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WATTS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Special General Board and BCPLUM Meeting  
Sunday, December 13th, 2020  
3:30pm to 5:30pm

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IN CONFORMITY WITH THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20 (MARCH 17, 2020) AND DUE TO CONCERNS OVER COVID-19, THE BOARD OF WATTS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED ENTIRELY TELEPHONICALLY.

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# AGENDA

- I. **CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL (2 minutes)**
  - a. Call to Order by Presiding Officer
  - b. Roll Call
  
- II. **PRESENTATIONS BY ELECTED OFFICIALS (15 minutes total; 2-5 min per speaker)**
  - a. **Council District 15:** Representative from Councilman Joe Buscaino's office.
  - b. **Los Angeles Mayor:** Representative from Mayor Garcetti's office.
  - c. **Assembly District 64:** Representative from Assemblyman Mike Gipson's office.
  - d. **Congressional District 44:** Representative from Nanette Diaz Barragan's office.
  - e. **Department of Neighborhood Empowerment:** Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate
  - f. **LAPD/CSP:** Representative
  
- III. **PRESENTATION**
  - a. Report from Chair, Storm Hopkins
  
- IV. **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:  
(2 minutes per speaker; 15 minutes)**
  
- V. **RULES AND ELECTIONS (30 minutes)**
  - a. Report from Chair, Sophia Hopkins
  - b. **Discussion and Possible Action to** Approve Michelle Irving to be appointed as the Faith-based Representative as recommended by the WNC Roster acceptance on completion of Ethics training.
  - c. **Discussion and Possible Action to** Approve Election Worksheet for the 2021 Election.
  - d. **Discussion and Possible Action to** Accept Michelle Henrickson's resignation from the Watts NC and Open vacancy for the Healthcare Representative seat beginning December 8, 2020- January 7, 2021 or until filled.
  - e. **Discussion and Possible Action to** acknowledge the censorship and removal of Pahola Ybarra from the Watts NC and to open a vacancy for the Business and Commerce seat beginning December 8, 2020- January 7, 2021 or until filled.
  - f. **Discussion and Possible Action to** Update Watts NC roster with NC Rosters, webmaster and in internal documents.
  - g. **Discussion and Possible Action to** clarify map from 103rd to 92nd between Central Avenue & Success. Will reach out to City planning to clarify boundaries.
  
- VI. **FUNDING MOTIONS (30 minutes)**
  - a. Budget and Finance Report from Chair, Tenesha Taylor
  - b. **Discussion and Possible Action to** approve Administrative Packet 2020-2021 to accommodate FY 19/20 accruals in rollover funds.
  - c. **Discussion and Possible Action to** approve July, August, September, October and November MERs.
  - d. **Discussion and Possible Action to** Approve all invoices for Moore Business Results from July, August, September, October and November 2020 as indicated in the MERs total amount for services rendered.
  - e. **Discussion and Possible Action to** contact Community Healing Gardens to redirect the \$2,000 allocated for the Watts Garden Box Project to Watts Clean Air and Energy Committee to fulfill the program as discussed and voted on as a COVID 19 Emergency

Project.

- f. **Discussion and Possible Action to** Approve outstanding AT&T invoice in the amount of \$326.02.
- g. **Discussion and Possible Action to** Approve invoice for the vendor supplying branded Watts NC face masks for services rendered.
- h. **Discussion and Possible Action to** Approve invoice for ECO360LA in the amount of \$4,000 to provide capacity building for Watts NC to reconcile FY 2020/2021 administratively and fiscally.
- i. **Discussion and Possible Action to** Approve funding requests from last fiscal year, FY 2019/2020.

