



ECHO PARK  
NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL



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JOINT MEETING OF THE EPNC  
PUBLIC SAFETY, PUBLIC WORKS,  
PARKS AND SUSTAINABILITY  
COMMITTEE AND BOARD  
OF GOVERNORS

June 5, 2018  
7 P.M.

MEETING LOCATION  
Echo Park United Methodist  
Church, ground floor  
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While this meeting is noticed as a Joint Board and Committee meeting, its purpose is to have a Committee meeting. All matters discussed during this meeting upon which action may be taken will be forwarded to the Board for discussion at a future public and agendaized Board meeting.

**A G E N D A**

1. Administrative items..... 5 minutes
  - a. Call to Order and Welcome
  - b. Roll Call
  - c. Adoption of minutes of May 1, 2018 Meeting  
MINUTES of May 1, 2018  
\*Discussion of addition of Parks back to committee’s jurisdiction per BOG vote and responsibility for that subject  
Kevin Fischer will take lead on Parks and Public works
  - \*Discussion on any Public Safety matters Discussion and possible action re: Gun Control Recommendation Led by Jeffrey Kontorovsky  
An amendment to the Gun Control Recommendation was M/S/C to develop and maintain a stamping/microstamping and tracking system of ammunition  
The Gun Control Recommendations will be sent to BOG for placement at next BOG Meeting

\*Discussion of Vision Zero

Report made by Joselyn on contact with Councilman Mitch O’Farrell’s Office and Lilly O’Brien-Kovari, point person from LADOT on Vision Zero. She was invited to this meeting on May 1, 2018. Her email reply: “Thanks so much for reaching out! Unfortunately given the short notice, we won’t be able to make the meeting. In the mean time, you can find more information about Vision Zero at [visionzero.lacity.org](http://visionzero.lacity.org). As Juan may have mentioned, we are working on a project in your area, Temple St. We are still in the internal stages of development, but when we have a project update, we will send someone to your meeting.” Contact: 213 928 9709 or [lilly.obrien@lacity.org](mailto:lilly.obrien@lacity.org).

Suggestion to have a Town Hall Meeting on August 7, 2018 on Vision Zero. A funding request for up to \$300 will be submitted to BF and BOG for refreshments and outreach for the event. CIO/Andy Alt will be requested to help publicize on social media.

\*Future Agenda Items:

Clean – up of Tunnel between Bellevue and Temple Streets

Discussion of plastic straws and plastic bottles ban and possible CIS

Vision Zero

Echo Park Lake Maintenance and Clean-up

++++++End of Minutes of May 1, 2018++++++

- 2. Community/Government reports:..... 3 minutes
  - a. Government agencies and officers
  - b. Community Organizations
- 3. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items, one minute per speaker..... 5 minutes
- 4. Discussion and possible action re: Gun Control. Evaluation of issue of microstamping and tracking. (10)
- 5. Discussion and possible motion on banning plastic straws and plastic bottles and a possible CIS. (10 min)
- 6. Discussion and possible motion on clean-up of tunnel connecting Bellevue (just east of old swimming pool) and Temple Street. This tunnel is used by school children attending the after school programs at the echo Park Recreation Center and presents serious safety hazards that call for urgent action. (10 min)
- 7. Discussion and possible motion on holding a Vision Zero Town Hall Meeting on August 7, 2018 and submitting up to \$300 funding request to Budget & Finance and BOG for refreshments and outreach. Invite LADOT representative. (10 min)
- 8. Discussion and possible motion on maintenance of Echo Park Lake. 5 min
- 9. Future Agenda Items..... 5 min
- 10. Announcements..... 5 min

## 11. Adjournment

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Attachment for item 4.

Gun Control We can Live With: A Policy Recommendation

These are the elements of a comprehensive National gun control measure:

- 48 hour cooling off waiting period
- No Buy List based on existing gun laws
- Buy List
- Limitation on the types of weaponry available
- National Gun Registration system to record all transfers
- Technology enabled identification to enable full recording of sales and transfers
- Accountability for owners, reporters of transfers, constituent agencies
- Address culture and behavioral components
- Create media policy to advance public safety

Availability/Transfer/Sale: Ammunition is now controlled like firearms, including primers, powder, and ready to fire bullets. Ammunition is not subject to waiting periods.

- National 48 hour cooling off waiting period for firearm transfers.

When impulse driven behaviors derailed temporarily, different choices are made.

- The No Buy List. No one that is on this list may receive a transfer of a firearm or ammunition if they are on this list!

People on the No Buy List shall be identified by Name, Date of Birth, and at least one of the following: Social Security Number; passport number; resident alien id number; State issued driver's license number; fingerprints from at least two digits; or a DNA sample.

The No Buy List will be populated by Mental health professionals and law enforcement institutions. Included on the No Buy List: on the terrorist watch list; convicted of a violent crime; have a restraining order against them; prohibited from buying a firearm under current Federal law; deemed to be a significant violent threat to themselves or others; involuntarily committed to a psychological institution for more than 48 hours; (potentially) prescribed certain kinds of anti-psychotic medication.

Addition to the list could be temporary or permanent, but in either case there must be a mechanism for reclassification and removal.

- The Buy List—No one is able to buy firearms or ammunition unless they are on this list!

People on the Buy List shall also be issued a Federal or State ID card that identifies the bearer by Name, Date of Birth, and at least one other unique identifier.

Prospective gun buyers get on this list only after a background check is accomplished.

A written and practical test should be a component of any expedited approval to possess a deadly weapon. Tests need to be administered by qualified law enforcement agencies, as they have a vested interest in public safety. A practical test that includes firing live ammunition shall be administered prior to any approval that is expedited

through a training procedure.

The Buy List may be a tiered system: Long guns, handguns, and military style weapons.

ATF maintains and populates these lists, which are available to anyone in a position to facilitate the transfer of a firearm.

- Limited types of weaponry available—exclusion and classification of Military style weapons

These three classifications can be introduced as National Policy immediately:

- o Detachable magazine capacities will be limited to 10 rds maximum.

- o Bump stocks are prohibited from possession and use.

- o Military or assault style weapons shall be defined as any weapon manufactured/designed with an integral recoil reducing device.

- o Kits will no longer be exempt from the rules governing the identification, transfer, and registration of firearms

Disposition and Recording of transfers:

- Create a third data base: National Gun Registry—This registry will record all sales and transfers of firearms and ammunition

Compliance for all firearms transfers: Private sales must be reported. The same checks that licensed dealers do need to be available to and completed by private sellers, including at gun shows. If a gun that was under your control and custody is later used in a violent act, you will be held responsible as an Accessory to that act, unless the transfer complied in every way with these regulations.

- Accountability index: Microchip, technology enabled identification

Newly manufactured guns would require at least three identifiers; weapons already in people's possession could be retrofit to comply. Barrels, receivers, bolts/action would all require identifying marks.

Incentives for compliance of both kinds should have limited consumer cost, if any, and could

include lifetime waivers for weaponry that is properly registered, identified, and recorded.

Culture and Behavior: An American way of life?

- Create a National conversation and network of support to advance emotional/mental health support
- Utilize existing agencies, like the Centers for Disease Control, to study gun violence and the culture, etc. that contribute to gun violence
- Involve the News and Social Media in best practices to avoid copycat behavior

Resource Allocation:

- Worth the cost: These measures will require funding to be successful. The ongoing cost of a lack of effective gun control is far too high to bear.

Gun control that is not embraced by responsible gun owners is not gun control at all. I believe this proposal is something most of us can get behind, and all of us can live with