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FINAL DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL LIVABILITY COMMITTEE SPECIAL VIRTUAL MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, September 25, 2025 - 6:30 PM

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IN CONFORMITY WITH THE OCTOBER 6, 2023 ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 411 (PORTANTINO) AND LA CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL ON NOVEMBER 1, 2023, this NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY.

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1. Call to Order / Roll Call **6:31pm**

4 Present (P), 1 Not Counted for Quorum (*P) 0 Absent (A)

Heera Kapoor (Chair)	P	Amy Mack	P
Jens Midthun (ex-officio)	*P		
Reeyan Raynes	P		
Debby Zhou	P		

2. **General Public Comment**

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Public Comment: N/A

3. **Approval of minutes for 09/02/25 special meeting**

Motion: To approve the minutes

Mover: Reeyan Raynes **Seconder:** Debby Zhou

Action: Minutes approved

Committee Vote: Y (5), N (0), Abstention (0), Recusal (0)

4. **Emergency Preparedness and Public Works update**

UPDATE: Met with the city to get support/relief with the dumpster fires. Encourage and raise awareness of illegal dumping by calling 311. Future emergency preparedness and recovery resources. Collaborating with the city to raise awareness until they take action to support. DLANC has encouraged the department of transportation to put up structures to prevent people from parking in the biking lane on 3rd st and Spring st.

Public Comment:

Matthew Utsunomiya - uses biking infrastructure and supports DLANC's efforts for cyclists

Frank Zalez - concerned about the traffic that the bike lanes will cause

5. **Old Business (All items for discussion and possible action)**

a. **Pico Triangle updates**

UPDATE REEYAN: Past month, planters from Broadway were moved over to the triangle and trees were planted. Next step is to work with SP bid to wrap up the project.

Committee Member Comments: N/A

Public Comment: N/A

b. DTLA FilmLA Area Requirement update

UPDATE REEYAN: Updating the filming regulation guides. They will have the final draft turned around in a couple of months.

Committee Member Comments: N/A

Public Comment: N/A

c. Spring Street Park

UPDATE : Been in touch with city recs and parks and the communication hasn't been able to receive an update.

Committee Member Comments:

Jens: Eldorado will no longer be taking care of closing the park every night. Recs and parks open and we don't have a closer. The city has been made aware, they are trying to figure it out.

Reeyan: There might need to be council action initiated as well as another ordinance amendment to close the park at an earlier hour. We can ask if LAPD central division, community relations patrol officers can assist. Work with the city council motion.

Public Comment: N/A

6. New Business (All items for discussion and possible action)

a. Discussion and possible action to submit a [letter](#) regarding the draft [Los Angeles Park Needs Assessment \(PNA\)](#).

Committee Member Comments:

Reeyan - Active effort by way of 3rd party with the goal to improve the city parks critical condition. The cost to maintain parks has gone up and now it's no longer sustainable. The report details what the condition of the parks are, what they need and how it should be prioritized. The city will use this for a bond measure to go up for voting in 2028. For people to provide input they can reach out to the parking assessment website. DTLA is a high need community and the report highlights everything we'd need to make the improvements and future investments in DTLA parks. The goal of the letter is to let the consultants know what is needed and encourage future park investments. Reeyan thanked Linda for the letter.

Public Comment:

Linda - Sent a letter to Jens about section 6 in the letter. The money was also transferred to Pershing Square and 2 other projects. The footnotes can be supported by the 20216 report.

Frank Zalez - wants 24hr security

Paul Gamberg - Supports the parks being maintained

Motion: Moved to write a letter in regard to the park needs assessment as amended to include minor changes in number 6 to reflect that month was dispersed between 3 projects and that we revise the footnotes to reflect the 2016 report.

Mover: Reeyan **Second:** Heera

Action: Motion unanimously passed - no objections

Committee Vote: Y (5), N (0), Abstention (0), Recusal (0)

b. Discussion and possible action on coordinating with the Outreach Committee to organize a virtual LAPD Downtown Public Safety / Community Policing Forum

Committee Member Comments:

The goal is to bring the community together. Discuss what the issues are, what can/is being done. Want to launch in Nov. right around 2 weeks before the thanksgiving holiday. Heera - Want to get as many organizations and neighborhoods involved.

Public Comment:

Frank Zalez - supports heightened security

Theresa Hillery - Excellent idea, timely and aligns with DTLA survey regarding safety

Mover: Reeyan **Second:** Heera

Motion: To approve the Virtual LAPD Downtown Public Safety/Community Policing Forum

Action: Motion unanimously passed - no objections

Committee Vote: Y (5), N (0), Abstention (0), Recusal (0)

c. Discussion and possible action to submit a Community Impact Statement on CF [25-0972](#) Embedding Sensors / Street Lighting

Infrastructure / Active Monitoring / Security Improvement.

Committee Member Comments: Heera highlighted how critical it is for Los Angeles to have sensors in the street lights so BSL doesn't have to rely on 311 reports.

Motion: submit a community impact statement in support of this council file

Mover: Reeyan **Second:** Heera

Public Comment: Frank Zalez - the cost
Payas Parab - is there a more cost effective way to do this

Action: Motion passed

Committee Vote: Y (4), N (1), Abstention (0), Recusal (X), Absent (X)

d. Discussion and possible action to submit a Community Impact Statement on CF [11-1013-S12](#) : MyLA311 System Issues / Performance and Efficiency Reporting / System Enhancements

Committee Member Comments: N/A

Motion: submit a CIA in support of this council file

Mover: Reeyan **Second:** Heera

Public Comment: Linda - Supportive, Frank Zalez - attacked in skid row

Action: Motion unanimously passed

Committee Vote: Y (5), N (0), Abstention (0), Recusal (X), Absent (X)

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Public Comment: N/A

8. Committee member announcements

9. Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 22th, 2025 Central Library Meeting room A at 6:30pm PT

10. Adjourn at 8:02pm

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