CITY OF LOS ANGELES CALIFORNIA

Palms Neighborhood Council Green Committee

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PALMS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Green Committee Meeting Agenda Tuesday, December 14th – 6:00 p.m.

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VIRTUAL MEETING TELECONFERENCING NUMBER FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

- II. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RELEVANT COUNCIL FILES:
 - a. Recent motion by City Council- Environment Committee for SB 1383/CalRecycle
 - **b.** Motion on EV Task Force
 - c. Mandating concrete development, no wood. Council File 19-063
- III. INTRODUCTIONS
- IV. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT
- V. COMMITTEE UPDATES (10 MIN)
 - **a.** EV Pilot Program
 - i. **Motion:** To allow the Green Committee to spend up to \$50 to promote the EV Charging Workshop that is being hosted via Zoom on January 30, 2022.
 - ii. Planning for January 30, 2022 seminar

- **b. Motion:** The Palms Neighborhood Council will submit a CIS in support of LA Zoo Project Alternative (the Reduced Project Alternative).
 - i. The Palms Neighborhood Council supports the LA Zoo project alternative 1 (the Reduced Project Alternative) and opposes both the original proposed project and alternative 2 (the Multi-modal Transportation Alternative) as described in the environmental impact report (EIR) (in Council File 21-0828). While the LA Zoo's general manager wrote that the vision for the zoo's "proposed infrastructure and animal facility improvements prioritize animal welfare, conservation, sustainability, operational excellence and being a community resource," we disagree, and we do think the improvements should prioritize animal welfare, conservation, and sustainability, in addition to biodiversity. Removing native habitat at the scale proposed in the project (21 acres) does not strike us as consistent with the stated vision, and, if given the choice between the proposed project and alternatives 1 and 2, we would much prefer alternative 1, which is identified in the EIR as the "environmentally superior alternative."
- c. Tree Planting Initiatives
- d. NC Green Biz
- e. Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance (NCSA)
- **f.** Dog Waste stations
 - i. **FUNDING MOTION:** Purchase 1 box of dog station bags for \$152.43 from Dog Waste Depot
- g. Non-Profit Liaison: Natasia Gascon
- h. New Potential Park Updates

VI. NEW PROJECTS/BUSINESS

- a. Greening of Palms Elementary School
- **b.** LADWP Treatment of Bees
- c. Plant Swap and Master Gardeners Update
- **d.** Neighborhood Cleanups
- VII. Identify next steps (if time allows)
- VIII. Next meeting: Tuesday January 11th, 2021
 - IX. Adjournment

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