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## GREATER CYPRESS PARK NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

### AGENDA

Tuesday, September 8, 2020 – 7:00 P.M. | Martes, 8 de septiembre del 2020 - 7:00 p.m.



### VIRTUAL MEETING TELECONFERENCING NUMBER FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

In conformity with the Governor’s Executive Order N-29-20 (March 17, 2020) and due to concerns over COVID-19, the Greater Cypress Neighborhood Council meeting will be conducted entirely telephonically.

Every person wishing to address the Neighborhood Council must dial **888 475 4499 (Toll Free) or (253) 215-8782**, and enter **965 5334 0703**, and then **press #** to join the meeting. Alternatively, you may join using a web browser by navigating to <https://zoom.us/j/96553340703>.

Instructions on how to sign up for public comment will be given to listeners at the start of the meeting

*Spanish translation provided, but you must join from <https://zoom.us/j/96553340703>.*

### NÚMERO DE VIDEOCONFERENCIA DE LA REUNIÓN VIRTUAL PARA LA PARTICIPACIÓN PÚBLICA

De conformidad con la Orden Ejecutiva N-29-20 (17 de marzo del 2020) del Gobernador y debido a las preocupaciones sobre el COVID-19, la reunión del Consejo del Vecindario de Greater Cypress Park se llevará a cabo completamente por teléfono.

Toda persona que desee dirigirse al Consejo del Vecindario debe marcar el **888 475 4499 (número gratuito) o (253) 215-8782**, e ingresar **965 5334 0703** y luego **presionar #** para unirse a la reunión. Alternativamente, puede unirse usando un navegador web visitando <https://zoom.us/j/96553340703>.

Las instrucciones sobre cómo inscribirse para hacer comentarios públicos se darán a los oyentes al comienzo de la reunión

*Se proporciona interpretación en español, pero debe ingresar desde <https://zoom.us/j/96553340703>.*

	Items may be addressed out of the order listed. Times are for reference and subject to change.	Los temas se pueden abordar en un orden distinto al del listado. El horario se muestra como referencia, y está sujeto a cambios.
<b>1.</b>	<b>Call to Order (2 minutes)</b>	<b>Llamada de ingreso (2 minutos)</b>
1.1.	Roll Call	Lista de asistencia
1.2.	Welcome stakeholders present, acknowledgment of Tongva land, introductions, code of conduct reminder and summary of telephonic meeting procedures	Bienvenida, presentación de los participantes, reconocimiento del territorio de Tongva, presentaciones, recordatorio del código de conducta y resumen de los procedimientos de las reuniones telefónicas
<b>2.</b>	<b>Comments from Public Officials (10 minutes)</b>	<b>Comentarios de los Funcionarios Públicos (10 minutos)</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Public Comments (10 minutes)</b>	<b>Comentarios del público (10 minutos)</b>
	Comments from the Board, stakeholders and the public on non-agenda items within the Board’s subject matter jurisdiction. The public is requested to dial *9 (or use the “Raise Hand” button), when prompted by the presiding officer, to address the Board. <b>Limited to one (1) minute per speaker.</b>	Comentarios del Consejo, de los participantes y del público sobre temas no incluidos en la agenda que se encuentren dentro de los temas bajo la jurisdicción del Consejo. Se ruega al público que marque *9 (o que utilice el botón "Levantar la mano") cuando se lo pida el funcionario que preside para dirigirse al Consejo. <b>Limitado a un (1) minuto por comentario.</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b>Chairperson’s Report (3 minutes)</b>	<b>Informe del Presidente (3 minutos)</b>
4.1.	Update on member eligibility to vote.	Actualización en la elegibilidad de los miembros para votar.
4.2.	Cypress Parks Slow Streets update	Actualización sobre las Calles Lentas de Cypress Parks
4.3.	Cypress Park Rec Center serving as Alternative Learning Site from 8/31, Grades 1-8, Call 213-485-5384	El Centro de Recreación de Cypress Park sirve como Sitio de Aprendizaje Alternativo desde el 8/31, del 1ero al 8to Grado, llame al 213-485-5384
<b>5.</b>	<b>Treasurer’s Report (2 minutes)</b>	<b>Informe del tesorero (2 minutos)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval of the July &amp; August 2020 Monthly Expenditure Report</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Aprobación del Informe de Gastos Mensuales de julio y agosto del 2020</li> </ul>
<b>6.</b>	<b>Presentation from LA Country Registrar-Recorder Elections Division on Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> Elections procedures (15 minutes)</b>	<b>Presentación de la División de Elecciones de la Registradora del Condado de LA, sobre los Procedimientos Electorales del 3 de noviembre (15 minutos)</b>
<b>7.</b>	<b>Consent Calendar (2 minute)</b> – Per GCPNC Standing Rules, a single motion approves the following items without board or public comment due to the fact that they were considered at a prior public meeting and/or are uncontroversial. Any Board Member may ask that any item be removed from the consent calendar and voted on	<b>Calendario de consentimiento (2 minutos):</b> según el reglamento permanente de GCPNC, una única moción aprueba los siguientes temas sin los comentarios del Consejo o del público debido al hecho de que fueron considerados en una previa reunión pública, y/o son incontrovertidos. Cualquier miembro del Consejo puede solicitar que cualquier tema sea

separately.

- Approve July and August Regular Meeting Minutes

removido del calendario de consentimiento y que la votación se realice por separado.

- Aprobar las actas de la reunión ordinaria de julio y agosto

8.	Action Items	Puntos de acción
8.1.	<p><b>Discussion and Possible Action: Review Emergency Neighborhood Purpose Grants (10 minutes)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Manos Que Sobreviven: up to \$5,001 – Grant to fund back to school supplies for 300 students in Cypress Park and Glassell Park area</li> <li>• Manos Que Sobreviven: up to \$5,000 – Grant to fund 150 care packages (food, cleaning items, etc.) for Cypress Park stakeholders.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Discusión y posible medida: Revisión de las subvenciones de emergencia del vecindario (10 minutos)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Manos Que Sobreviven: hasta \$5,001 - Subvención para financiar materiales escolares para el regreso a la escuela de 300 estudiantes de las áreas de Cypress Park y Glassell Park.</li> <li>• Manos Que Sobreviven: hasta \$5,000 - Subvención para financiar 150 paquetes de cuidado (comida, artículos de limpieza, etc.) para los interesados en Cypress Park.</li> </ul>
8.2.	<p><b>Discussion and Possible Action: Community Impact statements in support of the following Council Files</b></p> <p>8.2.1. Support: Council File 20-0838 Permanent Slow Streets Network / Commuter Traffic Reduction / Pilot Program</p> <p>8.2.2. Support: Council File 20-0990 Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Training, and Anti-Bias Training</p> <p>8.2.3. Support: Council File 20-0980 Approval Revocation / Development Projects and Project Applications / Corruption or Fraud / Los Angeles Municipal Code / Amendment / Ordinance</p> <p>8.2.4. Support: Council File 20-0931 Laundromat Incentives &amp; Rebate Pilot Program / Water &amp; Power Cost Reduction / Low Income Residents / Discounted and Free Laundry Washes / COVID-19 Pandemic</p>	<p><b>Discusión y posible medida: Declaraciones del impacto comunitario como apoyo de los siguientes expedientes del Consejo</b></p> <p>Apoyo: Expediente del Consejo 20-0838 Red de calles lentas permanentes / Reducción del tráfico vehicular diario / Programa piloto</p> <p>Apoyo: Expediente del Consejo 20-0990 Formación en Diversidad, Equidad e Inclusión, y Formación Anti-Sesgo</p> <p>Apoyo: Expediente del Consejo 20-0980 Aprobación Revocación / Proyectos de Desarrollo y Solicitudes de Proyectos / Corrupción o Fraude / Código Municipal de Los Angeles / Enmienda / Ordenanza</p> <p>Apoyo: Expediente del Consejo 20-0931 Programa Piloto de Incentivos y Reembolso para Lavanderías / Reducción del Costo del Agua y la Energía / Residentes de Bajos Ingresos / Lavanderías con Descuento y Gratis / Pandemia COVID-19</p>
8.3.	<p><b>Discussion and Possible Action: Support letter of censure related to ARC Steering Committee transphobic comments (5 minutes)</b></p>	<p><b>Discusión y posible medida: Carta de apoyo de la censura relacionada con los comentarios transfóbicos del Comité Directivo del ARC (5 minutos)</b></p>
8.4.	<p><b>Discussion and Possible Action: Procedure for filling 2 vacant seats on the Governing Board.</b></p>	<p><b>Discusión y posible medida: Procedimiento para llenar 2 puestos vacantes en el Consejo de Administración.</b></p>
8.5.	<p><b>Discussion and Possible Action: Event Approval: Community Cleanup at Confluence Plaza Oct 17. Requested budget \$100 for disposable supplies and outreach.</b></p>	<p><b>Discusión y posible medida: Aprobación del evento: Limpieza de la comunidad en Confluence Plaza, 17 de octubre. Solicitud de un presupuesto de \$100 para suministros desechables y actividades de</b></p>

