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**DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SPECIAL 24HR VIRTUAL MEETING AGENDA**

Tuesday, March 14th, 2023 – 6:30 PM

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In conformity with the September 16, 2021 enactment of California Assembly Bill 361 (Rivas) and due to concerns over COVID-19, this Downtown Los Angeles Neighborhood Council meeting will be conducted entirely with a call-in option or internet-based service option. Every person wishing to address the Neighborhood Council must dial **(669) 900-6833** then enter **MEETING ID: 97510982909** and then press # to join the meeting or use the zoom login at

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/97510982909>

Instructions on how to sign up for public comment will be given to listeners at the start of the meeting. **AB 361 Updates:** Public comment cannot be required to be submitted in advance of the meeting, only real-time public comment is required. If there are any broadcasting interruptions that prevent the public from observing or hearing the meeting, the meeting must be recessed or adjourned. If members of the public are unable to provide public comment or be heard due to issues within the Neighborhood Council's control, the meeting must be recessed or adjourned.

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Patti Berman		Ryan Afari		Allen Gross	
Claudia Oliveira		Ana Carril-Grumberg		Leonel Aguilar	
Tony Hoover		Samir Bitar		Cody Nowak	
Wendell Blassingame		Melynda Choothesa		Jim Sarratori	
Robert Martinez		Tyler Murphy		Jehan Reagan	
Scott Miller		Pablo Fontoura		Debby Zhou	
Nathan Mahaffey		Christian Dittmer		James Wilde	
Wendy Celaya		Damion Wagner		Vacant Area Wide Homeless	

2. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

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3. Declaration of Ex-Parte Communications

4. President's Report

- a. EmpowerLA Leadership Change
- b. In-Person Board Meetings

5. Speakers

- a. City/County/State/Federal elected officials or representatives
- b. Liaisons Reports - Open positions: LLANC, Purposeful Aging, Data, DWP MOU, Budget Representative
- c. Affordable housing and sustainable communities Downtown Women's Center - Presentation by LADOT

6. Board Seats (all items subject to discussion and possible action)

- a. Select Government Liaison Chair

7. Minutes

- a. Approval of the February 13th, 2023 Board Directors Special Meeting Minutes

8. Consent Calendar - None

9. Old Business

- a. None

10. New Business (all items subject to discussion and possible action)

a. PLUC

i. Case Number: ZA-2023-54-CUB-CUX

Project Location: 116 W 4th Street, Los Angeles, CA, 90013

Item Description/Request:

1. The Continental Club is requesting the continued on-site sale and dispensing of a full- line of alcoholic beverages, live entertainment, and patron dancing. The Continental Club is 5,760 square feet with 165 indoor seats. Hours of operation requested from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m., daily.
2. Project Requests: Motion to support the request for the new entitlement allowing the continued sale of alcohol on-site, live entertainment and patron dancing.

MOTION: "The Planning and Land Use Committee recommends that DLANC submit a [letter](#) of support for the Applicant's request in Planning Case No. ZA-2023-54-CUB-CUX. Support is conditioned on the following a)

Owner/Operator will come back and present to PLUC should owner/operator change.”

PLUC (Vote Count: Yes: 7; No: 0; Abstention: 0; Absent: 4; Recused: 0)

ii. **Case Number:** DIR-2022-7374-SPP-SPPA-WDI

Project Location: 130 S. Olive Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Item Description/Request: New construction of a (112.6-FT), approximately 78,347-SF performing arts educational building and a 6,946-SF public plaza located on the northeast corner of the intersection of Second (2nd) Street and Hill Street in the Bunker Hill Specific Plan (BHSP).

Specific Plan Project Permit Compliance (SPP), per LAMC Section 11.5.7 and Bunker Hill Specific Plan (BHSP) 6.B, to allow: (1) the construction of a 6-story (112.6 feet), approximately 78,347 square-foot performing arts educational building (“Educational Building”) consisting of 1,077-seat concert hall, a dance performance studio/flex space accommodating up to 111 spaces, four dance rehearsal studios, rooftop garden and porch, pre-function lobby spaces, exterior gathering spaces, and backstage performance support facilities, and (2) a 6,946 square-foot public plaza located on the northeast corner of the intersection of Second (2nd) and Hill Street, in the Bunker Hill Specific Plan (BHSP).

Project Permit Adjustment (SPPA), per LAMC Section 11.5.7.E, for relief from the BHSP Section 8.B “Retail Streets” supplemental urban design standards on Olive, Hill, and 2nd Streets for the design and construction of a proposed performing arts educational building and institutional use. Specifically, the Applicant requests the following:

Relief from BHSP Section 8.B.2 requiring Olive, Hill, and 2nd Street (designated as Retail Streets) requiring active ground-floor frontages totaling 50%, 75%, 75%, respectively;

Relief from Downtown Design Guide Section 3 Table 3-2, to permit a building setback of approximately 45 feet along a portion of Hill Street; and,

Relief from Downtown Design Guide Section 3.A.1 and Downtown Street Standards to permit a 0-foot sidewalk easement along the 2nd Street right-of-way.

