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**PALMS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

**General Assembly Meeting Agenda  
Wednesday, June 1, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.**

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*VIRTUAL MEETING TELECONFERENCING NUMBER FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN CONFORMITY WITH THE SEPTEMBER 16, 2021 ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA ASSEMBLY BILL 361 (RIVAS) AND DUE TO CONCERNS OVER COVID-19, THE PALMS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED ENTIRELY WITH A CALL-IN OPTION OR INTERNET-BASED SERVICE OPTION.*

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**1) CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL:**

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

**2) ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- a. Budget Day is June 18, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. Register at [tiny.cc/buda2022](http://tiny.cc/buda2022)
- b. Budget Advocates elections are scheduled for the week of June 25. If you are interested in becoming a Budget Advocate and learning about City services, contact Kay Hartman at

[treasurer@palmsnc.la](mailto:treasurer@palmsnc.la). No prior knowledge is required. All skills are valuable in one way or another.

- c. Save the Date for Los Angeles Safety & Preparedness Fair on 11/23/2022
- d. The Homeless Advocacy & Public Service Committee is planning a Connect Day event on September 8, 2022 with CD5 & SD3. Contact [josh.nadel@palmsnc.la](mailto:josh.nadel@palmsnc.la) for more information or to volunteer
- e. The Green Committee is rescheduling its Earth Day neighborhood cleanup for June 11th, contact [green@palmsnc.la](mailto:green@palmsnc.la) for more information or to volunteer. The event will start at 1 PM at the Palms Metro Bike Share with a free Metro Bike ride, followed by a cleanup from 2-4 PM along the bike path.
- f. We are accepting applications for the Youth Representative position on the Palms NC Board [email [vicepresident@palmsnc.la](mailto:vicepresident@palmsnc.la) for the application materials]

**3) GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS & MULTIPLE AGENDA ITEM PUBLIC COMMENT**

**4) COMMUNITY & GOVERNMENT REPORTS**

- a. Office of Councilmember Paul Koretz – James Ingram [james.ingram@lacity.org](mailto:james.ingram@lacity.org)
- b. Office of Mayor Eric Garcetti – Vishesh Anand [vishesh.anand@lacity.org](mailto:vishesh.anand@lacity.org)
- c. LA Police Department Pacific Division Senior Lead Officer (SLO) – Officer Navarrette  
Department of Neighborhood Empowerment – Freddy Cupen-Ames  
[freddy.cupen-ames@lacity.org](mailto:freddy.cupen-ames@lacity.org)
- d. Office of County Supervisor Sheila Kuhel –Zac Gaidzik [zgaidzik@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:zgaidzik@bos.lacounty.gov)
- e. Office of State Assemblymember Isaac Bryan- Michelle Persoff  
[michelle.persoff@asm.ca.gov](mailto:michelle.persoff@asm.ca.gov)
- f. Office of State Senator Sydney Kamlager– Josef Siroky [josef.siroky@sen.ca.gov](mailto:josef.siroky@sen.ca.gov)
- g. Other Government Departments and Community Organizations
  - i. Budget Advocates Report
  - ii. Budget Tribunes Report
  - iii. Motor Avenue Improvement Association

**5) EXECUTIVE REPORTS**

**a. President**

- i. **MOTION:** to appoint Katrina Kaiser as Area E Representative
- ii. **MOTION:** to authorize the Palms NC to spend up to \$650 for an outreach event at a neighborhood business

**b. Treasurer**

- i. Palms NC [Budget](#) Report

**6) CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

- a. **MOTION:** to approve the [April 2022 MER](#)
- b. **MOTION:** to remove Helen Tocco as Secretary and thank her for her service to the Palms NC
- c. **MOTION:** to add Ariel Butters as member of the Racial & Social Justice
- d. **MOTION:** to remove Gabriela Sotomayor as member of the Business & Beautification Committee
- e. **MOTION:** To remove Eliot Hochberg as Chair of the Business & Beautification Committee and thank him for his service
- f. **MOTION:** To remove Eliot Hochberg as member of the Transportation Committee and thank him for his service
- g. **MOTION:** To appoint Ozgun Simekli and Danielle Lucker as members of the Green Committee

- h. **MOTION:** To appoint Josh Nadel as Chair of the Business & Beautification Committee
- i. **MOTION:** To authorize the Palms NC to submit a [CIS](#) in support of Flavored Tobacco Products / Youth Tobacco Use / Sale Restriction / Proposed Strategy [CF 18-1104](#)
- j. **MOTION:** To appoint Lukas Smith as a member of the Homelessness Advocacy & Public Service Committee
- k. **MOTION:** To authorize the Palms NC to submit a [CIS](#) in support of the United to House Los Angeles Citizens' Initiative on the November 2022 Ballot

## 7) NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Planning & Land Use Management Committee**
  - i. **MOTION:** to oppose the development project at 10626 Venice Blvd
  - ii. **MOTION:** to approve a [letter](#) opposing the development project at 10626 Venice Blvd
- b. **MOTION:** To authorize the Palms NC to submit a [CIS](#) opposing changes to the administrative code about "Budget Advocacy"
- c. **MOTION** to approve a CIS opposing [Council File 11-1020-S3](#) the change to the administrative code about budget advocacy.
  - i. The Palms Neighborhood Council opposes [Council File 11-1020-S3](#). Neighborhood Councils form alliances when they want to join together to work on something of common interest. We want to be able to contribute specifically to alliances we support. The name of the overall fund is not important. What is important is that every recognized alliance has the ability to raise its own funds and those funds are reserved for its use and its use alone. Our Neighborhood Council wants the ability to direct our funds to a specific alliance and not to a fund that is allocated without our input.

## 8) ADJOURNMENT

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