**divulgación.**

8.6.	<p><b>Discussion and Possible Action: Pop-up Cleanups event approvals: Every month on the Saturday after the NC meeting. Requested budget of \$200 for the year - supplies and outreach.</b></p>	<p><b>Discusión y posible medida: Aprobaciones de eventos espontáneos de limpieza: Todos los meses, el sábado después de la reunión de NC. Solicitud de un presupuesto de \$200 para el año- para suministros y actividades de divulgación.</b></p>
9.	<p><b>New Business and ideas for future meetings</b></p>	<p><b>Nuevos negocios e ideas para futuras reuniones</b></p>
10.	<p><b>Upcoming Meetings and Events:</b></p>	<p><b>Próximas reuniones y eventos:</b></p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Governing Board Meeting: Tuesday, October 13, 7:00PM</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reunión del Consejo Directivo: martes 13 de octubre, 7:00PM</li> </ul>
11.	<p><b>Adjournment</b></p>	<p><b>Se levanta la sesión</b></p>
	<p><b>PUBLIC INPUT AT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETINGS:</b> The public is requested to dial *9, when prompted by the presiding officer, to address the Board on any agenda item before the Board takes action on an item. Comments from the public on Agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the Agenda that is within the Board’s subject matter jurisdiction will be heard during the Public Comment period. Public comment is limited to 1 minute per speaker, unless waived by the presiding officer of the Board. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Committee or Board meeting.</p>	<p><b>APORTACIÓN DEL PÚBLICO EN LAS REUNIONES DEL CONSEJO DE VECINOS:</b> Se le solicita al público que marque * 9, cuando el presidente lo solicite, para dirigirse a la Junta en cualquier tema de la agenda antes de que la Junta tome medidas sobre un tema. Los comentarios del público estipulados en la agenda serán escuchados únicamente cuando el respectivo tema esté siendo considerado. Los comentarios del público sobre otros temas que no figuren en la Agenda pero que estén dentro los temas de jurisdicción del consejo, serán escuchados durante el periodo de Comentarios del Público. Los comentarios del público están limitados a 1 minuto por comentario, a menos que sea permitido por el oficial que preside el Consejo. Nótese que, en virtud de la Ley Brown, el Consejo no puede actuar sobre un asunto que usted mencione durante el periodo de comentario público general; sin embargo, el asunto planteado por un miembro del público puede convertirse en el tema de una futura reunión del Comité o del Consejo.</p>
	<p><b>STATE OF CALIFORNIA PENAL CODE SECTION 403 (Amended by Stats. 1994, Ch. 923, Sec. 159. Effective January 1, 1995.):</b> Every person who, without authority of law, willfully disturbs or breaks up any assembly or meeting that is not unlawful in its character, other than an assembly or meeting referred to in Section 302 of the Penal Code or Section 18340 of the Elections Code, is guilty of a misdemeanor.</p>	<p><b>SECCIÓN 403 DEL CÓDIGO PENAL DEL ESTADO DE CALIFORNIA (Enmendado por los Estatutos, 1994, Capítulo 923, Sección. 159. Efectivo el 1º de enero de 1995):</b> Cada persona que, sin la autorización de la ley, voluntariamente perturbe o disuelva cualquier asamblea o reunión que no sea ilegal en su carácter, que no sea una asamblea o reunión mencionada en la Sección 302 del Código Penal o la Sección 18340 del Código Electoral, es culpable de un delito menor.</p>
	<p><b>PUBLIC POSTING OF AGENDAS:</b> Agenda is posted for public review at the Cypress Park Public Library, 1150 Cypress Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90065, at <a href="http://www.cypressparknc.com">www.cypressparknc.com</a>, or you can also receive our agendas via email by subscribing to L.A. City’s Early Notification System at <a href="https://www.lacity.org/subscriptions">https://www.lacity.org/subscriptions</a></p>	<p><b>PUBLICACIÓN DE LAS AGENDAS:</b> La agenda se publica para revisión su pública en Cypress Park Public Library, 1150 Cypress Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90065 o en <a href="http://www.cypressparknc.com">www.cypressparknc.com</a>, o también puede recibir nuestras agendas por correo electrónico suscribiéndose al Sistema de Notificación Anticipada de la Ciudad de L.A. en <a href="https://www.lacity.org/subscriptions">https://www.lacity.org/subscriptions</a></p>

**PUBLIC ACCESS OF RECORDS:** Members of the public may request and receive copies without undue delay of any documents that are distributed to the Board, unless there is a specific exemption under the Public Records Act that prevents the disclosure of the record. (Govt. Code § 54957.5) In compliance with Government Code section 54957.5, non-exempt writings that are distributed to a majority or all of the board in advance of a meeting may be viewed by contacting the Board or at the scheduled meeting. In addition, if you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda, please contact the Board.

**ACCESO PÚBLICO A LOS REGISTROS:** Los miembros del público pueden pedir y recibir copias, sin demoras indebidas, de cualquier documento que sea distribuido al Consejo, a menos que haya una exención específica bajo la Ley de Registros Públicos que prevenga la divulgación del registro. (Código gubernamental § 54957.5) En conformidad con la sección 54957.5 del Código Gubernamental, los escritos no exentos que sean distribuidos a la mayoría o a todo el consejo antes de una reunión pueden ser vistos contactando al Consejo o en la reunión agendada. Adicionalmente, si usted desea una copia de cualquier registro relacionado con un tema en la agenda, sírvase ponerse en contacto con el Consejo.

**THE AMERICAN WITH DISABILITIES ACT:** As a covered entity under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Los Angeles does not discriminate on the basis of disability and upon request, will provide reasonable accommodation to ensure equal access to its programs, services, and activities. Sign language interpreters, assistive listening devices, or other auxiliary aids and/or services may be provided upon request. To ensure availability of services, please make your request at least 2 business days (48 hours) prior to the meeting you wish to attend by contacting the GCPNC Board at [gcpnc@empowerla.org](mailto:gcpnc@empowerla.org).

**LEY SOBRE ESTADOUNIDENSES CON DISCAPACIDADES:** Como una entidad sujeta al Título II de la Ley sobre Estadounidenses con discapacidades, City of Los Angeles no discrimina con base a discapacidad y, a petición, proveerá acomodación razonable para asegurar acceso equitativo a sus programas, servicios y actividades. Se pueden proporcionar intérpretes de lenguaje de señas, dispositivos de audición u otras ayudas y/o servicios de asistencia, si se solicitan. Para asegurar la disponibilidad de los servicios, sírvase hacer su solicitud con al menos 2 días hábiles (48 horas) antes de la reunión a la que desea asistir, poniéndose en contacto con el Consejo del GCPNC en [gcpnc@empowerla.org](mailto:gcpnc@empowerla.org).

**TRANSLATION SERVICES:** If you require translation services please notify the council 2 working days (48 hours) before the event. If you need assistance with this notification please contact us at [GCPNC@empowerla.org](mailto:GCPNC@empowerla.org)

**SERVICIOS DE TRADUCCIÓN:** Si requiere de servicios de traducción, por favor, notifique al consejo 2 días hábiles (48 horas) antes del evento. Si necesita asistencia con esta notificación, contáctenos en [GCPNC@empowerla.org](mailto:GCPNC@empowerla.org)

**PROCESS FOR RECONSIDERATION:** The Board may reconsider and amend its action on items listed on the agenda if that Reconsideration takes place immediately following the original action or at the next regular meeting. The Board, on either of these two days, is to be scheduled at the next meeting following the original action, then two items shall be placed on the agenda for that meeting (1) A Motion for Reconsideration on the described matter and (2) a proposed action should the motion to reconsider be approved. A motion for reconsideration can only be made by a Board member who has previously voted on the prevailing side of the original action taken. If a motion for reconsideration is not made on the date the action was taken, then a Board member on the prevailing side of the action must submit a memorandum to the Secretary identifying the matter to be reconsidered and a brief description of the reason (s) for requesting reconsideration at the next regular meeting.

**PROCESO PARA RECONSIDERACIÓN:** El Consejo puede reconsiderar y enmendar su medida sobre temas listados en la agenda si la Reconsideración se presenta inmediatamente después de la acción original o en la siguiente reunión ordinaria. El Consejo, en cualquiera de estos dos días, se programará en la siguiente reunión después de la medida original; después, dos temas deberán ser establecidos en la agenda para dicha reunión (1) Una moción para Reconsideración sobre el tema descrito y (2) la proposición de una medida si la moción de reconsideración es aprobada. Una moción de reconsideración solo puede hacerse por un miembro del Consejo que haya votado previamente en el lado que prevalece de la medida original tomada. Si una moción para reconsideración no se realiza en la fecha en la que es tomada la medida, entonces el miembro del Consejo en el lado que prevalece de la medida debe presentar un memorándum a la Secretaría identificando el asunto a ser reconsiderado, junto con una breve descripción de la razón o razones de la solicitud de reconsideración en la próxima reunión ordinaria.

# Monthly Expenditure Report


**Reporting Month: July 2020**
**Budget Fiscal Year: 2020-2021**
**NC Name: Greater Cypress Park  
Neighborhood Council**

Monthly Cash Reconciliation					
Beginning Balance	Total Spent	Remaining Balance	Outstanding	Commitments	Net Available
\$38590.51	\$8949.17	\$29641.34	\$758.04	\$3000.00	\$25883.30

Monthly Cash Flow Analysis					
Budget Category	Adopted Budget	Total Spent this Month	Unspent Budget Balance	Outstanding	Net Available
Office	\$17300.00	\$751.80	\$16350.83	\$758.04	\$15592.79
Outreach		\$197.37		\$0.00	
Elections		\$0.00		\$0.00	
Community Improvement Project	\$1000.00	\$0.00	\$1000.00	\$0.00	\$1000.00
Neighborhood Purpose Grants	\$20290.51	\$8000.00	\$12290.51	\$0.00	\$12290.51
Funding Requests Under Review: \$3000.00		Encumbrances: \$0.00		Previous Expenditures: \$0.00	

Expenditures						
#	Vendor	Date	Description	Budget Category	Sub-category	Total
1	STAPLES 00102277	07/15/2020	Allocate up to \$500 for Outreach related to Slow Streets including, but not limited to, mailings, copies, social media ads, etc.	General Operations Expenditure	Outreach	\$55.02
2	MPI ATELIER DBA MITCHE	07/17/2020	Allocate up to \$500 for Outreach related to Slow Streets including, but not limited to, mailings, copies, social media ads, etc.	General Operations Expenditure	Outreach	\$142.35
3	Mujeres de la Tierra	07/16/2020	Mujeres de la Tierra: up to \$4,000 – Grant to fund a new leadership training program for digital activism, Rompiendo Barreras con la tecnologia	Neighborhood Purpose Grants		\$4000.00
4	Instituto de Educacion Popular del Sur de California (IDEPSCA)	07/16/2020	Cypress Park Community Job Center (Instituto De Educacion Popular del Sur de California): up to \$4,000 – Grant to support up to 300 hot meals for Cypress Park stakeho...	Neighborhood Purpose Grants		\$4000.00

