

SILVER LAKE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL  
SPECIAL GOVERNING BOARD VIRTUAL MEETING

Draft Minutes

Wednesday, May 13, 2020

7pm

Zoom Online Meeting <https://zoom.us/j/98401384586>

or by telephone by calling (669) 900-6833 and entering Webinar ID: 984 0138 4586#

1) Call to Order

The meeting began at 7:05pm with 20 Board members present.

2) Roll Call

Attending Board Members:

Anthony Crump, Co-Chair  
Nicholas Fox-Robbins, Co-Chair  
Nora Goudsmit, Vice Chair  
Lena Najarian Kaderali, Treasurer  
Seth Copenhaver, Secretary  
Maebe A. Girl  
Samantha Danner  
Sarah Ullman  
Barbara Ringuette  
Elaine Roark  
Ben Cassorla  
Imran Syed  
Dulce Stein  
Paul Emmons  
Tina Lin  
Mark Duncan (left early)  
Ilanthe Zevos  
Lorraine Getz  
Jeremy Black (left early)  
Scott Gamzon

Non-Attending Board Members:

Joanna Pawlowska

3) Welcome and rules for action on virtual meeting

Co-Chair Nicolas Fox-Robbins welcomed the audience and wished Council Member Sarah Ullman a happy birthday.

He said “These have been incredibly challenging times for everyone. Not a single one of us has been spared from the fear, frustration, and despair of this pandemic. We have seen far and wide how this pandemic has brought the world together in a common experience and this meeting is one opportunity for Silver Lake residents to come together as well.

I would like to thank my fellow councilmembers for being here. They are your elected representatives and, I would also like to note, are unpaid volunteers who have dedicated their time to serving our community to the best of their abilities. For that, I thank them.

I would like to thank our guests for coming to present at our meeting. I would like to thank Kenny for being our phenomenal taker of minutes.

And most of all, I would like to thank you, our public, for your flexibility in joining us on this virtual governing board meeting. This is not ideal, by any means. However, having this meeting virtually is a greater option than not having it at all, because it provides the governing board the opportunity to allocate crucial funds to the community that it could not if we did not have this meeting at all.

I would like to honor everyone present this evening for the respect you have shown and will continue to show one another, to the members of this council, and to the guests who come to present here, even if, and especially when you disagree with what they have to say.

We all know that social media brings out the best and worst in us. People will say things on social media that they would never say to someone if they were face to face. Because when you are face to face with someone, it is easier to acknowledge one another’s humanity, and when you are digital, it is easier to ignore it. I believe we should treat these virtual zoom meetings with a similar sensitivity and challenge ourselves, in spite of not being in one another’s physical presence, to be the kindest versions of ourselves that we can muster.”

#### 4) Rules for action on agenda items and public input

Co-Chair Anthony Crump explained how the neighborhood council’s first Zoom meeting would work, particularly for public comment.

#### 5) General Public Comment (Non-Agenda Items)

*David Wheatley:*

Looking at the Black Lives Matters backdrops that some Board members are using during the meeting, he said this looks like a Black Lives Matter meeting. I support that but what about all the other movements? He added that under the Brown Act, you're supposed to put public speakers on view.

He said that he's concerned about overdevelopment. He's on the Urban Design and Preservation Committee, which hasn't met for a couple of months. Can you get them to meet more often please?

Also, regarding his gender specific concern about a single gender grant for a girls' group from the March Board meeting [the Dynamic Girls Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG) for \$1,000], he said he'd sent an email to DONE representative Jackie Kim but did not receive much response for two months. Even now she is still looking into it. He did hear from Seth Copenhaver and invited him to discuss it further but did not hear back. He sent a letter to the chair of EmpowerLA but did not hear back. He said that Paul Emmons said that pro-boys groups would probably come to meetings but that hasn't happened yet. So, there's a lot of unfairness going on but thank you for your service.

*Nora Goudsmit:*

She said that she is an ally to the Black Lives Matter movement. "I'm a white woman who sits in the vice chair position on this neighborhood council. I would like to voice my horror at the long standing racial injustices and inequities that have come so starkly into focus since COVID19 pandemic. To raise attention to the crushing rate of death in the black community of two to three times the population in Los Angeles County. I'm using my privilege to take action, to do more, and to be an ally because black lives matter. I'm saying Ahmaud Arbery's name aloud to honor him because black lives matter. This movement "embodies and practices justice, liberation, and peace with their engagement with one another. Every day recommitting to healing themselves and each other and co-creating alongside comrades, allies, and family a culture where each person feels seen, heard, and supported. How poignant, how incredibly important in this moment."

Goudsmit was granted an extra 30 seconds to complete her comments.

She continued: "In the Los Angeles chapter of the Black Lives Matter movement, when I wrote they replied to my desire to make public comment as an advocate today that there are several specific calls to action in place that I wish to make each of you aware. Pledge support for #BlackLADemands in light of the disproportionate impact that COVID19 has on black people." You can find the

demands at [tinyurl.com/BlackLADemands](https://tinyurl.com/BlackLADemands) and please sign the petition to look into firing Frank Fernandez for the LAPD beating of a man in Boyle Heights. For information: [tinyurl.com/FireLAPDHernandez](https://tinyurl.com/FireLAPDHernandez).

*Maebe A. Girl :*

She said that she wanted to acknowledge and condemn the murder of Ahmaud Arbery, who was jogging in Georgia, the murder of Brianna Taylor in Louisville, Kentucky, who was murdered in her home after a botched warrant, and all acts of white supremacy as well as voice support for the firing of LAPD Officer Frank Hernandez for the violent beating of a man in Boyle Heights that recently went viral online as well as condemn police brutality towards people of color. I hope that everyone in Silver Lake will join me in solidarity.

*David Wheatley:*

He thanked the Co-Chairs for the extra 30 seconds to speak, as Nora Goudsmit had, and applauded that act of fairness. He said that he was concerned about your vote for single gender award and that he did not hear back from anyone except for Seth Copenhaver. He is also concerned that that vote was unanimous. Are people on the Board concerned about gender?

## 6) Announcements/Updates

*Angela Aramayo, Central City Representative, Mayor's Office of Public Engagement, [angie.aramayo@lacity.org](mailto:angie.aramayo@lacity.org), (213) 978-0430:*

She said that she has two announcements:

There is a moratorium on commercial evictions that extends to 3 months after the expiration of the emergency period for past due rent. That is 12 months for residential tenants. Go to the Housing and Community Investment Department (HCID) website for great information about what City Council and the Mayor are doing to protect tenants.

The Mayor and the City Attorney have announced a new platform, LA Represents, where people can receive legal assistance organizations related to tenancy and the coronavirus. (See [coronavirus.lacity.org/larepresents](https://coronavirus.lacity.org/larepresents) for more information.)

She urged that people should not leave their homes if they are threatened with evictions. File a complaint by calling 866-557-7368 or by using the HCID website. They also have fact sheets for tenants and landlords. (See [hcidla.lacity.org](https://hcidla.lacity.org).)

