

**Palms Neighborhood Council
Homeless Advocacy & Public
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Homeless Advocacy & Public Service Committee Agenda

Thursday, April 15, 2021 – 5:30 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.

- I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL**
- II. PRESENTATION (20 minutes)**
 - a. Information on the AB-71 Bring California Home Act with Q&A led by Alex Visotzky, Associate Director of Policy and Legislative Affairs at LAHSA
- III. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT (10 minutes)**
- IV. PROPOSED MOTIONS FOR GENERAL ASSEMBLY ADOPTION (15 minutes)**
 - a. **MOTION:** To authorize the Palms NC to submit a [letter](#) to City Council, the Mayor, and the Police Commission in response to the events that occurred at Echo Park Lake on March 24th and 25th, 2021.
- V. COMMITTEE BUSINESS & UPDATES (45 minutes)**
 - a. ACA 7 is a new proposed amendment to the state constitution that would disallow the state to impose land-use and zoning laws, which would give the sole power to local municipalities.
 1. Should the committee take action via WRAC or CIS (if Council weighs in)?

b. Committee member check-ins

1. outside meeting updates ([WRAC](#), PEPC, etc.)
2. recently completed, ongoing, future projects
 - a) Natural Disaster Awareness for Caregivers course
 - b) bringing porta potties and showers to Durango encampment
 - c) collaboration with Palms mutual aid orgs
 - (1) vaccine mobile clinic
 - (2) information gathering for webpage
 - (3) stimulus check assistance via federal tax form
 - d) anything not captured above

c. Committee strategic planning via [public-facing draft document](#)

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a.** There will be a Hygiene Kit Drive on 5/1/2021 at Inner City Law Center to assemble 500 hygiene kits in ICLC's parking lot. Kits will be distributed to Skid Row residents and partner agencies that serve the homeless population throughout Los Angeles County.
1. Provide new travel sized items by Friday, April 30 through our [Amazon wish list](#).
 2. Ship or drop off new travel size toiletries and PPE. items or pre-made full kits to 1309 E. 7th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90021 and addressed to "Erin Thompson; ICLC Special Projects Manager". Drop-offs must be made on May 1 between 12 PM and 2 PM. Email ethompson@innercitylaw.org to coordinate.
 3. Volunteer on Saturday, May 1 from 12 PM – 2 PM to help set-up, from 2 PM – 4 PM to assemble kits, and/or from 3:30 PM – 4:30 PM to pick-up and drop-off assembled kits. [Click here to sign-up](#) or email ethompson@innercitylaw.org. Please share with others.
- b.** Palms Action Collective Volunteer Opportunities:
1. Community Fridge Check-ins: Swing by the free community fridge, at St. Mary's Church, 3647 Watseka Ave, to:
 - a) Check if there is any food going bad + discard any that you find
 - b) Wipe down the fridge's inside and handles if they're dirty (please bring your own cleaning supplies!)
 - c) Let us know about the status of the fridge with the check-in link that is posted on the table next to the fridge!
 - d) If you know your availability ahead of time, you can [sign up](#) for a shift through trello ([Brief trello tutorial](#)).
 2. Food Forward Donation Transport: Sign up for a shift to bring food donations from St James Park (at W Adams Blvd & Severence St) to

- our community fridge! Find out more information and [sign up](#) (scroll down for a Palms drop-off)
3. If you'd like to get involved in organizing a vegan burrito pick up/drop off at the Community Fridge, please reach out to Savannah Gardner at: scfgardner@gmail.com.
 4. Call for blanket and bedding donations! It's cold outside and our unhoused neighbors could use some extra layers. If you have new or lightly used bedding you'd like to donate, please contact Hannah Murphy via murphyh4@gmail.com.
- c. If you would like a committee-relevant ongoing or one-off volunteer opportunity/event to be added to our committee's webpage or announcements, please email: pamela.leo@palmsnc.la
- d. [Join](#) the Palms NC Volunteer group on Facebook to advertise and stay up-to-date on all volunteer opportunities happening in Palms!

ADJOURNMENT at 7:00PM or shortly thereafter.

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