

Silver Lake Neighborhood Council
GOVERNING BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
Final Minutes
Wednesday, August 7, 2019
7:00 p.m.
Ivanhoe Elementary School
2828 Herkimer St
Los Angeles, CA 90039

1) Call to Order

The meeting began at 7:12 pm with 13 Board members present.

2) Roll Call

Attending Board Members:

Nora Goudsmit, Vice Chair
Seth Copenhaver, Secretary
Lena Najarian Kaderali, Treasurer
Barbara Ringuette
Anthony Crump
Ianthe Zevos
Mark Duncan
Dulce Stein
Maebe A. Girl
Sarah Ullman
Tina Lin
Jeremy Black
Joanna Pawlowska

Non-Attending Board Members:

Douglas Reed
Jennifer Dibs
Samantha Danner
Taryn Poole (resigned)
Paul Emmons
Nicholas Fox-Robbins
Lorraine Getz
Elaine Harris-Roark

The meeting began at 7:12 pm. It was delayed because of traffic following a nearby attempted robbery.

3) Welcome and rules for actions on agenda items

a) The SLNC will be serving delicious snacks from local restaurateur Edendale this evening.

Vice Chair and Acting Chair Nora Goudsmit offered a warm welcome to the audience. She also mentioned that the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council (SLNC) is providing delicious snacks tonight from the Edendale restaurant.

In her opening remarks, Goudsmit explained how the meeting will work and welcomed stakeholders.

She said that as chair she wants to open space for hardy discussion and public comment while all parties respect each other as neighbors. At first brush, challenging ourselves to move beyond past hurts, misperceptions, uncertainties, differing ideas, and preconceived notions may seem nearly impossible.

My first step will be to work very hard to create this space among us all to hear you, to take in your ideas, frustrations, and criticisms and concerns with equal value and weight.

I will not leave anyone out of this space. I hope to create it with you and will do so at each meeting with the express desire to have an impact on how we see one another and I hope with the respect and regard that I show to each of you, we will reshape our culture in this room and take that with us to better our community outside of this room, she concluded.

4) Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

Will Keeseey:

He explained the presence of the camera crew. They are here to shoot the AOL webseries called "Behind the Drag". The images gathered will be part of episode involving Board member Maebe A. Girl.

Leta Ramos, Co-Chair of the LatinX Committee:

She expressed concern about ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement) agents are waiting for people outside their homes. A friend

has disappeared. He is traumatized. What is a sanctuary city? How does that play when the Mayor and Council Member O'Farrell are silent about people being taken. The fear factor is abominable. We are living in a very scary world. She wants the neighborhood council to take a stand.

Seth Copenhaver said that he will run the timer tonight instead of Paul Emmons, who is absent.

Dulce Stein thanked her co-chair, Leta Ramos, for being elected.

Teresa Padua, Hollywood Sunset Free Clinic:

She thanked the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council (SLNC) for providing services. The clinic is celebrating its 51st year of free healthcare this year. We see people with no insurance or can't pay their co-pay. She brought brochures.

She added that every woman counts so they provide free mammograms, pap smears, and breast exams. We've provided this for years. We encourage women to take care of yourselves.

Finally, she said we have training at the clinic about active shootings. There will be earthquake preparedness training on Friday.

Olga Taylor, Project Manager, Community Affairs, Children's Hospital of Los Angeles, (323) 361-2487, otaylor@chla.usc.edu:

She mentioned free training for the public. She said that it is a top five hospital in the US. They offer 45 minute of free training to help save a life. We want to extend this education. It's conducted by our trauma nurse. Our goal to make the community aware and learn to stop bleeding. We want to be prepared. We've trained over 2,000 people in the community. We want to train all citizens in LA County. She has fliers.

Ben Carolla, LA Forward:

He discussed crowdsourcing for affordable housing and a City controlled database of public lands for development. We want to ask where affordable housing should be built? We are trying to gather as much information as possible. We are trying to identify more sites.

Nina Sorkin:

Seth Copenhaver said that Nina Sorkin emailed a letter that will be entered into the record. Her letter is in the binder. She is not present.

5) (Vice Chair) Move to have Announcements by Governing Board members following Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items.

Lena Kaderali seconded the motion.

Ilanthe Zevos said I ran into Rachel Fox from Council District 4 (CD4). She gave Zevos extra fliers for the upcoming reservoir meeting. Sarah Ullman said you can come anytime. It will be a guided tour.