5	Barbier International Inc.	07/16/2020	Approve the budget and administrative packet as presented in the board packet, which includes \$3000 for translation services and \$2800 for meeting minute taker services.	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$73.90
6	Barbier International Inc.	07/16/2020	Approve the budget and administrative packet as presented in the board packet, which includes \$3000 for translation services and \$2800 for meeting minute taker services.	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$212.50
7	Barbier International Inc.	07/16/2020	Approval of expenses related to translation for all GCPNC meetings, agendas, and significant documents, including for committee meetings.	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$77.90
8	Barbier International Inc.	07/16/2020	Approval of expenses related to translation for all GCPNC meetings, agendas, and significant documents, including for committee meetings.	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$87.50
9	Barbier International Inc.	07/16/2020	Approval of expenses related to translation for all GCPNC meetings, agendas, and significant documents, including for committee meetings.	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$300.00
<b>Subtotal:</b>						<b>\$8949.17</b>

Outstanding Expenditures						
#	Vendor	Date	Description	Budget Category	Sub-category	Total
1	BRIDGEGAP TEMPORARY STAFFING AND SERVICES AGENCY	07/16/2020	Motion to approve Meeting Minute Taker \$2500 for the year	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$409.64
2	Barbier International Inc.	07/24/2020	Provide up to \$250 for Spanish interpretation services for GCPNC co-sponsored event: Virtual Know Your Rights Before You Protest Seminar by the National Lawyers Guild and Glassell Pa...	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$160.00
3	Barbier International Inc.	07/24/2020	Approve the budget and administrative packet as presented in the board packet, which includes \$3000 for translation services and \$2800 for meeting minute taker services.	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$59.50
4	Barbier International Inc.	07/24/2020	Approve the budget and administrative packet as presented in the board packet, which includes \$3000 for translation services and \$2800 for meeting minute taker services.	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$128.90

<b>Subtotal: Outstanding</b>	<b>\$758.04</b>
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Monthly Cash Reconciliation					
Beginning Balance	Total Spent	Remaining Balance	Outstanding	Commitments	Net Available
\$29641.34	\$1251.42	\$28389.92	\$3540.38	\$0.00	\$24849.54

Monthly Cash Flow Analysis					
Budget Category	Adopted Budget	Total Spent this Month	Unspent Budget Balance	Outstanding	Net Available
Office	\$17300.00	\$1143.54	\$15099.41	\$540.38	\$14559.03
Outreach		\$107.88		\$0.00	
Elections		\$0.00		\$0.00	
Community Improvement Project	\$1000.00	\$0.00	\$1000.00	\$0.00	\$1000.00
Neighborhood Purpose Grants	\$20290.51	\$0.00	\$12290.51	\$3000.00	\$9290.51
Funding Requests Under Review: \$0.00		Encumbrances: \$0.00		Previous Expenditures: \$8949.17	

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1	EIG BLUEHOST.COM	08/10/2020	ongoing web hosting	General Operations Expenditure	Outreach	\$107.88
2	STORQUEST-LA/FIGUEROA	08/11/2020	Storage	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$205.50
3	STORQUEST-LA/FIGUEROA	08/30/2020	Storage	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$180.00
4	Barbier International Inc.	07/24/2020	Provide up to \$250 for Spanish interpretation services for GCPNC co-sponsored event: Virtual Know Your Rights Before You Protest Seminar by the National Lawyers Guild and Glassell Pa...	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$160.00
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7	BRIDGEGAP TEMPORARY STAFFING AND SERVICES AGENCY	07/16/2020	Motion to approve Meeting Minute Taker \$2500 for the year	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$409.64
<b>Subtotal:</b>						<b>\$1251.42</b>

Outstanding Expenditures						
#	Vendor	Date	Description	Budget Category	Sub-category	Total
1	Mujeres de la Tierra	08/14/2020	Approval of \$3000 Neighborhood Purpose Grant to Mujeres de la Tierra: This grant is intended to support organized parent/community group Acción Comunitaria's food d...	Neighborhood Purpose Grants		\$3000.00
2	BRIDGEGAP TEMPORARY STAFFING AND SERVICES AGENCY	08/17/2020	Approve the budget and administrative packet as presented in the board packet, which includes \$3000 for translation services and \$2800 for meeting minute taker services.	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$234.08
3	Barbier International Inc.	08/31/2020	Approve the budget and administrative packet as presented in the board packet, which includes \$3000 for translation services and \$2800 for meeting minute taker services.	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$306.30
<b>Subtotal: Outstanding</b>						<b>\$3540.38</b>

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GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

Tuesday, August 11, 2020 – 7:00 P.M.  
Online/Telephonic Meeting via Zoom # 971 1058 8643



**DRAFT MINUTES**

<b>Board Members</b>	<b>Roll Call</b>
Romana Barajas	Present
Alfred Beltran	Absent
Clint Birdsong	Present
Ash Kramer	Present
Bryan Kramer	Present
Peter Quezada	Absent
Chloe Rivas	Present
Teresa Roman	Present
Alexia Teran	Present

**1. Call to Order**

- 1.1. The meeting was called to order at 7:04pm by Greater Cypress Park Neighborhood Council (GCPNC) Chair, Clint Birdsong. At that time, there was a quorum [GCPNC defines a quorum as five (5) Board members present].
- 1.2. Mr. Birdsong welcomed the assembled group, provided instructions on making public comment and accessing interpretation features, and acknowledged that Cypress Park sits on Tongva land.

**2. Comments from Public Officials**

- 2.1. Ricardo Flores (ricardo.x.flores@lacity.org) from the office of Los Angeles Councilmember Cedillo (Council District 1/CD1) provided updates.  
CD1 seeks to engage with GCPNC for its upcoming giveaways in the community.  
Mr. Birdsong asked for a meeting to discuss requirements for Casa Azul to include Mr. Kramer as Homelessness Chair. Mr. Flores requested possible dates to be sent.  
Ms. Teran said there were already too many liquor licenses granted for the area of Cypress Park Avenue and Ellis, citing concerns over noise and drunkenness. She asked for licenses to only allow alcohol until “12 p.m. instead of 2am.”

Mr. Flores said community input is always reviewed and he noted a hearing scheduled for August 19<sup>th</sup>, accessible on Zoom by computer or telephone.

In public comment, Guillermo Reyes Jr. confirmed the time of the hearings. Mr. Birdsong noted the applicants had presented to GCPNC in June but the Board did not vote to take a position.

Yaneth Torres began to make public comment in Spanish, but there were technical difficulties.

Romero Diaz asked Ricardo to ask the Zoning Administrator to print hearing notices for 1207 Cypress Ave. in Spanish. Ricardo Flores suggested contacting [stephanie.escobar@lacity.org](mailto:stephanie.escobar@lacity.org).

Mr. Kramer noted one aforementioned applicant had offered the SELAH Neighborhood Homeless Coalition some of its space for a mini food pantry, and anyone interested in taking part in the effort could contact him.

Ms. Roman said that COVID-19 testing in the area on the previous Saturday had not been adequately advertised in the area, noting many elders don't use digital technology. She asked for notices to be posted in visible locations.

Mr. Flores said there was not currently the capacity to post signs and so email was their primary means. He agreed to consider bringing flyers in the future so GCPNC board members could help get the word out.

Mr. Birdsong suggested sending future notices to [gcpnc@empowerla.org](mailto:gcpnc@empowerla.org) to reach all board members.

### **3. Public Comments**

- 3.1. Paola Machan, representing Mujeres de la Tierra, expressed frustration that COVID-19 case numbers were do not include a unique tally for Cypress Park. Mr. Flores said cases numbers were by Census Tract, which, he said, lumped Glassell Park, Highland Park, and Cypress Park together.
- 3.2. Stakeholder Alejandra said alcohol licensing hearings should be translated into Spanish and said currently hearing notices were only translated over the phone.
- 3.3. Lizette described herself as a long-term resident of Cypress Park who is in agreement with her neighbors in opposing new liquor licenses, especially near schools and near the library. She said new businesses displace and gentrify.
- 3.4. Cristal Montes said she has lived in Cypress Park since 1991 and said Cypress Park has lost needed businesses like the laundromat and the grocery store, and that it does not need more than liquor licenses.
- 3.5. Karina said she was a Cypress Park resident and that she opposed the approval of liquor licenses, especially near the elementary school. She warned they would gentrify the neighborhood further.
- 3.6. Arturo said he was a Cypress Park resident who was against liquor licenses near schools against and any "future gentrifying businesses" in Cypress Park.
- 3.7. Britt said she was opposed to new liquor license approvals.
- 3.8. Yaneth said she was a member of the Cypress Park community and was against opening more liquor stores.
- 3.9. A stakeholder who identified as V said "this is a working-class, family neighborhood and that needed businesses were not able to stay because of greed, and she opposed alcohol licenses, and that other communities show they create gentrification and create violence against vulnerable community members in the form of displacement, and cause her not to be comfortable in her own neighborhood. She said Northeast Los Angeles has an "oversaturation" of alcohol, which was "something we don't" want for our kids in neighborhood."

