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TARZANA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday September 26, 2017 7:00 PM
Tarzana Elementary School Auditorium
5726 Topeka Dr
Tarzana, CA 91356

The public is requested to fill out a **“Speaker Card”** to address the Board on any item of the agenda prior to the Board taking action on an item. Comments from the public on Agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered unless a board member requests that it be called out of order. Speakers shall limit their comments to matters relevant to the item on the agenda. The Chair may rule that the speaker is out of order if the comments are not germane to the item under consideration. If multiple speaker cards are submitted on one agenda item, preference will be granted to members of the public who have not spoken previously during the meeting, either during public comment or on another agenda item.

Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the Agenda that are within the Board’s subject matter jurisdiction will be heard during the Public Comment period. Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker, unless waived by the presiding officer of the Board.

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1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Welcoming Remarks and Pledge
2. Remarks by representatives of public officials
3. Public Comments – Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board’s subject matter jurisdiction. Public comments are limited to two minutes per speaker.
4. Budget Advocate Report
5. Presentation: Food & Water Watch – Proposal to ban drilling and other oil field activities within 2500 feet of residential properties and other specified locations in Los Angeles
6. Discussion and motion - Approval of minutes of **August 22, 2017** meeting.
7. Discussion and motion: Approval of August 2017 expenditures for submission to DONE (MER)
8. Discussion and motion: Approval of Financial Statements as of August 31, 2017
9. Discussion and motion: The TNC Board approves the Executive Committee’s recommendation to appoint Susan Rogen to the open South Area Representative board position.
10. Discussion and motion: Resolved: The TNC Board approves the Budget Committee’s recommendation regarding the request from the Animal Welfare Committee to purchase a "Bone Pool," a wading pool for dogs, for the use of the Volunteers at the West Valley Shelter for not to exceed \$325.00.
11. Discussion and motion: Resolved: The TNC Board approves the Budget Committee’s recommendation regarding the request from the Animal Welfare Committee to purchase a canopy for use of the Volunteers at the West Valley Shelter, in the backyard, for not to exceed \$325.00.

12. Discussion and motion: Resolved: Based on approval of the above agenda items 10 and 11 above the TNC Board approves a revised budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2017-June 30, 2018 as follows: General and Operational Expenditures \$10,080.00, Neighborhood Purpose Grants \$550 and Community Improvement Projects \$8,928.57, for a total budget of \$19,558.57.

Consent Calendar Items; The following items will be passed by consent unless a board member request the item to be pulled for discussion or a member of the public wishes to address the item: 13,14, 15, 16, 18 and 20

13. Discussion and motion: **Council File 17-0002-S66** - Resolved: The TNC Board approves the Animal Welfare Committee's request to file a CIS supporting Council File 17-0002-S66 regarding AB1199 (the Pet Canine Encounters Protection Act), which will provide training to California peace officers about how to both quickly and safely respond to unexpected situations when encountering a dog, which invaluable training will give them the tools to protect themselves as well as the life of a treasured canine family member. The Animal Welfare Committee Chair is authorized to send a letter to Assemblymember Nazarian informing him of our support for the city's position
14. Discussion and motion: **Council File 17-0170** - Resolved: The TNC Board approves the Animal Welfare Committee's request to file a CIS in support of Council File 17-0170 re-affirming the city council's goal to make Los Angeles a "no kill" city for all healthy adoptable shelter animals by December 31, 2017. The Animal Welfare Committee Chair is authorized to communicate this resolution to Brenda Barnette, Dana Brown and Louis Dedeaux of the Animal Services Dept., the Board of Animal Services Commissioners, and Councilmembers Koretz and Blumenfield.
15. Discussion and Motion: **Council File 17-0413** Resolved: The TNC Board approves the Animal Welfare Committee's request to file a CIS in support of Council File 17-0413 directing the appropriate city departments to prepare an EIR to allow reconsideration of a proposed Citywide Cat Program that applies to all "free roaming cats" including feral cats and stray cats, utilizing the Project Description as detailed in the April 11, 2017 Department of Animal Services (DAS) report. The Animal Welfare Committee Chair is authorized to communicate this resolution to Brenda Barnette, Dana Brown and Louis Dedeaux of the Animal Services Dept., the Board of Animal Services Commissioners, Councilmembers Koretz and Blumenfield, and at public meetings for the scoping process.
16. Discussion and motion: Resolved: The TNC Board approves the Animal Welfare Committee's request to support the use of all kennels at the West Valley Shelter, including the Training Kennels, Puppy Kennels, and kennels in the Grooming Room, before any healthy, adoptable animals are killed for lack of space at any of the City Shelters. The Animal Welfare Committee Chair is authorized to communicate this resolution to Brenda Barnette, Dana Brown and Louis Dedeaux of the Animal Services Dept., the Board of Animal Services Commissioners, and Councilmembers Koretz and Blumenfield.
17. Discussion and motion: Resolved: The TNC Board approves the Land Use Committee's recommendations regarding the Encino-Tarzana Community Plan update as follows:
1. **Zoning:** Retain the existing zoning throughout the community. Except that properties on the full extent the south side of Ventura Boulevard be zoned commercial.
 2. **Mixed Use:** Encourage mixed use along Ventura and Reseda Boulevards, but require a 16 foot height for first story commercial and retail use.. If so, the allowable building height to be increased to 36 feet except that for properties between Etiwanda Avenue and Wilbur Avenue on the north side of the Ventura Boulevard the allowable height be increased to 51 feet.
 3. **Boundary:** Include the portion of Tarzana north of Topham Street/Oxnard Street and south of Victory Boulevard in the Encino-Tarzana Community Plan.
 4. **Population Increase:** Recognizing the need to accommodate increased population, allow an additional story in height and increased FAR in the multi-family zoned portion of Tarzana for properties that require a portion of each new construction or major remodel to include very low income, low income, and moderate income units.
 5. **Orange Line Stations:** Upgrade the existing Orange Line stations, particularly the station at Reseda/Oxnard, to provide restrooms and other amenities such as snack bars.
 6. **Parks:** Explore the possibility of designating the space under the power lines along Crebs Avenue for parks.
 7. **Major commercial street upgrades:** Upgrade the commercial, retail, and office spaces along Ventura and Reseda Boulevards to require increased setback and wider sidewalks to increase pedestrian friendliness for all new construction or major remodel. Install X crosswalks (pedestrian scramble) on Ventura Boulevard at Yolanda Avenue, and at Reseda Boulevard at Burbank. Increase the allowable building height to 36 feet except that for properties between Etiwanda Avenue and Wilbur Avenue on the north side of the boulevard, the allowable height to be increased to 51 feet.