Barbara Ringuette said that the Budget Advocates are working very hard. We did meet with the Mayor. Now we'll meet with the departments about concerns identified on Budget Day. If someone has a pressing need to talk to general manager please let her know. Or you can be invited to the meeting. For further information: www.Ncla.com. We have the plenary session on the website. We also have Ron Galperin's Budget Day slides and the adopted budget.

Joanna Pawlowska said that she's been taking Civic U 2.0 training over the past three weeks with Jeremy Black. It was pretty inspiring. Jeremy Black added that they've been talking to departments and other neighborhood councils to join forces is really important to getting things done. He suggests talking to the DWP (Department of Water and Power) about the modular office building.

Barbara Ringuette said we don't have a business plan to meet with the DWP. Jeremy Black said it was a good session. We met a lot of people.

Acting Chair Nora Goudsmit announced that Region 6 representative Taryn Poole is resigning. She wanted you to know about her service, which extended more than 3 years. She created Facebook ads. She helped build stakeholder awareness and helped neighbors with animal-related issues. It was one of the joys of her life. She is stepping away to devote more time to her advertising agency and to help with her brother. She will always be an advocate for humans and pets. Goudsmit thanked her for her time and what she brought to the SLNC. We will be sad to see her go.

6) Presentations

a) Los Angeles City Controller, Ron Galperin

Ron Galperin said that he is one of three Citywide elected officials aside from the City Council. He is the watch dog for City funds. He does audits, prepares financial forecasts, and created the City's first open data portal. He's been in the job for 6 years.

He was obsessed with the City's finances. His involvement began with an email about why his street would not be repaved anytime soon. He wanted to know where money comes from and where it goes. He became involved with his neighborhood council and became a Budget Advocate. He became president of the City's Productivity Committee. Then he ran for Controller. Everything that happens in Los Angeles comes through our offices. How do we provide the best services to the people of Los Angeles? That is always the question.

He is a former attorney and journalist.

Transparency, trust, and transformation are key for him. He wants Los Angeles to be the most transparent City in the country. We used to be ranked at the bottom. Now we are ranked at the top and winning awards. The City's virtual checkbook is online. All the City's spending is online with over 800 accounts.

Trust is important. We in government earn trust on a daily basis. What's happening in Washington DC is a horror in many ways. People depend on us in local government. Government can do good and use money wisely.

Transformation: everything changing radically right before our eyes. The City must stay ahead of the curve to provide quality services. People's expectations have changed. They want information fast and at your fingertips. See www.lacontroller.org for more information.

We have an online checkbook with more than 589,000 transactions. This also includes the DWP (Department of Water and Power), the Port of Los Angeles and other entities. He noted expenses like frozen rats purchased to feed reptiles at the zoo, and a LUST tax (Leaking Underground Storage Tax). You can see spending in real time. This is a tool for neighborhood councils as a whole. This makes you a powerful advocate with information.

The Mayor's dashboard includes all sorts of performance data. It tells whether metrics are being met. We do audits and reports.

We focus on recommendations that can be put into action. We need a good inventory of the trees in Los Angeles. We can make much better decisions. We can use AI (artificial intelligence) based on satellites for trees. We can determine which trees need the most help. We've also created a list of seniors.

Notify LA is a system that notifies everyone when there is an emergency. There is capacity to send messages in several languages. Sign up via Google.

We produce an annual financial report for the city. We make the information interactive and fun.

He wanted to know how to get more money to fix streets. The City was only collecting \$7 million from utilities. Now we collect \$107 million for streets. That is becoming the single largest source of funding for needed repairs. He note that under specialty funds, \$850,000 for equestrian services was unused.

Regarding the homeless crisis, he said it's like a natural disaster but it's completely manmade. Homelessness was up 16% in Los Angeles last year and up 12% Countywide. About 60,000 homeless people now live in Los Angeles. There are more unsheltered homeless people in Los Angeles than other major cities.

I've been troubled by Measure HHH and bureaucracy. It's been three years. Zero units have been built. There will be a few by the end of this year at a cost of \$700,000 per unit. He's been critical of this. What do we do today about this? Hygiene? Storage? A large number of people is dying on the street. This is inexcusable in such a wealthy city.

He discussed mapping and LGBTQ (Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transsexual Queer) resources, airport noise, parking tickets, free tax preparation, affordable housing units in Los Angeles, and a property panel.

Mark Duncan thanked the Controller for the my311 app. Can we find more in the budget for trash and litter pick up? The streets are filthy, said Duncan.

Galperin said he did an audit of street sweeping. It should be done based on traffic and other criteria. They are reprioritizing street

sweeping. There is an issue with sanitation. They are sitting on quite a bit of money. They felt that their hands are tied. There is concern about lawsuits if consumer funds are used for commercial cleanup. He argues in favor of this.

