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## SLNC GOVERNING BOARD SPECIAL MEETING

Tuesday, June 18, 2019 - 7:00pm-10:00pm

Ivanhoe Elementary School Auditorium / 2828 Herkimer Street

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## SPECIAL MEETING A G E N D A

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**TIMES ARE FOR REFERENCE ONLY. ITEMS MAY BE ADDRESSED OUT OF THE ORDER LISTED.  
ALL AGENDA ITEMS ARE ACTIONABLE UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.**

- 1) Call to Order \* 7:00pm
- 2) Roll Call \* 7:05pm
- 3) Welcome and rules for actions on agenda items
- 4) Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items \* 7:10pm

[NOTE: Certain relevant supporting documents for the Budget agenda items, including the Budget Proposal, Draft Administrative Packet and MER, will be posted to <http://silverlakenc.org/budget-finance/> in advance of the meeting]

- 5) Presentation by the Budget and Finance Committee
  - a) 2019-2020 budget proposal [NOTE: 10-minute presentation by Committee Co-Chairs and 15-minute discussion period]
  - b) (Treasurer) Move to adopt 2019-2020 budget. Approval of 2019-2020 "Office of the City Clerk Neighborhood Council Funding Program Fiscal Year Administrative Packet," including Budget Allocations as follows:
    - (1) Office: \$12,100 (refer to Budget Proposal Presentation for detailed line items)
    - (2) Outreach: \$13,600 (refer to Budget Proposal Presentation for detailed line items)

(3) Community Improvement Projects: \$2,000

(4) Neighborhood Purpose Grants: \$14,300\*

\*Contemplates supplementation with excess rollover funds from FY 2018-2019 Balance Forward less amounts needed to satisfy outstanding FY 2018-19 commitments. Once rollover amounts are finalized by the City Clerk's office in August 2019 (anticipated to be approximately \$500), Budget reallocation will be agendized for Board Approval.

- c) (Treasurer) Election of Second Bank Card Holder: Effective July 1, 2019, Neighborhood Council's may opt to elect a Second Bank Card Holder to act as alternate to the primary Bank Card Holder (Appointed Board Member must complete in-person Funding Training conducted by the City Clerk's Office). [NOTE: Paul Emmons nominated at the Budget and Finance Committee Meeting on June 11, 2019, should another Board Member want to be 2<sup>nd</sup> Signer they will have an opportunity to be heard during this motion prior to Roll Call Vote].
  - d) (Treasurer) Approval of May Monthly Expenditures Report (MER) (Beginning Balance \$10,430.76 | Total Spent \$0.00 | Outstanding Expenditures \$7,170.68 | Net Available \$3,260.08)
- 6) Unfinished Business
- a) (Secretary) Move to schedule a Bylaws and Standing Rules Committee meeting before the scheduled July 10, 2019 Regular Meeting of the Governing Board. The Bylaws and Standing Rules Committee, per SLNC Standing Rules, is to be held on an as needed basis [NOTE: March 5, 2019 last meeting of record].
  - b) (Secretary) Move to select at least one member (up to 2 members) of the Governing Board to be Co-Chair(s) of the Bylaws and Standing Rules Committee.
  - c) (Secretary) Move to select (5) Community Impact Statement Filers. Filers will file through EmpowerLA.org. More information can be found at: <http://empowerla.org/self-serve/> with regard to the filing process. EmpowerLA allows for 5 filers, for efficiency, filers to be considered may want to be Advisory Committee Co-Chairs that will likely be writing CIS. [Standing Rule #38, "The SLNC Co-Chairs and the Secretary will be granted the password to access the Early Notification System to submit Community Impact Statements (CIS)."] Currently, Board Secretary is (1) of (5) filers, (2) filers will be selected during this motion, when Co-Chairs are seated both will become filers per SLNC Standing Rule #38]
  - d) (Secretary) Move to discuss and take potential action on filing, with regularity, Community Impact Statements coming out of Advisory Committees (SLNC Standing Rule #39). Potential Community Impact Statements from Committee(s) to be discussed with the Governing Board at the July 10, 2019 meeting for approval:
    - i) (Secretary) Move to discuss and take potential action on Transportation and Neighborhood Safety to add Community Impact Statement [see supplemental document attached] to Council File # 11-2130-S4 in reference to Councilman Ryu's letter to the City Council Transportation Committee supporting the road diet on Rowena and calling for further safety measures. [NOTE: On June 12, 2019 City Council Transportation Committee moved to approve Councilman Ryu's funding request and letter with additional recommendations based on LADOT report and improved safety measures that will go before City Council for approval:  
[\[https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=11-2130-S4\]](https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=11-2130-S4)
    - ii) (Danner) From Homelessness committee: Discussion and possible action to submit a Community Impact Statement [see supplemental document attached] in support of Council File 19-0450, recommending a report on the City's strategy to address homeless encampment clean-ups (a.k.a. "Sweeps"), including "efficacy of existing clean-up efforts, detailing key objectives and providing metrics of success or failure"  
[\[https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=19-0450\]](https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=19-0450)