On May 6 the City Council extended the rent increase freeze on RSO (Rent Stabilization Ordinance) units. That became effective yesterday. There can be no rent increases for a year for RSO units.

Also, there was a moratorium ordinance that passed on May 6 that became effective yesterday. It prohibits landlords from using coercion or intimidation or fraud to acquire renters' stimulus cheques. Don't feel forced to use Federal stimulus money for rent, she urged. This legislation gives tenants' rights of action. It's written in the language used by tenants. All of the related information can be found at the HCID website.

She also mentioned State relief assistance for immigrants impacted by COVID. This provides \$500 in assistance per person or \$1000 per household. The recipient must be undocumented and can't be eligible for other types of stimulus monies. Applications open May 18 with 3 different organizations, including Asian Americans Advancing Justice. This is not administered by the City of Los Angeles.

She added that today the Mayor said all retail stores can now offer curbside pickup and delivery. Manufacturing companies that support these retail stories can also reopen. Also, the beaches are now open for active recreation. However, face masks and physical distancing is required. No sunbathing or gathering in groups.

Paul Emmons asked Angie Aramayo about the current emergency order that ends May 31. Will the Mayor extend it? Angie Aramayo said that most likely it will be extended but we are also making adjustments. We are slowing starting to reopen businesses.

Paul Emmons asked her would the rent moratorium extend? Angie Aramayo said that she believes so. The City Council votes on this every 30 days. Seth Copenhaver asked about weekly conference calls? Angie Aramayo said yes. We will send reminders tomorrow or Friday.

Sarah Ullman asked about City versus County guidelines for face coverings regarding exercise? Can you clarify this? Also, can you speak about the Mayor's plans to slowly open streets to pedestrians. Will that happen in Silver Lake?

Angie Aramayo said that today the Mayor said that you should carry face covering at all times. Once you encounter people, that's when you should wear a face mask. If you're walking alone, you don't need to wear it. Only when you are around people or entering businesses is it mandatory.

Regarding streets, she said we are working on establishing streets and recommendations. We will definitely take your recommendations. We are having a call with the DOT (Department of Transportation) tomorrow then we can move forward with a working group about that.

*Rachel Fox, Field Deputy for Council Member David Ryu, Council District 4, Rachel.Fox@lacity.org, (213) 473-7004, (323) 957-6415:*

She said that she's been sending out community updates about the City and what Council Member Ryu is doing. He is focused on assisting working families and seniors and tenants. He is also trying to increase coronavirus testing.

We've done lots of direct outreach. We've partnered with LA Works to connect volunteers to different causes. We're using them to call seniors first.

She mentioned a texting program that is making people aware of tenant's protections. We've been sending lots of letters from Council Member Ryu to landlords. Some landlords don't know what the changing regulations are. We try to act as bridge between tenants and landlords.

We've allocated \$1 million from a discretionary fund to organizations helping the most vulnerable with things such as food and interest free loans for individuals and businesses. SELAH, a coalition of nearby neighborhood councils seeking to end homeless, has received funds for meal service.

Regarding legislative items, she said that there is a motion to free up arts development funds. Developers pay into a fund. We have no gatherings so we want to provide artist relief. The Cultural Affairs Department has set up a fund. We want them to produce art that the community can enjoy digitally.

She also mentioned that there are air quality benefits of the Stay At Home program.

She introduced the Mon Ami program from an organization based in the San Francisco Bay area. It pairs volunteers with isolated seniors. It is a platform to sign up and match volunteers to pick up groceries, sundries, medicines, etc. To participate, all you need is a landline. Money is exchanged via PayPal. This was launched 3 weeks ago. It now has over 200 volunteers. She offered an invitation to volunteer. We want to maintain this program after the pandemic ends.

After restaurants open, curbside pickup for retail and restaurants will be allowed. They can apply for special loading zone signs through the DOT.

Regarding the bridge housing site on Riverside Drive, she said that the contractors will be done around June 25. There should be residents at the facility by early July. Additionally, Project Room Key has a site at the Friendship Auditorium that uses trailers in the parking lot. They are placing people into hotels and motels but there is little of that in this area.

Paul Emmons commented that curb parking along Riverside Drive between Fletcher and Griffith Park is undeveloped. Years ago, people in motor homes parked there. That should be a good place for them to park. There are no residents or businesses there to be impacted. Can someone look into that?

Rachel Fox responded that the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) said that that area had been an issue with criminal activity there. They have concerns that it could return if parking is allowed again. We're still seeking sites for Safe Parking.

Dulce Stein said that it's important to express how grateful we are for funding programs for the arts community, which has been hit really hard. We look forward to sharing the resources that your office is offering.

David Wheatley, referring to the backdrops that some Board members are using during the meeting, commented that this looks like a rally for Black Lives Matter. He wants the people participating in this meeting to be seen on their screens as they too may wish to be seen with posters or backdrops supporting various causes.

*Mary Rodriguez, Field Deputy for Council Member Mitch O'Farrell, Council District 13 (CD13), [mary.d.rodriguez@lacity.org](mailto:mary.d.rodriguez@lacity.org):*

She said we've been very busy with legislation. The Council Member has established two funds with \$1 million each for rental assistance for CD13 tenants. We are working with HCID to distribute funds. We are working to get that up and running.

There is also a \$1million for small businesses. We want our legislative director to join one of your meetings to discuss such things.

Additionally, Sunset Boulevard is getting resurfaced from Fountain to Micheltorena. We had to put off residential areas because residents are home and needed that parking. So, there is a concentration on major corridors.

There is a new concrete repair program for concrete hillside streets. They are difficult to repair. In Silver Lake, four of our areas addressed including West

Silver Lake Drive by the recreation center. Also included are areas of Hildalgo, Effie, and Fanning Streets. We worry that this program may be cut under budget cuts.

The Golden Gate Avenue sidewalk on the west side of the street has been redone. On the eastside, two properties were redone. They will move to Maltman Avenue next. There is a Clean Team regularly in the area. They are doing the Silver Lake median by the 101 Freeway on Friday.

For the Silver Lake walking path, we did post signs. These are recommendations: wear a mask; walk counter clockwise. Most people are wearing masks and walking counterclockwise. So, there have been some confrontations. There is no enforcement. The LAPD is not enforcing this. Don't get into fights, she urged. There is so much frustration and anxiety already in the air.

We had a Google meeting with Captain Lopez of the LAPD's Rampart Division, the Senior Lead Officer, the Neighborhood Prosecutor, and others there and Descanso Drive residents who are having issues with a homeless couple addicted to drugs. We've contacted the Department of Mental Health.

Separately, she said we've been handing out boxes of toilet paper, sanitizer, and masks to seniors at the Laguna Apartments, the Hollywood Sunset Free Clinic, and the Silver Lake Community Church.