A Man asked about the per unit cost of new housing. Galperin said that sometimes the road to hell is paved with good intentions. We have a lot of environmental regulations that make it difficult to build. Also, the size of the average house has grown exponentially. We need to build faster and cheaper.

Galperin discussed workforce housing. People are spending 50% or more of their income on housing. This can only be solved by building a lot more.

A Woman commented that 30 years ago we built a lot of affordable housing that is now market rate and people are being kicked out. Is there a long-term plan to help extend those covenants and keep people from being kicked out? Galperin responded that the best way to preserve affordable housing is to have an adequate supply. Year after year, we are building too few units. We must create new units. We have to increase density.

Another Woman commented on the lack of transparency and the lack of trust in Los Angeles. Galperin said he's talked to other government entities about resources. He's been concerned for a long time about LAUSD (the Los Angeles Unified School District), which is very untransparent. Each of you can play a role as a watchdog. All government entities should have an open data site.

A stakeholder asked about unpermitted construction in Silver Lake. Galperin said its true in other places too, particularly hillside communities. We must look at new technologies to do an inspection so that it's easier and cheaper for the City. In Philadelphia they are using satellites and radar to see what construction is happening. That's a great way to get enforcement but it's scary!

Joanna Pawlowska asked how do you prioritize what you audit? The City is so vast. How do you approach redundant efforts? Galperin replied I wish I had a staff of hundreds of auditors. I have a total staff of 17 auditors. We get recommendations from throughout the City. We need balance at looking at different departments. There is risk analysis and lots of proposals. We are very open to

ideas. We don't audit whole departments. Regarding redundancies, he said that it is inevitable in a city of this size.

There was applause at the end of the presentation. Galperin thanked his staff members Isabel and Brian are staff members who are here to help out tonight.

7) Committee Reports

Arts and Culture Committee co-chair Renee Dawson mentioned a September event, a Monarch butterfly exhibit. The Committee is also getting involved in social media. We have our first meeting on the 15th. You are invited to the Laguna Apartments at 7pm. She said I want to highlight two people, including Scott Crawford but it's a surprise. They've done a lot for the community. She also mentioned that Art at the Reservoir is on the agenda, along with an art walk.

Urban Design and Preservation Committee Co-chair Liza Temple said the group will meet next Wednesday at 6:30pm at the Silver Lake branch library. The agenda will include 3 Conditional Use Permits and 2 small lot subdivision presentations.

Green Committee: Secretary Seth Copenhaver read a comment from the co-chairs, who are not present.

The Green Committee continues to support the art installation the Monarch. They are inviting the new City Forest Officer to a future Committee meetings to enhance the City's forest canopy. They want the Board to extend tree removal notice from 3 days to 30 days and place a notice on any tree scheduled for removal. Hopefully this will be on the September agenda. There is also an information packet about the use of rodenticides. Gas powered leaf blowers, which are banned, were also discussed in regards to a possible buy back or exchange program. We have been approached by the All American War Veterans seeking our support for their intention to buy the hillside above Ivanhoe Restaurant for a memorial park. The group's next meeting will be August 20 at 730pm at the Silver Lake Recreation Center.

Homelessness Committee: The co-chairs are not present but Homelessness Liaison Maebe A. Girl said she'd attended two related meetings the past few weeks. This included the LAHSA (Los Angeles Homelessness Services Authority, which addressed disturbing survey statistics. About 40% of the youth homeless in Los Angeles are LGBTQIA. She also attended the Homeless Liaison meeting last week

where the effectiveness of Measure H and Proposition HHH was discussed. The City is not doing enough to address homelessness, said one official. The City is reinstating a law against sleeping in vehicles. How is this compassionate? It's safer than sleeping on the street. My question was dodged by City officials. The motion to reinstate the ban was introduced by Council Member Mitch O'Farrell, who is responsible for parts of Silver Lake. Girl wants the Board to join her in condemning this action.

Latinx Committee: Co-chair Dulce Stein highlighted new co-chair Leta Ramos, who is a professor at California State University Los Angeles. Stein said we are working on a collaboration with the Silver Lake branch library for a Know Your Rights workshop. Stein said we were offered the resources of the library for an event. We also want to have an event at a local church. With ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement) raids taking place all over Los Angeles, we should provide a safe place. We are speaking with the Echo Park Neighborhood Council about collaboration. This could lead to a collaboration with other neighborhood councils too. The Chicano/Latinx resource center is being considered, with a focus on Silver Lake and Echo Park. We would also include the seniors of Latinx.

