panorama City, CA 91402

(anyone else?)

Dear Councilmember John S. Lee and Captain Andy Neiman:

The Granada Hills North Neighborhood Council (GHNNC) would appreciate your assistance in helping to resolve a long standing traffic issue that exists at northbound Balboa Blvd. at Woodley Ave.

That intersection has prominent signage that the right lane for northbound traffic on Balboa Blvd. approaching Woodley is for right turns only, because Balboa narrows at the intersection from three (3) lanes to two (2) lanes heading northbound. Unfortunately, a large number of motorists consistently ignore this restriction on a regular basis including but not limited to on any given night during commuting hours (4 -7 p.m. Mon – Fri). Those ignoring the existing right turn only signage will then have to force their way into the legal lanes heading northbound as soon as they pass through the Balboa/Woodley intersection lest they hit the white traffic bollards protecting the north bound bike lane just ahead.

There have been numerous collisions as a result of these illegal drivers and many, many near misses. Some of the collisions have required ambulances and first responders to respond(which is a drain on precious resources and further complicating traffic congestion issues), others are minor and likely not even being reported. The potential, however, continues to exist for dangerous collisions as the right turn only restriction is being ignored by motorists but also simply not being enforced.

Previously, we used to see LAPD motor officers at that intersection on a frequent basis, but it seems that such patrols have not been observed for several years now. We are keenly aware of budget cuts and other issues facing the LAPD, and we do not expect daily enforcement of the "no right turn" restriction but we do feel that an LAPD enforcement detail and presence is needed at this intersection to drive home the impression to motorists that they may receive an expensive citation for not following the law at that intersection.

What can you do to get the LAPD motor enforcement detail back?

Historically, this issue has previously been raised with representatives of both of your offices but to no avail. We would appreciate a written response to our request within 15 working days to take back to the GHNNC's Board.

Let's work together to make it happen now. Please let us know if you wish to meet to discuss this further, or if there is anything that you need from the GHNNC or the residents to make this happen.

Respectfully

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Dear Councilmember John S. Lee and Captain Andy Neiman:

The Granada Hills North Neighborhood Council (GHNNC) would appreciate your assistance in helping to finally resolve a long standing traffic issue that exists along the Balboa Blvd. corridor north of Rinaldi Street.

As you are aware, Balboa Blvd. will often become heavily congested with commuter traffic, especially if there are any issues with traffic on the Interstate 5, SR-14, or Interstate 405 highway, or at heavy travel times such as at the start of a three day weekend. Balboa Blvd., north of Rinaldi St., will often become gridlocked with traffic, sometimes extending all the way south to San Fernando Mission Blvd. When this happens, and on an all too frequent basis, commuters will start driving through the residential streets north of Rinaldi St. looking for a shortcut around this traffic.

In [YEAR] the GHNNC submitted a requested plan to Councilmember Lee's office with suggestions on how mitigate the issue, including detailed maps with proposed traffic restrictions and petitions from area residents in support of such restrictions. To recap this request, we had asked for no left turns onto Balboa Blvd. from the streets on the west side of Balboa Blvd. from 4 to 7 PM during weekdays.

After considerable effort and multiple discussions with both of your offices, restrictions finally did go into effect, but not quite as planned. DOT erected signage all the way down to Rinaldi St., which was further south than requested, but left out a key intersection – Sesnon Blvd. and Balboa Blvd. As a result, commuters are still being directed by their GPS, WAZE, and other systems and applications to use the side streets to reach that particular intersection where they can turn left.

Unfortunately this leaves us with the majority of the issues we had been hoping to alleviate.

- 1) The side streets are very busy to the south of Sesnon Blvd. as people try to make their way to that one intersection designated for left turns in that window.
- 2) These streets are becoming congested, leading people to give up their drive to Sesnon and turn left, illegally, at intersections such as Orozco Street and Balboa Blvd.

- 3) Those who do reach Sesnon Blvd. will find it also totally congested, often extending a mile to the west, and then they will divert through the residential area to the north of Sesnon Blvd., again making illegal turns onto Balboa Blvd.
- 4) Many of these drivers are traveling at a high and excessive rate of speed and ignoring stop signs as they are frustrated by the traffic on Balboa Blvd. and the difficulty of navigating the maze of side streets.

The surrounding neighborhood is still seeing extremely heavy traffic, near and actual collisions, and danger to the residents, including homeowners and concerned stakeholders. We have asked Councilmember Lee's office for assistance on closing this gap for several years but have been told that there are issues with DOT. As of now we have been unable to get a meeting with anyone to discuss this. We are hereby formally requesting a meeting to resolve thefollowing issues:

- 1) Sesnon Blvd. must also be marked as no left turns from between 4-7 PM.
- 2) This will enable us to inform the traffic providers so they will geo-tag the corner with that restriction as they have done with others.
- 3) Apparently DOT has expressed concern that drivers on Sesnon Blvd. could reach Balboa Blvd. and find themselves "trapped" at that intersection, unable to make a turn.
 - a. Turning right is the exact same option at every other corner on Balboa Blvd. all the way down to Rinaldi St. No one will be trapped.
 - b. Sesnon Blvd. should be re-striped exactly as was done at Midwood Dr. and Balboa Blvd. to funnel traffic into one (1) eastbound lane at the intersection. This will eliminate anyone getting into the current left turn lane and then having to turn right across those in the existing right turn lane. There would only be one lane, i.e., no "trapped" area.
- 4) We are also requesting enforcement of the existing no left turn restrictions. While issues caused by traffic problems on surrounding freeways cannot easily be predicted, we know with certainty the area will experience issues on Fridays, particularlybefore a holiday weekend. VTD presence is hereby requested, whether to pass out warnings or to issue citations. Word must get out that the restrictions are being enforced. If funding is needed for these details the GHNNC is willing to work with the City on securing additional funds.

In summary, the problem has been allowed to exist for way too long. GHNNC is hereby requesting a meeting, in person or via Zoom, to be attended by members of the GHNNC, Councilmember Lee's office, VTD, DOT, and any other party that might be required to get this project finally completed as requested.

We	look forward t	n vour advising	of the date and	d time such meetin

Respectfully

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