Sarah Ullman asked about the repaving of concrete streets. What about streets with bike lanes? How are streets selected? More cyclists are out now. She is a cyclist. Bike lanes are dangerous, though less so with current lessened traffic, she said.

Mary Rodriguez referred her to the DOT. The Streets LA Maintenance program is just about maintenance. Their priorities are residential streets but people are at home so they are working on major corridors instead. There is lot of work that needs to be done. It's a conversation that people have with the DOT.

Sarah Ullman said I would like to offer suggestions about lists of streets. Mary Rodriguez said if you have a street that could be a good candidate, please submit that to me. However, we can't close West Silver Lake Boulevard or Silver Lake Boulevard. No, not that kind of street.

Samantha Danner said there was a vote a few weeks ago for Council File 20-0404 that Council Member O'Farrell voted against for the expansion of eviction protection. That would expand beyond the rent stabilized motions by Council Members Bonin and Ryu. Why did the council member vote against that as so



many people in Silver Lake are renters who are not protected by RSO designation? So many people are faced with lost income.

Mary Rodriguez explained that most of the City Council voted against that because the City Attorney said it was not legal and we would be sued. That could hurt the City of Los Angeles and its citizens. It was not written in a way that most of the City Council could support.

Samantha Danner said that other cities have enacted eviction protections for all tenants and landlords. I request the Council Member to consider additional renter protection. Mary Rodriguez said that he is all for protecting renters.

Imran Syed asked a question about the Silver Lake one-way path trail. Some residents felt unsafe because it's close to the street, which presents potential pollution problems. Mary Rodriguez said that the LAPD is not enforcing this. We don't want the path to close. We were getting requests to close the path. The Council Member feels exercise is important to people. The single direction was a flip of the coin. We don't want people to breath on each other.

Mark Duncan asked about the Sunset Boulevard paving. Will the rest of Sunset in Silver Lake be done next? Mary Rodriguez replied I'll have to ask Street Services.

Mark Duncan said that he is grateful for the budgets for renters and small businesses. How can small businesses access this? Mary Rodriguez said I think it will be a grant. It's still being determined. Owners are worried about paying mortgages if tenants are not paying rents, said Mark Duncan. The Council Member is requesting State aid, said Mary Rodriguez. That can be for renters, small businesses, or landlords. There could be a 10-year window for repayment. We are seeking more Federal dollars.

Barbara Ringuette said that on Silver Lake Boulevard between Parkman and the 101 Freeway, there is a hazard to bicycles, a crack. Is this common on wider streets? Can you talk to DOT about this to avoid hazard and repave streets? Mary Rodriguez said that she will look into it.

Dawn Cotterell said pathways were open today. Mary Rodriguez said she was pleasantly surprised.

Maebe A. Girl thanked Mary Rodriguez for being so active. Commenting on Council Member O'Farrell allocating \$1 million to assist renters in CD13, she said that's not a lot of money. About 80% of people are renters. There are 200,000 residents in CD13. With about \$1,100 each in grants, it can help about 1,000 renters cover their rent. Are there any plans to increase that amount?

Mary Rodriguez said I hope so. It's only May. Right now, with the budget concerns, this is what we can do to start. Once program up and running, it can be easier to add money. Maebe A. Girl said \$1 million won't stretch far in our district. We need more solutions for our renters. Mary Rodriguez agreed.

*Jackie Kim, Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE), (213) 978-1551, [jackie.kim@lacity.org](mailto:jackie.kim@lacity.org):*

She said that for all COVID-related updates, there is a new page on our website. Check it out.

Some of you have been attending trainings on how to run effective meetings. Additional information is on the EmpowerLA website. Contact [edd@EmpowerLA.org](mailto:edd@EmpowerLA.org) for tech support or reach out to me.

Regarding neighborhood council funding for the next fiscal year beginning July 1, there will be \$32,000 for each neighborhood council, down from \$42,000 for the current fiscal year. There was a recent Council File about the rollover of leftover funds. There are steps on how you can do that.

The deadline for using NPGs and cheques this fiscal year is June 1. The last date for charge card transactions will be June 20. The Silver Lake Bylaws have already been amended. That deadline for changes has been extended to June 15 if you have additional changes.

Lena Kaderali asked about the new \$32,000 budget for next year. Does that include the \$10,000 rollover? Jackie Kim said it's \$32,000 plus a \$10,000 rollover.

## 7) SLNC Committee Reports

### a) EmpowerLA's Virtual Governance (EVG) Protocols and reinstatement of SLNC Committees

Co-Chair Anthony Crump said that on May 1, neighborhood councils can begin meeting again. They must follow EmpowerLA protocols. That requires meetings to be available via Zoom and phone with no barriers to participation by the public. He thanked Seth Copenhaver for the training. He wants the committees to meet and get people involved. We have a license for a Zoom account. We can work with individuals to schedule meetings.

Maebe A. Girl said people are trying to figure out Zoom. There are resources available on the EmpowerLA website for committees to learn how to run meetings.

Anthony Crump warned that the unique Zoom meeting ID number must be correct for each meeting agenda. The Los Feliz Neighborhood Council had that problem last night. The meetings must be available telephonically.

Barbara Ringuette said that regarding committee meetings, some of us have Zoom accounts. Can we use our own Zoom accounts to set up meetings?

Anthony Crump said to look at recommended settings from EmpowerLA. It must be a webinar, not a meeting. The Los Feliz Neighborhood Council used a personal account so it's possible. Barbara Ringuette said I attended those meetings and they went well.

#### b) Committee Reports

Transportation Committee: Paul Emmons said that on April 11 on Earl Street, the DOT installed peak hour restrictions signs. He thanked those involved.

Silver Lake Reservoir Complex Ad Hoc Modular Building Committee: Paul Emmons said I attended their last meeting. The DWP (Department of Water and Power) is not exempt from permit requirements, according to the City Attorney. They must submit applications to Building and Safety and this neighborhood council for approval. If they did build something without plans, there would be feedback. The City Council's Transportation Committee will notify them of that fact. It was recommended by the Transportation Committee that we engage Council Districts 13 and 4 to get compliance from the DWP.

Green Committee: Ianthe Zevos said we are getting things back on track. There will be a meeting later this month.

LGBTQIA Committee: Maebe A. Girl said that the first Committee meeting will be May 20 at 5:30pm. The agenda will be released on Friday. It will cover previous projects and how to move forward in light of COVID19. Also, we will consider how the underserved can be helped. For information and suggestions: [Maebe.a.girl@silverlakenc.org](mailto:Maebe.a.girl@silverlakenc.org).

We are part of the new LGBTQIA Alliance that is sanctioned through DONE. This is neighborhood council system wide. We started meeting a couple of months before COVID. That meeting will be on the same date at 7pm. Email her for information.

Arts and Culture Committee: Dulce Stein invites creatives to participate in quarantine expressions and installations. We welcome photography, video, dance, facial arts, music, dance, poetry, etc. which will be published on our Facebook page. Submit work to [dulce.stein@silverlakenc.org](mailto:dulce.stein@silverlakenc.org).