- 3.10. Juan Carbajal also opposed new alcohol licenses and said “group fridges that these groups would give” did not “contribute to what we want.” He said he did not like seeing changes nearby and would hate to see [them] here.
- 3.11. Sarah said she was in “full and unwavering support of proposed projects,” which would “...boost the community.”
- 3.12. Adelaida said she has lived in Cypress Park 30 years and was in support of all the neighbors to say “we cannot allow that they open a liquor store one block from the library,” the school, and families’ homes. She argued against the “displacement of the community.”
- 3.13. Ramiro Diaz said he stood with the community in opposition, noting the application included alcohol service during school hours. He said licenses being applied for were within 600 feet of Aragon Elementary School, and noted the Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) website said licenses could be revoked if within 600 feet of schools.
- 3.14. Yaya spoke in opposition to the proposed licenses and claimed Highland Park had gone from a family community to a party community that was not family friendly. She said those communities were built on the backs of community members. Price points, she said, would alienate the community and contribute to the divisiveness seen with new tenants, catering to different demographic. She encouraged Highland Park, Cypress Park, Eagle Rock, and Glassell Park to “come out strong.”
- 3.15. Mike said the board had a responsibility to listen to “dozens of voices,” and to not be “impartial, apolitical bystanders that stand by as new businesses and property developers come in to gut our cultural establishments, markets, and businesses” owned for years by people of color. He referred to displacement of tenants between Allen St. and Old Morenita because of outreach from Gil Cedillo, “engaging in pay-to-play” and “defending developers and corporate landlords,” who were using “harassment tactics” to “evict Latin tenants.” He claimed Cedillo is no “friend of tenants” but “coopts pictures of working class mothers” to post on social media.
- 3.16. Whisper said while there were numerous “factors that affect Cypress Park negatively,” liquor licenses were “one of the factors that can be fought against to preserve and nurture the community.” Citing locations’ proximity to schools and churches, she said her community did not need another temptation to lead to addiction. She asked GCPNC to attend the hearing to represent the neighborhood.
- 3.17. Mr. Birdsong invited other stakeholders to reach out by email, noting the time for public comment had already been exceeded once over.

#### **4. Chairperson’s Report**

- 4.1. Update on member eligibility to vote.  
No update was provided.
- 4.2. Cypress Parks Slow Streets update  
No update was provided.

#### **5. Treasurer’s Report**

- 5.1. Approval of July 2020 Monthly Expenditure Report  
It was explained that the report was not yet available and so could not be approved.

#### **6. Presentation from LA Housing and Community Investment Department on Renter Rights and Protections during COVID-19 from Lead Housing Investigator Brett Terrell**

Ms. Barajas introduced Brett Terrell and explained that people were being forced to sign contracts and that there was “a lot of misinformation.”

Mr. Terrell described himself as “one of the lead housing investigators” and said he investigated rent control complaints, which were primarily issues of rent increases and evictions. His duties had expanded with AB1482 tenant protections for non-RSO (Rent Stabilization Ordinance), and COVID-19 protections.

He said most rental units in the City of Los Angeles, fell under the ordinance, which generally covers the 180,000 properties or around 600,000 rental units built before October 1<sup>st</sup>, 1978. The RSO stabilizes rent increases and mandates “just cause” for evictions, including at-fault cause such as nonpayment of rent, violating a rental agreement, creating a nuisance, or not signing a renewable rental agreement; and no-fault evictions such as those in response to a governmental order, because a family member of the owner was moving into the unit, or due to taking a unit off the rental market.

Residents could learn if their unit fell under the RSO by texting to 855-880-7368.

Mr. Terrell said in response to COVID-19 declarations of emergency, a temporary moratorium on evictions was enacted on March 23, 2020, followed by a rent freeze and other ordinances in March, April, and May extending tenant protections.

Tenants were protected against nonpayment of rent due to circumstances related to COVID-19, which he described as “pretty broad,” loss of work, reduction in hours, caring for a person ill with COVID-19, or having to quarantine. He said tenants seeking the protections should contact their landlords 7 days before rent was due or within 7 days after rent was due. Tenants could not be evicted for no-fault reasons, and installation of resident managers, moving family members into occupied units, and withdrawal from the rental market were not allowed. Ellis Act evictions would not be allowed until 60 days after the emergency was over.

Mr. Terrell went on to say that nuisances from the presence of additional occupants or pets, or noise as a result of circumstances related to COVID-19 would not be cause for eviction.

Tenants covered by the emergency orders would have 12 months after the expiration of the local emergency to pay any back rent without any interest or late fees. Documentation of inability to pay or hardship technically required, but residents were advised to maintain their records since the City could not prevent landlords from suing.

He reiterated that tenants were not required to sign any repayment agreement, and he said there were examples of landlords asking tenants to sign over their stimulus checks, which a tenant could not be forced to do.

Sharing his screen, he showed a sample letter a tenant could use to communicate with their landlord, and he directed residents to visit the HCIDLA website (<https://hcidla2.lacity.org/highlights/renter-protections>) or to call (866) 557-7368 to report violations. Terrell noted that if a lease has expired, the landlord can require a tenant to sign a lease with the same terms, but can only include different terms if the tenant agrees.

He encouraged residents to file a complaint even when they were not sure of the law, as it would be assigned an investigator who would “check it out.”

Responding to Ms. Barajas, Terrell said even non RSO units, including single family dwellings, were subject to the eviction moratorium and 12 month repayment arrangement as previously discussed. He qualified that the freeze on rent increases only applied to units under the RSO.

Responding to Ms. Roman, Terrell said there was a referral sheet in English and Spanish for tenant legal clinics (<https://hcidla2.lacity.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/RSO-Legal-Referrals-English-Spanish.pdf>).

In public comment, V, who said she was a member of the Tenants’ Union, encouraged the GCPNC Board to advocate for rent cancellation since, as she said, “...rent protections are debt accumulation.” She said 365,000 people in LA were at risk of eviction, and landlords were forcing people from their homes through harassment. She said she encouraged people to save money for food, medicine, and what they need to survive. She said if a tenant were to receive a 3-day notice, they had the right to sue the landlord for trying to evict during the crisis.

Mike spoke against subsidizing landlords’ lifestyles during the pandemic and said luxury residential developers contributed to rising rents. HCIDLA, he said, advocated for landlords much more than tenants, and they will try... to cut corners. He said tenants had to call them and force them to take complaints seriously.



Susan Rocha stated that half the board had already voted for the liquor license. She referred to thousands of small landlords paying trash, water fees, and mortgages, and she asked if there were help for their fees and taxes.

Ms. Barajas agreed that not all landlords were big management companies, and many were struggling. She said the priority was one's house, the welfare of the family, and health.

*[At this time (8:32 p.m.), Item 8.5 was taken up.]*

## 7. Consent Calendar

- Approve July Regular Meeting Minutes  
This item was not taken up due to lack of time.

## 8. Action Items

- 8.1. Discussion and Possible Action: Update 2020-21 Fiscal Year Budget and Administrative Packet with carryover funds

*[This item was taken up after Item 8.5 at 8:56 p.m.]*

**Ms. Kramer** moved to allocate \$6,590.51 of carryover funds to Neighborhood Purposes Grants. **Ms. Barajas** seconded.

In board comments, Ms. Teran voiced her support. There was no further board discussion or public comment.

The motion passed by a roll-call vote with 6 yes (Barajas, Birdsong, A. Kramer, B. Kramer, Roman, Teran), 0 no, 0 abstentions, 1 ineligible (Rivas), and 2 absent (Beltran, Quezada).

- 8.2. Discussion and Possible Action: Review Emergency Neighborhood Purpose Grants

- Mujeres de la Tierra: up to \$4,000 – up to \$4,000 – Grant to fund food and supply distribution through Acción Comunitaria.

Ms. Roman recused herself on the basis of her being a leader of Acción Comunitaria and was placed in the meeting's waiting room. As Yaneth Torres had trouble connecting, Paola Machan provided a brief description of the program, noting that Mujeres de la Tierra was the fiduciary sponsor of Acción Comunitaria. She said they wanted to provide 6 more food distributions in the next two months, and the NPG funding would go to Acción Comunitaria to purchase food for the community. Their goal was to reach 100 members of the community.

Mr. Birdsong encouraged board questions. He said the ongoing project was previously but no longer funded by CD1. Ms. Machan said some schools were not providing lunches because of recess, contributing to a lot of food insecurity in the community. Acción Comunitaria was doing the best they could do to distribute food in Cypress Park.

**Ms. Kramer** moved to support as requested for up to \$3,000. **Ms. Barajas** seconded.

There was no additional board discussion.

In public comment, Ms. Rocha asked whether all the money would be spent in Cypress Park?

Mike said he had been volunteering with Acción Comunitaria, which he described as an amazing grassroots community group of monolingual, Spanish-speaking, working class mothers. He described the organization and distribution favorably and spoke in favor of strengthening community relationships. He noted Ms. Roman was an incredible worker and suggested the NPG should be for the full \$4,000, saying "people are really hurting."

Yaya also commended Ms. Roman for her grassroots organizing, and she advocated for the full \$4,000, saying "every dollar will go to a family that needs it." She said [her group] received nonstop calls from people needing help and said they refer people to Ms. Roman.

Ms. Machan said the money would be used primarily for food and some for transportation costs, and would be distributed to Cypress Park residents.

Yaneth echoed the previous sentiments of support and need.

*[By this time (9:19 p.m.), Ms. Teran had left the meeting.]*

The motion passed by a roll-call vote with 4 yes (Barajas, Birdsong, A. Kramer, B. Kramer), 0 no, 0 abstentions, 1 recused (Roman), 1 ineligible (Rivas), and 3 absent (Beltran, Quezada, Teran)

*[At this time (9:20 p.m.), Item 8.4 was taken up.]*

**8.3.** Discussion and Possible Action: Community Impact statements in support of the following Council Files:

**8.3.1.** Support: Council File: 20-0712 COVID-19 Pandemic / Economy Reopening / Community Health Workers / Contact Tracers / Community Care Corps

*[This item was taken up at 9:48 p.m. after Item 8.4.]*

**Ms. Barajas** moved to adopt the agendized CIS statement and to add to the letter the suggestion that they hire from the community in which they are going to serve. **Mr. Birdsong** seconded. In board discussion, Mr. Birdsong said hiring out of work people to help stop the pandemic was a great idea.

In public comment, Ms. Rocha said to contact the City Attorney, but she didn't "think you can do that."

The motion passed by a roll-call vote with all 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions, and 3 absent (Beltran, Quezada, Teran).

