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Call to Order at 6:04 PM Adjourned at 8:00 PM Roll Call: S. Embrey, O. Perez, A. Patton, E. Garren, J. Rabb, K. Guevara, S. Zurita, I. Guevara, K. Benoit, S. Nieto, A. Farias

AGENDA FOR 3/10/2020

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The public is requested to fill out a "Speaker Card" to address the Board on any agenda item before the Board takes an action on an item. Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board meeting. Public comment is limited to 3 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Council, and given to the first 10 persons who submit Speakers Cards to the Recording Secretary.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The City of Los Angeles Code of Conduct will be enforced to ensure the Voices Neighborhood Council meetings are collaborative, supportive, and respectful of divergent opinions.

QUORUM

The Voices Neighborhood Council has 14 elected positions and one nominated position. The Voices Neighborhood Council must have eight members present for quorum to conduct official business.

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CONSIDERATION AND GRIEVANCE PROCESS

For information on the Voices NC's process for board action reconsideration, stakeholder grievance policy, or any other procedural matters related to this Council, please consult the Voices NC Bylaws. The Bylaws are available at our Board meetings and at https://voicesNC.org.

SERVICIOS DE TRADUCCION

Si requiere servicios de traducción, favor de avisar al Concejo Vecinal 3 días de trabajo (72 horas) antes del evento. Por favor contacte a Jaime Rabb, Vice Chair, por correo electrónico a <u>Vicechair@voicesnc.org</u> para avisar al Concejo Vecinal.

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NOTICE TO PAID REPRESENTATIVES

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Call to Order
Roll Call
Pledge of Allegiance
Senior Lead Officer Report
Public Officials Report
General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

Senior Lead Officer Report: 77TH DIVISION - VEHICLE RELATED CRIME (BREAK INS ND CAR THEFT). VIOLENT CRIME IS DOWN (7 HOMICIDES YTD IN THIS AREA) VICTIM SERVICES REP LEAVES INFORMATION PAMPHLET.

Public Officials Report: 1. ROBERT JACKSON, SENIOR FIELD REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE OFFICE OF SENATOR HOLLY J. MITCHELL 2. IRMA GALICIA FIELD REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE OFFICE OF ASSEMBLYMEMBER REGINALD BRYON JONES-SAWYER, SR 3. JAMES WESTBROOKS FROM THE OFFICE OF COUNCILMEMBER CURREN PRICE. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items: 1. PARENTS OF CHILDREN ATTENDING EXPOSITION PARK NEED FREE PARKING 2. STAKEHOLDER RODRIGO VOICES CONCERNS ABOUT VOTING ACCESSIBILITY AT 2020 PRIMARY ELECTION AND UPCOMING 2020 GENERAL ELECTION.

Action Items

All items listed are designated for discussion and possible action by the Voices Neighborhood Council. Council items identified as presentation may be proposed for action by the Council and will be reflected as such in the meeting minutes.

Item	Reference	Matter	Time Allotted
4	Number	D	45 .
1.	0320-01	Presentation by Susan Stouffer, Sola Community Peace Center, Request for \$5,000 NPG	15 mins
		Proposed Action: Board to motion on \$5,000 NPG for 10 kids from 90037 to attend day Peace	
		Camp. Perform BAC.	
		MOTION: K. BENOIT, 2ND: S. NIETO. CARRIES.	
2.	0320-02	Meeting Minutes	3 mins
		Review and discussion of minutes from the February Meeting on February 11, 2020.	
		Member/Committee: K. Benoit	
		Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE the minutes for the February Minutes.	
		MOTION: S. NIETO, 2ND: S. EMBREY. CARRIES.	
3.	0320-03	Monthly Expenditure Report	3 mins
		Review and discussion of MERs for February 2020	
		Member/Committee: S. Nieto	
		Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE the February 2020 MERs. MERs to be submitted by	
		March 31, 2020. Perform BAC.	
		MOTION: J. RABB, 2ND: O. PEREZ. CARRIES.	
4.	0320-04	NANDC Seniorfest	5 mins
		Member/Committee: J. Rabb / Outreach	
		Discuss partnership and event details	

		Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE partnership/promote/table at NANDC's Seniorfest event on Saturday, April 18 at Ahmanson Senior Center at Expo Park. TABLED.	
5.	0320-05	Census Event Update Member/Committee: A. Farias and S. Zurita Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE table at the Vermont Square Library Spring Event on April 1st. TABLED.	5 mins
6.	0320-06	Bylaw amendments Member/Committee: S. Embry Review and discuss proposed changes to the bylaws Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE bylaw amendments MOTION: E. GARREN , 2ND: J. RABB. CARRIES. 1 ABSTAIN.	25 min
7.	0320-07	Proposal by 711 for 24 hour store with beer and wine sales Member/Committee: A. Farias and P. Rand Discuss proposal for 24-hour operation including beer & wine at 7Eleven at 6224 S. Figueroa St. Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE a letter supporting the proposal MOTION TO EXTEND DISCUSSION 3 MINS: S. EMBREY, 2ND: J. RABB. MOTION TO EXTEND DISCUSSION 2 MINS: J. RABB, 2ND: S. EMBREY. MOTION: J. RABB, 2ND: A. PATTON. CARRIES. 2 NAYS/1 ABSTAIN.	15 min
8.	0320-08	Council File 11-1705, Citywide Sign (Billboard) Ordinance Member/Committee: P. Rand and A. Farias Citywide sign regulations including opt-in provision, alternative approaches to off-site signs, defining billboard blight, equity for small businesses and mural signs and related matters. Proposed Action: Motion that Voices NC OPPOSE LA City Council File 11-1705 because of the following reasons: no stipulation on saturation of digital billboards; oppose traffic hazzard and revenue generated from these aren't invested in our communities. with amendments limit saturation of digital billboards, limit flashing/cycle changes, invest a percentage of revenue back into the community. TABLED.	5 min.
9.	0320-09	School Safety- Speed Humps Member/Committee: P. Rand and A. Farias Discuss structural solutions to how speed humps are allocated to the schools and parks in our neighborhoods. Proposed Action: Motion to approve a resolution that allows schools to submit a streamlined application to the bureau of street services for speed humps. TABLED.	5 min
10.	0220-10	Vermont Square and Julian Dixon Park Plans Discuss recreational and safety priorities for Vermont Square Park Member/Committee: A. Farias Proposed Action: Motion that the Voices NC <u>APPROVE</u> a letter outlining priority areas for each park TABLED.	20 mins
11.	0220-11	Office & Committee Meeting Space Discuss the potential for the four established VoicesNC committees to host meetings in alternative locations (e.g. Expo Park Rec Center, St. Johns Wellness Center, Honda Downtown LA Conference Center) Member/Committee: J. Rabb / P. Rand / S. Zurita / S. Nieto Proposed Action: Motion that committees report back to the Board by the April 2020 meeting with the status of selecting an alternative location TABLED.	10 mins

12.	0220-12\$	Institute a Monthly Newsletter that may include list of upcoming meetings/events, highlight board actions from previous month, community spotlight (business, person, place) Proposed Action: Appoint a monthly board member to develop a newsletter to be distributed via the email-list serve. Submit final newsletter to Jaime Rabb for approval and dissemination. TABLED.	10 mins
13.	0320-13	Committee & Liaison Reports Council to report on committee and liaison activities and invite interested stakeholders to participate in scheduled meetings. • Outreach Committee • Planning & Land Use Committee • Arts, Parks & Recreation Committee • Health and Safety Committee • Budget & Finance Committee • Ad hoc Sustainability Committee • Ad hoc Be Neighborly committee • Ad hoc Business Committee • Ad hoc Business Committee • Ad hoc Bylaws Committee • Ad hoc Bylaws Committee • Ad hoc Bylaws Committee • Area Representatives (1, 2, 3, 4 and At-Large) Proposed Action: No motions from updates. Committee and Liaison agenda motions will be listed individually for discussion and possible action.	15 mins
14.	0220-145	Committee Status and Structure As per the general board meeting held on July 9, 2019, we are reconsidering the formation and board member make up for the VoicesNC committees. Member/Committee: A. Farias Proposed Action: Motion that Voices NC APPROVE combining the Arts Parks and Recreation with the Outreach Committee to formalize Community Engagement Committee with Jaime Rabb and Sara Zurita as co-chairs, Anita Gray, Steven Nieto, Erica Helphand (Stakeholder) as members until the end of the fiscal year. Proposed Action: Motion that Voices NC APPROVE combining the Planning and Land Use, with Health and Safety Committee with Steven Nieto and Parker as co-chairs and Albert Farias, Ed Garren and Sawnia House (Stakeholder) as members until the end of the fiscal year. TABLED.	5 mins
15.	0320-15	Voices Vacancies Review and discussion of vacant council seat, unassigned committees, liaisons, liaison alternates, and recruitment of community stakeholders for committee assignment. Discuss council member absences. Invite all committee members to be sworn in during the February meeting. Member/Committee: A. Farias Proposed Action: 1) Council to motion on approving letter/email to be sent immediately to members who have exceeded the number of absences to inform seat is at risk of vacancy. 2) Council to appoint vacant board seats. TABLED.	5 mins