Reservoir Committee: Sarah Ullman said that the group will hold it's first Zoom meeting this month to discuss the dog park and COVID19. There is no date yet.

c) (Scott/Maebe/Lena) Emergency Funds Task Force Deployment Update

Maebe A. Girl said I was part of the emergency funding task force when we were unable to meet. Lena Kaderali, Scott Gamzon, and Maebe A. Girl led the emergency task force to provide funds for the COVID crisis under DONE.

So far \$3,081 has been allocated. This includes \$750 for the Hollywood Sunset Free Clinic. Also went to \$750 to Mutual Aid LA and \$1,581 for healthy packaged meals for seniors in Silver Lake. We received help from Council Member Ryu's office and the Greek Theatre. Our funding authority ended April 30 as on May 1 neighborhood councils were allowed to meet.

SELAH will submit an NPG for consideration at our next meeting. There will probably be other NPG requests too, said Maebe A. Girl.

8) Administrative:

a) (Treasurer) Acknowledgement of Emergency Funds Distribution

- i) Hollywood Sunset Free Clinic - \$750
- ii) MutualAid/Ground Game LA -750
- iii) Everytable - \$1,581

*Lena Kaderali made the motion. Paul Emmons seconded.*

**VOTE**  
**20-0-0**

**PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Anthony Crump  
Nicholas Fox-Robbins  
Nora Goudsmit  
Lena Najarian Kaderali  
Seth Copenhaver  
Maebe A. Girl  
Samantha Danner  
Sarah Ullman  
Barbara Ringuette  
Elaine Roark  
Ben Cassorla  
Imran Syed  
Dulce Stein  
Paul Emmons  
Tina Lin  
Mark Duncan  
Ilanthe Zevos  
Lorraine Getz  
Jeremy Black  
Scott Gamzon

No Votes:

none

Present, Not Voting:

None

b) (Secretary) REVISED: Move to approve minutes from March 4, 2020 Regular Meeting of the SLNC Governing Board

*Seth Copenhaver made the motion. Paul Emmons seconded.*

David Wheatley said there is a section missing about Paul Emmons commenting that there would be boys' groups to counterbalance girls groups.

**VOTE**

**19-0-1**

**PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Anthony Crump  
Nicholas Fox-Robbins  
Nora Goudsmit  
Lena Najarian Kaderali  
Seth Copenhaver  
Maebe A. Girl  
Samantha Danner  
Sarah Ullman  
Barbara Ringuette  
Elaine Roark  
Ben Cassorla  
Imran Syed  
Dulce Stein  
Paul Emmons  
Tina Lin  
Mark Duncan  
Lorraine Getz  
Jeremy Black  
Scott Gamzon

No Votes:

none

Present, Not Voting:

Ianthe Zevos

c) (Treasurer) REVISED: February MER Approval

*Scott Gamzon seconded Lena Kaderali's motion.*

Sarah Ullman asked what was revised? Lena Kaderali said it was something on website not something in the MER. Anthony Crump added that they wanted to make sure the link went to the MER not just the page that had the MER.

Ianthe Zevos said one of the NPGs was for the 11<sup>th</sup> annual spring fair in May. What happened with those funds since it won't happen? Lena Kaderali said funds were deployed by the City Clerk. She doesn't know what happened thereafter.

Seth Copenhaver said that Stephanie Vendig reached out to me to discuss that item. She asked should they give money back or hold it? He told her to hold on to it, thinking it would be a short quarantine.

Ianthe Zevos explained that in the March MER, these funds have been deployed for another item. That's something to consider.

**VOTE for February MER**  
**Unanimous**  
**PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Anthony Crump  
Nicholas Fox-Robbins  
Nora Goudsmit  
Lena Najarian Kaderali  
Seth Copenhaver  
Maebe A. Girl  
Samantha Danner  
Sarah Ullman  
Barbara Ringuette  
Elaine Roark  
Ben Cassorla  
Imran Syed  
Dulce Stein  
Paul Emmons  
Tina Lin  
Mark Duncan  
Ianthe Zevos  
Lorraine Getz  
Jeremy Black  
Scott Gamzon

No Votes:

none

Present, Not Voting:

None

d) (Treasurer) REVISED: March MER Approval

*Lena Kaderali made the motion. Ianthe Zevos seconded.*

**VOTE**  
**Unanimous**  
**PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Anthony Crump  
Nicholas Fox-Robbins  
Nora Goudsmit  
Lena Najarian Kaderali  
Seth Copenhaver  
Maebe A. Girl  
Samantha Danner  
Sarah Ullman  
Barbara Ringuette  
Elaine Roark  
Ben Cassorla  
Imran Syed  
Dulce Stein  
Paul Emmons  
Tina Lin  
Mark Duncan  
Ilanthe Zevos  
Lorraine Getz  
Jeremy Black  
Scott Gamzon

No Votes:

None

Present, Not Voting:

None

e) Treasurer) April MER Approval

Nicholas Fox-Robbins said this is not ready yet to vote on. He's tabling this.

f) (Treasurer) Discussion and possible action to reimburse Board Member Lena Najarian-Kaderali in the amount of \$103.48 for purchase from Pine & Crane Restaurant for food at the February SLNC Governing Board Meeting.

*There is an amendment because it should have been the March meeting, said Lena Kaderali. Nora Goudsmit seconded the motion. Maebe A. Girl seconded the motion to amend February to March.*

**VOTE to amend**  
**Unanimous**  
**PASSED**



Yes Votes:

Anthony Crump  
Nicholas Fox-Robbins  
Nora Goudsmit  
Lena Najarian Kaderali  
Seth Copenhaver  
Maebe A. Girl  
Samantha Danner  
Sarah Ullman  
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Paul Emmons  
Tina Lin  
Mark Duncan  
Ilanthe Zevos  
Lorraine Getz  
Jeremy Black  
Scott Gamzon

No Votes:

none

Present, Not Voting:

None

*Lena Kaderali made the motion to vote on the amended motion. Nora Goudsmit seconded.*

**VOTE for amended motion**

**19-0-1**

**PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Anthony Crump  
Nicholas Fox-Robbins  
Nora Goudsmit  
Seth Copenhaver  
Maebe A. Girl  
Samantha Danner

Sarah Ullman  
Barbara Ringuette  
Elaine Roark  
Ben Cassorla  
Imran Syed  
Dulce Stein  
Paul Emmons  
Tina Lin  
Mark Duncan  
Ilanthe Zevos  
Lorraine Getz  
Jeremy Black  
Scott Gamzon

No Votes:

None

Present, Not Voting:

Lena Kaderali

g) (Co-Chair) Discussion and possible action on retention of records for present and future virtual governing board meetings in accordance with EmpowerLA's Virtual Governance Protocols.

Nicholas Fox-Robbins said this meeting is being recorded via the official DONE Zoom account. Records are erased after 30 days unless we decide to keep them on file. This is new territory. We must vote on this.

