

Safe Transportation & Traffic Committee Meeting Agenda Tuesday, June 25, 2024, 6:00pm Zoom Meeting

1. CALL TO ORDER at 6:05 p.m. ROLL CALL – Welcome – STAT Chairperson Pat Kramer. Quorum established with STAT committee members: Kramer, von Gunten, and Arakel.

Also present: STNC board members Cindy Cleghorn and Ross Herman and Laura Chapin.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES of STAT Meeting May 2024

(Von Gunten moved/Arakel seconded) the motion to approve the STAT Committee minutes of June 25, 2024. The motion carried unanimously.

3. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS - One minute per speaker unless otherwise announced by the presiding officer – Comments from the Public on Non-Agenda items, issues, announcements within the jurisdiction of the Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council.

Cindy spoke about the upcoming Rotary July 4th Parade. Ross said they were looking for more STNC and committee members to ride on the float

Cindy announced National Night Out at Little Landers Park/Bolton Hall on August 6, 2024.

Jon had a Poppa Bear visitor at 11:30 Monday night.

4. CHAIR REPORT:

Pat spoke about the May tree watering event where 70 trees were watered and mulched. She was unable to schedule Traffic Town Hall due to President Biden's visit.

Pat presented her draft language for a leave-behind card for Businesses to Adopt a Tree Card to be 6x4", urging businesses near trees we care for to water them. Shows the card. We should order 250. Jon admires the phrase "leafy shade." George agrees to it. Distributing these should promote pride of ownership. Quote forthcoming in from Sunland Printing. Hope to have it approved for the next Tree Care event.

Biweekly Tree Care: Pat and Natalie weeded and mulched 15 trees in about two hours. Pat will bring kneepads, water, breakfast bars. Ross, Jon and George can help! 14 July at 7:30am.

CA State AB-3085 increases punishments for street takeovers; will impound vehicles used in street takeovers, exhibition of speed, and others. Was watered down. Magistrate shown by an officer a given vehicle was used, any officer can impound and get charged.

In February, City Council motion 24-0002-S3 was approved 12-0 (Monica absent). Pat shows current form of Assembly Bill. George points out that this effort requires more police officers, both generally and onsite for such unruly mobs.

Laura asked if STNC's letter requesting using CD1 and 13's unwanted LAPD officers caused any effect. In Neighborhood Watch, Flores said not a Council matter, but LAPD. Jon to pursue this with other LAPD contacts.

CALL 877-ASK-LAPD (877-275-5273) TO REPORT fireworks.

Fines for illegal fireworks might reach \$50K.

5. Next Tree Watering Event.

Pat suggested Saturday, 27 July, and will push for Ricardo's agreement for NVCH to provide water. Will also ask STNC for \$150.

6. Update on Traffic Town Hall with Cheryl Schmidt, Public Safety Chair

Haven't heard from Cheryl. Ross is planning a town hall in September, likely Saturday AM: informative on public safety and explain to people whom to call when. Pat suggests 28 September due to her schedule. Ross to work with Lallah. Perhaps have little breakout meetings.

7. Updates: CD7, LAPD, LADOT. Taco Stand.

Ross will see if the taco stand still throws grease/greasy water in tree well. Breaking several laws. Has been reported several times to no avail. Owners are antagonistic to people who challenge them.

8. Committee Member Reports: Jon: Neighborhood Watch Report

Eric Herrera will be new Homeless Coordinator and that restructuring is going well. George hasn't heard from/reached Ricardo Flores on new stop sign. Says his doctor is tending to his back issues. Not a spinal fusion, it's a less-invasive decompression.

9. Addition of Any Prospective STAT Committee Members

Pat will ask Marlene for name of man interested in joining STAT.

Ross says he's spread too thin, but will often attend.

10. Public Comment

Jon related that Officer Caloca, longtime Tujunga SLO, is back from personal time off and is working with Foothill detectives in crimes against juveniles.

11. Set next date for STAT as July 23, 2024

Pat suggests 20 August for subsequent meeting.

12. Adjourn at 7:15 pm. George wishes all a happy Fourth!