



MINUTES ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, March 8, 2022
6:00pm



ZOOM – MEETING ID 979 4137 2867

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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, THE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED ENTIRELY WITH A CALL-IN OPTION OR INTERNET-BASED SERVICE OPTION.

Instructions on how to sign up for public comments will be given to listeners at the start of the meeting.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS	<i>X = Present, AB = Absent, EX = Excused</i>
<u>X</u> Katherine Hatton <i>Chair</i>	<u>X</u> Susanne Hayes

1. Call to Order	Start Time <u>6:02</u> PM									
2. Attendance	Public in Attendance: <u>4</u>									
3. Minutes										
<i>(One (1) Minute per Speaker per Agenda Item)</i>										
a. Review and Approve Committee Minutes (Materials can be found at https://www.gtlnc.org/ under committee meeting documents)										
<i>No minutes for Feb 8, 2022 because meeting not held due to lack of quorum</i>										
MOTION A: Approve the GTLNC December 14, 2021 Environmental Affairs Committee Minutes.										
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4. Public Comment <i>(Two (2) Minutes per Speaker on subject not on agenda)</i>										
<i>Attendee at Public Safety from Better Streets LA discussed improving infrastructure for more transit options to reduce dependence on cars, and committee expresses interest in ensuring road improvements also use environmentally friendly surfaces</i>										
5. Committee Member News & Announcements <i>(Two (2) Minutes per Speaker on subject not on agenda)</i>										
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Committee member Hannah has stepped down, looking for new members - SB 1383 put in effect, which is regarding managing organic waste; committee will look into how much is going to be responsibility of individuals vs municipalities and any roadmap we have for individuals 										
6. On-Going Business <i>(One (1) Minute per Speaker per Agenda Item)</i>										
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Earth Day – discussion regarding how to recognize the day - GTLNC will not be hosting Earth Day/Taste of Toluca in person yet due to pandemic - Education opportunities through social media and newsletter - Organic waste changes related to SB 1383 - LADWP classes in drought resistant planting, or from other non-profits (eg Theodore Payne Foundation) - Other virtual learning opportunities 										

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- b. Planning for possible “3-Mile Challenge” promotion between Earth Day (April 22) and Bike-to-Work Day (May 20)
 - Transit studies use 3mi as walkable/bikeable distance; in LA about half of all trips are 3mi or less but 87% are taken by car, many as single drivers
 - Promote on social media the #3milechallenge and encourage people to post about trips under 3mi that they didn’t use a car for
 - In addition to the larger climate change impacts, vehicle exhaust can impact local air quality and cause breathing issues/asthma as well as trap heat in the city, so reducing reliance on vehicles has big local effect

7. New Business/Future Projects

- (One (1) Minute per Speaker per Agenda Item)
- a. Planning for Environmental Committee activities, goals, and outreach in 2022
 - b. Identifying City Council Actions to make comment on as Neighborhood Council (potential Community Impact Statement aka CIS)
 - c. Seeking candidates to be Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance (NCSA) representative for GTLNC; do not need to be a board member to be the NCSA rep

8. Meeting Adjourned Close Time: _6:23_ PM

Next Meeting: **Tuesday, April 12, 2022 @ 6:00 PM – via Zoom**

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AB 361 UPDATES

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RECONSIDERATION AND GRIEVANCE PROCESS



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