LGBTQ Committee: Co-Chair Maebe A Girl said the group held its first meeting at the end of jJly. She is one of the co-chairs along with Dylan Thomas Carter. They are advocating for people in Silver Lake and protecting queer spaces in Los Angeles. Our next meeting will be at the end of August. The location is to be determined.

Mature Adults Advocates: Seth Copenhaver said the group must get another co-chair. It is dormant right now.

Neighborhood Business Committee: Nora Goudsmit said we are trying to get this Committee off the ground.

Outreach Committee: Seth Copenhaver mentioned dual meetings to help committees and revamp the website. The Next meeting will be in 1-2 weeks.

Yes Votes:

Nora Goudsmit
Seth Copenhaver
Lena Kaderali
Barbara Ringuette
Anthony Crump
lanthe Zevos

Mark Duncan
Dulce Stein
Maebe A. Girl
Sarah Ullman
Tina Lin
Jeremy Black
Joanna Pawlowska

No Votes:

None

Present, Not Voting:

None

Silver Lake Reservoir Committee: Sarah Ullman said that the next workshop will be on 24th. There are fliers in Spanish and English. Attendance at a workshop is a top priority. They will have an item for the September agenda. We are now promoting the meeting. The DWP Office Building Ad Hoc Committee has been created. They hope to have a meeting soon. The deadline is approaching.

DWP Office Building Ad Hoc Committee: Mark Duncan said they want to break ground in November. We will finalize our mission statement at the next meeting.

Transportation Committee: Seth Copenhaver said there will be an important meeting August 16. Angus Street traffic mitigation options will be discussed. The next meeting will be held at the Silver Lake branch public library.

A Woman commented that you need paper versions of documents. Not everyone is online.

Sarah Ullman volunteered to canvas and also to speak with the community about workshops.

Youth Committee: Nora Goudsmit said this Committee is not up and running yet.

8) Administrative: (Secretary) Adopt Minutes from the

(a) June 18, 2019 Special Meeting of the Governing Board

(b) July 10, 2019 Regular Meeting of the Governing Board

Jeremy Black made the motion. Ianthe Zevos seconded.

Nina Sorkin submitted corrections.

Jeremy Black made the motion to amend the minutes. Ianthe Zevos seconded.

VOTE for June special meeting and July regular meeting minutes, agenda items 8.a, b

13-0-0

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Nora Goudsmit
Seth Copenhaver
Lena Kaderali
Barbara Ringuette
Anthony Crump
Ianthe Zevos
Mark Duncan
Dulce Stein
Maebe A. Girl
Sarah Ullman
Tina Lin
Jeremy Black
Joanna Pawlowska

No Votes:

None

Present, Not Voting:

None

(c) July 2 Joint Meeting of Governing Board and Bylaws & Standing Rules Committee:

Seth Copenhaver read the corrections from Nina Sorkin for the July 2 joint meeting.

Lena Kaderali made the motion. Sarah Ullman seconded.

VOTE for amended July 2 minutes

12-0-1

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Nora Goudsmit
Seth Copenhaver
Lena Kaderali
Barbara Ringuette
Anthony Crump
Ilanthe Zevos
Mark Duncan
Dulce Stein
Maebe A. Girl
Sarah Ullman
Jeremy Black
Joanna Pawlowska

No Votes:

None

Present, Not Voting:

Tina Lin

d) (Treasurer) Move to approve July 2019 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER).

Lena Kaderali gave a summary. *Jeremy Black seconded.*

VOTE for MER

Unanimous

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Nora Goudsmit
Seth Copenhaver
Lena Kaderali
Barbara Ringuette
Anthony Crump
Ilanthe Zevos
Mark Duncan
Dulce Stein
Maebe A. Girl
Sarah Ullman
Tina Lin
Jeremy Black
Joanna Pawlowska

No Votes:

None

Present, Not Voting:

None

e) (Treasurer) Move to retroactively approve Outreach Event in the amount of \$250 for the July 21st Silver Lake Presbyterian Church (Silverlake Community Church) 1-year anniversary tribute event for the Melyda Corado/Trader Joe's shooting and hostage situation. [Note: This funding measure was previously approved in July 2019 as an NPG but at the City Clerk's guidance, Church's no longer qualify for NPG funding, therefore payment was processed as an outreach event instead.]

Kaderali made the motion. Joanna Pawlowska seconded.

