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# BOARD MEETING MINUTES (Draft 1)

Wednesday, April 16, 2008, 7:00pm  
at  
CBS Studio Center, Building 8, MPR-3,  
4024 Radford, Studio City CA, 91604

**PRESIDENT**  
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**1. Call to Order and Roll Call.**

Meeting called to order at 7:02pm by President Ben Neumann. Present at roll call: Michael McCue; Victor Helo; Lisa Sarkin; Remy Kessler; John Walker; Richard Niederberg; Todd Royal; Jeremy Lipton; Barbara Monahan Burke; Melody Dosch; Ben Neumann; Ron Taylor; David Burg; Jeremy Lipton; (14 present - quorum achieved), Ezra Dweck excused late (arrived 7:15pm); Gail Steinberg – excused absent. About 25 visitors in the audience.

**2. Approval of 3/19/08 SCNC Board meeting minutes.**

**Motion 4.16.2008.1:** Approval of 3/19/2008 SCNC Board meeting minutes. Moved by Niederberg. **Vote: 12-0-2, motion passes.**

**3. Comments by President.** Recorded and available.

**4. Public Comments on non-agendized items.** 4 heard, recorded and available.

**5. Board response to public comments.** Recorded and available.

**6. Discussion and motion with respect to authorizing SCNC President to establish and appoint members to Ad-Hoc Committees.**

**MOTION:** *The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council instructs and authorizes its President to establish and appoint members to Ad-Hoc committees as necessary.*  
Moved by Walker.

**MOTION 4.16.2008.2:** *The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council amends the motion on the floor as follows: Delete "instructs and" and add the words "and directs" after the word authorizes.*

Moved by Niederberg. **Vote: 12-0-1. Motion passes.**

**MOTION 4.16.2008.3:** *The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council calls the previous question and breaks off discussion on the subject.*

Moved by Niederberg. **Vote: 12-0-1. Motion passes.**

**MOTION 4.16.2008.4:** *The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council authorizes and directs its President to establish and appoint members to Ad-Hoc committees as necessary.*  
Moved by Walker. **Vote: 12-0-1. Motion passes.**

**7. Report Treasurer:** Remy Kessler - Recorded and available.

**8. Report Budget Committee:** John Walker - Recorded and available.

**9. Report Crime & Safety Committee:** Andrea Neumann - Recorded and available.

**10. Report Animal Welfare Committee:** Laurel Kinder - Recorded and available.

11. **Report Government Affairs Committee:** Barbara M. Burke - Recorded and available.

12. **Report Bylaws & Procedures Committee:** Ron Taylor - Recorded and available.

13. **Report Outreach Committee:** Chris Ueland/Barry Wise - Recorded and available.

14. **Land Use Committee Report:** Lisa Sarkin.

- a) **MOTION:** *The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council recommends that the President of the SCNC send the attached letter to the City Council Members requesting the passage of the Baseline Mansionization Ordinance.*

**MOTION 4.16.2008.5:** *The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council calls the previous question and breaks off discussion on the subject.*

Moved by McCue. **Vote: 4-7-1. Motion fails.**

**MOTION 4.16.2008.6:** *The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council tables the main motion until the end of the current session.*

Moved by Burg. **Vote: 8-3-2. Motion passes.**

- b) **MOTION:** *The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council asks the Department of Recreation and Parks to establish a new off-leash Dog Park within the eastern portion (east of the service road) of Moorpark Park using available QUIMBY Funds.*

**MOTION 4.16.2008.7:** *The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council calls the previous question and breaks off discussion on the subject.*

Moved by Royal. **Vote: 13-0-0. Motion passes.**

**MOTION 4.16.2008.8:** *The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council asks the Department of Recreation and Parks to establish a new off-leash Dog Park within the eastern portion (east of the service road) of Moorpark Park using available QUIMBY Funds.*

Roll call vote requested by McCue.

