

**Sunland Tujunga Neighborhood Council
Special Joint Board
&
Executive Committee Meeting
Minutes**

**Wednesday, September 30, 2026, 6:30pm
(Virtual)**

Draft

IN CONFORMITY WITH THE JANUARY 1, 2026 ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 707 (DURAZO) AND LA CITY COUNCIL FILE 23-1114, THE SUNLAND-TUJUNGA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY.

1. Welcome, Call to Order & Roll Call. Melissa Sagastume, 6:56pm
 - Present: Mellissa Sagastume, Carol Hutchinson, Cindy Cleghorn, Karen Moran. Lydia Grant joined at 7:08pm. Also present, MC, Lionel Mares.
2. Announcements. Comments from Cindy, Carol and Melissa. Pat Kramer is stepping down from the STAT committee. She will continue with tree-watering events. Tree watering could fall under Beautification or Outreach potentially.
3. Review Administrative items. Minutes posted on stnc.org. A motion was made by Cindy and seconded by Carol to approve the August Budget minutes. A vote was taken which passed.
4. Discussion/Action: Set Agenda for October 14, 2026 Board Meeting including Presenters and any Community Impact Statements, Committee items.
 - Cindy didn't have a written agenda but items were discussed with comments made by Cindy, Lydia, Melissa and Carol. *(Note: Lydia joined during this discussion after chasing down a concern at the STNC storage unit).* The next meeting will be a Town Hall style meeting at the ELK's. There will be a meet-and-greet time from 6:30pm to 7pm when the meeting will start. Nick Schultz and a member from the Fire Dept will be guest speakers. A list of questions for Schultz should be prepared. Cindy said that quarterly in-person meetings were good to engage the community.
 - Changes to the General Board agenda were discussed. Funding items have to be voted on individually. Carol noted that we owe Sunland Printing money and will need to re-approve with a vote and BAC to pay them (\$180). Melissa noted that Outreach did vote for allowing McGroarty the use of tables and chairs for the "Day of the Dead" event on November 1. Cindy noted there was another event that day at the Cemetery.
 - Lydia reminded that we have to get salvage items from storage to the City and suggested calling General Services to have them picked up).
 - Lydia said that her letter is in process concerning the City's failure to follow State laws where every community is provided with emergency evacuation route information; Lydia is writing this letter as a private citizen but noted that the Board could have a

letter of support for the letter. Lionel's council files (3 of them) - discussed at the Budget meeting - will be reviewed by Lydia and she will take a CIS position to put forward for discussion. *(Please see draft minutes for the 9-30-2026 Budget meeting for information about the council files).*

- Lydia suggested we consider taking a position on Whiteman Airport in a future meeting; we have done so in the past but doing again at this time is needed.
- Items for this – or future meetings - include dam dredging and notification before water release; dumping in the Seven Hills area, and storm preparedness which is a more immediate concern. A speaker from Public Works can be solicited for a future meeting. Sherry noted in CHAT that *"tristen@marler@lacity.org came to one of our meetings - she is with LA Sanitation and indicated she'd be interested to come again - needs advance notice for scheduling, etc. 213-863-2690."*
- Lydia said she has communicated with Liliana Sanchez about the Indigenous People's Day. They have rules about who they allow in the event and Lydia reminded that if we cannot have a table at the event, we cannot loan them table and chairs per City (Attorney) dictates. Lydia noted that they further don't qualify as a non-profit, making STNC support more challenging also.
- A motion was made by Cindy, seconded by Melissa, to approve the revised agenda for the October General Board meeting. A vote was taken which passed.

5. Public comments. None.

6. Adjourn. 7:42pm