VOTE

Unanimous

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Nora Goudsmit
Seth Copenhaver
Lena Kaderali
Barbara Ringuette
Anthony Crump
Ilanthe Zevos
Mark Duncan
Dulce Stein
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Sarah Ullman
Tina Lin
Jeremy Black
Joanna Pawlowska

No Votes:

None

Present, Not Voting:

None

Mark Duncan asked are we allowed to fund it this way? Kaderali said yes.

f) (Treasurer) Move to allocate FY 2018-19 Rollover Funds (\$2114.28) to 2019-20 budget in a manner which first satisfies prior year's obligations paid/payable in this fiscal year and the remaining balance to be allocated to Neighborhood Purpose Grants (NPGs).

Kaderali made the motion. Jeremy Black seconded.

VOTE
Unanimous
PASSED

Yes Votes:

Nora Goudsmit
Seth Copenhaver
Lena Kaderali
Barbara Ringuette
Anthony Crump
Ilanthe Zevos
Mark Duncan
Dulce Stein
Maebe A. Girl
Sarah Ullman
Tina Lin
Jeremy Black
Joanna Pawlowska

No Votes:

None

Present, Not Voting:

None

9) Unfinished Business

None

10) New Business

a) (Secretary) Move to accept revisions to the SLNC Bylaws and Standing Rules that were discussed and voted upon at the Joint Meeting of the Governing Board and the Bylaws & Standing Rules Committee on July 2, 2019.

Copenhaver made the motion. Black seconded.

A Woman asked is it too late to include something? Goudsmit said no. There will be other opportunities ahead. The Woman asked about timelines for posting agendas and minutes. There should be a time frame for posting minutes after meetings. Goudsmit said it is done prior to the next meeting. We have to adopt the minutes. We can ask about this at the next bylaws meeting.

Tina Lin noted a typographical error on page 7, section 5. Goudsmit said it's not an error. She explained voting procedures for new Board member voting.

Jeremy Black and Sarah Ullman asked to call the question.

VOTE
Unanimous
PASSED

Yes Votes:

Nora Goudsmit
Seth Copenhaver
Lena Kaderali
Barbara Ringuette
Anthony Crump
Ilanthe Zevos
Mark Duncan
Dulce Stein
Maebe A. Girl
Sarah Ullman
Tina Lin
Jeremy Black
Joanna Pawlowska

No Votes:

None

Present, Not Voting:

None

b) (Vice Chair) Move to appoint Seth Copenhaver, Board Secretary, as designated SLNC Board Member to pick up the following items from the City Clerk, who has retained all NC election-related materials for a period of 90 days after the certification of election results for each NC. Per correspondence from the City Clerk to SLNC Vice Chair: pick up will include: 1. Stakeholder Registration Forms (excluding stakeholder

documentation) for any at-poll voters; 2. Candidate Filing Records (excluding candidate documentation); and 3. Ballots.

Goudsmit made the motion. Maebe A. Girl seconded.

VOTE
Unanimous
PASSED

Yes Votes:

Nora Goudsmit
Seth Copenhaver
Lena Kaderali
Barbara Ringuette
Anthony Crump
Ianthe Zevos
Mark Duncan
Dulce Stein
Maebe A. Girl
Sarah Ullman
Tina Lin
Jeremy Black
Joanna Pawlowska

No Votes:

None

Present, Not Voting:

None

c) (Secretary) Move to select of an Alternate Representative for the Stakeholder Working Group as part of the Reservoir Master Plan and (1) Representative for the Reservoir Master Plan.

Copenhaver made the motion. Black seconded.

Copenhaver said that Taryn Poole has resigned so there is an opening. We will replace her and also an alternate.

Representative nominations:

Sarah Ullman was nominated. She accepted. Mark Duncan seconded the nomination.

VOTE for Sarah Ullman as Representative

**Unanimous
PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Nora Goudsmit
Seth Copenhaver
Lena Kaderali
Barbara Ringuette
Anthony Crump
Ilanthe Zevos
Mark Duncan
Dulce Stein
Maebe A. Girl
Sarah Ullman
Tina Lin
Jeremy Black
Joanna Pawlowska

No Votes:

None

Present, Not Voting:

None

Alternate nominations:

Jeremy Black and Maebe A. Girl nominated Joanna Pawlowska.

Joanna Pawlowska said I'm already co-chair of the Committee, working closely with Sarah Ullman.