- iii) (Secretary) Transportation and Neighborhood Safety to consider writing a Community Impact Statement to be added to Council File for State the CA State Senate Bill SB127: ([https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill\\_id=201920200SB127](https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB127)). SB127 would require [per/ Senator Weiner, a legislative author of SB127]:
  - (1) Caltrans to incorporate "complete streets elements," such as new sidewalks, bike lanes and crosswalks, when making infrastructure improvements using highway maintenance funds.
  - (2) It would also require the agency to "interact with the local community" and "include representation from local bike and advisory committees on its project teams"
  - (3) The bill would also change Caltrans rules to make pedestrian and bicycle improvements the "default" rather than the exception in its projects. Whereas the agency is now often required to obtain a special permit to make such improvements, the bill would instead require a permit to forego them.

- e) (Secretary) Move to vote on including *Committee Reports* under Special Report(s) (Standing Rule #12, Order of Business) from Committee Co-Chair(s) or designated *Committee Reporter* of each SLNC Advisory Committee at Regular Meetings of the Governing Board. Committee Reports are intended to be summations of committee matters, should not exceed 2 minutes, and should provide information to the public about future Committee meeting dates and potential actionable items that may be presented to the Governing Board. Currently, there is no ongoing process, aside from minutes and a yearly review of goal(s), for Advisory Committees to report back to the Governing Board a summary of the people's business that is being discussed within Committee. [NOTE: Consideration for Work Group(s) to have a designated period of time (not to exceed 2 minutes) to provide a report to the Governing Board will be discussed during this motion.]
- f) (Danner) Discussion and possible action on the formation of an Ad Hoc Committee on Housing and Homelessness (precise name of committee TBD), to meet at least 4x yearly for discussion of housing and homelessness issues affecting Silver Lake.
- g) (Danner) Discussion and possible action to create a housing and homelessness resources page on the SLNC website in collaboration with relevant committees such as Housing & Tenants Rights, Homelessness, and Mature Adults, and to distribute information about these resources via SLNC outreach channels such as the monthly newsletter and other outreach events.

## 7) New Business

- a) (Stein) Move to discuss and take potential action on the formation of a Latinx Committee. Mission statement and further discussion of the scope of the Latinx Committee to be presented at the July 10, 2019 Regular Meeting of the Governing Board.
- b) (Duncan) Move to discuss and take potential action on the formation of an Ad Hoc Committee on LADWP Modular Building (Committee name to be determined), modular building to be constructed at the Reservoir Complex, breaking of ground scheduled by LADWP for November 2019. Mission statement and further discussion of the scope of the Ad Hoc Committee on LADWP Modular Building to be discussed on July 10, 2019. [NOTE: visit [silverlakenc.org](http://silverlakenc.org) for LADWP presentation: <http://silverlakenc.org/silver-lake-project-update-6-5-19/> and June 5, 2019 Agenda and *DRAFT* Minutes for LADWP representatives' presentation on this modular office building and comments from the public and Board: <http://silverlakenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/SLNC-June-5th-2019-Board-Meeting-Minutes-DRAFT-1.pdf>]
- c) (Secretary) Move to discuss and take potential action on adding *Office Hours* to SLNC website under Outreach Committee and to promote in SLNC Newsletter in an effort to increase community involvement and reach out to stakeholders in new and important ways to promote involvement in the SLNC. Hours are

to be posted on the SLNC website in advance of scheduled *Office Hours* to provide adequate notice to the public. *Office Hours* are to take place within Silver Lake community boundaries and made available to *any* Silver Lake stakeholder regardless of Region or At-Large representation by holder of *Office Hours*. Stakeholders will be made aware of contact information of Region Representative and/or redirected to website and Committee(s) for specific issues raised during discussions with holder of *Office Hours*.