Anthony Crump added that these recordings are stored in the cloud for 30 days unless we decide otherwise. *Paul Emmons seconded Nicholas Fox-Robbins motion.*

Sarah Ullman said we should live stream this information as a companion to the minutes and place it on our website. I support this kind of transparency in local government. Make the recording accessible to the people.

*Nora Goudsmit said she'd like to table this discussion to move to new business about deploying funds. However, she stressed that it's an Important issue though but not now. Elaine Roark seconded the motion to table.*

Nicholas Fox-Robbins said we may need a special meeting to vote on this before 30 days end. Our next meeting may happen after that.

**VOTE to table**  
**16-3-1**  
**PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Anthony Crump  
Nora Goudsmit  
Lena Najarian Kaderali  
Maebe A. Girl  
Samantha Danner  
Barbara Ringuette  
Elaine Roark  
Ben Cassorla  
Imran Syed  
Dulce Stein  
Paul Emmons  
Tina Lin  
Mark Duncan  
Ilanthe Zevos  
Lorraine Getz  
Scott Gamzon

No Votes:

Seth Copenhaver  
Jeremy Black  
Sarah Ullman

Present, Not Voting:

Nicholas Fox-Robbins

h) (Co-Chair) Discussion of best practice for funding requests from multiple committee for the same project.

*Nicholas Fox-Robbins wants to table this. Anthony Crump seconded.*

**VOTE to Table 8.h**  
**19-0-1**  
**PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Anthony Crump  
Nicholas Fox-Robbins

Nora Goudsmit  
Lena Najarian Kaderali  
Seth Copenhaver  
Maebe A. Girl  
Samantha Danner  
Sarah Ullman  
Barbara Ringuette  
Elaine Roark  
Ben Cassorla  
Imran Syed  
Dulce Stein  
Paul Emmons  
Tina Lin  
lanthe Zevos  
Lorraine Getz  
Jeremy Black  
Scott Gamzon

No Votes:

none

Present, Not Voting:

Mark Duncan

9) Unfinished Business

a) (Green Committee) Discussion and possible action to approve the draft letter to the city council regarding a stalled Assembly Bill 1788.

*Barbara Ringuette seconded.*

Kira, a Sustainability Alliance representative, said thanks for supporting the motion and the clever way that you wrote the letter. She mentioned a disagreement among neighborhood councils about whether they are allowed to comment on State bills.

Ilanthe Zevos informed that this is really voting on the letter itself at this point. Should we read it to the public? It was attached to the agenda.

**VOTE**

**19-0-1**

**PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Anthony Crump  
Nicholas Fox-Robbins  
Nora Goudsmit  
Lena Najarian Kaderali  
Seth Copenhaver  
Samantha Danner  
Sarah Ullman  
Barbara Ringuette  
Elaine Roark  
Ben Cassorla  
Imran Syed  
Dulce Stein  
Paul Emmons  
Tina Lin  
Maebe A. Girl  
lanthe Zevos  
Lorraine Getz  
Jeremy Black  
Scott Gamzon

No Votes:

none

Present, Not Voting:

Mark Duncan

10) New Business

a) (Cassorla) Discussion and possible action to contribute up to \$5,500 to Friends of Micheltorena in their effort to help low-income students at Micheltorena Elementary in the wake of the COVID pandemic.

Anthony Crump is recusing himself because his daughter attends the school.

g) (Treasurer) Discussion and possible action to retroactively move SLNC budgeted funds from the NPG budget to the Outreach budget.

*Lena Kaderali made a motion to amend. Nora Goudsmit seconded.*

*Lena said this is a motion to discuss and consider approval of a budget reallocation as follows: move from Office \$2,600, from CIP (Community Improvement Projects) \$1,625, collectively \$4,225 is being moved to the NPG budget category. Anthony Crump seconded.*

Jeremy Black asked what is the reason? Lena Kaderali read a statement. Nicholas Fox-Robbins explained that we've got several items in new business that would have obstacles if we don't free up funds from certain budget areas. Lena Kaderali added that we need to move it around.

Jeremy Black said I'm for these NPGs. Is this a precedent we're setting for COVID19? Lena Kaderali replied that there is no real precedent. Things changed in March and the agenda reflects that.

Jeremy Black asked under normal times, would we do this to accommodate NPGs? Lena Kaderali explained that money is fungible with Board approval. Jeremy Black said I want to ensure that this is because of COVID19.

Nicholas Fox-Robbins said we missed a whole month and now we have a deadline to use funds. Barbara Ringuette said that some adjustments are made each year. This is not uncommon. However, this year is more extreme than other years.

**VOTE to amend**

**19-0-1**

**PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Anthony Crump  
Nicholas Fox-Robbins  
Nora Goudsmit  
Lena Najarian Kaderali  
Seth Copenhaver  
Maebe A. Girl  
Samantha Danner  
Sarah Ullman  
Barbara Ringuette  
Elaine Roark  
Ben Cassorla  
Imran Syed  
Dulce Stein  
Paul Emmons  
Tina Lin  
Mark Duncan  
Ilanthe Zevos  
Lorraine Getz  
Jeremy Black

Scott Gamzon

No Votes:

none

Present, Not Voting:

Maebe A. Girl

*Paul Emmons seconded the amended motion by Lena Kaderali. Tina Lin asked how much is left in outreach? Lena Kaderali replied \$4,806 is left and nothing is being taken from Outreach in this motion.*

**VOTE on amended motion**

**20-0-0**

**PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Anthony Crump  
Nicholas Fox-Robbins  
Nora Goudsmit  
Lena Najarian Kaderali  
Seth Copenhaver  
Maebe A. Girl  
Samantha Danner  
Sarah Ullman  
Barbara Ringuette  
Elaine Roark  
Ben Cassorla  
Imran Syed  
Dulce Stein  
Paul Emmons  
Tina Lin  
Mark Duncan  
lanthe Zevos  
Lorraine Getz  
Jeremy Black  
Scott Gamzon

No Votes:

none

Present, Not Voting:

None

a) (Cassorla) Discussion and possible action to contribute up to \$5,500 to Friends of Micheltorena in their effort to help low-income students at Micheltorena Elementary in the wake of the COVID pandemic.

*Ben Cassorla and Anthony Crump recused themselves.*

Jackie Kim noted that there is a function to “hold” on Zoom so you won’t have to leave the meeting.

Lena Kaderali wanted to read the amended motion. Paul Emmons explained that you don’t have to amend because there is no motion on the floor to begin with. If you just make the motion, we can just vote on it and avoid the two-step process.

Jackie Kim said that Anthony Crump will have to leave the meeting because he is a host and she can’t place him on “hold”.

