



**AGENDA**  
**Governmental Affairs Committee Meeting**  
**Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 at 6:30pm**  
**ZOOM – MEETING ID 979 4137 2867**



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**COMMITTEE MEMBERS (X = Present, AB = Absent, EX = Excused)**

Tess Taylor, Chair     Kelly Cole     Shawn Besharaty     Reynold Blight     Katherine Hatton

1. Call to order. Start time: \_\_\_\_\_. Public in attendance: \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Minutes (5 min). Review, approve committee minutes (see materials at [GTLNC.org](http://GTLNC.org) under committee meeting documents): **MOTION:** Approve GTLNC October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Governmental Affairs Committee Minutes. Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items within GTLNC’s Jurisdiction (2 min per speaker)
4. Committee Member News & Announcements (2 min per speaker on relevant subject[s] not on agenda)
5. Legislation of possible interest to Committee (5 min). [SB1338 \(Umberg\)](#). Community Assistance, Recovery, and Empowerment (CARE) Court Program establishes new judicial branch providing court-ordered care to unhoused and severely mentally ill.
6. Discussion and possible vote (10 min). **MOTION:** The Greater Toluca Lake Neighborhood Council supports the motion introduced by CD4 Councilmember Nithya Raman to adopt the Los Angeles Ethics Commission’s proposed reforms to the City’s lobbying laws and to revise such laws to provide greater transparency as set forth in [Council File No. 22-0560](#). This motion will be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to [CF 22-0560](#). Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_
7. Discussion and possible vote (15 min). **MOTION:** Regarding the LA Ethics Commission recommendations to update the Los Angeles City Charter (Powers and Responsibilities). Draft text of this motion is available at [GTLNC.org](#) under Meeting Documents. Motion to be submitted as a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to ([Charter Sec 700 Ethics Reforms](#)) and [Council File 22-1232](#). Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_
8. Discussion of presence of non-profit organizations in the community, including NoHo Home Alliance, St. Charles Borromeo, Harmony Church et al. as well as benefits to, and concerns of, stakeholders.
9. Discussion and possible vote (15 min). **MOTION:** The Greater Toluca Lake Neighborhood Council urges the City Council to adopt a non-profit exemption of \$200,000 in revenue or \$500,000 in assets instead of the proposed threshold of \$2 million. This change aligns with the IRS tax filing system and would be an easy way to allow any non-profit that files a 990-N or 990-EZ to gain exemption. This change also reflects the current [San Francisco ethics ordinance](#). The current recommendation of \$2 million in revenue is too high and would exempt the vast majority of non-profits in Southern California. Only 16% of Southern California non-profits have revenues above \$1 million, so an exemption set at twice that amount would be a great impediment to transparency. Motion to be submitted as Community Impact Statement to [Council File No. 22-0560](#). Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

9. New Business / Future Projects.
10. Old Business.
11. Adjournment. Close Time: \_\_\_\_\_

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> 2023 @ 6:30 PM via Zoom

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