8) Approval of the Draft Minutes

- a) Review and adopt minutes from Governing Board Regular Meeting on May 1, 2019. Draft minutes here: <http://silverlakenc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/SLNC-May-1st-Regular-Special-Meeting-Minutes-Suggested-Changes-Version.pdf>

9) Future Agenda Items

- a) (Secretary) Move to discuss and take potential action on selecting a Parliamentarian.
- b) (Secretary) Move to discuss and take potential action on selecting a Sargent-at-Arms.

10) Announcements

- a) (Secretary) Move to discuss and take potential action that the Announcement period is used for Board announcements rather than Board members using the Public Comment Period for Non-Agenda Items as an opportunity to make announcements.

11) Adjournment \*

10:00pm

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Board/Committee 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

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**RECONSIDERATION AND GRIEVANCE PROCESS**

For information on the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council’s process for board action reconsideration, stakeholder grievance policy, or any other procedural matters related to this Council, please consult the SLNC

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(Amended by Stats, 1994, Ch. 923, Sec. 159. Effective January 1, 1995.) – Every person who, without authority of law, willfully disturbs or breaks up any assembly or meeting that is not unlawful in its character, other than an assembly or meeting referred to in Section 302 of the Penal Code or Section 18340 of the Elections Code, is guilty of a misdemeanor.



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**Community Impact Statement**

Council File 19-0450 (Homeless Encampments Clean-Up Efforts Report)

6/18/2019

To: Honorable City Council, Los Angeles City Hall, 200 N. Spring Street, room 395, Los Angeles, CA 90012  
c/o Office of the City Clerk

The Silver Lake Neighborhood Council (SLNC) requests that this community impact statement be attached to Los Angeles City Council file 19-0450.

At the SLNC special board meeting on June 18, 2019 The SLNC board voted to [support/deny] the submission of a CIS regarding council file 19-0450 with XX yes votes, XX no votes, and XX board members abstaining.

This council file was brought to the June 18, 2019 special board meeting by Darius Derakshan and Nithya Raman, co-chairs of the SLNC Homelessness Committee; this CIS was presented by Samantha Danner, an SLNC homelessness liaison and Homelessness committee member.

At a May 13, 2019 SLNC Homelessness Committee meeting, Derakshan described how homeless encampment clean-up efforts, often referred to as "Sweeps," adversely affect people experiencing homelessness. Sweeps can be very disruptive to unhoused people who are making progress toward finding housing because such clean-up efforts often result in the removal of necessary medications, identifying documents, and other materials like housing vouchers. Current clean-up practices are the result of compliance with the outcomes of lawsuits against the City of LA, and the experiences of all of those involved with cleanups, from unhoused people to police officers and sanitation workers, suggest that there is room for improvement in these cleanup practices. There are many ways to address the need for cleanliness in encampments with more compassion. For example, if these cleanups became a more regular occurrence, with trash receptacles available to encampment residents and a regularly-scheduled pickup day, both housed and unhoused residents would have a better idea of what to expect regarding cleanliness and safety.

We therefore support Councilmember Bonin's motion, now with the Homelessness and Poverty Committee, to study the efficacy of current clean-up efforts and to report back with actual metrics of clean-up success and/or failure. Furthermore, we hope that the report will recommend best practices and strategies that address the needs of all those involved with clean-ups. Such information and action is sorely and immediately needed to address issues of public health, safety, and homelessness reduction efforts.