Voices NC Council Vacancy

Interested stakeholders can email a Letter of Intent to VoicesNC90037@gmail.com. Additional information about Voices NC is available at https://voicesNC.org

Council Vacancy	Description
1. Corresponding Secretary	At the direction of the Chair, prepare and release formal board approved correspondence; routinely inform the public of the Council's activities and inform the Board of City meetings and activities; receives and shares outreach notices and stakeholder information between committees; oversee the maintenance and updating of the website and other social media platforms; create and post all agenda notices in accordance with the Brown Act for all Board meetings; maintain and update the stakeholder database
2. Faith Based Representative	Represents the interests of faith-based organizations in our community and who is designated representative of a faith-based organization located within the
	boundaries of the VNC area.

<u>Voices NC Council Liaisons</u>						
Council Liaison	Meeting Time	Assigned Member	Alternate Member			
1. SLAANC	Third Thursday of the month (6:30pm)	A. Farias	J. Rabb			
2. LAPD 77 th C-PAB	Second Thursday of the month (6:00pm)	S. Nieto	J. Rabb			
3. LAPD Southwest C-PAB	First Monday of the month (6:30pm)	S. Embrey	A. Patton			
4. Homelessness	Every Other Month (TBD) (6:30pm)	A. Farias	K. Benoit, A. Gray, P. Rand			
5. Resilience/Disaster Preparedness	TBD	S. Zurita	S. Embrey			
6. Budget Advocate	First Monday of the month (7:00pm)	S. Nieto	E. Garren			
7. Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance	TBD	K. Benoit	A. Patton			

Voices NC Council Financial Responsibilities

Primary Signer	2 nd Signer	Alternate Signer	1 st Bankcard holder	2 nd Bankcard holder
S. Nieto (Treasurer)	A. Farias	J. Rabb	A. Farias	J. Rabb

Voices NC Standing Committees

All meetings are open to the public and will be posted on <u>www.empowerla.org</u>. All meetings will be held at Vermont Square Library unless otherwise posted. For more about Voices NC Standing Committees refer to Bylaws, Article VI, and Section 1.

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Standing	Assigned Council	Description
Committees	Member	The Arts Dayle and Descrition Court 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11
1. Arts, Parks, & Recreation	S. Zurita	The Arts, Parks and Recreation Committee will have the responsibility to discuss issues, promote partnerships on projects and brainstorm ideas to encourage greater community involvement and support. The Arts, parks and Recreation Committee will explore issues and ideas in order to define community identity and values by giving voice to its citizens and providing a form for group action and expression. The committee submits reports of meetings in written form and makes recommendations to the Board for action. The Chair selects meeting site, date and time and meets as directed in these Bylaws.
2. Budget &	S. Nieto	The Budget and Finance Committee Investigate and pursue sources of
Finance		income and funding. Make an initial review of project proposals and provide a report to the VNC board with recommendations. Generate a budget for each fiscal year, showing planned income and expenditures. And, maintain the Council budget current and report any issues to the Board.
3. Outreach	J. Rabb	The Outreach Committee shall be charged with continuing to outreach to the VNC stakeholders by utilizing any acceptable and Board approved forms of media (e.g. flyers, newsletters, print, television/electronic media, signs, banners, website, etc.) to inform stakeholders regarding projects and events. The content and method of distribution must be pre-approved by the Board.
4. Planning & Land Use	P. Rand	The Planning & Land Use Committee shall review, take public input, report on and make recommendations of actions to the Board on any land use, beautification, and planning issues affecting the community in order to improve the health and quality of life of its citizens. The committee also reviews and recommends action regarding building development projects requiring land use permits within the VNC boundaries; advocates positions on land use and building design for the betterment of the community; and considers and provides recommendations to Council on other topics, such as rezoning, applications, development permits, and any subdivision that require council approval.
5. Senior Services	Vacant	The Senior Services Committee addresses the needs of senior citizens in the community and provides an environment where seniors can discuss current issues, share ideas and voice their concerns. The committee will be supportive of programs and services that provide seniors with maximum vitality and independence. It will identify, monitor and address issues that have impact upon seniors' quality of life. The committee will promote "Healthy Aging" by creating an environment where individual differences and needs are recognized; by promoting multicultural awareness, understanding and interaction; and by serving as a bridge to access government information and resources.
6. Youth & Education	A. Gray, K. Guevara	The Youth & Education Committee addresses the issues, concerns, programs and services related to the education of children, youth and