Lena Kaderali explained these amendments are based on guidance from the City Clerk and DONE for agenda items 10a and b. For agenda item 10.a, I’d like you to consider a motion for an NPG in the amount of \$5,500 which aims to contribute to an emergency fund established at Micheltorena Elementary School for distribution of pre-loaded MasterCards to families of low income students. *Paul Emmons seconded Kaderali’s motion.*

Erin Ploss-Campelmore, president of Friends of Micheltorena, a booster group for the school, said that many families are living below the poverty line (Title I). They are also impacted harshly by COVID19. We raised \$7,000 from the Silver Lake community via our website. We want to raise more money and have more impact. We have helped 58 families so far. We would like to help more families. Any amount from you will help and be greatly appreciated.

Samantha Danner asked is the amount based on the number of families? How much per family? Other schools seeking are funding. How many people are in need in each school? Jackie Kim said that Ben Cassorla can’t participate in the discussions.

Samantha Danner asked how many families are in need at Micheltorena? Erin Ploss-Campelmore said that the Principal has been identifying families in need, including 58 so far. The Principal hasn’t shared information about the additional families yet. However, there are 420 students at the school and a large portion of students’ families live below the poverty line. Nicholas Fox-Robbins said that each family would get



about \$95 extra from the neighborhood council contribution (if allocated to 58 families).

Maebe A. Girl mentioned the idea that we'd started to discuss among our emergency funding task force. We thought this was a good one to bring to the Board. She voiced personal support for this.

Tina Lin asked why does Micheltorena get more money than the other schools? Lena Kaderali explained that a dialogue with Micheltorena had been established. This is a pilot NPG. More recently, Ivanhoe and Mayberry have engaged us but the agenda had already been made. We don't have enough to give them all \$5,500 at this time. Nicholas Fox-Robbins added that Ben Cassorla reached out to all of the schools at the same time. There was reluctance. But Micheltorena jumped in right away so we wanted to use them as a pilot. Other schools were added later.

Lena Kaderali read the motion to approve an NPG in the amount of \$5,500 which aims to contribute to an emergency fund established at Micheltorena Elementary School for distribution of pre-loaded Master Cards to families of low-income students.

**VOTE**  
**18-0-0-2**  
**PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Nicholas Fox-Robbins  
Nora Goudsmit  
Lena Najarian Kaderali  
Seth Copenhaver  
Maebe A. Girl  
Samantha Danner  
Sarah Ullman  
Barbara Ringuette  
Elaine Roark  
Imran Syed  
Dulce Stein  
Paul Emmons  
Tina Lin  
Mark Duncan  
Ilanthe Zevos  
Lorraine Getz  
Jeremy Black

Scott Gamzon

No Votes:

None

Present, Not Voting:

None

Recusals:

Ben Cassorla

Anthony Crump

b) (Cassorla) Discussion and possible action to contribute up to \$3,000 each to Mayberry and Ivanhoe Elementary Schools for a total of up to \$6,000.

*Lena Kaderali, Nora Goudsmit, and Lorraine Getz are recusing themselves from the Ivanhoe discussion.*

*Ben Cassorla offered an amendment. Based on guidance from the City, we would like to present this as an NPG. He wants to split this agenda item into two parts: 10.b.1 for Ivanhoe and 10.b.2 for Mayberry. Samantha Danner seconded.*

*Nora Goudsmit and Lena Kaderali want to recuse themselves from the entire motion.*

Jeremy Black asked shouldn't NPG forms be completed by both organizations to process these requests? Nicholas Fox-Robbins explained that the NPG forms were submitted after the agenda was formalized. We are following advice from the City Clerk about amending these requests to NPGs. Ben Cassorla added that the NPG applications are on our website.

**VOTE to split agenda item 10.b into agenda items 10.b.1 and 10.b.2**

**18-0-0-2**

**PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Anthony Crump

Nicholas Fox-Robbins

Seth Copenhaver

Maebe A. Girl

Samantha Danner

Sarah Ullman

Barbara Ringuette  
Elaine Roark  
Imran Syed  
Dulce Stein  
Paul Emmons  
Tina Lin  
Mark Duncan  
lanthe Zevos  
Lorraine Getz  
Jeremy Black  
Scott Gamzon  
Ben Cassorla

No Votes:

None

Present, Not Voting:

None

Recusals:

Nora Goudsmit  
Lena Najarian Kaderali

*Ben Cassorla read an amendment regarding the Mayberry Elementary School NPG. This is a motion to approve an NPG in the amount of \$3,000 which aims to contribute funding to SELAH, a 501c3 that is starting an emergency fund for Mayberry Elementary. The emergency fund will buy pre-loaded MasterCards for low-income families at the school. Paul Emmons seconded.*

Ben Cassorla said we were not able to get this NPG in. So, this should be tabled until next month. *Nicholas Fox-Robbins made a motion to table agenda item 10.b.2. Paul Emmons seconded.*

**VOTE to table agenda item 10.b.2**

**18-0-0-2**

**PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Anthony Crump  
Nicholas Fox-Robbins  
Seth Copenhaver  
Maebe A. Girl  
Samantha Danner

Sarah Ullman  
Barbara Ringuette  
Elaine Roark  
Imran Syed  
Dulce Stein  
Paul Emmons  
Tina Lin  
Mark Duncan  
lanthe Zevos  
Lorraine Getz  
Jeremy Black  
Scott Gamzon  
Ben Cassorla

No Votes:

None

Present, Not Voting:

None

Recusals:

Nora Goudsmit  
Lena Najarian Kaderali

*Ben Cassorla read an amendment.* This is a motion to approve an NPG in the amount of \$3,000 which aims to contribute funding to Friends of Ivanhoe, a 501c3 that is providing emergency funds to Micheltorena Elementary. The emergency funds would buy gift cards for low income families at the school. *Paul Emmons seconded.*

Maebe A. Girl mentioned Lena Kaderali's email about the budget. We have about \$20,000 to spend by the end of June. Only \$10,000 will rollover to the next fiscal year. I recommend that we spend at least \$10,000. Keep that in mind as we vote on funding motions. Mark Duncan noted that the motions allocate \$11,500 for the three schools.

Tina Lin said that she wants all three schools to receive the same amount. Ben Cassorla agreed. Mayberry needs help more than any of the other schools. We will work on that, he added.

Anthony Crump pointed out that there is one regular meeting in June. We can call a special meeting too, if necessary. That's an option. The Los Feliz Neighborhood Council has been doing a series of special meetings to take care of past business and pressing issues. For NPGs, not

everyone knows that we are up and running and not everyone knows that we have the funding available. Seth Copenhaver asked about the probability of having a special meeting. Nicholas Fox-Robbins said about 105%.

