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**PALMS NEIGHBORHOOD  
COUNCIL**

**Representative Assembly General Meeting Agenda  
Wednesday, February 3rd 2021 – 7:00 p.m.**

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*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.*

**VIRTUAL MEETING TELECONFERENCING NUMBER FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

*In conformity with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 (MARCH 17, 2020) and due to concerns over COVID-19, the Palms Neighborhood Council meeting will be conducted entirely telephonically.*

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**I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL**

- a. Call to Order (Block)
- b. Roll Call (Tocco)

**II. COMMUNITY & GOVERNMENT REPORTS**

- a. Office of Councilmember Paul Koretz – Elizabeth Garcia [Elizabeth.garcia@lacity.org](mailto:Elizabeth.garcia@lacity.org)
- b. Office of Mayor Eric Garcetti – Kevin Taylor [kevin.taylor@lacity.org](mailto:kevin.taylor@lacity.org)
- c. LA Police Department – Juan Ceja
- d. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment – Freddy Cupen-Ames [freddy.cupen-ames@lacity.org](mailto:freddy.cupen-ames@lacity.org)
- e. Office of State Senator Holly Mitchell – Lily Sofiani [lily.sofiani@sen.ca.gov](mailto:lily.sofiani@sen.ca.gov)
- f. Office of State Assemblymember Sydney Kamlager – Josef Siroky [josef.siroky@asm.ca.gov](mailto:josef.siroky@asm.ca.gov)

- g. Other Government Departments and Community Organizations
  - i. Budget Advocates Report (3 minutes)
  - ii. Budget Tribunes Report (3 minutes)
  - iii. Motor Avenue Improvement Association (3 minutes)
  - iv. Presentation from Adel Hagekhalil, StreetsLA General Manager, about the [Sidewalk and Transit Amenities Program](#).
  - v. Metro Bike Share Presentation by Brett Thomas

### III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### a. Palms NC Election Important Dates:

- i. Candidate Filing : **Feb 6-March 23, 2021**
- ii. Mail-in Ballot Requests : **April 9 – June 1, 2021**
- iii. Ballots Sent Out: **May 10, 2021**
- iv. Election Date: **June 8, 2021**

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

### V. CONSENT AGENDA (2 minutes)

- a. **MOTION:** To approve minutes from 1/17/2021 General Assembly Special meeting (January 6<sup>th</sup> meeting rescheduled) [[Click here](#) for minutes]
- b. **MOTION:** To appoint Neal Anderberg to the Homelessness Advocacy and Public Services Committee and the WRAC Homelessness Committee
- c. **MOTION:** To remove Francie Stefan from the Transportation & Infrastructure Committee
- d. **MOTION:** To appoint Maria Dacanay-Wisner as a member of the Elections Ad Hoc Committee.
- e. **MOTION:** To appoint Tina Chinakarn as Data Liaison for Palms Neighborhood Council

### VI. BOARD REPORTS & COMMUNITY RECOGNITION (10 minutes – 1 minute each)

- a. **President's Report** (Block – [eryn.block@palmsnc.la](mailto:eryn.block@palmsnc.la))
- b. **Treasurer's Report** (Bocarsly – [david.bocarsly@palmsnc.la](mailto:david.bocarsly@palmsnc.la))
  - i. **MOTION:** To approve the December Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) [*See supplemental materials for summary – full report available [here](#)*]
- c. **Vice-President's Report** (Erving – [randell.erving@palmsnc.la](mailto:randell.erving@palmsnc.la))
- d. **Secretary's Report** (Tocco – [helen.tocco@palmsnc.la](mailto:helen.tocco@palmsnc.la))
- e. **Community-Based Organization Rep** (Patterson – [brendan.patterson@palmsnc.la](mailto:brendan.patterson@palmsnc.la))
- f. **Residential Rep. A** (Hartman – [kay.hartman@palmsnc.la](mailto:kay.hartman@palmsnc.la))
- g. **Residential Rep. B** (White – [danya.white@palmsnc.la](mailto:danya.white@palmsnc.la))
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- m. **Youth Rep** (Penland – [jordan.penland@palmsnc.la](mailto:jordan.penland@palmsnc.la))

### VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS & COMMUNITY RECOGNITION

- a. **Transportation & Infrastructure**
- b. **Business and Beautification**

**c. Racial and Social Justice**

- i. **MOTION:** To authorize the Palms NC to submit a CIS in approval of the expansion of the APRU program from 4 to 11 & investigation of including mental health and social workers into the 911 system - [CF 20-0769-S1](#) Vote 5-0
- ii. **MOTION:** To authorize the Palms NC to submit a CIS in approval to the request for the city Council and Mayor to fill out a pre-approved federal grant application for funds to deal with the LAPD backlog of DNA testing - [CF 20-1590](#) Vote 4-0-1
- iii. **MOTION:** To authorize the Palms NC to submit a CIS in approval to the request of a report due within 30 days from the LAPD investigating how racial profiling complaints are handled - [CF 20-1599](#) Vote 5-0
- iv. **MOTION:** To submit a CIS in OPPOSITION to [CF 20-0190](#) which would allow LA Park Rangers to carry firearms while on duty.

**d. Communications & Outreach**

- i. **FUNDING MOTION:** To authorize up to \$1,000 to purchase lawn signs to promote mask wearing in Palms.

**e. Green**

- i. **MOTION:** To authorize the Palms NC to submit a CIS in approval to the City Council, the Department of Public Works and the Department of Street Lighting regarding starting an investigation into using the Super bloom project to raise City funds (see supplementals)
- ii. **MOTION:** To authorize the Palms NC to submit the following CIS in support of City Council File [CF 20-1225](#): "The Palms Neighborhood Council supports City Council File CF 20-1225 to develop a healthy soil strategy and take appropriate steps as specified in 20-1225 to support healthy soil and compost projects and programs."

**f. Homelessness & Public Safety**

- i. **MOTION:** To submit a CIS in SUPPORT of [Council File 21-0031](#), which proposes a more humane alternative to CARE CARE+ sweeps of homeless encampments: [draft of CIS](#) (for additional context see (1) [motion text](#) and (2) [case law cited](#)).
- ii. **MOTION:** To approve the following new name for the committee: Homeless Advocacy and Public Service.
- iii. **FUNDING MOTION:** To allocate up to \$1,100 for two [charging stations](#) with [12V cables](#) and two [megaphones](#) to be stored at the Disaster Cachs in Palms. *Megaphones are for responder announcements and communication with displaced groups. Charging stations with 12V car charging cables are for temporary lighting, hand-held radios and other mobile communication devices during a disaster response.*
- iv. **FUNDING MOTION:** Funding Request, NPG from Friends of West Los Angeles in the amount of \$2,000 for the production costs of the 3rd annual Westside Safety and Preparedness Fair on March 7th.

**g. Planning & Land Use**

- i. **MOTION:** To approve a CIS in support with amendments of Council File [20-1042 to create a ballot initiative to change the City's zoning in line with the TOC](#).  
*[See supplementals for CIS].*

**h. Executive**

- i. **Venice Blvd Improvement**
- j. **Elections Ad Hoc Committee**

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

**IX. NOTICE:** Next GA Meeting will be Wednesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00PM

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

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