		adults and developing specific strategies and policies for influencing and achieving constructive outcomes within schools, classrooms, and other education/learning centers that serve the Voices community. Additionally, this committee has the general responsibility to discuss issues, foster collaboration on projects, and brainstorm ideas to encourage greater community involvement/support and participation.
7. Health & Safety	S. Nieto	The Health & Safety Committee seeks opportunities to organize and forums to mobilize the community in seeking safety practices. This includes partnering with Neighborhood Watch, Volunteer Safety Task Force (to enhance the Services provided by the School Crossing Guards), School Crossing Guards, Los Angeles Police Department Senior Lead Officers and Traffic Division and the Los Angeles Fire Department. Representatives of VNC will work to formalize a relationship with these City agencies and other entities responsible for "safety issues" in our community.

Monthly Expenditure Report



Reporting Month: March 2020 Budget Fiscal Year: 2019-2020

NC Name: Voices of 90037

Monthly Cash Reconciliation						
Beginning Balance	Beginning Balance Total Spent Remaining Outstanding Commitments Net Available					
\$40030.73 \$515.29 \$39515.44 \$5500.00 \$5410.00 \$28605.44						

Monthly Cash Flow Analysis						
Budget Category	Adopted Budget	Unspent Budget Balance	Outstanding	Net Available		
Office		\$515.29		\$0.00		
Outreach	\$35050.00	\$0.00	\$25565.44	\$500.00	\$25065.44	
Elections		\$0.00		\$0.00		
Community Improvement Project	\$6950.00	\$0.00	\$6950.00	\$0.00	\$6950.00	
Neighborhood Purpose Grants	\$10000.00	\$0.00	\$7000.00	\$5000.00	\$2000.00	
Funding Requests Under Review: \$5410.00		Encumbrances: \$0.00		Previous Expenditures: \$11969.27		

	Expenditures							
#	Vendor	Date	Description	Budget Category	Sub-category	Total		
1	THE WEB CORNER, INC	03/01/2020	(Credit card transaction)	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$202.50		
2	PP TOSSITUPINC	03/10/2020	(Credit card transaction)	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$35.50		
3	PP TOSSITUPINC	03/10/2020	(Credit card transaction)	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$35.50		
4	LITTLE CAESARS 5960	03/10/2020	(Credit card transaction)	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$24.09		
5	PP TOSSITUPINC	03/10/2020	(Credit card transaction)	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$-35.50		
6	EXTRA SPACE 1562	03/12/2020	(Credit card transaction)	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$253.20		
	Subtotal:			-	-	\$515.29		

	Outstanding Expenditures						
#	Vendor	Date	Description	Budget Category	Sub-category	Total	

1	Luis Sanchez dba Served 2 Enjoy	02/24/2020	Event Approval Code: V9NC1920-002 Motion that Voices NC APPROVE not to exceed \$700 to purchase lunch/refreshments for 100 participants from Served2Enjoy for Area 2 Community Cl	General Operations Expenditure	Outreach	\$500.00
2	Sola Community Peace Center	03/13/2020	Motion to approve \$5,000 NPG to Sola Community Peace Center to fund 10 kids from Voices NC boundaries to attend day Peace Camp.	Neighborhood Purpose Grants		\$5000.00
	Subtotal: Outstanding			\$5500.00		

19509 Ventura Blvd. Tarzana, CA 91356

Invoice

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Voices Neighborhood Council Jaime Rabb	-			

QTY	Description		Price Each	Amount
1		Monthly Maintenance: includes up to 1.5 hour for; phone support, web development, requests, &		150.00
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Please remit payment at your earliest convenience. Thank you for your business!		Total		\$202.50
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		Balance Due		\$0.00

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BILL TO Voices NC PO BOX 82160 Attn: Albert Farias Los Angeles, CA 90082 SHIP TO Voices NC PO BOX 82160 Attn: Albert Farias Los Angeles, CA 90082

Thank you for Opening	Up Your Palates to Salads and allowing Toss	BALANCE DUE			\$35.50
Credit Card Terminal	Credit Card Fee		1	0.50	0.50
Catering Salad	Ceasar Salad with Dressing and Cr	outons (10 ppl)	1	35.00	35.00
ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION		QTY	RATE	AMOUNT

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Store ID 00001-05960 Phone 323-766-7936

Order #301451 ALBERT FARIAS Tue, Mar 10, 2020 05:12pm Your Cashier Today is Yaksi R.

