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## WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

## JOINT BOARD AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES March 10, 2021 Webinar and Telephonic Meeting

## **APPROVED**

Committee members in attendance: Steve Randall, Alec Uzemeck, Brad Vanderhoof, Charlene Rothstein, Myrl Schreibman and Saif Mogri.

Attendees: Chris Rowe, Bonnie Klea, Tariq El-Atrache, Olivia Naturman and Rob Naturman.

At 7:08 PM Co Chair Steve Randall called the meeting to order and established a quorum.

The minutes from the December 9, 2020 meeting were approved.

Comments from the Co Chairs: Steve and Alec did not have any comments.

Saif Mogri made a presentation about the Texas storm and power outages that occurred in February 2021. A single company, ERCOT, controls 95% of the power grid in Texas, which is a separate power system outside of the national power grid and has 26 million customers, 680 generators and 46500 miles of wire. The storm was highly unusual with low temperatures that froze the power generating equipment. The system failed on February 15th and was restored on February 19. The solutions being reviewed are weathering for the equipment, connections to other reliability councils and allowing power sharing. California should look to repairing and replacing equipment and expanding their generating capacity for unusual weather and fire conditions.

There were several questions to the speaker and requests for a DWP come and share their own plans for our local grid and explain current power costs. Several attendees requested that a future meeting include a status report for the SSFL cleanup.

Steve adjourned the meeting at 8:13 PM.