*[At this time, Item 8.3.3 was taken up.]*

**8.3.2.** Support: Council File: 20-0417 Economic Distress / COVID-19 Pandemic / WorkSource, BusinessSource, and FamilySource Centers / Credit Score Relief Education and Instruction

**Ms. Barajas** moved to write a CIS in support of CF 20-0417. **Ms. Kramer** seconded.

In public comment, Ms. Rocha said, "We're supposed to see what the letter looks like before we approve it."

The motion passed by a roll-call vote with all 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions, and 3 absent (Beltran, Quezada, Teran).

**8.3.3.** Support: Council File: 20-0687 Vulnerable Populations Experiencing Homelessness / Essential Services and Housing Coordination / COVID-19 Homelessness Recovery Roadmap  
Mr. Kramer briefly described the motion.

**Ms. Barajas** moved to write a CIS in support of CF: 20-0687 with the requested amendment that DPSS be added to the list of partners. **Mr. Kramer** seconded.

Mr. Birdsong said the City was looking at using the CARES act to buy properties where people were susceptible to losing their homes.

The motion passed by a roll-call vote with all 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions, and 3 absent (Beltran, Quezada, Teran).

**8.3.4.** Support: Council File 20-0838 Permanent Slow Streets Network Commuter Traffic Reduction / Pilot Program

This item was postponed without objection.

*[At this time (9:56 p.m.), Item 8.6 was taken up.]*

**8.4.** Discussion and Possible Action: Steps to make the streets around Cypress Ave/Idell/Ave 28 area safer

*[This item was taken up at 9:20 p.m. after Item 8.2]*

Mr. Birdsong explained that the discussion around safer streets could continue at the next land use meeting and referred to a recent "street takeover" incident at Cypress Ave. and Figueroa St. He invited Elsa Flores to speak.

Ms. Flores said she had been working with Ricardo Flores (CD1) on ways to slow down traffic in a stretch of road that is reduced from 4 lanes to a 2-lane one-way street, and where serious accidents



have occurred. Ms. Flores said she collected 300 signatures in a petition and had joined with LA Metro and area churches and with representatives of CD1, but they had not seen more than some additional signage and small reflectors and speeding continued.

Ricardo Flores said CD1 was working with LADOT on various ideas, including installation of pavement fixtures, signs, and push-buttons. They had requested lights on Idell street to transition so as not to remain green at all times which, he said, had helped. Still needed were signs with reflectors. Metro had been invited to the meeting to opine on how a “gateway” concept might affect buses such as the No. 251. Effects on children and on church activities like funerals was also discussed.

Mr. Flores added that they were working with residents on Cypress Ave, which, he said was a “main corridor” with a 35 mile per hour speed limit, and they were looking for ways to downgrade the street to “residential.” He said they had increased lighting, trimmed trees, and installed signage between Idell and Figueroa. Vehicles turning left from Idell onto Cypress would wait longer, as would vehicles on Cypress, slowing down traffic. Additionally, they were asking LADOT to look into the possibility of stop-on-red signalization.

They were also looking into making the crosswalk at Jeffries and Cypress “pedestrian-friendly” by way of a “gateway,” which creates the illusion that a street has narrowed, but which requires removing a number of parking spaces and which might not be well-received by the community.

Mr. Flores encouraged the community to share other ideas for slowing down traffic.

Referring to LAPD enforcement operations, Mr. Birdsong noted police were often waiting further down on Cypress instead of at Avenue 28 where they could catch speeders in the two-lane, one-way zone.

Ms. Barajas suggested that signals on Cypress Ave. and Idell St. and at Cypress Ave. and Pepper Dr. not be green in the same direction at the same time, noting it was currently dangerous for people turning into their driveways.

When speed hump requests were mentioned, Ms. Barajas said one was needed at Gay St. coming out of the Metro facility because employees coming out of the driveway “don’t look.” Ms. Roman said speed humps were needed from Granada to Division for people needing to cross the street to take the bus. She suggested “lights that sparkle.”

Ms. Rocha said the issue directly affected her. She said signs didn’t work, that everyone was taking them down, and that people didn’t like or want them. “I’m against the slow streets, against the signs,” she said. She also spoke against reducing parking, and that “Divine Savior should be required to park in their parking lot.”

Responding to Anthea, Mr. Flores said only Cypress Ave. and Avenue 28 were “avenue 1” designations, and Avenue 26 was considered a main corridor.

Ms. Kramer said the discussion would continue at the September 1<sup>st</sup> Land Use Committee Meeting, noting they’d been sharing similar ideas with the Council Office for at least 4 years.

*[At this time (9:46 p.m.), item 8.3 was taken up.]*

**8.5.** Discussion and Possible Action: California High Speed Rail Presentation and reminder about extended draft Environmental Impact Review report comment period

*[This item was taken up after Item 6 at 8:32 p.m.]*

Melissa Holguin explained she was with the Outreach Communications Team, and Diane Ricard and Tyler Bonstead, who were also present, were Project Manager and Regional Consultant Team Project Manager, respectively.

Ms. Ricard said that public comment started had begun on May 29<sup>th</sup>, and its deadline would be extended been extended to the end of August. Community outreach included a virtual open house on June 18<sup>th</sup> and a virtual public hearing on July 8<sup>th</sup>. The draft EIR/EIS was available at the website, meetHSRsocal.com, which explained the process and where comments could be registered. An August 19<sup>th</sup> telephone town hall would provide the community the opportunity to have their questions answered, and office hours could be scheduled via the website. She noted emails and postal mail

notifications had been sent, and comments could be submitted by US Mail or recorded over the phone.

Responding to Mr. Birdsong, Ms. Ricard said every comment and question about the draft EIR/EIS would receive a response and would be included in the appendix of the final document.

Mr. Bonstead showed on the meetHSRsocal.com website how to look up a property to gauge how it would be affected by high speed rail.

Ms. Barajas asked the representatives to take into consideration that Cypress Park was participating in developing a park behind the railroad and that there was so far no provision for getting across the tracks to that park. She encouraged a safety bridge to allow pedestrians and bikes to cross over.

She said an additional concern was graffiti on sound walls.

Ms. Ricard responded to Ms. Teran's question that the high speed rail would be at the same grade as the existing rail lines.

In public comment, Ms. Rocha expressed concerns over trains signaling their horns and the need for a quiet zone. Mr. Bonstead said the ultimate goal was grade separation, which, if achieved, would eliminate the need for trains to honk their horns, but in the interim, quiet zones were being proposed.

Replying to Ms. Teran, he said the only sound wall currently proposed was along the west, or river side of the tracks, roughly from Rio de Los Angeles State Park toward the 110 Freeway.

*[Following the presentation, Item 8.1 was taken up at 8:55 p.m.]*

**8.6. Discussion and Possible Action: Removal of Governing Board Members due to absences including changes in committee and leadership positions: Alfred Beltran and Peter Quezada**

Mr. Birdsong said he contacted board members Alfred Beltran and Peter Quezada, and that both had said they'd try to attend the meeting. He noted that the GCPNC bylaws state that Board Members are automatically considered for removal if they accumulate 3 absences in a rolling 12-month period and Mr. Beltran and Mr. Quezada both had missed more than three, noting some absences had been following the shift to online Zoom meetings.

There was discussion of Mr. Beltran's being a committee chair and Board officer. Mr. Cramer noted Mr. Quezada had said he was not interested in online meetings.

**Mr. Birdsong moved to remove Mr. Beltran as Outreach Chair. Mr. Kramer seconded.**

Ms. Roman argued in support of the motion, noting those present had a "commitment with our community." She added that other people were interested in participating.

There was discussion of the role of the outreach chair in the 2021 Neighborhood Council elections.

Alejandra said the Outreach Chair was in charge of PR, engagement, discussion and panels, and Q&A when elections come up.

**The motion passed by a roll-call vote with all 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions, and 3 absent (Beltran, Quezada, Teran).**

**Ms. Kramer moved to remove Mr. Beltran as Vice-Chair. Ms. Barajas seconded.**

Mr. Birdsong noted he could use the help and that a backup was needed in case of his absence. There was no further board discussion and no public comment.

**The motion passed by a roll-call vote with all 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions, and 3 absent (Beltran, Quezada, Teran).**

**Mr. Birdsong moved to appoint Teresa Roman as Outreach Chair. Ms. Kramer seconded. Ms. Roman accepted the nomination.**

In board discussion, Ms. Barajas noted Ms. Rivas could help with social media. In public comment, Ms. Rocha spoke in favor of the motion.

**The motion passed by a roll-call vote with all 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions, and 3 absent (Beltran, Quezada, Teran).**

**Ms. Barajas** moved to appoint Ms. Rivas to Second Board Member on outreach. **Mr. Birdsong** seconded. Ms. Rivas accepted the nomination.

There was no board discussion or public comment.

The motion passed by a roll-call vote with all 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions, and 3 absent (Beltran, Quezada, Teran).

**Ms. Kramer** nominated Ms. Barajas as Vice-Chair of the GCPNC. **Mr. Birdsong** seconded Ms. Barajas expressed concern over her knowledge of parliamentary procedure. Mr. Kramer said, "You're crazy informed." Mr. Birdsong noted DONE has created training materials around parliamentary procedure.

In public comment, Ms. Rocha said Ms. Barajas was the perfect person for the role.

The motion passed by a roll-call vote with all 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions, and 3 absent (Beltran, Quezada, Teran).

#### **9. New Business and ideas for future meetings**

Ms. Barajas announced that Mayor Garcetti planned to address NCs at the Alliance of River Communities (ARC) meeting on Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m., the same night as the GCPNC monthly meeting.

Mr. Birdsong suggested holding a joint meeting between GCPNC, functioning as the monthly meeting, and enabling the City to provide interpretation.

Mr. Birdsong said the Mayor was speaking at the LGBTQ alliance in September.

Ms. Kramer encouraged participation in the Census and voter registration. Mr. Birdsong said the Census Bureau was giving out yard signs in English and in Spanish.

Ms. Roman asked for Census materials to be sent to her to distribute for 150 people at least.

#### **10. Upcoming Meetings and Events:**

- Governing Board Meeting: Tuesday, September 8, 7:00PM

#### **11. Adjournment**

Mr. Birdsong adjourned the meeting at 10:34 p.m. without objection.