SALE

Item	Price
(2) Classic Cheese	\$10.00
(2) ExtraMostBestest Pepperoni	\$12.00
Item Count	4
Taxable Total	\$22.00
Sales Tax	\$2.09

Total

\$24.09

Account: MASTERCARD**********0617

Cardholder: ALBERT FARIAS

Result: CAPTURED

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Approved Amount: 24.09

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You got a refund

Accept credit cards on your phone with a PayPal card reader.

• \$35.50 USD

Amount	\$35.50
Subtotal	\$35.50
Тір	\$0.00
TOTAL	\$35.50 USD

Payment Method

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Signature verified

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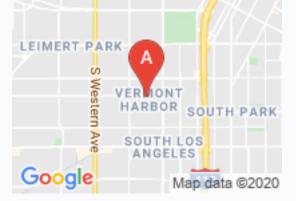
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Payment Success!

This is a quick little note to let you know that your monthly payment was processed successfully.

Thank you for protecting your valuable belongings with us!

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Your Facility Information: 1701 W Slauson Ave Los Angeles, CA 90047 (323) 243-1017

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Date: March 12, 2020 **Amount:** \$253.20 Unit number: 2467

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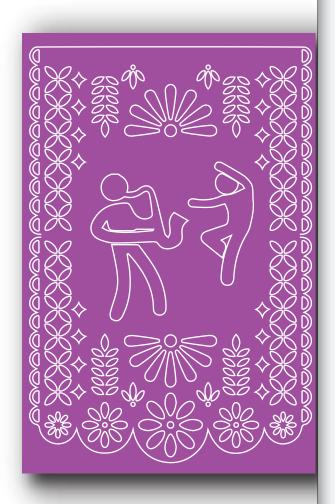




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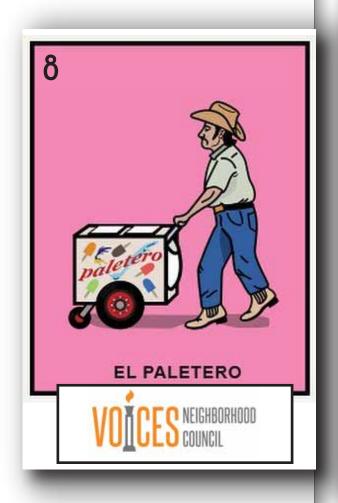




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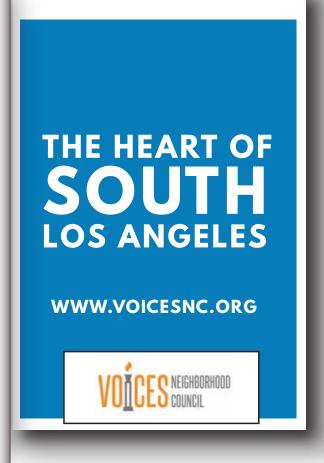


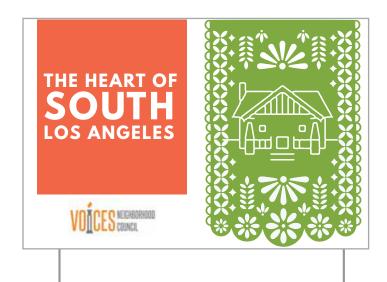




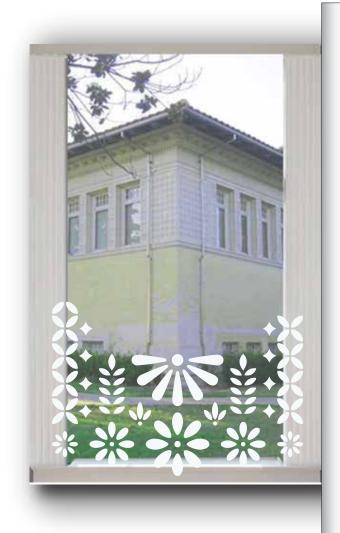


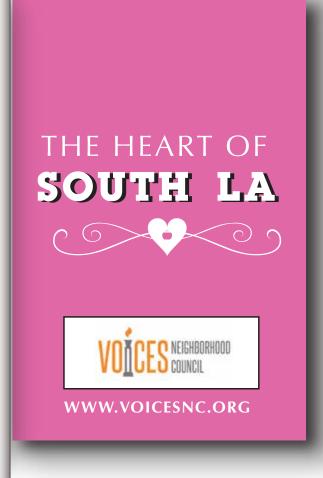














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March 10, 2020

RE: Speed Hump Application for Schools

Lan Nguyen

Transportation Engineer

LADOT Speed Hump Program 100 South Main Street, 10th Floor

Los Angeles, CA 90012

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Via Email (ladot.newspeedhump@lacity.org)

Dear Lan Nguyen,

The Voices Neighborhood Council on March 10, 2020 voted [VOTE NUMBERS] to SUPPORT a resolution to streamline the Speed Hump lottery/application for schools.