**VOTE for Joanna Pawlowska as alternate
Unanimous
PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Nora Goudsmit
Seth Copenhaver
Lena Kaderali
Barbara Ringuette
Anthony Crump
Ilanthe Zevos
Mark Duncan

Dulce Stein
Maebe A. Girl
Sarah Ullman
Tina Lin
Jeremy Black
Joanna Pawlowska

No Votes:
None

Present, Not Voting:
None

d) (Vice Chair/Outreach) Move to approve up to \$500.00 in funding to conduct outreach to community members for the Silver Lake Reservoirs Master Plan Community Workshop #2 that will be held on Saturday, August 24 from 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. at the Reservoir Complex.

Copenhaver made the motion. Black seconded.

Goudsmit said more outreach should be done before ground is broken in November. She wants to hear from the public.

Debbie said we want to ensure that there will be brick and mortar options for outreach, not just digital. We also want bilingual outreach.

Sarah Ullman said that she's trying to get a rendering made. She's arranging for a tour of the site too. The site for the office building is next to the reservoir. This has been removed from land available to the public in the master plan process. There has been a lack of community input.

Copenhaver read a comment from Nina Sorkin. She asked why is the second part of the motion is being presenting by the co-chair not the committee? This was not discussed or voted on by the committee.

Anthony Crump asked was it discussed in committee? Goudsmit said there was discussion at the reservoir meeting.

Dulce Stein asked this building is inevitable? Mark Duncan said that the DWP is presenting it that way. We should be pushing back against that until they justify the need for the building and put that portion back into the master plan. (It's 2.5 acres). There was

a consensus that it should be put back into the master plan process. Joanna Pawlowska said we want to engage the community about the master plan. *Tina Lin seconded the motion.*

VOTE
Unanimous
PASSED

Yes Votes:

Nora Goudsmit
Seth Copenhaver
Lena Kaderali
Barbara Ringuette
Anthony Crump
Ilanthe Zevos
Mark Duncan
Dulce Stein
Maebe A. Girl
Sarah Ullman
Tina Lin
Jeremy Black
Joanna Pawlowska

No Votes:

None

Present, Not Voting:

None

e) (Secretary) Move to discuss and take potential action on filing CIS for CF 19-0623 (Bonin / Harris-Dawson/ Ryu / Koretz) EMPTY HOMES PENALTY aka VACANCY TAX. The Silver Lake NC Housing and Tenants Rights Committee is submitting this request for a CIS to the Silver Lake NC, in support of CF 19-0623 (Empty Homes Penalty aka Vacancy Tax).

Seth Copenhaver made the motion. Barbara Ringuette seconded.

Jane Demian, a representative of the LA Tenant's Union, said that there are 3 motions. There is a vacancies issue. There are thousands of vacant units in Los Angeles that could be used for long term housing. This can increase the supply of housing at all levels. It's relatively simple and straightforward. Some stakeholders said they support this.

Black asked how many months does it take to qualify for vacancy?
Jane Demian said she's not sure. We'll study this.

Tina Lin asked where does the CIS go? What does it mean?
Goudsmit explained. Anthony Crump added comments about the
CIS process. Mark Duncan asked we are asking them to examine
the issue? Jane Demian said yes.

Sarah Ullman said I support this but contrast this with the recent
vote to criminalize sleeping in cars. It feels like hypocrisy to me.
Demain agreed. About 97% of City Council motions pass
unanimously. This was discussed behind closed doors., said
Ullman.

Dulce Stein asked how often do you have to file the CIS for a
study? Demian said we're not sure what direction it will go in. It
could go on the ballot.

Anthony Crump noted that the Air BnB legislation took 6 years.
Something may not happen immediately. Joanna Pawlowska
asked about a definition of what is vacant or not vacant?

Ianthe Zevos seconded the motion.

VOTE
Unanimous
PASSED

Yes Votes:

Nora Goudsmit
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Anthony Crump
Ianthe Zevos
Mark Duncan
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Maebe A. Girl
Sarah Ullman
Tina Lin
Jeremy Black
Joanna Pawlowska

No Votes:

None

Present, Not Voting:

None

f) (Secretary) Move to discuss and take potential action on filing CIS for CF 14-0268-S16 (Ryu / Bonin / Cedillo) ELLIS ACT AMENDMENT. The Silver Lake NC Housing and Tenants Rights Committee is submitting this request for a CIS to the Silver Lake NC, of Motion CF 14-0268-S16 (Ellis Act Amendments: tenant relocation, replacement units, "Right of First Refusal", unintended displacement by density incentives, and City acquisition and rehabilitation of RSO properties to convert to affordable housing).

Copenhaver made the motion. Barbara Ringuette seconded.

Jane Demian explained the history of the Ellis Act from 1985 allowing landlords to remove rentals from the market. It is being abused. We are trying to amend it to end abuses. Tenants are being evicted en mass and then units are being flipped.

