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**PALMS NEIGHBORHOOD
COUNCIL**

Representative Assembly General Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, September 4th, 2019 – 7:00 p.m.

IMAN Center – 3376 Motor Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90034 (onsite parking available)

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 (Block)
 - b. Roll Call (Tocco)

- II. COMMUNITY & GOVERNMENT REPORTS** (15 minutes – 3 minutes each)
 - a. Office of Councilmember Paul Koretz
 - b. Office of Mayor Eric Garcetti
 - c. LA Police Department
 - d. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment
 - e. Other Government Departments and Community Organizations
 - i. Terrence Gomes, LANCC ([Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition](http://www.losangelesneighborhoodcouncil.org)) Chairperson, gives a presentation on the role of neighborhood councils in administering services and relaying information in the event of a major disaster. (20 minutes)
 - ii. Budget Advocates Report

- III. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS & MULTIPLE AGENDA ITEM PUBLIC COMMENT** (10 minutes)

- IV. SHOUT-OUTS AND COMMUNITY RECOGNITION**

- V. CONSENT AGENDA** (2 minutes)
 - a. **MOTION:** To approve minutes from 8/7/2019 General Assembly meeting.
[<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1D-wZbtyMgLg9F5PyvVy1TmQjqigUd47u>]
 - b. **MOTION:** To appoint Kay as Budget Representative for the Budget Advocates

- c. **MOTION:** To remove Parker Saussy and Francie Stefan from the Transportation Committee
- d. **MOTION:** To appoint Eryn Piper Block as primary representative and Brendan Patterson as alternate representative for the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC)
- e. **MOTION:** To appoint Jessalyn Waldron as liaison to the Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance (NCSA)
- f. **MOTION:** To appoint Rachel Pedowitz to the Homelessness and Public Safety Committee

VI. EXECUTIVE BOARD & REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS (10 minutes – 2 minutes each)

- a. **President’s Report** (Block)
 - i. **ANNOUNCEMENT:** 2019 Congress of Neighborhoods September 28th from 7:30AM-4:30PM at City Hall. Link [here](#)
 - ii. **FUNDING MOTION:** Allocate up to \$30 for a PowerPoint clicker [*see [this link](#) for example*]
- b. **Vice-President’s Report** (Randell)
- c. **Secretary’s Report** (Tocco)
- d. **Treasurer’s Report** (Bocarsly)
 - i. **MOTION:** To approve the July Treasurer’s Report and Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) [*See supplemental materials for summary – full report available [here](#)*]
 - ii. **MOTION:** To approve updated budget which includes \$10,000 in funds rolled over from the last board session [*See supplemental materials for full budget*]
- e. **Community-Based Organization Rep** (Patterson)
- f. **Residential Rep. A** (Hartman)
- g. **Residential Rep. B** (Pedowitz)
 - i. **FUNDING MOTION:** Authorize the Area B Representative Rachel Pedowitz to spend up to \$250 for a Halloween Block Party, considering we expect around 50-75 residents to participate, with excess non-perishable items being saved for future Palms NC events.

Proposed budget:

Item	Amount
Paper goods (paper plates, paper towels, corn starch silverware, cups)	Up to \$50
Food/Refreshments (veggie trays, sandwiches/wraps, chips, dip, candy, cookies, apple cider, water, ice, etc.)	Up to \$150
Games/Entertainment (face painting supplies, decorations)	Up to \$50

- h. **Residential Rep. C** (Chase)
- i. **Residential Rep. D** (Waldron)
- j. **Residential Rep. E** (Van Horn)
- k. **Business Rep. 1** (Hochberg)
- l. **Business Rep. 2** (Halff)
- m. **Youth Rep** (Penland)

VII. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Business and Beautification

- 1. **MOTION:** The Palms NC supports the B&B Committee in pursuing the possibility of making one side of new utility box paintings a transit map of the Palms area. The B&B Committee will come back to the Palms NC with specific details for an official vote and potential funding motion.

b. Communications & Outreach

- i. **MOTION:** To hold the Annual Palms Community Day Event on Saturday, May 2, 2020.

c. Green

- i. **MOTION:** To authorize the Green Committee to spend up to \$800 for Green Campaign in October.

