



**EAST HOLLYWOOD
NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
CERTIFIED COUNCIL # 91
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This Governing Board meets the third
Monday of each month at 7:00pm.

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EAST HOLLYWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Governing Board Agenda

**Monday, April 15, 2024
7:00PM**

**Meeting Location
Hollywood Hotel
1160 N Vermont Ave
Los Angeles, CA 90029**

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**Via ZOOM
<https://zoom.us/j/92805658816>
Via Phone: (669) 900-6833
Meeting ID: 928 0565 8816**

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Executive Members: James Bennett, Jeff
Zarrinam, Jillian Schultz & Jack Symington**



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- I. Call to Order
 - A. Call to order at 7:08pm
- II. Roll Call
 - A. 9 present, 3 accounted for
- III. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items
 - A. Duncan, representing the Sikh Temple Foundation to discuss efforts to address the opioid crisis. On 5/4, they are hosting an interfaith dialogue on how faiths address drug addiction. Sponsored by Clinton Foundation and CA Healthcare Services.
- IV. Community Reports
 - A. CD 13 Report, Office of Councilmember Hugo Soto-Martinez - [Karla Martinez Field Rep.](#)
 - 1. Able to bring 25 people into the Inside SAFE program from encampment on Fountain/Alexandria; looking at Mariposa/Sunset developments.
 - a) Fred (public): Additional site on Santa Monica/Heliotrope that is negatively impacting the businesses in the area.
 - 2. HAWK crosswalk is officially activated at Fountain/Lyman; working on increasing LASAN and LA Conservation Corps efforts in the neighborhood; working on graffiti/maintenance at Madison Ave Park.
 - a) Doug: Minimal funding is needed to make this park safe and secure and attractive to families. Please keep this in mind.
 - B. Neighborhood Prosecutor - [Kurt Knecht](#)
 - C. Budget Advocate Report - [Jack Humphreville](#)
 - D. LAPD Report
 - a. Senior Lead Officer - LAPD Rampart Division - [Ryan Nguyen](#)
 - b. Senior Lead Officer - LAPD NorthEast Division - [Antonio Hernandez](#)
 - c. Senior Lead Officer - LAPD Hollywood Division - [Annabelle Eubank](#) (South of Sunset/West of Normandie)
 - d. Senior Lead Officer - LAPD Hollywood Division - [Mika Gonzalez](#) (North of Sunset/West of Normandie)
 - E. City of LA Report, Office of Mayor Karen Bass - [David C. Nguyen](#) - East Hollywood Field Rep.
 - 1. State of the City Address was tonight at City Hall
 - F. CA Assembly District 52, Office of Assemblyperson Wendy Carillo - [Carlos M. Arce](#) Field Rep.
 - 1. Bill introduced about running in multiple elections concurrently; Earth Day celebrations in the works.
 - G. CA Assembly District 51, Office of Assemblyperson Rick Zbur - Joshua
 - 1. Bills introduced addressing retail theft, gun violence restraining orders, homelessness (RV storage/parking)
 - H. LA County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl, Erin Seinfeld - [Rachel Sherrell](#)
 - I. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, [Joel Gonzalez](#)
 - 1. Homelessness Liaison Meeting pending; Neighborhood Council Congress scheduled for June; meeting to empower Outreach Chairs; NCs are not allowed to endorse political candidates or ballot initiatives, nor contribute funding.
 - J. Los Angeles Public Library - Cahuenga Library, Crystal Noe
 - K. CA State Senator - District 24, Maria Elena Durazo
- V. Community Voices (2 min per item)
 - A. Thai CDC Update
 - B. East Hollywood Bid (Jeff Zarrinam)
 - a. Meeting tomorrow from 3-5pm; lots of funding votes - decorative streetlighting from pole-to-pole across the street on Vermont Ave; 800-1000 bags of trash collected per month; another fire at an encampment at Vermont Pl and Vermont Ave.

VI. Action Items

Consent Agenda:

- A. **Motion** approval of [March 25th \(2nd meeting\) 2024 Minutes](#) (Symington)

Regular Agenda:

- A. **Discussion and Possible Action** to support recognizing Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day on April 24th, 2024 (Lee)

1. Hilda Solis asked us to support recognizing Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day. Important recognition for East Hollywood.