8. Melody Acres footnotes: To maintain the character of the neighborhood, retain the requirement, currently in Footnote 6 of the current Community Plan, to require a 20,000 square foot minimum lot size for properties bounded by Tampa Avenue on the east, Corbin Avenue on the west, Topham Street on the north, and the 101 Freeway on the south. In addition, in that area, retain the rural feeling by waiver of the requirements of the Bureau of Engineering regarding street improvements such as, but not limited to, curbs, gutters, street width, and lighting. Furthermore, retain the horse keeping rights and regulations regarding distance of existing and potential future horse keeping areas from neighboring residences in a way that is consistent with the Municipal Code.

9. Upper story setback. For properties bounded by Tampa Avenue on the east, Corbin Avenue on the west, Topham Street on the north, and the 101 Freeway on the south, and perhaps for all Very Low Residential 1 properties, require upper story front and side setbacks while eliminating the current bonus for these setbacks.

10. Cool roofs. Require the use of “cool roofs” on new construction and remodeling to minimize the heat emitted by rooftops.

11. Tree canopy and use of drought resistant plants. Require that new construction and major remodeling along Ventura Boulevard and Reseda Boulevard plant drought tolerant trees with root barriers along their street frontage and encourage the use of drought resistant plants in all zones.

12. Parking Structures. Consider adding City built parking structures, either above ground or subterranean, near areas of major commercial activity along Ventura Boulevard

18. Discussion and motion: Resolved: The TNC Board approves the Transportation Committee’s recommendation that a letter be sent to BSS GM Nazario Saucedo regarding the known, dangerous conditions caused by tree roots lifting the street on Elenita St. between Greenbriar Dr and Valdez Dr and on Greenbriar Dr between Coldstream Terr and Midwick Ln.
19. Discussion and possible motion: Should the TNC create a Special Events Committee and allow the Outreach Committee to concentrate on outreach via social media, email and news media.
20. Discussion and motion: Resolved: The TNC Board approves the Executive Committee’s recommendation to send a letter to Governor Brown requesting that he sign AB908 allowing Providence Tarzana Medical Center to delay earthquake retrofitting of the current medical tower until 2022 to allow construction of the new medical tower.
21. Discussion and motion: The TNC Board accepts the resignation of Board member Jon Reich communicated to the Executive Committee via email on August 31, 2017 and thanks him for his many contributions to the TNC.
22. **Committee and other Reports** (General committee reports will be limited to 3 minutes)
 - Outreach
 - Land Use
 - Budget
 - Transportation
 - Public Safety
 - Rules
 - Government Action
 - Animal Welfare
 - DWP MOU
 - Budget Representative Report
 - VANC Report
 - Beautification
 - Homeless Representative
23. President’s Remarks
 - NC Congress
 - Guy Bachar
24. Board Member Comment - Comments from Board on subject matters within the Board’s jurisdiction
Future Agenda Items and other Calendar Events.
25. Adjournment

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