This motion wants relocation money (\$21,000 maximum). We want to increase that and tie it to the medium rental price in area.

When a building is torn down and rental housing is built, that new housing should be replaced as an RSO (Rent Stabilization Ordinance) on a 1 to 1 basis. We want that increased to 50% from 20%.

Mark Duncan asked a question regarding mom and pop businesses. Jane Demian said that's a good question. This may die in City Council. These are complex questions and issues.

Tenants have to have a right of first refusal in the new building. It has to be at the same rent as the previous unit. Some developers prefer a density bonus instead of 1-1 unit replacement. These are good ideas that are difficult to put into practice.

Anthony asked about number 5: is there any funding attached to this? Jane Demian said good question! We have properties that are already there. This can be used to purchase property and turn it into permanent supported housing.

Barbara Ringuette advised to support this. We are studying and reporting back. She is not saying that this is certain to happen. Tina Lin said that parts 2 and 3 seem to be proposing something.

Girl said I support this. At the LAHSA meeting Council Member Ryu said there is a shortage of low income and moderate housing. This would support both. It's a great step to prevent homelessness.

John said I have grave concerns regarding item 4, to restrict incentives for TOC incentives or density bonuses. Rent control and density bonuses are not competing. Most developments that deal with TOC are happening around centralized transit lines.

Demian said if the units are being demolished, they can't be rebuilt as an RSO. Anthony Crump said that John made a really good point. We need to come up with a strategy. Sarah Ullman said that's a great point. Can we condense #4? I want to confirm that it's a 1 for 1 relationship.

Black and Zevar said to call the question.

VOTE
13-0-0
PASSED

Yes Votes:

Nora Goudsmit
Seth Copenhaver
Lena Kaderali
Barbara Ringuette
Anthony Crump
Ilanthe Zevos
Mark Duncan
Dulce Stein
Maebe A. Girl
Sarah Ullman
Tina Lin
Jeremy Black
Joanna Pawlowska

No Votes:

None

Present, Not Voting:
None

g) (Secretary) Move to discuss and take potential action on filing CIS for CF 19-0646 (Bonin / Koretz) BAN of CORPORATE SHORT-TERM RENTALS in RSO HOUSING. The Silver Lake NC Housing and Tenants Rights Committee is submitting this request for a CIS to the Silver Lake NC, in support of CF 19-0646 (Interim Control Ordinance / 12 month Minimum Lease in Rent Stabilized Buildings).

Ianthe Zevos recused herself.

Copenhaver made the motion. Black seconded.

Demian said this is also about rent stabilization. We now have a short-term rental ordinance. Many corporations are housing travelling members within rent-controlled housing. Taking that housing off the market. We want a minimum 12-month lease. This has been under the radar.

Duncan said not all RSO buildings are the same. Some are owner occupied. They can't sublet their own units if they travel. It's important that we seek an owner-occupied exemption.

Anthony Crump asked how do you define corporate? There are lots of people in la who are transient. There are many reasons for a less than 12-month lease. This is cart before the house. This is studying the issue after the fact. He rented house while there was construction on his place.

Barbara Ringuette said we're missing something here. I think there is a way to say what we'd like to see happen.

VOTE
5-7-0-1
FAILED

Yes Votes:

Tina Lin
Barbara Ringuette
Seth Copenhaver
Maebe A. Girl
Sarah Ullman

No Votes:

Nora Goudsmit
Lena Kaderali
Anthony Crump
Mark Duncan
Dulce Stein
Jeremy Black
Joanna Pawlowska

Present, Not Voting:

None

Recusals:

lanthe Zevos

Jeremy Black made a motion to move up agenda item 10.l because he won't be at the next meeting. Mark Duncan seconded.

Goudsmit said that agenda item 10.k is also time sensitive for lanthe Zevos.

k) (Zevos) Move to discuss and take potential action on submitting attached letter in support of Happy Foot Sad Foot Signage. Letter indicates that the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council would support the nomination of the Happy Foot Sad Foot sign, located at [2701-2717 W. Sunset Boulevard](#) in Los Angeles, for designation as a Historic Cultural Monument.

lanthe Zevos said the foot clinic didn't take their sign with them. It's too big. We are working to seek preservation status. We are talking to Council Member Mitch O'Farrell's office about this. We're doing outreach to the Department of Historic Preservation to start the process for it to become an historic cultural monument. It's an acrylic sign. It's part of the fabric of the neighborhood. It has a cultural impact as it's been in novels, songs, videos. People leave memorial items. It has a cultural footprint. We are seeking neighborhood council support. The sign rotates. It's now considered a distraction for drivers. Jeremy Black seconded Zevos' motion.

