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SYLMAR NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
GENERAL BOARD
MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, April 24th, 2025

6:30 pm

13570 Eldridge Ave. Sylmar, CA 91342

(Discovery Charter Preparatory School)

Meeting may be attended virtually

**Please use the link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86423239940> to join webinar;
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Public comment cannot be required to be submitted in advance of the meeting, only real-time public comment is required. If there are any broadcasting interruptions that prevent the public from observing or hearing the meeting, the meeting must be recessed or adjourned. If members of the public are unable to provide public comment or be heard due to issues within the Neighborhood Council's control, the meeting must be recessed or adjourned.

Every person wishing to address the Board must dial (669) 900-6833 and enter 864 2323 9940 and then press # to join the meeting. Instructions on how to sign up for public comment will be given to listeners at the start of the meeting.

SB 411 Updates: In the event of a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting to members of the public using the call-in option or internet-based service option, or in the event of a disruption within the eligible legislative body's control that prevents members of the public from offering public comments using the call-in option or internet-based service option, the eligible legislative body shall take no further action on items appearing on

the meeting agenda until public access to the meeting via the call-in option or internet-based service option is restored. Actions taken on agenda items during a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting may be challenged pursuant to Section 54960.1.

The eligible legislative body shall not require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the legislative body and offer comments in real time.

Notwithstanding Section 54953.3, an individual desiring to provide public comment through the use of an internet website, or other online platform, not under the control of the eligible legislative body, that requires registration to log in to a teleconference may be required to register as required by the third-party internet website or online platform to participate.

(i) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph , to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed.

(ii) An eligible legislative body that does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to subparagraph (D), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment.

(iii) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed general public comment period that does not correspond to a specific agenda item shall not close the public comment period or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), until the timed general public comment period has elapsed.

PUBLIC INPUT AT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETINGS The public is requested dial *9, when prompted by the presiding officer, 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 2 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

The Neighborhood Council system enables meaningful civic participation for all Angelenos and serves as a voice for improving government responsiveness to local communities and their needs. We are an advisory body to the City of Los Angeles, comprised of stakeholder volunteers who are devoted to the mission of improving our communities.

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Housekeeping:** Sign-in Sheets, Speaker Cards for public comments, Recording and Timekeeper notification, and facilities information.
- 4. Pledge of Allegiance.**
- 5. Public Comment on matters not appearing on the agenda. (2 minutes per person)**

6. **Public Official & Community Representative announcements and presentations:** followed by public announcements. Up to (5) minutes per report.
 - A. **Los Angeles Police Department (Mission Division)**
Senior Lead Officers: Keith Crawford or Joseph Carter
Officer Crawford - 38491@lapd.online , Officer Carter - 38835@lapd.online
 - B. **Department of Health Services Olive View UCLA Medical Center**
Community Relations Lead: Brenda Yanez Zamora,
byanezzamora@dhs.lacounty.gov
 - C. **Los Angeles City Council District 7 / Councilwoman Monica Rodriguez**
Field Representative: Jose Hernandez jose.h.hernandez@lacity.org
 - D. **Los Angeles Mayor / Karen Bass**
Field Deputy: Michelle Vergara, michelle.vergara@lacity.org
 - E. **Los Angeles County Board Of Supervisors 3rd District / Lindsey Horvath**
Field Deputy: Melissa Esparza mesparza@bos.lacounty.gov
 - F. **California State Assembly 43rd District / Celeste Rodriguez**
Field Rep: Marisol Sánchez marisol.sanchez@asm.ca.gov
 - G. **California Congressional District 29 / Congresswoman Luz Rivas**
Field Deputy: Cynthia Becerra, cynthia.becerra@mail.house.gov
 - H. **California State Senate District 20 / Caroline Menjivar**
District Rep: Katherine Castrejon, katherine.castrejon@sen.ca.gov
 - I. **Department of Neighborhood Empowerment**
Advocate: Vincent Autiero, vincent.autiero@lacity.org
 - J. **Region - 1 Budget Advocates: Lionel Mares LionelMaresNCs@gmail.com**
7. **Meeting Break (10 Minutes)**
8. **Discussion/Information:** SNC Election-Installment process for certified SNC Board Member candidates. (Submission is now closed) Discussion lead by Andres Rubalcava, SNC Vice President Administration and Vincent Autiero Field Representative Department of Neighborhood Empowerment.
9. **Discussion and Possible Action:** To approve SNC General Board meeting minutes from **March 27th, 2025.**
10. **Discussion:** Treasurer's Report.