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**Community Impact Statement**  
Council File #11-2130-S4

June 18, 2019

To: Honorable City Council, Los Angeles City Hall, 200 N. Spring Street, room 395, Los Angeles, CA 90012 c/o Office of the City Clerk

The Silver Lake Neighborhood Council (SLNC) requests that this community impact statement be attached to Los Angeles City Council File 11-2130-S4 [Rowena Avenue / Waverly Drive / Angus Street / Council District Four / Cut-Through Traffic Mitigation].

At the SLNC Special Meeting of the Governing Board on June 18, 2019, the SLNC board voted to [support/deny] the submission of a CIS regarding council file 19-0450 with XX yes votes, XX no votes, and XX board members abstaining.

This council file was brought to the June 18, 2019 SLNC Special Board Meeting by Paul Emmons, Co-Chair of the Transportation and Neighborhood Safety Committee; this CIS was presented by Nora Goudsmit as Vice-Chair of the SLNC.

In 2012, a young woman, Ashley Sandau at the early age of 24, crossing the 2800 block of Rowena Avenue was fatally struck; her death was witnessed, tragically, by her father, as well as community members who were walking along Rowena Avenue and sitting outdoors at local restaurants. In response, Council District 4 directed LADOT to develop mitigation strategies to increase safety on Rowena Avenue. Per LADOT, "...at the same time, the Department of Water and Power (DWP) began construction along Rowena that temporarily reduced the corridor from two through lanes in each direction to one. Following community outreach and a robust analysis of conditions in the area, LADOT recommended a reconfiguration that maintained the lane reduction and added both bike facilities and a center left turn lane."

Years later, at a recent SLNC Transportation and Neighborhood Safety Committee meeting held on June 13, 2019, Silver Lake stakeholders in attendance were presented with Councilman Ryu's letter to City Council and the motion made at City Council's Transportation Meeting on June 12, 2019 that moved to support Rowena's Road Diet (e.g. current road configuration), and also called for further safety measures to be heard by City Council. At the SLNC Transportation Committee meeting, stakeholders also unanimously supported additional safety measures to be implemented along Rowena Avenue and adjacent streets, including but not limited to, Angus Street and Waverly Drive.

LADOT noted in their 2019 analyses, which assessed collisions, speeds, and bypass traffic at various time points, that a reduction in collision frequency and severity, and a reduction in speed was found on Rowena Avenue, and concluded that **Rowena was safer by all accounts due to the Road Diet and reengineering of the street, i.e. middle turning lane, single east and west-bound car and bicycle lanes, and metered parking.**

Importantly, and separate from the road diet, an increase in bypass traffic on the adjacent local streets was also noted by LADOT. On June 13, 2019, stakeholders in attendance (more than 20) at the Committee meeting described the treacherous conditions on Angus Street, community members expressed their fear and specifically that they constantly fear for their own and their children's lives due to the bypass traffic that speeds on Angus Street. The SLNC considers the safety of all of our community members equitably. The SLNC supports (1) safety improvements on Angus Street and Waverly Drive, (2) specifically the SLNC supports converting Angus Street from Moreno Drive to Kenilworth Avenue (westbound) to a one-way section and (3) separately supports a study of the intersection of Waverly Drive, Glendale Boulevard, and Rokeby Street that is utilized as a cut-through or feeder to Glendale Blvd (in order to provide increased safety and traffic calming measures).

In sum, the Governing Board of the SLNC strongly support general improvements on Rowena Avenue: pedestrian-scale lighting; high visibility crosswalks; increased lighting; bike lane improvements including high-visibility green paint and continued striping; additional lead-time for crossing pedestrians. We strongly support the current road configuration on Rowena Avenue. We also strongly support safety improvements along Angus Street, including but not limited to creating a one-way section between Kenilworth Ave and Moreno Dr (westbound) and further assessing the feasibility of installing continuous sidewalks on Angus Drive. The SLNC strongly supports additional required study on Waverly Drive to address the intersection of Waverly Dr. and Glendale Blvd., and Rokeby Street to determine increased safety measures to be implemented for motorists, cyclists, and pedestrians traveling along these streets.

Sincerely,  
SLNC Governing Board  
June 18, 2019  
6.(d)(i) Agenda Item

[APPROVED/DENIED]

XX Yay XX Nay XX Abstain XX Recusal