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VOICES NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
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“Special” Joint Board & Planning & Land Use And Health & Safety Committee Agenda MINUTES

Friday, October 23, 2020, 4:00PM-6:00PM

Zoom Meeting Online or By Telephone

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Out of an abundance of caution due to the possible attendance and participation of a majority of Voices Neighborhood Council Board Members at this Special Joint Committee meeting, this meeting is noticed as a Special Joint Meeting of the Committee and the Board, in adherence with the State’s Brown Act. No action will be taken on behalf of the Board at this meeting of the Committee. Only Committee Members are allowed to vote.

- 1. Call to Order & Introductions at 4:05pm; A. Farias, J. Rabb, S. Nieto, E. Garren, S. House, P. Rand, M. Crawford, J. Sanders in attendance.**
- 2. Public Comment on non-agenda items (2 minutes per speaker) - None**
- 3. Approval of Minutes from Planning & Land Use/Health & Safety September 2020 meeting - J. Rabb motioned; S. Nieto second; approved unanimously.**
- 4. Presentation by Danielle Hayman, Hayman Development and & Boaz Miodovsky, Ketter Construction (report/discussion/possible action to bring full board) (30 minutes)**
Case ID/Project: DIR-2020-1822-TOC; Demolish 4 residential units and add 31 units, 5 of which are affordable units. **Boaz Miodovsky addressed our letter and said they would contact CD9 regarding more information and how they can contribute to the BID. They will encourage and support the right of return residents in filling the apartments. They aren’t against design elements and will try to work with city planning on concepts and come back to Voices Planning & Land Use Committee with ideas at future date. Increasing affordable units will not be possible; may add one or 2 more affordable units but not the percentage we requested. They are unable to add subterranean parking. They hope with reduced parking offered this will encourage people to use other forms of transportation. Boaz will go back to the developers/owners about our concerns with limited parking. Sherilyn Correa from CD9 expressed Curren Price’s support to Voices NC and their concerns with this project.**
- 5. Neighborhood Stabilization Ordinance (NSO) - Sherilyn Correa, CD9 and Michelle Singh, Senior City Planner (report/discussion/possible action to bring full board) (30 minutes)**
Proposed Action: Motion to make a recommendation to the Voices NC General Board to SUPPORT extending the southern border of the NSO overlay to Vernon Ave. **Zuriel Espinosa (Policy Planning), Michelle Singh (Project Planning), Sergio Ibarra (Project Planning) gave an overview of**

NSO Overlay Zones - [Code Sec. 13.12](#) - The purpose of the NSO District is to protect and preserve the existing low density housing stock; to maintain and enhance the quality of life of area residents; to promote well-planned student housing; to establish regulations that address the negative impacts multi-habitable room projects cause; to address inadequate parking; to prevent irreversible damage associated with oversized multi-habitable room projects and to help stabilize neighborhoods. The purpose of the NSO District is also to ensure that future Projects are designed to be compatible with buildings that are adjacent or across the street.

NSO doesn't apply to affordable housing units. To open up the boundaries for a NSO (amendment) neighborhoods can collect signatures; The councils office can create a new motion (consult internally with CD9) and ask for recommendation to report back. We could submit a CIS to request they include our area in the current motion that CD8's Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson submitted. We may be able to add either #5 to the current motion; Sherilyn Correa, CD9 and City Planning will talk internally about what we can do.

6. Council File 20-0990- Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Training / Anti-Bias Training for Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Members *(report/discussion/possible action to bring full board)*
(30 minutes)

Proposed Action: Motion to SUPPORT Council File 20-0990.

Albert Farias presented the SLANNC approved letter - Voices NC can support Community Impact statement; Sawnia House amended the letter to include recommending additional trainers. Motion carries to recommended Voices NC adopt this letter with the amendment to including additional trainers.

7. Community Refrigerators Presentation by Gigi Casey *(report/discussion/possible action to bring full board)* *(15 minutes)* Community Refrigerators were created based on a need help with food as a form of mutual aid; local neighborhoods can support each other; Find someone to donate a refrigerator and locate a store that agrees to power the fridge. Create signage on fridge in english and spanish; local artists can provide artwork too. Anyone can donate to the fridge and anyone can take food from the fridge, no questions asked. LA Community Fridges on Instagram shows many of these working fridges in the city. There are no regulations or rules however Gigi discourages from raw meats right now. Need to develop a team of people to monitor and disinfect the fridge on a weekly schedule. The store owner is not responsible for it; You can put up signs that say what they will and won't take - this is up to you to develop. They don't accept open packages or home cooked/baked goods. Restaurants and Cafes are contributing to the fridges too. Needs to be in a public place that is heavily trafficked so people know. You can also donate pantry items just place in fridge or next to fridge. Suggestions to check our senior center to host fridge; connect with grocery stores about food waste. Gigi will typically stock items such as fruits/veggies that the bodega doesn't sell so it's not competing. She will often support and purchase from that store and give back into the refrigerators. Ask 7Eleven, non-profit organizations, etc. Jaime to post on NextDoor to ask for support or to find a team who would be willing to monitor/organize the fridge. Think about including prepared meals (for homeless, etc.). Sawnia to develop locations to reach out to on a Google drive, etc. that we can monitor and update.

8. Request for future agenda items - Keep 31 unit Development project, NSO and Community Fridge for the November agenda.

9. Adjourn at 5:48pm.

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