- 11. Discussion and Possible Action:** The approval of the **April 2024** Monthly Expenditure Report (MER)
- 12. PRESENTATION - Discussion and Possible Action:** LA COUNTY Department of Parks & Recreation to Present a proposal on new pickleball courts at El Cariso Community Regional Park. Letter of support requested.
- 13. PRESENTATION / Informational** - American Red Cross - Los Angeles Region, Miriam Andino Disaster Program Manager, Territory 1to provide information about an upcoming American Red Cross event in Sylmar. - May 24th (Sylmar, Pacoima, Foothills) “Sound the Alarm” event. <https://www.redcross.org/sound-the-alarm.html?srsId=AfmBOorlErtvRYi4Oq3ujg9wqOdGSVivGHmd8IhwE46Spn8PyXKIEIq2>
- 14. PRESENTATION:** SNC Board Member George Ortega is leading the the council’s report on “Park Needs” to LA CITY Recreation & Parks. - The Park Needs Assessment will be a roadmap to just and fair capital investment in LA City parks and recreation and equitable connections to quality parks and recreation, to meet current and future needs of residents. **Take the survey** - <https://needs.parks.lacity.gov/early-2025-survey-short-version/>
- 15. Discussion & Possible Action:** Letter from SNC Transportation Committee addressing ongoing safety concerns at the intersection of Hubbard Street and Garrick Avenue, the main entrance to El Cariso Park. Letter urges action on improving safety at this key intersection on behalf of stakeholders. (Transportation Committee)
- 16. Discussion and possible action:** Letter from the Sylmar Neighborhood Council's Transportation Committee urging LADOT to implement traffic signal preemption, dwell recall, and Transit Signal Priority on dedicated transit rights-of-way. Letter is in support of recent city motions and examples demonstrating successful pilot programs to enhance transit reliability and efficiency. (Transportation Committee)
- 17. Discussion and Possible Action:** Sylmar Neighborhood Council to recommend LA City Councilwoman Rodriguez to support SB322. Senate Bill 322 aims to establish Urban Equestrian Incentive Zones. This bill provides local governments with the authority to create designated areas for equestrian activities through enforceable contracts with landowners. The primary goal is to preserve and promote equestrian heritage in urban areas while ensuring the availability of spaces for related activities amid growing development pressures. (Equestrian Committee)
- 18. Discussion and Possible Action: SNC Committee Chair Reports**
 - Budget - George Ortega
 - Bylaws - Maria Strmsek
 - Education - Jose Velasquez
 - Equestrian - Cheri Blose
 - Executive - Kurt Cabrera-Miller

Planning & Land Use - Peter Postlmayr
Public Safety - Jay Palmer
Transportation - Jeremy Steinert
Outreach - Kurt Cabrera-Miller

19. Discussion & Possible Action: Reimbursement to SNC Board Member Jay Palmer in the amount of **\$113.36** (*\$39.42/Staples, \$54.48/Office Depot, \$19.46/Target*) for office supplies used for SNC Public Safety Committee.

20. Discussion and Possible Action: SNC to submit a Community Impact Statement in **SUPPORT** of LA City Council File 25-0178 “Economic Development and Jobs Committee Report” Councilwoman Rodriguez

21. Discussion and Possible Action: Street Lighting Survey - SNC Public Safety Committee will be coordinating a complete survey of all LA City street lights in Sylmar that are in need of repair and or attention. **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** Dates and details to be discussed. (Public Safety Committee)

22. Discussion & Possible Action: SNC Liaison Reports

Homelessness Liaison - Kurt Cabrera-Miller

Other possible Liaison positions -

Animal Services, Film, Purposeful Aging, and Resilience.

23. Board Member updates and announcements.

24. President’s closing remarks, acknowledgments and adjournment.

All Agenda items may include presentations, discussions and actions by the Committee for recommendations to the SNC Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may discuss the recommendations and take action on the item, which could result in a Community Impact Statement to the City and/or a position letter to a City agency.

The Stakeholders may comment on any Agenda item only when the item comes up for discussion. The Committee will determine the length of discussion and comment times. The attending stakeholders may be polled for their opinion on any Agenda item before the Committee takes action for a recommendation to the Board. Comments from the stakeholders 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 stakeholder may become the subject of a future Board meeting.

Any Committee action may be reconsidered following the Meeting when the original action occurred. A Committee Member makes a Motion for Reconsideration and if approved another vote on the issue takes place based on the reasoning for the reconsideration. The Committee Member must have been on the prevailing side of the action/issue.

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