**VOTE to amend 10.b.1**  
**17-0-0-3**  
**PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Anthony Crump  
Nicholas Fox-Robbins  
Seth Copenhaver  
Maebe A. Girl  
Samantha Danner  
Sarah Ullman  
Barbara Ringuette  
Elaine Roark  
Imran Syed  
Dulce Stein  
Paul Emmons  
Tina Lin  
Mark Duncan  
Ilanthe Zevos  
Jeremy Black  
Scott Gamzon  
Ben Cassorla

No Votes:

None

Present, Not Voting:

None

Recusals:

Nora Goudsmit  
Lena Najarian Kaderali  
Lorraine Getz

*Ben Cassorla read the amended motion. Mark Duncan seconded.*

Herb Wagner, a representative of Friends of Ivanhoe, thanked Ben Cassorla and Lorraine Getz for bringing this opportunity to us. Were excited to get funding for families in most need. (Ralph's gift cards.)

Maebe A. Girl said this is a pilot program. We're effectively voting on about 25% of our annual funding right now. This is a critical moment. Many people are suffering. This is a great way to help the underserved and underprivileged.

Scott Gamzon asked how many families will be served at Ivanhoe? He expressed concern about being equitable on a dollars per family basis. Nicholas Fox-Robbins said that in the next agenda we will try to bring those totals in line.

Herb Wagner said that the school principal said the number of families involved is based on the number of families who get aid for free meals. She had said that up to 40 families would be optimal. There would be gift cards for all of them totaling \$75 each.

Mark Duncan said I wasn't aware of a Ralph's in Silver Lake. Can we keep a Silver Lake-based market in business? Herb Wagner said that Ralph's was the chain recommended to me. Trader Joe's, Gelson's, and Whole Foods 365 were also considered. Perhaps the thinking was that the money would go a bit further at Ralph's? However, maybe we can consider Trader Joe's or lower cost markets? There is also a transportation issue.

Mark noted that there is a Vons on the border of Silver Lake and Los Feliz. Herb Wagner said we want to put money into the family's hands where it would go the furthest.

Ben Cassorla read the motion. This is a motion to approve an NPG in the amount of \$3,000 which aims to contribute funding to Friends of Ivanhoe, a 501c3 that is starting an emergency fund at Ivanhoe Elementary. The emergency fund would buy grocery store gift cards for low-income families at the school. Nicholas Fox-Robbins noted that the motion does not mention Ralph's so we have flexibility.

**VOTE for amended motion**

**16-0-1-3**

**PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Nicholas Fox-Robbins

Seth Copenhaver

Maebe A. Girl

Samantha Danner

Sarah Ullman  
Barbara Ringuette  
Elaine Roark  
Imran Syed  
Dulce Stein  
Paul Emmons  
Tina Lin  
Mark Duncan  
lanthe Zevos  
Jeremy Black  
Scott Gamzon  
Ben Cassorla

No Votes:

None

Present, Not Voting:

Anthony Crump

Recusals:

Nora Goudsmit  
Lena Najarian Kaderali  
Lorraine Getz

MEETING EXTENSION MOTION:

*Paul Emmons made a motion to extend the meeting to 10:30pm.  
Maebe A. Girl seconded.*

Jeremy Black and Mark Duncan said they have to leave at 10pm.

Scott Gamzon commented that I assume we need a special meeting. Could that be a better option at this late point?

**VOTE to extend the meeting until 10:30pm**

**12-7-1**

**PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Nicholas Fox-Robbins  
Maebe A. Girl  
Barbara Ringuette  
Elaine Roark

Imran Syed  
Dulce Stein  
Paul Emmons  
Mark Duncan  
lanthe Zevos  
Lorraine Getz  
Nora Goudsmit  
Lena Najarian Kaderali

No Votes:

Samantha Danner  
Tina Lin  
Ben Cassorla  
Seth Copenhaver  
Jeremy Black  
Scott Gamzon  
Sarah Ullman

Present, Not Voting:

Anthony Crump

c) (Stein/Zevos) Discussion and possible action allocate up to \$1,250 for a postcard mailing to Silver Lake residents 65+ regarding city and county resources available to them to stay Safer At Home.

lanthe Zevos referred to a Los Angeles Times article about the Central Hollywood Neighborhood Council delivering food in their area. They gave us a geo-coded list of older residents with their telephone numbers. We've done phone banking about services available to them. We completed about 20% of the list. We also have a list of senior citizens who don't have telephone numbers available. We want to do a post card mailing to these people. *Dulce Stein seconded lanthe Zevos' motion.*

Samantha Danner asked is there any buy-in from our City Council representatives for this? I want the seniors to have all the resources available to them but I want to spend our money as judiciously as possible.

lanthe Zevos said that's a really great idea. We haven't yet done outreach to the Council District officers yet. We have been advising people about Council Member David Ryu using the buddy system. We just didn't want to wait. We want to talk to Council District 13.



Dulce Stein said that it's important that the cards read "the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council" instead of the district. Lots of people don't know that we exist or have resources. So, this card will be very important. Send the information under our name. We are their local representatives.

Barbara Ringuette said that's a good point too. The Council District offices have lots of resources that we don't have. For example, they can print things for us. We can have both logos on the documents. Where does the list come from? Why are only 55% of the phone numbers good? Ianthe Zevos responded that they purchased the voter file for the area. She doesn't know why the list contains so many bad telephone numbers.

Sarah Ullman asked what specific information will be on the cards? Things are changing so quickly in terms of resources available. Can we avoid sending something that's out of date and inaccurate? Ianthe Zevos said that most of the information is about permanent programs like Meals On Wheels and the emergency response preparedness lines. Some things are specifically COVID-related.

Maebe A. Girl said this is a lot of money to send mailers for a one-time event. Can the mailer also invite people to join our permanent mailing list? That's better outreach. Ianthe Zevos said that's a great idea to place Council District information there. We can ask for email addresses.

Mark Duncan has returned to the meeting. He asked aren't the City and Council District already sending out similar things? He expressed concern about duplicate mailings. Ianthe Zevos said that she doesn't know.

Tina Lin said I support the motion. Is there another source of mailing addresses aside from the one for registered voters who are age 65 and up? Ianthe Zevos said I'm open to that. She said we're working with what we have, about 1,800 people with phone numbers and about 1,300 people without.

Samantha Danner said that she's already receiving information from other programs that may be more effective. Ianthe Zevos said that the Here to Help flyers that people are receiving are actually from our phone bank.

Sarah Ullman mentioned voter files. Does that include people who may not be registered to vote? That's probably a substantial percentage of the seniors who live in Silver Lake.

*Sarah Ullman made a motion to table this to do more research about what is already going out from the City and to find other seniors to reach out to. Nora Goudsmit seconded.*

**VOTE to table**

**16-0-2**

**PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Anthony Crump  
Nicholas Fox-Robbins  
Seth Copenhaver  
Maebe A. Girl  
Samantha Danner  
Sarah Ullman  
Barbara Ringuette  
Elaine Roark  
Imran Syed  
Paul Emmons  
Tina Lin  
Lorraine Getz  
Scott Gamzon  
Ben Cassorla  
Nora Goudsmit  
Lena Najarian Kaderali

No Votes:

None

Present, Not Voting:

Dulce Stein  
lanthe Zevos

(Note: Mark Duncan left the meeting again and did not vote.)

e) (Fox Robbins) Discussion and possible action to provide \$2,000 to St. Barnabas Senior Services for toiletries and other household items.

