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**ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS
 COMMITTEE MEETING
 Tuesday, May 5, 2020 @ 7:30PM**

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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 GREATER TOLUCA LAKE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED ON ZOOM AND BE ACCESSIBLE TELEPHONICALLY.

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1. Call to Order: Start Time 7:34 PM

2. Attendance – Please mark X=present EX=excused AB=unexcused absence

Hannah Globus, *Co-Chair*
 Katherine Hatton, *Co-Chair*

Kelly Cole
 Aidan Welch
 Geoff Tock
 James Fitzpatrick

Freddy Cupen-Ames, DONE Rep

3. Current Projects

a. Vineland Median Beautification

- i. Arthur Wypchlak brought this proposal to the EAC and has communicated with Alice Roth in Councilmember Ryu’s office about it; the goal is to plant trees on Vineland Ave median; previous efforts identified existing water source on the median, which is good news; since the median extends out of GTLNC boundaries, we’ll aim to work with NoHo NC
- ii. Next step: check in with Arthur and Alice to see where this was left

b. Community Sustainability Plan – passed last meeting, adding to May General Meeting agenda *[no further discussion needed]*

c. Converting outdoor space for restaurant use

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- i. Other cities have explored increasing outdoor seating capacity for restaurants as they reopen in an effort to allow effective physical distancing.
- ii. We want to know if there are ways LA can allow for expanded seating space while maintaining safe pedestrian and bike space? The most likely plan would use sidewalks for seating, transition the existing parking lane for pedestrian/bike space, and convert a traffic lane to parking.
- iii. This would be especially important to Toluca Lake because of the small footprint restaurants in our neighborhood, like those in our Riverside Drive corridor, that could not safely physically distance patrons in their current indoor space.

d. Sidewalk Repair Program

Motion A: To approve the Greater Toluca Lake Neighborhood Council’s statement, in collaboration with the Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance, in response to the Sidewalk Repair Program Draft Environmental Impact Report (SRP DEIR), in which we advocate for more thorough analysis of the Project and its impacts. Full text of the statement can be found at: <http://www.votetolucalake.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/SRPDEIR-draft.pdf>.

FIRST: ___ Kelly ___ SECOND: ___ Aidan ___

- i. Jim motions to amend to include coordination with NCSA; Hannah seconds; amendment passes: 6/0/0

Motion A VOTE: 6 / 0 / 0

e. Mobility & Open Space Access in Los Angeles during COVID-19

Motion B: In response to the Mayor’s interest in open streets and in coordination with fellow Neighborhood Councils, we approve the Greater Toluca Lake Neighborhood Council’s statement requesting the expansion of mobility and open space access in Los Angeles during the declared Los Angeles City COVID-19 emergency. Proposed open streets are based on the map as discussed at the 5 May 2020 Environmental Affairs Committee Meeting. Full text of the statement and image of the map can be found at: <http://www.votetolucalake.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/mobility-draft.pdf> <http://www.votetolucalake.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/mobility-amend.pdf>.

FIRST: ___ Hannah ___ SECOND: ___ Kelly ___

- i. Hannah motions to amend to limit to “during the declared COVID-19 emergency”, Kelly seconds; amendment passes 5/0/0 *NOTE Kelly briefly lost connection; quorum remained so vote proceeded
- ii. Per Hannah, this is a coordinated effort; Jim would again like to make sure it is included in the text that this has backing and coordination outside of GTLNC alone
- iii. Freddy offers to help with further coordination, especially as a city employee and having worked with Burbank legislative committee
- iv. Hannah motions to amend to express the coordination of this effort and connection to Mayor’s interests; Jim seconds; amendment passes 6/0/0
- v. The group also discusses the need to include temporary stop signs and to disable crosswalk buttons (due to contamination concerns).

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- vi. Freddy (DONE Rep) advises we provide data about economic differences within our community to back-up the need for open streets and accessibility improvements.
- vii. Katherine motions to amend to correct the link and to reference the map discussed during EAC meeting; Hannah seconds; amendment passes: 6/0/0
- viii. Jim motions to amend to clarify this is limited to the LA City emergency declaration; Hannah seconds; amendment passes: 6/0/0

Motion B VOTE: 6 / 0 / 0

f. ADAPT Program

Motion C: To approve the Greater Toluca Lake Neighborhood Council’s statement requesting that the “ADAPT” (Adjusted Deployment to Accelerate Paving in High Traffic Corridors) program implement the 2035 mobility plan on the streets already scheduled for repairing. Full text of the statement can be found at: <http://www.votetolucalake.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/ADAPT-draft.pdf>. Given that the 2035 mobility plan is integral to achieving the city’s carbon reduction goals, the Greater Toluca Lake Neighborhood Council requests a response from Councilmember Ryu addressing whether or not streets that are paved and treated under the “ADAPT” (Adjusted Deployment to Accelerate Paving in High Traffic Corridors) program will follow the city’s own 2035 mobility plan, and if not, provide an explanation as to why. Given the significant speed at which the program is moving, and given that the program will be over half-way finished our Board meeting May 19th, we request a response in writing within 5 business days of passage of this motion by the GTLNC Environmental Affairs Committee.

FIRST: Aidan SECOND: Hannah

- i. Hannah motions to amend to attach a statement and Katherine also requests inclusion of a link to attached statement; Aidan seconds; amendment passes: 6/0/0
- ii. Statement to attach is displayed and Katherine will upload statement doc to link listed in amended Motion C following meeting close.
- iii. Per Freddy, this is an acceptable amendment because it adheres to the original spirit of the motion.

Motion C VOTE: 6 / 0 / 0

- g. Identifying areas to pursue long-term multi-modal transit improvements; “complete streets” proposals
 - i. Postpone until future meeting

4. Potential/Future Projects

- a. 3-Mile Challenge
 - i. Postponed until businesses are open again and residents are encouraged to make trips out of their homes
- b. Plastic Parking Permits – Drafting language for motion
 - i. Katherine and Kelly will re-engage on this next month
- c. Scooter parking
- d. Comment or CIS regarding the TOC rules defining major transit intersection

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- e. "Share the Street" educational video
- f. Tree Planting Initiative
- g. Reducing Waste at GTLNC Board Meetings
- h. GTLNC Website "Green Resources" Page

5. Public Comment

6. **Close Meeting:** Close Time __8:57__ PM

7. Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 2 @ 7:30pm – Zoom Meeting ID 915 4576 1754

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