**Neighborhood Council Funding Program**  
**APPLICATION for Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG)**



This form is to be completed by the applicant seeking the Neighborhood Purposes Grant and submitted to the Neighborhood Council from whom the grant is being sought. All applications for grants must be reviewed and approved in a public meeting. Upon approval of the application the Neighborhood Council (NC) shall submit the application along with all required documentation to the Office of the City Clerk, NC Funding Program.

Name of NC from which you are seeking this grant: Greater Cypress Park Neighborhood Council

**SECTION I - APPLICANT INFORMATION**

1a) Manos Que Sobreviven 84-4042623 CA 04/25/18  
*Organization Name* *Federal I.D. # (EIN#)* *State of Incorporation* *Date of 501(c)(3) Status (if applicable)*

1b) 3854 Cazador St Los Angeles CA 90065  
*Organization Mailing Address* *City* *State* *Zip Code*

1c) \_\_\_\_\_  
*Business Address (if different)* *City* *State* *Zip Code*

1d) **PRIMARY CONTACT INFORMATION:**  
Oscar Gaytan 626-560-6691 oscar.gaytan55@gmail.com  
*Name* *Phone* *Email*

2) **Type of Organization- Please select one:**  
 Public School *(not to include private schools)* **or**  501(c)(3) Non-Profit *(other than religious institutions)*  
**Attach Signed letter on School Letterhead** **Attach IRS Determination Letter**

3) \_\_\_\_\_  
*Name / Address of Affiliated Organization (if applicable)* *City* *State* *Zip Code*

**SECTION II - PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

4) Please describe the purpose and intent of the grant.

While passing out care-packages during the COVID-19 relief efforts, MQS noticed that there is a huge need in the low-income communities of Cypress Park. Upon discussing this need with other local organizations (i.e. Unidos for NELA, Accion Comunitaria, and Padres Juntos Park), we all agreed that we need to host an event so we can help out these families. Considering that we were unable to provide over a hundred families care-packages during the time, MQS has decided to team up with the organizations previously mentioned so that during the month of October 2020 we can provide 150 care-packages and 4 hot meals to 150 families in need at our

5) How will this grant be used to primarily support or serve a public purpose and benefit the public at-large. (Grants cannot be used as rewards or prizes for individuals)

Thanks to the care-package drive MQS hosted a few months ago, we were able to identify how many families in the Cypress Park area were negatively impacted by COVID-19. Many of the parents from these families had their hours cut or were completely laid off by their employer. We at MQS are determined to create events/programs dedicated to improving the physical and mental health of low-income families in Northeast Los Angeles. By providing us the funding that will enable us to pass out care-packages and 4 hot meals to 150 families, we will be fulfilling our mission by tackling food insecurity among low-income communities. In addition, by working alongside other local organizations we can ensure to you that our work is selfless and meant for the sole purpose of empowering the community of Cypress Park.

**SECTION III - PROJECT BUDGET OUTLINE**

You may also provide the Budget Outline on a separate sheet if necessary or requested.

6a)	<b>Personnel Related Expenses</b>	<b>Requested of NC</b>	<b>Total Projected Cost</b>
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
6b)	<b>Non-Personnel Related Expenses</b>	<b>Requested of NC</b>	<b>Total Projected Cost</b>
	Care packages and four hot meals for 150 families @\$33.33 per family	\$ 5,000	\$ 6,670
		\$	\$
		\$	\$

7) Have you (applicant) applied to any other Neighborhood Councils requesting funds for this project?  
 No  Yes If Yes, please list names of NCs: We will also be applying for funding from the Glassell Park Neighborhood Council

8) Is the implementation of this specific program or purpose described in Question 4 contingent on any other factors or sources or funding? (Including NPG applications to other NCs)  No  Yes If Yes, please describe:

Source of Funding	Amount	Total Projected Cost
Greater Cypress Park Neighborhood Council	\$ 5,000	\$ 6,670
Glassell Park Neighborhood Council (for their own event we will be helping out 50 families)	\$ 1,670	\$ 6,670
	\$	\$

9) What is the TOTAL amount of the grant funding requested with this application: \$ 5,000

10a) Start date: 06 / 05 / 20 10b) Date Funds Required: 07 / 20 / 20 10c) Expected Completion Date: 08 / 08 / 20  
 (After completion of the project, the applicant should submit a Project Completion Report to the Neighborhood Council)

**SECTION IV - POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

11a) Do you (applicant) have a current or former relationship with a Board Member of the NC?  
 No  Yes If Yes, please describe below:

Name of NC Board Member	Relationship to Applicant

11b) If yes, did you request that the board member consult the Office of the City Attorney before filing this application?  
 Yes  No **\*(Please note that if a Board Member of the NC has a conflict of interest and completes this form, or participates in the discussion and voting of this NPG, the NC Funding Program will deny the payment of this grant in its entirety.)**

**SECTION V - DECLARATION AND SIGNATURE**

I hereby affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided herein and communicated otherwise is truly and accurately stated. I further affirm that I have read the documents "What is a Public Benefit," and "Conflicts of Interest" of this application and affirm that the proposed project(s) and/or program(s) fall within the criteria of a public benefit project/program and that no conflict of interest exist that would prevent the awarding of the Neighborhood Purposes Grant. I affirm that I am not a current Board Member of the Neighborhood Council to whom I am submitting this application. I further affirm that if the grant received is not used in accordance with the terms of the application stated here, said funds shall be returned immediately to the Neighborhood Council.

12a) Executive Director of Non-Profit Corporation or School Principal - REQUIRED\*  
Alberto Galvan Founder/President Alberto Galvan Digitally signed by Alberto Galvan Date: 2020.06.05 13:21:47 -07'00' 06/05/20  
 PRINT Name Title Signature Date

12b) Secretary of Non-profit Corporation or Assistant School Principal - REQUIRED\*  
Andrew Montealgre Co Founder/ Secretary Andrew Montealgre Digitally signed by Andrew Montealgre Date: 2020.06.05 13:22:40 -07'00' 06/05/20  
 PRINT Name Title Signature Date

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**Neighborhood Council Funding Program**  
**APPLICATION for Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG)**

This form is to be completed by the applicant seeking the Neighborhood Purposes Grant and submitted to the Neighborhood Council from whom the grant is being sought. All applications for grants must be reviewed and approved in a public meeting. Upon approval of the application the Neighborhood Council (NC) shall submit the application along with all required documentation to the Office of the City Clerk, NC Funding Program.

Name of NC from which you are seeking this grant: Greater Cypress Park Neighborhood Council

**SECTION I - APPLICANT INFORMATION**

- 1a) Manos Que Sobreviven 84-4042623 California 04/25/18  
*Organization Name* *Federal I.D. # (EIN#)* *State of Incorporation* *Date of 501(c)(3) Status (if applicable)*
- 1b) 3854 Cazador St Los Angeles CA 90065  
*Organization Mailing Address* *City* *State* *Zip Code*
- 1c) \_\_\_\_\_  
*Business Address (if different)* *City* *State* *Zip Code*
- 1d) **PRIMARY CONTACT INFORMATION:**  
Oscar Gaytan 626-560-6691 Oscar.gaytan55@gmail.com  
*Name* *Phone* *Email*
- 2) **Type of Organization- Please select one:**  
 Public School *(not to include private schools)* **or**  501(c)(3) Non-Profit *(other than religious institutions)*  
**Attach Signed letter on School Letterhead** **Attach IRS Determination Letter**
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_  
*Name / Address of Affiliated Organization (if applicable)* *City* *State* *Zip Code*

**SECTION II - PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

4) Please describe the purpose and intent of the grant.

MQS initially planned on hosting a back to school event during the month of August at Sotomayor Arts and Sciences Academy. The event was supposed to be made possible via donations from CAL STATE LA and La Curacao. However, due to the circumstances created by the global pandemic (i.e. online teaching for the beginning of LAUSD's 2020-2021 school year)--both CAL STATE LA and La Curacao informed us that they will not be able to sponsor a back to school event, until the January 2021.

5) How will this grant be used to primarily support or serve a public purpose and benefit the public at-large. (Grants cannot be used as rewards or prizes for individuals)

Without a doubt, the funding from both neighborhood councils will be invested into school supplies and hygiene products that will be distributed to about 300 students from Glassell Park and Greater Cypress Park. MQS believes this event is crucial for the low-income families in these communities because many parents are not working, are living paycheck by paycheck, or have had their hours significantly reduced due to COVID-19.

Since the parents of the children are worried about paying rent, utilities, and providing food for their families--purchasing school supplies and hygiene products is not often considered an option for them. It is our job as a nonprofit to show these families that even during these difficult times there are still organizations out there willing to help them and alleviate the stress the

**SECTION III - PROJECT BUDGET OUTLINE**

You may also provide the Budget Outline on a separate sheet if necessary or requested.