One hit and run before or after school, including the tragic incident at Augustus Hawkins High School is too many. In order to control traffic speed in and around our schools, the Voices Neighborhood Council SUPPORTS this resolution. The application process to get speed humps on a city street is based on a lottery system that disproportionately prohibits South LA residents from participating and is just as daunting for school administrators. Therefore, school principals or school representatives can submit an application with no further action need. Furthermore, because schools can represent over 250 stakeholders, the school's streets shall be prioritized for speed humps within the current street limitations stated by the Department of Transportation.

We thank you for your attention to this matter and appreciate your commitment to strengthen our community.

Sincerely,

Albert J. Farias, PhD, MPH

Chair

chair@voicesnc.org

CC: Seleta J. Reynolds, General Manager (seleta.reynolds@lacity.org), Councilman Curren Price (councilmember.price@lacity.org), James Westbrooks, Deputy Chief of Staff (james.westbrooks@lacity.org), Curtis Earnest, Chief of Staff (Curtis.earnest@lacity.org)



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March 10, 2020

RE: Council File: 11-1705

Councilman Curren D. Price Jr.

4301 S. Central Ave

Los Angeles, CA 90011

Via Email (councilmember.price@lacity.org)

Dear Councilman Curren D. Price Jr.,

The Voices Neighborhood Council on March 10, 2020 voted [VOTE NUMBERS] to OPPOSE, City Council File 11-1705, a citywide sign regulation including opt-in provisions, alternative approaches to off-site signs, defining billboard blight, equity for small businesses and murals signs and related matters.

The Voices NC opposed the council file for the following reasons: 1) there is no stipulation on saturation of digital billboards, 2) digital billboards may cause traffic hazards, and 3) the revenue generated from digital billboards are not invested into the communities where the billboards are placed. For further consideration, we recommend that the council file include amendments that limit the saturation of digital billboards within a geographic location, limit the flashing/cycle changes, and invest a percentage of the revenue back into the community.

We thank you for your attention to this matter and appreciate your commitment to strengthen our community.

Sincerely,

Albert J. Farias, PhD, MPH

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April 14, 2020

RE: Recommendations for Area Park Enhancements

Councilman Curren D. Price Jr. 4301 S. Central Ave Los Angeles, CA 90011

Via Email (councilmember.price@lacity.org)

Dear Councilman Curren D. Price Jr.,

The Voices Neighborhood Council on April 14, 2020 voted [VOTE NUMBERS] to SUPPORT park enhancements to Vermont Square Park and Julian Dixon Park

The Voices Neighborhood Council supports all park enhancements that create safe public spaces for recreation use and physical activity in order to foster a healthy community. After careful consideration in the Planning and Land Use Committee held on February 28, 2020 and the General Board Meeting held on April 14, 2020 and with community stakeholder participation, the Voices Neighborhood Council SUPPORTS the following park enhancements to Vermont Square Park and Julian Dixon Park:

VERMONT SQUARE PARK 1248 W. 47th St. Los Angeles, CA 90037

Recreation

- 1) Installation of a Recreation Center Facility
 - Indoor Soccer and basketball
 - Community multi-purpose meeting rooms to host afterschool programs and Voices Neighborhood Council Meetings
 - Computer lab
 - o Concession for playground and sports equipment
- 2) Running/walking track around the perimeter of the park
- 3) Additional Picnic benches and recreational seating behind the Vermont Square Library

Safety

- 1) Increased lighting and security cameras around the park
- 2) Speed humps on all perimeter streets
- 3) Closing of Budlong Avenue to thru traffic and limit vehicular accessibility into the park

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JULIAN DIXON PARK 4800 S. Hoover Blvd Los Angeles CA, 90037

Urban greening

1) Installation of a Community Garden managed and maintained by community-based organization

We thank you for your attention to this matter and appreciate your commitment to strengthen our community.

Sincerely,

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