**VII. Discussion and Possible Action to** appoint up to 5 Community Impact Statement Filers **(5 minutes)**

**VIII. Discussion and Possible Action to** Appoint 2 Homeless Liaisons. **(5 minutes)**

**IX. Discussion and Possible Action to** Appoint 2 Budget Advocates. **(5 minutes)**

**X. Discussion and Possible Action to** Appoint 2 Watts NC Liaisons. **(5 minutes)**

**XI. BUSINESS AND COMMERCE AND PLUM COMMITTEE (25 minutes)**

- a. **Report from Chairs**
- b. **Discussion and Possible Action on** Quality of Life in Watts, Wellness check.
- c. **Discussion and possible action on the CRA/CRALA /CRADLA Historic Watts Properties (\*Watts Train station/Cultural, Civic Center, Watts Fire station #65 • Watts Old Library - Kaiser, Mafundi, Robert Pitts Center)**
- d. **Discussion and Possible Action to** review approved letters of advocacy and community impact statements (CIS) for Robert Pitts Center/Mafundi Institute.
- e. **Discussion and Possible Action to** review approved letters of advocacy and community impact statements (CIS) for Watts Train Station and adjacent properties (Watts Cultural Crescent).
- f. **Discussion and possible action on Children’s Institute housing development plan update**
- g. **Discussion and possible action on business and commerce in the Watts community.**
- h. **Discussion and possible action on the current list of Watts NC community impact statements.**

- 1. **Review and updates on the WNC approved CIS statements** that voiced opposition and concern for the exclusive sell of the Watts Historic Train Station and adjacent acreage to HCA and TSA by the LA City and LA County. A TOC, 1-4 phased project.

**Item No. 15-0087-S6**

Los Angeles Housing and Community Investment Department report relative to authority to approve the list of proposed co-applicants for the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) Round 6, and approval for various actions relative to the City's application process for the 2020 Round 6 funding opportunity of the Strategic Growth Council's AHSC Program.

Fiscal Impact Statement Submitted: Yes

Community Impact Statement: None Submitted

2. **Review and updates on the Robert Pitts /Mafundi RFP and the WNC approved CIS statement** that voiced opposition and concern for the way the RFP was written and issued.
3. **Review and updates on Item # 15, File 20-1097 Housing Committee Report** the consideration of pathways to establishing Social Housing to accommodate the urgent need for affordable housing.
4. **Review and updates on Item # 21, File 201202, Fiscal Impact Statement: The Board of Police Commissioners (Board)** reports that the HACLA will provide the LAPD an additional reimbursement sum up to \$875,000.00 to continue to operate the CSP Program during the extension period of July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020. The total reimbursement sum under the MOA, Amendment Nos. 1 through 4, shall not exceed \$8,957,000.
5. **Review and updates on Item #26, File 20-0963, Health, Education, Neighborhoods, Parks, Arts, and River and Budget and Finance Committees' Report** relative to the conduct of Neighborhood Council (NC) elections during the COVID-19 pandemic.
6. **Review and updates on Item# 27, File 20-1062, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT and BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEES' REPORT** relative to accepting and allocating additional City General Funds for Hire LA's Youth program activities.
7. **Review and updates on ITEM NO. 20-0841-S2 CD 15, STATUTORY EXEMPTION and COMMUNICATION FROM THE BUREAU OF ENGINEERING** relative to the Bridge Housing facility located at 1221 North Figueroa Place.
8. **Review and updates on Item # 51, File 20-1354. CONSIDERATION OF MOTION (MARTINEZ - PRICE)** relative to a report on the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power's (LADWP) plan for preparing the City's power supply for the transition to zero emission vehicles by 2035, and the impact of Governor Gavin Newsom's Executive Order on disadvantaged neighborhoods and low-income residents.
9. **Review and updates on Item #20-1476. Motion (Buscaino - Price)** relative to establishing standards for third party automated employment selection tools to promote equitable hiring across race, ethnicity, and gender.
10. **Review and updates on Item #15-0417. City Clerk report** relative to the San Pedro Historic Waterfront Property-Based Business Improvement District Fiscal Year 2021 Annual Planning Report.
11. **Review and updates on Item #20-1477. Motion (Buscaino - Koretz)** relative to directing the Department of City Planning and the Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety to report with recommendations on a new structural demolition policy that allows developers in the entitlement process to be granted demolition permits for properties that have become a public nuisance, without the need for an approved set of plans, while ensuring compliance with California Environmental Quality Act and the protection of historical resources.
12. **Review and updates on Item #14-1487. Motion (Buscaino - Huizar)** relative to initiating consideration of the Granada Theater, located at 632 North Avalon Boulevard, as a City Historic-Cultural Monument under the procedures of Sec. 22.171.10 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code, and instructing the Department of City Planning to prepare the Historic-Cultural Monument application for review and consideration by the Cultural Heritage Commission.
13. **Review and updates on Item #19-0202-S1. Motion (Price - O'Farrell)** relative

