



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

**August 7, 2018
7 P.M.**

**MEETING LOCATION
Echo Park United Methodist
Church, ground floor
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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 June 5, 2018 Meeting
MINUTES of June 5, 2018
*Discussion on ban on plastic straws: Motion carried (M Kevin, Sec Mike) to support any and all government action diminishing use of all single use plastics.
*Discussion on Tunnel at Laveta Terr. Mike Jolly will contact Gil Cedillo's office whose district covers the tunnel.
*Discussion on Vision Zero. Motion carried (M Kevin, Sec Mike) to request \$300 funding from BOG for future Town Hall meeting on Public Works items such as Vision Zero, Gas Leaf Blower ordinance and exchange program of AQMD to launch in August 2018.
+++++End of Minutes of June 5, 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: participation in the Heal the Bay event on Sept 15, 2018. (10)
 5. Discussion and possible motion on presentation by Paul Bowers on Composting and Re-distribution of Food. (10 min)
 6. Discussion and possible motion on Zero Waste initiative. Would send letter to Councilman O’Farrell for Lotus Festival 2019 to be Zero Waste. Would present proposal to BOG that all NPG grants request that supported events be zero waste.(10 min)
 7. Follow-up discussion on maintenance of Echo Park Lake. 5 min
 8. Future Agenda Items..... 5 min
 9. Announcements..... 5 min
 10. 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