Todd Royal – **No**  
Ezra Dweck – **No**  
Richard Niederberg – **No**  
Michael McCue – **No**  
Ron Taylor – **No**  
Melody Dosch – **Yes**  
John Walker – **Yes**  
Remy Kessler – **Yes**  
Lisa Sarkin – **Yes**  
Victor Helo – **Yes**  
Barbara Monahan Burke - **No**  
David Burg – **No**  
Ben Neumann – **Abstains**

**Vote: 5-7-1. Motion fails.**

- c) **MOTION 4.16.2008.9:** *The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council supports the efforts of the Midtown North Hollywood Neighborhood Council regarding the Valley Plaza and Laurel Plaza development projects.*

**Vote: 10-0-2. Motion passes.**

- d) **MOTION:** *The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council shall file a Community Impact Statement opposing City Council File No. 07-0046 – Parking Study Status Report – Preferential Parking.*

Community Impact Statement - File No. 07-0046

Many neighborhoods within Studio City have had preferential parking for many years. These neighborhoods would be inundated by employees, patrons and valet parking attendants, who have shown to be destructive to personal property. Many establishments remain open until 2:00 AM and removing the preferential parking would reduce the quality of life of our stakeholders. The SCNC does not support the recommendations contained in this Council File.

**MOTION 4.16.2008.10:** *The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council refers the main motion back the Land Use Committee for further clarification.*

Moved by Kessler. **Vote: 13-0-0. Motion passes.**

**15. Presentation, discussion and possible motion regarding proposed River Improvement Overlay – Council file # 07-1342.**

**MOTION:** *The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council shall file a Community Impact Statement opposing City Council File No. 07-1342 – Los Angeles River Improvement Overlay.*

Moved by Monahan Burke.

**MOTION 4.16.2008.11:** *The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council calls the previous question and breaks off discussion on the subject.*

Moved by McCue. **Vote: 10-1-1. Motion passes.**

**MOTION 4.16.2008.12:** *The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council shall file a Community Impact Statement opposing City Council File No. 07-1342 – Los Angeles River Improvement Overlay.*

**Vote: 10-0-2. Motion passes.**

**16. Presentation, discussion and possible motion regarding proposed Draft of City of Los Angeles Housing Element.**

**MOTION:** *The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council authorizes the President of the SCNC to send a letter to the Los Angeles City Planning Department opposing the City Housing Element with the exception of adopting implementation tools such as overlay zones to protect existing neighborhood characteristics.*

Made by Monahan Burke

**MOTION 4.16.2008.13:** *The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council amends the motion on the floor as follows: insert the words "and directs" after the word authorizes.*

Moved by Niederberg. **Vote: 11-0-2. Motion passes.**

**MOTION 4.16.2008.14:** *The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council authorizes and directs the President of the SCNC to send a letter to the Los Angeles City Planning Department opposing the City Housing Element with the exception of adopting implementation tools such as overlay zones to protect existing neighborhood characteristics.*

**Vote: 10-0-3. Motion passes.**

**17. Presentation, discussion and possible motion with respect to continuing the SCNC's membership in the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition.**

**MOTION:** *The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council approves the changes to the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition Charter (formerly known as Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Congress) and the SCNC continues its membership in the Coalition.*

Made by Monahan Burke

**MOTION:** *The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council refers this matter to the Government Affairs Committee for further discussion.*

Moved by Royal.

**MOTION 4.16.2008.15:** *The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council calls the previous question and breaks on the subsidiary motion and cuts off discussion.*

Moved by Dweck. **Vote: 12-0-1. Motion passes.**

**MOTION 4.16.2008.16:** *The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council refers this matter to the Government Affairs Committee for further discussion.*

**Vote: 1-8-4. Motion fails.**

**MOTION 4.16.2008.17:** *The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council amends the motion on the floor as follows: insert the words "and directs" after the word authorizes.*

Moved by Burg. **Vote: 10-0-3. Motion passes.**

**MOTION 4.16.2008.18:** *The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council continues its membership in the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition.*

**Vote: 10-0-3. Motion passes.**

18. **Comments from Board Members on subject matters within the Board's jurisdiction.**  
Recorded and available.

19. **Adjournment.** 10:00pm.