to reprogramming the \$1,000,000 allocated from the Transfer of Floor Area Rights Public Benefits Trust Fund to the Coalition for Responsible Community Development for job training and outreach at La Opinion, to real estate acquisition and deferred improvements at 2415 South Central Avenue, Los Angeles, California 90011; and, authorizing the Chief Legislative Analyst to make any technical changes and/or prepare any Controller instructions to effectuate the intent of this action, and authorize the City Controller to implement said instructions.

**14. Review and updates on Item #20-1455. HOUSING COMMITTEE REPORT** relative to approval of the amended Citizen Participation Plan for plans and reports addressing federal housing and community development grants.

**15. Review and updates on Item #20-1549. FINAL MAP OF TRACT NO. 82633-01** located at 10010 South Grape Street northerly of 101st Street.

**Item No. 12-0049-S11**

HOUSING COMMITTEE REPORT relative to approval to draft and issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the disposition and development of Affordable Housing for six occupied residential City-owned properties.

Recommendation for Council action:

ADOPT recommendation II. A of the Los Angeles Housing and Community Investment Department (HCIDLA) transmittal dated August 31, 2020 relative to the approval to draft and issue a RFP for the disposition and development of affordable housing for six occupied residential City-owned properties:

Authorize the General Manager, HCIDLA, or designee, to draft and release an RFP to select qualified mission-driven affordable housing providers to own, rehabilitate, and manage housing assets owned by HCIDLA at the following addresses:

6309-6223 South 10th Avenue  
6577 South Arlington Avenue  
6503 South Victoria Avenue  
2117-2133 West 54th Street  
3507-3513 Stocker Street  
819 West 4th Street

**Item No. 20-1455**

HOUSING COMMITTEE REPORT relative to approval of the amended Citizen Participation Plan for plans and reports addressing federal housing and community development grants.

Recommendations for Council action:

APPROVE the amended Citizen Participation Plan, attached to the Council file, governing public participation for plans and reports addressing the housing and community development grants from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

AUTHORIZE the General Manager, Los Angeles Housing and Community Investment

Department (HCIDLA), or designee, to submit the City's amended Citizen Participation Plan to HUD.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The HCIDLA reports that there is no impact to the General Fund. The costs of implementing the Citizen Participation Plan are paid from relevant federal grants.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

**Item No. (43) 20-1428**

BUDGET AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the creation of a new Department for Families, Children, and Community Investment, and related matters.

Recommendations for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Martinez - Rodriguez - O'Farrell):

1. DIRECT the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), with input from the City Administrative Officer (CAO), Los Angeles Housing and Community Investment Department (HCIDLA), Economic and Workforce Development Department (EWDD), and the City Attorney, to provide a report within 30 days that identifies:
  - a. Mission and primary duties of the new department.
  - b. How federal, state, and local resources will be leveraged to optimize the impact and support provided for working families.
  - c. Number of positions and potential organizational chart.
  - d. Ordinance changes and other legislative actions necessary to launch the new department.
2. DIRECT the CLA, CAO, HCIDLA, and EWDD, in partnership with all other relevant city departments, to report back on an evaluation of the pending recommendations of the Executive Task Force on Youth Development as it relates to developing this new department.
3. DIRECT the CAO and CLA to report back with a draft budget for the new department and potential funding sources. The creation of this new department should be cost-neutral and leverage existing federal grant administrative funds to cover personnel and related-costs.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the CAO nor the CLA has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

**(Health, Education, Neighborhoods, Parks, Arts, and River Committee waived consideration of the above matter)**

**XII. FUTURE WATTS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETINGS/EVENTS**

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT** (End time is approximately 6:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter)

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