Waiver of Dedication & Improvements (WDI), per LAMC Section 12.37 et. seq., for a potential five-foot dedication and associated improvements on the Second (2nd) Street right-of-way (ROW) abutting the southwesterly edge of the project site.

MOTION: “The Planning and Land Use Committee recommends that DLANC submit a [letter](#) of support for the Applicant’s request in Planning Case No. DIR-2022-7374-SPP-SPPA-WDI. Support is conditioned on the following a) Applicant will maintain pedestrian access if the sidewalk is temporarily closed during construction; (b) Applicant will ensure any temporary walkways covered due to construction (e.g scaffolding) are well-lit at all hours; (c) ground floor windows will retain transparency at all times to allow for eyes on the street and pedestrian safety; (d) request that applicant explores accommodated designated rideshare drop-off/pick-up and loading zone on-site in lieu of no parking. Additionally, the following are strongly recommended: (a) Applicant rework the design of the Hill Street elevation and proposed concrete wall to increase transparency to allow for eyes on the street and incorporate lighting onto the sidewalk as

well as finesse the design of the north elevation to increase transparency at ground floor and increase lighting at the street level for pedestrian safety; (b) the Applicant work with LADOT and Bureau of Engineering to accommodate rideshare drop off on Olive and Hill.”

PLUC (Vote Count: Yes: 5; No: 2; Abstention: 2; Absent: 4; Recused: 0)

- iii. **MOTION: “The Planning and Land Use Committee recommends that DLANC submit the [letter](#) as presented on proposed amendments by the Department of City Planning on the Mills Act Contract Program.”**

PLUC (Vote Count: Yes: 6; No: 0; Abstention: 0; Absent: 5; Recused: 0)

- b. **Livability - None**
- c. **Government Liaison - None**
- d. **Outreach - None**

e. **Rules & Selections**

- i. **Discussion and Possible action to approve DLANC’s rules, responsibilities, and operating procedures documents.**

R&S Vote Y (4), N (0), Abs (0), R (0)

f. **Other Items**

- i. In-person Board and/or Committee Meeting Locations:
 - 1. *Primary General Board Meeting and Committee Meeting Location: Los Angeles Central Public Library - [630 W 5th St, Los Angeles, CA 90071](#)*
 - 2. *Secondary General Board Meeting Location: Ronald F. Deaton Civic Auditorium - [100 W 1st St, Los Angeles, CA 90012](#)*
 - 3. *Secondary Committee Meeting Location: Cal State LA Downtown Annex - [801 South Grand Avenue, 6th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90017](#)*
 - 4. *Tertiary General Board Meeting Location City Controller's Office Room 300 (City Hall East) - [200 N Main St, Los Angeles, CA 90012](#)*
- ii. Discussion and Possible Action to Submit a CIS in Favor of Council File [23-0002-S16](#)
- iii. Discussion and Possible Action to Submit a CIS in Favor of Council File [23-0002-S17](#).
- iv. Approve a [letter](#) instructing the appropriate city agencies to do a feasibility study on the implementation of a procurement oversight committee.

11. Treasurer’s Items: (All items subject to discussion and possible action)

- a. Approve January 2023 MERS
- b. Approve December 2022 MERS
- c. Approve February 2023 MERS

- d. Approve an amendment to the administration packet for the election budget line item from \$7,000 to \$11,000. \$4,000 to be moved from the office line item in the budget.
- e. Approve an expenditure not to exceed \$650 per month for a General Board Meeting space for facility rental fees, AV/IT equipment, and bottled water monies to come from the office budget line item.
- f. Approve an expenditure not to exceed \$95 for a digital advertisement to graphic designer Carlos Sosa. Monies to come from the election budget line item.
- g. Approve an expenditure not to exceed \$3,500 for the printing of marketing collaterals (voter guide, banners, flyers, posters, or other similar materials). Vendors like Nextday flyers, vista print, and banners.com. Monies to come from the election budget line item.
- h. Approve an expenditure not to exceed \$1,000 for a candidate forum for the election. Monies to come from the election budget line item.
- i. Approve an expenditure not to exceed \$800 for the cleanup and staff for wellness day. Monies to come from the Outreach Budget. Vendors like The Bloc, FIDM, Figat7.

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13. Board Members and Committee Announcements.

14. Next Meeting April 11th, 2023

15. Adjourn

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