Paul Emmons said that he wants to prioritize agenda items 10.d, e, and f as they are related to the COVID10 emergency. He wants to table the other items. Nicholas Fox-Robbins said to table agenda item 10.e until we have a special meeting.

d) (Gamzon and Cassorla) Discussion and possible action to sponsor an online (webinar) Q&A session with Jill James, Silver Lake resident and small business owner on best practices for small business owners to access available federal, state and local loan programs (such as the CARES act relief program and Paycheck Protection Program) and other cash conservation measures.

*Scott Gamzon and Ben Cassorla made the motion. Paul Emmons seconded.*

Scott Gamzon read a statement regarding the Federal Small Business Assistance programs and the motion which wants to create a Silver Lake specific webinar for sole proprietors organized by a woman named Joan.

Barbara Ringuette asked what would be specific to Silver Lake? There are plenty of other webinars from local groups like the Silver Lake Chamber of Commerce. Scott Gamzon said that Joan, who left the meeting earlier, knows Silver Lake. She's been consulting with businesses. Capital conservation is an issue. The webinar will be time sensitive. The more information that can be helpful to small business in Silver Lake the better.

Nora Goudsmit asked can Joan reach out to the Silver Lake Chamber of Commerce as a possible partner? Lorraine Getz said I second that. She should look at partnering. That time for PPP has already passed. She may want to partner with others regarding newer programs.

Ben Cassorla said I reached out to the Chamber of Commerce. They are totally onboard with getting involved with this. Mark Duncan, who has returned to the meeting again, said I reached out to Jill and Bessie at the Chamber of Commerce so they are already working together. I worked with Jill on this and she was a tremendous help to me and other small businesses to navigate programs.

**VOTE**  
**16-0-3**  
**PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Anthony Crump  
Seth Copenhaver  
Maebe A. Girl  
Samantha Danner  
Sarah Ullman  
Barbara Ringuette

Elaine Roark  
Imran Syed  
Paul Emmons  
Tina Lin  
Mark Duncan  
lanthe Zevos  
Scott Gamzon  
Ben Cassorla  
Nora Goudsmit  
Lena Najarian Kaderali

No Votes:

None

Present, Not Voting:

Nicholas Fox-Robbins  
Lorraine Getz  
Dulce Stein

(Note: Mark Duncan returned to the meeting and voted.)

f) (NPG Application) Discussion and possible action on Neighborhood Purpose Grant application from Parents Educators/Teachers and Students in Action for \$3,500 to support the COVID-19 HERO Project.

*Nicholas Fox-Robbins made the motion. Paul Emmons seconded.*

Seymour Amster, the applicant, said that he wants an amendment to receive only \$500. I will figure out the rest. After listening to your meeting tonight, I cannot in good conscience take something to educate students if you have students in need of being fed. I will figure out a way to do this.

We are a community-based organization for the Superior Court. The group is expressed concern about social distancing and racism in schools. There will be virtual visits to the Museum of Tolerance and a distinguished speakers series. I appreciate how you conduct business but you have greater concerns. We want to be proactive and deal with racism and meet social compliance. We want to distribute information in your area with your name on it. You have greater issues to deal with so we want only \$500, instead of \$3,500.

Paul Emmons made the amendment to reduce the amount to \$500. Tina Lin seconded. Tina Lin said I support this motion as a person of color and

person of Chinese descent. There has been lots of blame that the coronavirus has come from China. This would be useful. The neighborhood is diverse and near Chinatown.

Nora Goudsmit asked can we amend this for up to \$3,500? Perhaps there is something in between that we might want to consider? Paul Emmons said that the maker of motion suggested \$500 is adequate. I'd like to keep it at that level. Seymour Amster said I can always come back after July 1.

**VOTE to amend 10.f to \$500**

**18-0-0**

**PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Anthony Crump  
Seth Copenhaver  
Maebe A. Girl  
Samantha Danner  
Sarah Ullman  
Barbara Ringuette  
Elaine Roark  
Imran Syed  
Paul Emmons  
Tina Lin  
lanthe Zevos  
Scott Gamzon  
Ben Cassorla  
Nora Goudsmit  
Lena Najarian Kaderali  
Nicholas Fox-Robbins  
Lorraine Getz  
Dulce Stein

No Votes:

None

Present, Not Voting:

None

**VOTE on amended motion 10.f**

**18-0-0**

**PASSED**

Yes Votes:

Anthony Crump  
Seth Copenhaver  
Maebe A. Girl  
Samantha Danner  
Sarah Ullman  
Barbara Ringuette  
Elaine Roark  
Imran Syed  
Paul Emmons  
Tina Lin  
Ilanthe Zevos  
Scott Gamzon  
Ben Cassorla  
Nora Goudsmit  
Lena Najarian Kaderali  
Nicholas Fox-Robbins  
Lorraine Getz  
Dulce Stein

No Votes:

None

Present, Not Voting:

None

(Note: Mark Duncan left the meeting and did not vote.)

f) (NPG Application) Discussion and possible action on Neighborhood Purpose Grant application from Parents Educators/Teachers and Students in Action for \$3,500 to support the COVID-19 HERO Project.

h) (Maebe/Najarian) Discussion and possible action to approve a Community Impact Statement (CIS) for Council File 20-0416 regarding neighborhood council rollover funds. Draft statement: "The Silver Lake Neighborhood Council has unanimously voted to support the City Council motion to rollover all FY19-20 excess funds, notwithstanding the previous \$10K rollover maximum, to the following fiscal year."

i) (Green Committee) Discussion and possible action to file a Community Impact (CIS) in support of Councilmember Koretz's motion to limit vehicle idling, Council File 19-0604.

j) (Green Committee) Discussion and possible action to approve expenditure of up to \$200 to purchase a screening license for the documentary “The Pollinators” for showing at the Silver Lake Library at no charge to the public

k) (Gamzon and Cameron Bard) Discussion and possible action to approve sending a letter to Mayor Eric Garcetti, Councilmembers from CD4 and CD 13 and LADOT General Manager Seleta Reynolds in support of advocating for temporary pilots to promote safe, family-friendly streets.

l) (Ringuette) Discussion and possible action to select Budget Representatives as we must have Representatives selected early in order to certify them in advance of Budget Advocate elections which will take place via Zoom.

m) (Gamzon) Discussion and possible action on a proclamation from the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council requesting that the City of Los Angeles implement the 2035 Mobility Plan (calling for an improved Bike and public transit network) when proceeding with the fast-track street repaving program known as ADAPT.

Paul Emmons made a motion to table everything else. Anthony Crump said we don't need a motion to do that. He added that Nicholas Fox-Robbins and I may be in touch with you about a possible special meeting.

11) Future Agenda Items

12) Adjournment

The meeting ended at 10:31pm.