Zevos continued saying that we reached out to the Museum of Neon but it's not neon. It's too big. They are not really looking to add it to their collection.

A Woman commented that it does have a lot of lure. What will happen to the lot? Zevos said we reached out to the owner. No

response yet. One of the sons is a chef and wants to open a restaurant.

Anthony Crump asked has anyone offered to buy the sign? What protection would be offered by the preservation designation? Zevos said there has not been a plastic sign landmark to date so that's to be determined. Girl said that this is iconic Silver Lake. I support this.

Black made the motion. Tina Lin seconded.

VOTE
Unanimous
PASSED

Yes Votes:

Nora Goudsmit
Seth Copenhaver
Lena Kaderali
Barbara Ringuette
Anthony Crump
Ilanthe Zevos
Mark Duncan
Dulce Stein
Maebe A. Girl
Sarah Ullman
Tina Lin
Jeremy Black
Joanna Pawlowska

No Votes:

None

Present, Not Voting:

None

j) (Stein) The Arts & Culture Committee along with the unanimous support of the Green Committee move to fund up to \$300.00, which will go to PR and Marketing, Promo materials and Snacks for the opening of the Monarch Butterfly Installation.

Dulce Stein made the motion. Jeremy Black seconded.

Stein said the Monarch installation would be in collaboration with the Green Committee. We are planning a public event with the

library. The \$300 would be for water and things like that. *Sarah Ullman seconded.*

VOTE
Unanimous
PASSED

Yes Votes:

Nora Goudsmit
Seth Copenhaver
Lena Kaderali
Barbara Ringuette
Anthony Crump
Ilanthe Zevos
Mark Duncan
Dulce Stein
Maebe A. Girl
Sarah Ullman
Tina Lin
Jeremy Black
Joanna Pawlowska

No Votes:

None

Present, Not Voting:

None

l) (Black) Move to fund up to \$1970.00 to support the humane removal of pigeons at Sunset Triangle Plaza via trapping by Integrated Avian Solutions. Region 5 Representatives, along with the support of local businesses and residents, request that the SLNC address the unwanted feral pigeons that leave their droppings that are an unhygienic nuisance for neighbors and restaurant patrons, as well as pose a potentially serious health risk.

Jeremy Black said that pigeon droppings can be unhygienic. They move them to the Simi Valley after being trapped. There is a trap on the roof of Roo Coffee. This is on private property but it will benefit the entire area. *Sarah Ullman seconded.*

Mark Duncan asked can we get a partnership from a local businesses?

Jeremy Black said that the Silver Lake Improvement Association (SLIA) is supposedly maintaining the triangle but they have limited funds. I've reached out to the farmers market.

Barbara Ringuette said that she is curious about discussion with Genelle LeVin of SLIA. What other entities would be participating? This is a lot of money. Are there other government agencies to be involved? Crump added I would say the same thing. I helped create that process with the SLIA and the farmers market. SLIA is responsible for the maintenance of that area. Do more research. Talk to Forestry or CD13, or others.

Black said everyone is passing the buck. This is an opportunity for us to do something efficiently. Crump said that's a noble cause. We should do more homework before spending \$2,000. It's a City facility.

Joanna Pawkowska asked a question about where they are going? Elise, one of owners of Roo Coffee, said that this has become a massive issue. Every morning there are up to 100 pigeons in the plaza. Now the homeless have fleas. The kids track it. I've been speaking with the tenants in the plaza. I'm happy to work with you guys. It's a big issue. Feces on the plaza is disgusting. It hasn't been cleaned in a really long time.

A Woman said that \$2,000 is a lot of money. Ron Galperin showed ways to seek money. We should do that. *Goudsmit said there is much discussion to be had. She wants to table this. She wants to get in touch with the SLIA and other organizations. Ianthe Zevos seconded.*

Jeremy Black said that he objected to tabling. This is a public health issue. It will take time. If we can do something, let's do it.

VOTE to table.

9-4-0

PASSED

Yes Votes:

Nora Goudsmit

Seth Copenhaver

Lena Kaderali

Barbara Ringuette

Anthony Crump

Ianthe Zevos
Mark Duncan
Dulce Stein
Tina Lin

No Votes:

Jeremy Black
Maebe A. Girl
Sarah Ullman
Joanna Pawlowska

Present, Not Voting:

None

12) Adjournment

Ianthe Zevos made a motion to adjourn.

The meeting ended at 10:02pm