

**ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE MEETING**

Wednesday, March 11, 2020

@ 7:00PM

10154 Riverside Drive
Toluca Lake, CA 91602

1. **Call to Order:** Start Time _____ PM
2. **Attendance** – Please mark X=present EX=excused AB=unexcused absence

<input type="checkbox"/> Hannah Globus, <i>Co-Chair</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Kelly Cole
<input type="checkbox"/> Katherine Hatton, <i>Co-Chair</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Aidan Welch
	<input type="checkbox"/> Geoff Tock
	<input type="checkbox"/> James Fitzpatrick

3. **Current Projects**

- Vineland Median Beautification
- Toluca Lake Garden Club Partnership: Scheduling next cleanup date
- Transit Field Trip – Date TBD
- 3-Mile Challenge
- Plastic Parking Permits – Drafting language for motion
- Community Sustainability Plan – converting to CIS

Motion A: To approve Greater Toluca Lake Neighborhood Council’s Community Sustainability Plan, as amended, and Statement in SUPPORT of Council File 19-0156.

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- Identifying areas to pursue specific multi-modal transit improvements.

Motion B: To approve the Greater Toluca Lake Neighborhood Council’s Statement in SUPPORT of Council File 20-0187.

The Greater Toluca Lake Neighborhood Council (GTLNC) applauds Los Angeles City Council’s efforts to improve travel speeds on transit corridors by 30% and create an implementation plan by July 1st 2020 for a comprehensive Citywide network of active transportation corridors while putting an emphasis on communities with a high Community Equity and Health Index score. It’s time for the city to take decisive action on reducing greenhouse gas emissions from transportation, reducing fatalities and injuries caused by traffic violence, and ending the inequity endured by certain communities that face a higher rate of these injustices. Council file 20-0187 is a move in the right direction.

We encourage LADOT, the Bureau of Engineering, & StreetsLA to turn to advocacy

organizations and neighborhood councils when creating the implementation plan. Advocacy orgs and neighborhood councils have been creating plans for complete streets and understand the needs of the communities they serve.

GTLNC supports the following plans for major corridors in Los Angeles:

- Riverside Dr.
- Cahuenga Blvd.

We encourage the City Council to consider the community impact statements the neighborhood councils submit in response to this motion. Transit and active transportation infrastructure is not one-size-fits-all for every community. Neighborhood representatives have a deep understanding of the transportation issues that face their community that go beyond anything a traffic study can tell us, particularly regarding equity issues. Finally, we would like to address the goal of the implementation plan to complete at least one major regional project and one neighborhood-oriented network project per year. We believe we need specific metrics and goals, not wording that is subject to interpretation. Recently, San Francisco committed to building 20 miles of protected bike lanes within 2 years. This would be the equivalent of 200 miles over 2 years in Los Angeles. We strongly urge City Council to put specific numbers on this effort, and we suggest 150 miles of protected bike lanes in two years city wide, with each council district required to implement at least 10 miles along major arteries.

We also suggest each council district having to designate a major north-south and east-west artery for dedicated bus lanes, and commit to implementing one of each per year. Most neighborhoods in Los Angeles lack sufficient transit and active transportation infrastructure. Los Angeles further lacks the infrastructure that ties our neighborhoods together. We need to take swift action to tackle the crises of climate change and traffic violence.

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4. Potential Projects

- a. Scooter parking
- b. Comment or CIS regarding the TOC rules defining major transit intersection (intersecting lines rather than distance between actual stops)
- c. “Share the Street” educational video
- d. Future TL Garden Club Projects
- e. Tree Planting Initiative
- f. Reducing Waste at GTLNC Board Meetings
- g. GTLNC Website “Green Resources” Page

5. Public Comment

6. Close Meeting: Close Time _____ PM

7. Next Meeting: Tuesday, Apr 7 @ 7:30pm – 10154 Riverside Drive, Toluca Lake, CA 91602

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