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**PALMS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL  
Executive Committee Meeting Agenda  
Tuesday, September 26, 2017 – 7:15 p.m.  
Fire Station 43 – 3690 Motor Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90034**

*The Neighborhood Council system enables meaningful civic participation for all Angelenos and serves as a voice for improving government responsiveness to local communities and their needs. We are an advisory body to the City of Los Angeles, comprised of stakeholder volunteers who are devoted to the mission of improving our communities.*

- I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL**
  - a. Call to Order
  - b. Roll Call
- II. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (10 minutes)**
  - a. Limited to non-agenda items – subjects related to executive committee issues
- III. COMMITTEE BUSINESS**
  - a. **DISCUSSION:** Review Residential Rep E candidate applications and interview potential candidates.  
*[See supplemental materials for resumes and statements of interest]*
    - David Bocarsly
    - Eryn Brock
    - Anna Lucas
    - Catherine Manzella
  - b. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:** Option for 2018 Selections due to the postponement of Neighborhood Council elections to 2019 due to the realignment of Los Angeles City elections. *[See supplemental materials for stipulation sheet]*
  - c. **WRAC MOTION:** In the interest of ensuring that local constituencies represented by Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils are heard, the Palms NC requests that seating be reserved at City departmental hearings, commission meetings, and Council meetings for members of Neighborhood and Community Councils who have submitted Community Impact Statements on item(s) before the body. The Palms NC further requests that the City Council introduces a motion to amend the Administrative Code (Section 22.819) to reflect this policy.  
*[Read full WRAC motion and reasoning here:  
<http://westsidecouncils.com/motion/reserved-seating/>]*
  - d. **WRAC MOTION:** The Palms NC recommends the following changes and additions to the City's proposed cannabis regulations:
    1. To conform with State law, create a stable and legitimate business environment, and avoid the kind of exploitable “grey areas” created by Prop. D, the City must implement an unambiguous licensing system for

commercial cannabis activities and include those activities as enumerated uses in the City's municipal code.

2. Complaints about specific cannabis businesses collected by City staff, LAPD, Council offices, Neighborhood and Community Councils, and the City's MyLA311 app should be included and considered in the licensing approval and renewal process.
3. Hearing dates and non-sensitive application information should be posted upon receipt on the Cannabis Dept.'s website, and notice sent to affected NCs/CCs.
4. The standard application process should include an assessment from the Planning Dept. on land use considerations, and should not be split into a separate land use approval and appeals process.
5. Retail cannabis storefronts should be limited to operating hours of 7am to 9pm. Deliveries should extend no later than 11pm.
6. In the interest of eliminating black market sales, the City should conduct a market-sizing study by January 1, 2019 (and every five years thereafter) to assess how well the City is addressing demand and to inform regulatory adjustments.

*[Read full WRAC motion and reasoning here:*

<http://westsidecouncils.com/motion/changes-proposed-city-cannabis-regulations/>]

- e. **WRAC MOTION:** In response to widespread stakeholder complaints, the Palms NC calls upon the City to immediately:
  1. Mandate franchisees publicly document they have both the equipment and resources necessary to provide the timely and satisfactory services to ALL their customers;
  2. Proactively provide ALL customers of the new franchisees appropriate education on what the intent of the new regulations are and how they can manage their waste to keep their fees close to those paid under their previous service providers;
  3. Ensure that condo owners, apartment owners and businesses throughout Los Angeles are charged appropriately for the services contracted and that those payments do not exceed those for equivalent services paid by single-family homeowners;
  4. Set up a complaint line separate from the 311 call center to ensure issues are properly addressed until the transition is complete to customer satisfaction;
  5. Re-open the fee schedule (and conditions for extra services) as created by outside consultants and approved by the City Council to include stakeholder input through the Neighborhood Council system; and
  6. To avoid worsening the homelessness crisis in the City, develop and implement strategies to mitigate the impact of rate increases on low-income households.
- b. **WRAC MOTION:** The Palms NC supports the City Council's call to divest the City's approximately \$40 million in securities and end its contract with Wells Fargo, due to the bank's fraudulent and grossly unethical conduct in opening millions of fake accounts and improperly charging mortgage fees, and the subsequent downgrading of their Community Reinvestment Act rating. Further, the NC/CC supports exploring the feasibility of creating a Los Angeles City Municipal Bank, chartered to reinvest in our communities, affordable housing, and small businesses (including addressing the banking needs of legal

commercial cannabis activity), and aid in the City's transition to renewable energy.

- f. **FUNDING MOTION:** To authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to accept \$1,500 from its award for the 2016 Clean Streets Challenge and authorize those funds to be used to organize neighborhood cleanups, conduct outreach for them, and purchase materials. Cleanups, will be organized by the Green Committee which has been previously authorized to conduct them.

*[See supplemental materials for award acceptance instructions]*

- g. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:** Amend the Ground Rules to add rules regarding general public comment, multiple agenda item comment, and meeting facilitation. *[See supplemental materials for proposed additions]*

- h. **DISCUSSION:** Review draft Palms NC General Assembly meeting agenda for October 4<sup>th</sup>. *[See supplemental materials for draft agenda]*

#### IV. Adjournment

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