- A. **Discussion and Possible Action appointing** Rosie Echeverria to the Governing Board as At-Large G (Formerly District 6)

1. Recent college graduate born and raised in East Hollywood and wants to get more involved in the community

- B. **Discussion and Possible Action** on the Fountain and Alexandria Encampment (Martinez)

1. Encampment has been removed - thank you to all who came to our meeting and addressed this. EHNC is seeking to have CD13 and affiliated staff come and present on the process to engender more faith that the process can work.

- a) David Nyugen: Inside SAFE program has a great success rate right now (85%) and we want to replicate this operation across communities with community support.

- (1) Doug: This is all the result of a property owner who bought and then neglected a house. Should be held accountable and clean it up on a regular basis.

- C. **Discussion and Possible Action** regarding appointment of a [Neighborhood Council Homelessness Liaison](#)

1. Colter: DONE has made a city-wide committee to be a liaison; NCs should send a representative. Motion to table until Mike Sadler can be present.

- D. **Discussion and Possible Action** on a **Motion** to support application for permit to allow change of use from existing retail/office to café and façade change to existing two-story building for business "Nin's Cupcakes" located at 4270 W Melrose Ave. (ZA-2024-215-SPP) (Manny Diaz/Xing Ming)

1. Cupcake business moving into a place that was previously office space. Remodeling getting done and a facade change taking place. Previously presented at the PLUM Committee meeting. Was supported unanimously at PLUM

- E. **Discussion and Possible Action** on a **Motion** to support application for retail cannabis annual license located at 5224 Hollywood Blvd. (LA-R-24-100086-ANN) (Chris Abkarian)

1. Colter: First cannabis dispensary permit that has come before us. Helpful for us to understand how to deal with cannabis businesses in EHNC.

2. Christopher: Motion tabled as the applicant is not present.

- F. **Discussion and Possible Action** regarding application for an ED1 affordable housing project at 1115 N Heliotrope Dr. (Case No. **PENDING** / Shane Swerdlow, Aimee Luan)

1. Affordable housing project with high quality design with architects; approved through streamlining program from Mayor Bass's first executive order. Site on Heliotrope, just north of Santa Monica. R4 site near Metro station - densest MFH in area. Different take on the architecture from the common affordable housing. Will have solar panels.

- a) Colter: Can you define the State Density Bonus?

- (1) Laws exist at local or city level that provide incentives for density if certain levels of affordability are met.

- b) Colter: What are income bands for low and moderate income?

- (1) See Schedule 7 in the LAHD

- c) Colter: Will this increase gentrification?

- (1) No. Will help more working class people live in the City. Good for the missing middle of income bands. Helpful that this is replacing one house, and not an existing rent-stabilized apartment building

- d) Doug: This is not really affordable housing, just a ruse. Adamantly opposed as it is changing the fabric of East Hollywood.
- e) James: Would be good to have some Very Low units in this building.
- f) Fred: Flabbergasted that there will be no parking for a 45 unit building.

G. NOTE: All documents submitted in relation to the above agenda items (Items B-D) are available [here](#) or by visiting the following link:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1f7-7t8jnRLdlOicgWz-P6EAillPYsnGk?usp=sharing>

VII. Budget and Finance Action Items:

- A. **Approval** of the [Mar. 2024 MER](#) (Bennett)
- B. **Presentation and approval of up to \$1200** about NC Management (15 minutes)(Damien Burke)
 - 1. [NC Manager](#)
 - 2. [Documents](#)
 - a)
- C. Approval of [Bus Bench Invoice](#) for \$231

VIII. Committee Reports (1 min per item)

- A. Arts & Culture (Schultz)
- B. Budget & Finance (Bennett)
- C. Business (Zarrinam)
- D. By Laws, Ethics & Standing Rules (Martinez)
 - a. [Bylaws](#)
 - b. [Standing Rules \(pdf version\)](#)
- E. Executive Committee (Martinez)
- F. Homelessness & Displacement Prevention (Sadler)
- G. Immigrant's Rights (Sadler)
- H. Outreach (Carlisle)
- I. Planning & Land Use Management (Park)
- J. Public Health, Safety & Sustainability (Symington)
- K. Youth & Education (Bennett)
- L. Ad Hoc LACC Swap Meet / Street Vendors ()

IX. Announcements

- A. CIS Credentials (Schultz)
- B. Update on Produce Box Events for the Future
 - 1. Meeting around identifying a 501c3 to support produce box efforts
- C. Next Board Meeting on 05/20 and Executive Meeting Date 05/08
- D. Update on SB411 (Martinez)
- E. Update from President (Martinez)

X. Adjournment

- A. 9:09pm adjourned

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