6a)	<b>Personnel Related Expenses</b>	<b>Requested of NC</b>	<b>Total Projected Cost</b>
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
6b)	<b>Non-Personnel Related Expenses</b>	<b>Requested of NC</b>	<b>Total Projected Cost</b>
	PLEASE SEE ATTACHMENT FOR LIST	\$ 5,001	\$ 10,002
		\$	\$
		\$	\$

7) Have you (applicant) applied to any other Neighborhood Councils requesting funds for this project?  
 No  Yes If Yes, please list names of NCs: Glassell Park Neighborhood Council

8) Is the implementation of this specific program or purpose described in Question 4 contingent on any other factors or sources or funding? (Including NPG applications to other NCs)  No  Yes If Yes, please describe:

Source of Funding	Amount	Total Projected Cost
	\$	\$
	\$	\$
	\$	\$

9) What is the TOTAL amount of the grant funding requested with this application: \$ 5,001

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Alberto Galvan                      President/Founder                      Alberto Galvan Digitally signed by Alberto Galvan  
Date: 2020.08.17 12:33:22 -07'00'                      08/17/2020  
 PRINT Name                      Title                      Signature                      Date

12b) Secretary of Non-profit Corporation or Assistant School Principal - REQUIRED\*

Frank Martinez                      Secretary                      Frank Martinez Digitally signed by Frank Martinez  
Date: 2020.08.17 12:33:52 -07'00'                      08/17/2020  
 PRINT Name                      Title                      Signature                      Date

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## (MQS Back to School Event) Project Budget Outline

Non-personell related expenses	Requested of neighborhood council (both GCPNC AND GPNC)	Total project cost
Hand wipes @ \$1.67 each x 600=\$1,002	\$501	\$10,002
Ball point pens @ \$1.25 each x 300=\$375	\$187.50	\$10,002
Hand Sanitizer @ \$1.50 each x 500=\$750	\$375	\$10,002
Puzzles @ \$2.00 each x 300=\$600	\$300	\$10,002
Spinners @ \$1.50 each x 300=\$450	\$225	\$10,002
Notebooks @ \$1.25 each x 1,200= \$1,500	\$750	\$10,002
Highlighters @ \$1 each x 300=\$300	\$150	\$10,002
Glue sticks @ \$1 each x 300=\$300	\$150	\$10,002
Coloring books @ \$1.50 each x 300=\$450	\$225	\$10,002
Crayons @ \$1.25 each x 300= \$375	\$187.50	\$10,002
Pencil cases @ \$2.50 each x 300= \$750	\$375	\$10,002
Pencils @ \$1.25 each x 300= \$750	\$375	\$10,002
Ear buds @ \$7.00 each x 300= 2,100	\$1,050	\$10,002
	<b><i>Grant requested from each NC=\$5,001</i></b>	



**Budget Summary:** Since the event is going to benefit an estimated 300 students from the communities of Glassell Park and Greate Cypress Park, we decided that it is appropriate to ask each neighborhood council to cover half of the budget cost. The total project cost is 10,002--we are requesting that each neighborhood council provides MQS a 5,001 grant for this community empowerment event.



**Beginning August 31, 2020**

**Monday – Friday, 8:00am – 7:00pm**

**1<sup>st</sup> Grade – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade**

**BASIC DAILY SCHEDULE**



8:00am-9:00am	Check-in / Pre-Care
9:00am-2:15pm	Supervised Virtual Learning /Lunch
2:15pm-3:00pm	Homework / Recess
3:00pm-7:00pm	After School Program



- LAUSD Grab and Go Lunch and an afternoon snack will be provided
- Participants are to bring their own WiFi-enabled laptop or tablet (with headphones) for them to log-on to their respective virtual classrooms for virtual learning. No classroom instruction will be given by park staff; only supervision and monitoring of participants.
- Staff and participants will be screened for COVID-19 symptoms and have temperature checks at check-in and throughout the day.
- Staff and participants must bring and wear face-coverings at all times. Safety: Stable groups, social distancing, handwashing.
- To register, go to [www.laparks.org/alternativelearningcenters](http://www.laparks.org/alternativelearningcenters) Spots are limited to 24 per location

<b>METRO REGION SITES – \$ FREE</b> if qualified for the LAUSD free or reduced fee lunch program	
Evergreen Recreation Center – (323) 263-2816 Cypress Recreation Center – (213) 485-5384 El Sereno Recreation Center – (323) 225-3517	Hazard Recreation Center – (213) 485-6839 Chevy Chase Recreation Center – (213) 485-4867 Lafayette Recreation Center – (213) 387-9426
Normandie Recreation Center – (323) 737-1181 Queen Anne Recreation Center – (323) 857-1180 Toberman Recreation Center – (213) 485-6896	Alpine Recreation Center – (213) 485-5448 Lake Street Community Center – (213) 207-2196
Downey Recreation Center – (323) 227-7752 State Street Recreation Center – (213) 847-2790 Costello Recreation Center – (213) 485-9111	Pecan Recreation Center - (323) 262-2736 Lincoln Park Recreation Center – (213) 847-1726

*All participants and staff must bring and wear face-coverings at all times. Children with disabilities are encouraged to participate in our programs. Reasonable accommodations will be made with prior arrangements.*



Los Angeles City Council  
City Hall  
200 N. Spring St.  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

## Community Impact Statement

Re: Council File: 20-0990 Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Training, and Anti-Bias Training

Type of NC Board Action: For

Dear Councilmembers,

The (your NC) supports the motion for mandatory diversity, equity, and inclusion training, and anti-bias training for all members of the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council System. We believe the City must pro-actively work to ensure all levels of our Municipal government are inclusive of and representative of our diverse population.

Neighborhood Councilmembers are currently required to engage in ethics training, funding training, and sign a code of conduct before serving the City. Adding a diversity, ethics, and inclusion training and anti-bias training will strengthen our existing system of Neighborhood Councils and make it a more inclusive body. We encourage you to pass this motion and equip Neighborhood Councils with the necessary training to make sure our local government works for everyone.

Sincerely,  
(Your NC)

~~AD HOC COVID~~

ENERGY, CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

MOTION

The Covid-19 pandemic has caused great economic hardship to various communities in the City. It has been particularly impactful to low-income residents who reside in Council District (CD) 1. Many residents in CD 1 are struggling with day-to-day expenses such as food, utilities and housing while dealing with the public health challenge.

In addition, many CD 1 residents rent apartments in buildings that do not contain laundry rooms. They must often rely on local laundromats to address their needs. This situation results in another added living expense that they must contend with.

One way to mitigate living expenses for these residents would be to reduce the cost of using laundromats. To pursue this, the Department of Water and Power should explore providing laundromats with incentives and/or rebates which reduce water and power costs. The reduced water and power costs could then facilitate discounted or free laundry washes for economically challenged residents.

This effort would help the residents of CD 1 with managing their day-to-day expenses while confronting the public health crisis.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Department of Water and Power be requested to report to the Council on the feasibility of implementing a pilot program in Council District 1 which provides incentives and/or rebates to laundromats, which reduce water and power costs, in order to provide economically challenged residents discounted or free laundry washes.

PRESENTED BY:



GILBERT A. CEDILLO  
Councilmember, 1<sup>st</sup> District

SECONDED BY:

 (FELICIA RODRIGUEZ)

ORIGINAL

JUL 29 2020

20.07.0721REP



**ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

An ordinance adding Article 1.3 to Chapter 1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to establish a procedure to allow the City Council to exercise its authority to revoke project approvals, entitlements, and building permits, and terminate pending project and building permit applications.

**WHEREAS**, the City has paramount interests in rooting out and eliminating corruption and fraud in its land use decision making process, ensuring fairness and transparency throughout the process, and enhancing the public's faith in elected leaders and public servants. Further interests also include protecting project benefits to the City and the people of Los Angeles, including jobs, revenues, needed residential units and workforce and affordable housing;

**WHEREAS**, developers have no vested rights under permits or approvals procured by corruption and fraud and should risk loss of City approvals if they participate in criminal conduct;

**WHEREAS**, this article subjects developers whose projects may be tainted by corruption or fraud to potential revocation and termination of their project entitlements, approvals, permits, and applications, and provides them a hearing and an opportunity to present their case to the decision makers, thereby guarding against the risk of an erroneous impairment of developers' legal rights;

**WHEREAS**, some City regulations already authorize rescission or otherwise seek to address land use and related approvals procured by corruption and fraud, and other similar actions. For example, permits issued in violation of this Code are void under Sections 11.00(j) and (l), 11.02 and 98.0601. Conditional use permits and other quasi-judicial approvals issued in violation of the Municipal Code are revocable pursuant to Sections 12.24.Z, 12.24.AA and 12.27.1.B.5;

**WHEREAS**, this article supplements and consolidates these other provisions of the Code and provides the City Council with an effective and timely means to address land use, building permits, and related approvals that may have been procured by corruption and fraud; and

**WHEREAS**, this article may be invoked by the City Council at any stage of the development process prior to and including the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy, whenever it is determined by the City Council that there exists the taint of corruption or fraudulent activity, including unlawfully inducing any public official or employee to streamline, assist, and vote in favor of approvals and entitlements for real estate development projects in the City.

**NOW, THEREFORE,**

**THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Article 1.3 is added to Chapter 1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to read as follows:

**ARTICLE 1.3**

**REVOCAION OF APPROVALS OF DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS  
AND TERMINATION OF PROJECT APPLICATIONS TAINTED BY  
CORRUPTION OR FRAUD**

**SEC. 11.3.1. PURPOSE.**

It is the purpose of this article to establish procedures by which the City Council can revoke project approvals, entitlements, or permits or terminate pending project or permit applications, for reason of corruption or fraud.

**SEC. 11.3.2. DEFINITIONS.**

For purposes of this article, the following definitions apply:

(a) "Agent" means any person who purports to represent the Applicant or Owner in any dealings with the City, including, without limitation: members of a partnership or partners of any kind (whether general or limited); officers, directors, employees or shareholders of any corporation; members and employees of any limited liability company; attorneys; lobbyists; brokers; or other authorized representative of any kind.

(b) "Applicant" means a person or entity identified as the applicant on an application filed with the City for any approval, entitlement, or permit provided for in this Code.

(c) "Owner" means a person or entity identified as a property owner on an application filed with the City for any approval, entitlement, or permit provided for in this Code.

**SEC. 11.3.3. REVOCATION OR TERMINATION PROCEEDINGS.**

(a) **Decision maker.** The decision maker for all hearings pursuant to this article shall be the City Council. The City Council may not delegate this role to any designee, including a subcommittee or hearing officer.



(b) **Rules and Procedures.** The City Council shall promulgate rules and procedures for hearings held pursuant to this article and shall adopt those rules and procedures by resolution.

(c) **Initiation of Proceedings and Temporary Stay.**

1. Proceedings to revoke project approvals, entitlements, or permits, or to terminate pending project or permit applications pursuant to this article shall be initiated by the introduction of a Council motion or upon receipt by the City Council of a written communication from the Mayor or Controller notifying the City Council of information indicating corruption or fraud related to a development project (“Initiation of Proceedings”).