Budget Breakdown:

Event	Item	Amount
Clean Up Day and Native Plant Workday	Breakfast	\$75
	Pizza	\$100
Green Campaign	Online Outreach	\$300
	Print Outreach	\$100
Green Demo Days Events (With Farmers Market) (up to four Sundays in October)	Supplies (food, art materials, printed materials)	\$100
Sustainable Restaurants Campaign	Outreach and printing certification stickers	\$125
Total		\$800

d. Homelessness & Public Safety

e. Planning & Land Use

- i. **MOTION:** Authorize the Palms NC to submit a Community Impact Statement (CIS) in **support** of [council file CF-19-0623](#). The Palms NC calls upon The City to instruct the Housing, Community and Investment Department, The Department of Building and Safety and the Department of City Planning, with the assistance of Chief Legislative Analyst and the City Attorney's Office, to study similar laws in other cities prepare and present an Empty Homes and Under-Utilized Property Tax ordinance within 3 months. *[See supplementals for full CIS. [This link](#) explains what a CIS is.]*
- ii. **MOTION:** Authorize the Palms NC to submit a Community Impact Statement (CIS) in **support** of [CF 14-0268-S16](#): Strengthening the Ellis Act. The Palms Neighborhood Council strongly supports the above council file to increase relocation assistance to tenants displaced through an Ellis eviction. *[See supplementals for full CIS.]*
- iii. **MOTION:** Authorize the Palms NC to submit a Community Impact Statement (CIS) in **support** of [CF 19-0781](#) to increase protections for tenants in non-RSO buildings. *[See supplementals for full CIS.]*

f. Transportation & Infrastructure

g. Executive

- i. **MOTION:** Authorize the Palms NC to submit a Community Impact Statement (CIS) in support of [council file 19-0002-S157](#) supporting the Medicare for All Act of 2019 (H.R. 1384 and S. 1129). With this CIS, the Palms NC calls on Los Angeles City Council to urge federal legislators to work toward its immediate enactment, assuring appropriate and efficient health care for all residents of the United States. *[See supplemental materials for full CIS.]*
- ii. **MOTION:** Authorize the Palms NC to co-host a Housing and Homelessness Town Hall with the SORONC in early 2020.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **MOTION:** To create Ad Hoc Committees on (1) Bylaws & Ground Rules and appoint Eryn Piper Block as Chair, Brendan Patterson as Member, Helen Tocco as member

X. NOTICE: Next GA Meeting: Wednesday, October 2nd at 7pm (IMAN Center)

XI. Adjournment (End time is approximately 9:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter)

PNC Committee Meeting Schedule

Committee Name	Type	Chair	Typical Meeting				Next Mtg.
			Frequency	Time	Day of Month	Place	
Homelessness & Public Safety	Standing	Keith	Monthly	7:00pm	2nd Tuesday	LAFD Station 43	9/9/2019
Transportation & Infrastructure	Standing	Pope	Monthly	7:00pm	2nd Thursday	LAFD Station 43	9/13/2019
Planning & Land Use	Standing	Poster	Monthly	7:00pm	2nd Wednesday	IMAN Center	9/11/2019
Green	Standing	Tocco/Waldro	Monthly	7:30pm	3rd Thursday	LAFD Station 43	9/19/2019
Communications & Outreach	Standing	Erving	Monthly	7:00pm	3rd Tuesday	LAFD Station 43	9/17/2019
Business & Beautification	Standing	Hochberg	Monthly	7:30pm	3rd Wednesday	LAFD Station 43	9/18/2019
Executive	Standing	Block	Rescheduled	7:15pm	4th Wednesday	LAFD Station 43	9/23/2019

Visit <http://www.palmsnc.la/calendar/> for the most current meeting schedule and information.

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