2. The Initiation of Proceedings shall set forth with particularity the facts and circumstances showing corruption or fraud that were not known by the original decision makers at the time the matter was before them. Contemporaneously with the presentation of the Initiation of Proceedings, the Council member, the Mayor, or the Controller shall transmit all evidence and information indicating corruption or fraud to the City Clerk. The City Clerk shall promptly place the information or evidence in the corresponding Council File.

3. Upon receipt of the Initiation of Proceedings by the City Clerk, an initial and automatic stay shall be imposed on the project approval, on any permits issued in connection with the project’s approval, and any related pending project applications, approvals or permits. The stay shall be 15 calendar days by which time a preliminary hearing shall be held by the City Council unless there is no regular meeting of the City Council within that time frame, in which case the preliminary hearing shall be held at the next meeting of the City Council. Notwithstanding any contrary language in this Code, the time to act on any related project application, approval, or permit shall be tolled until the stay expires or is lifted by the City Council, whichever occurs first.

(d) **Preliminary Hearing to Decide Whether to Proceed With Revocation or Termination Hearing, Extended Stay and Opportunity to Be Heard.**

1. Within five calendar days of the Initiation of Proceedings, the City Clerk shall schedule on a regular meeting agenda a preliminary hearing for the City Council to determine whether to proceed with a revocation or termination hearing pursuant to this article. The preliminary hearing shall be held not more than 15 calendar days after Initiation of Proceedings. If there is no regular meeting of the City Council within that time frame, then the preliminary hearing shall be held at the next meeting of the City Council, or within 30 calendar days from the Clerk’s receipt of the Initiation of Proceedings, whichever period is shorter.

2. The Agent, Applicant, and Owner shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard by the City Council during the preliminary hearing.

3. If the City Council by a vote of not less than two-thirds of its members finds the presence of sufficient evidence indicating the likelihood that corruption or fraud impacted the City's decision making process, then the City Council shall schedule a subsequent hearing on revocation or termination within 30 calendar days of the preliminary hearing unless there is no regular meeting of the City Council within that time frame, in which case the hearing shall be held at the next meeting of the City Council. The City Council may extend the stay through the revocation or termination hearing date and up to the date of mailing of the written determination issued pursuant to paragraph (f) of this Section. The hearing date may be extended by the City Council action upon the written request of the Agent, Applicant, or Owner. The City Council may issue a partial stay if, upon the recommendation of a City department, it is determined to be in the best interest of the public health or safety.

4. Notwithstanding any contrary language in this Code, the time to act on any related project approval shall be tolled until the stay expires or is lifted by the City Council acting by majority vote, whichever occurs first.

(e) **Revocation or Termination Hearing.** In any action to revoke any project approvals, entitlements, or permits, or to terminate any pending project or permit applications pursuant to this article, the City Council shall hold a hearing to determine whether a finding of corruption or fraud can be made to revoke any project entitlement or approval previously granted or to terminate any application for project entitlement or approval.

(f) **Decision to Revoke or Terminate.**

1. The decision to revoke an approval, entitlement, or permit, or to terminate an application shall require a two-thirds vote of the City Council based on a finding of corruption or fraud, including but not limited to the following:

A. Falsification by an Agent, Applicant, or Owner of any material record, fact or information required by this Code or any rule or regulation of any City department in granting any discretionary or ministerial approval, entitlement, or permit for a project.

B. Willful omission or misrepresentation by an Agent, Applicant, or Owner of any material fact in an application for any discretionary or ministerial approval, entitlement, or permit for a project.

C. Withholding by an Agent, Applicant, or Owner of any record, material fact or information required by this Code or by rule or regulation



of any City department in granting any discretionary or ministerial approval, entitlement, or permit for a project.

D. Violation by an Agent, Applicant, or Owner of any provision of local, state, or federal laws pertaining to corruption or fraud, including but not limited to racketeering activities, as defined in 18 U.S. Code §1961.

E. Willful, gross, or negligent failure by an Agent, Applicant, or Owner to report to the appropriate authority violations of any state, local or federal law pertaining to corruption or fraud, including but not limited to racketeering activities, as defined in 18 U.S. Code §1961.

F. Willful complicity or aiding and abetting by an Agent, Applicant, or Owner any act designed to circumvent or violate any provisions of the Charter or the Administrative or Municipal Code or of any law, rule or regulation of a City department or local, state or federal authority.

G. Conspiring to secure for self or for another, by misrepresentation, fraud, or deceit, any planning entitlement or discretionary approval or ministerial approval.

2. The revocation or termination shall take effect upon the date of mailing of the City Council's written decision.

#### **SEC. 11.3.4. RECUSAL OF CITY EMPLOYEES AND OFFICIALS.**

Any City employee or official who is implicated in the corruption or fraud involving the City's decision making process, shall play no role in the proceedings described in this article.

#### **SEC. 11.3.5. ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTIES.**

(a) If the City Council by a vote of not less than two-thirds of its members finds that an Agent, Applicant, Owner engaged in corruption or fraud involving the City's decision making process, the City Council shall prohibit the Agent, Applicant, or Owner from any involvement in any development application for a period to be determined by the City Council, up to and including a permanent ban.

(b) When any project approval, entitlement, or permit is revoked or any pending application for approval, entitlement, or permit is terminated as set forth in Section 11.3.3., no new or other application by the Agent, Applicant, or Owner for a similar or related approval, entitlement, or permit shall be accepted during the period of prohibition established by the City Council.

(c) An Agent, Applicant, or Owner who admits or is convicted of engaging in corruption, fraud, or racketeering activities with a City official involving the City's decision making process, is banned from participating in any capacity in future development projects or permit applications in the City. The City Council shall determine the duration of the ban, which may be permanent.

(d) These administrative penalties do not preclude any other administrative, civil, or criminal penalties.

#### **SEC. 11.3.6. EFFECT ON OTHER AGENCIES.**

A City Council determination under this article shall not have a binding effect on another City agency with independent enforcement authority in related matters.

#### **SEC. 11.3.7. SEVERABILITY.**

If any portion, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this article is for any reason held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such a decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this article. The City Council hereby declares that it would have adopted this article and each portion or subsection, sentence, clause and phrase herein, irrespective of the fact that any one or more portions, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared invalid.

**Sec. 2. Urgency Clause.** The City finds and declares that this ordinance is required for the immediate protection of the public peace, health, and safety for the following reasons: the United States Department of Justice recently filed several criminal indictments against City officials and others, and has stated that its investigation is ongoing. The indictments contain allegations that real estate developers and others gave cash, cash equivalents, lavish gifts and other benefits to City employees and officials with the intent to induce these employees and officials to violate their duties of trust to the people of Los Angeles regarding development projects. The revocation and termination process provided for in this ordinance will allow the Council to take swift action to root out and address acts of corruption or fraud at the earliest possible stage. For all of these reasons, this ordinance shall become effective upon publication pursuant to Section 253 of the Los Angeles City Charter.

Sec. 3. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance and have it published in accordance with Council policy, either in a daily newspaper circulated in the City of Los Angeles or by posting for ten days in three public places in the City of Los Angeles: one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall; one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall East; and one copy on the bulletin board located at the Temple Street entrance to the Los Angeles County Hall of Records.

Approved as to Form and Legality

MICHAEL N. FEUER, City Attorney

By   
TERRY KAUFMANN MACIAS  
Senior Assistant City Attorney

Date August 6, 2020

File No. \_\_\_\_\_

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The Clerk of the City of Los Angeles hereby certifies that the foregoing ordinance was passed by the Council of the City of Los Angeles, **by a vote of not less than three-fourths** of all its members.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Ordinance Passed \_\_\_\_\_

Approved \_\_\_\_\_

## Community Impact Statement

### CF #20-0838 / Permanent Slow Streets

- Moved by CM Ryu
- <https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=20-0838>
- CIS: On May 15, 2020, Mayor Eric Garcetti announced the Slow Streets Program in Los Angeles. This program - putting up temporary barriers at intersections asking cars to slow down and not cut through - has successfully led to many of our streets being calmer and having less cars, making them safer to walk, run, bike and scoot. Since implementing slow streets in the boundaries of the Mid City West Community Council, we have seen our streets come to life and cut through traffic diminish. We have surveyed our community, and among the 100 responses, 95% like the slow streets concept, and 87% would like the program to be made permanent. Therefore, we would like to reiterate our support for Council File 20-0838, and ask the City to make slow streets permanent. We believe that using permanent materials will have a positive impact on the safety of our streets, the peacefulness of our community, and quality of life in Los Angeles.



VIA EMAIL

September 1, 2020

To: Alliance of River Communities Steering Committee  
Raquel Beltran, General Manager Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment

Re: Transphobia & Code of Conduct Violations at the Alliance of River Communities

At the August 20, 2020 General Membership meeting of the LGBTQ+ Alliance of Neighborhood Councils, the following letter was unanimously approved:

The LGBTQ+ Alliance of Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils stands with Rachael Rose Luckey in her dispute with a member of the Steering Committee for the Alliance of River Communities (ARC). At a recent meeting of the ARC Steering Committee, Rachael was repeatedly verbally attacked and demeaned by the use of transphobic slurs because of her gender identity by a member of the committee. To date, ARC, the neighborhood council the person sits on, and the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment have not taken any steps to remedy this disgusting attack on a member of the LGBTQ+ community. Inaction by leaders of these groups represents another insult to the dignity of the LGBTQ+ community.

We call on all members of the Neighborhood Council system to demand that the individual involved, because of his egregious violations of the Neighborhood Council Board Member Code of Conduct Policy, be censured and removed from all positions of community trust. Transgender Angelenos deserve to lead stigma-free, productive, and meaningful lives. Bigotry does not belong in the City of Angels.

Cc: Mike Fong, Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment

LGBTQ+ Alliance of Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils  
[lalgbtqalliance@gmail.com](mailto:lalgbtqalliance@gmail.com) +1 (323) 379-3660