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PALMS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

**General Assembly Special Meeting Agenda
The IMAN Center**

**3376 Motor Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90034 (onsite parking available)
Wednesday, October 1, 2025 – 7:00 p.m.**

Si requiere servicios de traducción, favor de avisar al Concejo Vecinal 3 días de trabajo (72 horas) antes del evento. Por favor contacte Kay Hartman, Presidente, por correo electrónico al Kay.Hartman@palmsnc.la para avisar al Concejo Vecinal.

PUBLIC INPUT AT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETINGS Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board meeting. Public comment is limited to two minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer.

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.

1) CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

- a. Call to Order (Hartman)
- b. Roll Call (Hartman)

2) ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. The Neighborhood Council is looking for people to join our committees. To join, please send an email expressing your interest to president@palmsnc.la.
- b. Palms Neighborhood Council Committees Community Resources:
 - i. [Renters Rights and Affordable Housing Advocacy Committee Resource List](#)
 - ii. [Racial and Social Justice Resource List](#)

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

4) COMMUNITY & GOVERNMENT REPORTS

- a. Office of Councilmember Katy Yaroslavsky – Vanessa Saldana Vanessa.Saldana@lacity.org
- b. Office of Mayor Karen Bass –

- c. Office of County Supervisor Lindsey Horvath – Katie Abrams KAbrams@bos.lacounty.gov
- d. Office of LAUSD Board of Education Sherlett Hendy Newbill – Jewett Walker, Jr.
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- e. Office of State Assemblymember Isaac Bryan- Karen Calderon Karen.Calderon@asm.ca.gov
- f. Office of State Senator Lola Smallwood-Cuevas – Carlos Penilla Carlos.Penilla@sen.ca.gov
- g. Office of Congress Representative Ted Lieu – Mia Thiagarajan
Mia.Thiagarajan@mail.house.gov
- h. Office of Congress Representative Sydney Kamlager Dove – Jackson Benarroch
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- i. Los Angeles Police Department Pacific Division – Senior Lead Officer (SLO) Adrian D. Acosta 37285@lapd.online
- j. Los Angeles Fire Department Battalion 18 – Chief Shin Black Shin.Black@lacity.org
- k. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment – Helena Doub helena.doub@lacity.org
- l. Other Government Departments and Community Organizations
 - i. Community Forest Advisory Committee
 - ii. Budget Advocates

5) COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Business Relations (Akef)
 - i. [September 9, 2025 Meeting Minutes](#)
- b. Education/Youth/Community (Hartman)
 - i. [September 16, 2025 Meeting Minutes](#)
- c. Executive (Hartman)
 - i. [September 24, 2025 Meeting Minutes](#)
- d. Green (Miller)
 - i. [August 26, 2025 Meeting Minutes](#)
- e. Outreach (Hartman)
- f. Planning and Land Use Management (Hartman)
 - i. [September 10, 2025 Meeting Minutes](#)
- g. Transportation and Infrastructure (Kaiser)
 - i. [September 11, 2025 Meeting Minutes](#)
- h. Unhoused and Public Safety (Akef)

6) EXECUTIVE REPORTS

- a. President
 - i. The Neighborhood Council is looking for people to fill the roles of Secretary, Community Based Organizations Representative, and Business Representative. Please send a resume and cover letter to president@palmsnc.la to apply. Board members are also welcome to apply.
 - ii. Looking for somebody to be the first alternate representative to the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils – WRAC (meets the third Monday at 6:30 p.m. on Zoom). If you are interested in this position, please contact Kay Hartman, president@palmsnc.la.
 - iii. Looking for somebody to be called to serve on grievance panels. If you are interested in this position, please contact Kay Hartman, president@palmsnc.la.
 - iv. A reminder to committee chairs that committee members who are not members of the board and who have not previously signed the Code of Conduct need to do so. Please scan the signed document and email it to president@palmsnc.la. Let Kay know if you have any questions.

- v. We are lost our Secretary this month. Until we find a new Secretary, the tasks are divided among those who volunteered and the Executive Committee. You can view the assignments [here](#).

b. Treasurer

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

7) REGULAR CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- i. **MOTION** to appoint Sam Goodyear to the Outreach Committee
- ii. **MOTION** to appoint Sam Goodyear to the PLUM Committee
- iii. **MOTION** to appoint Paula Petersen to the Green Committee
- iv. **MOTION** to appoint Sam Goodyear as the alternate representative to LANCC
- v. **MOTION** to designate Kay Hartman to receive the election records from the 2025 Neighborhood Council Elections
- vi. **MOTION** to appoint Kay Hartman as the Palms Neighborhood Council representative to grievance panels
- vii. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to submit a [CIS](#) to support [Council File 23-1168](#) for a speed camera pilot in Los Angeles
- viii. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to submit a [CIS](#) to support if amended [Council File 25-0930](#) for wide bike lanes and emergency vehicle access
- ix. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to submit a [CIS](#) to opposed Council File [22-0822-S3](#) to allow hotels to be built 500 feet outside of an area zoned as a Regional Center
- x. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to submit a [CIS](#) to support [Council File 25-0600-S53](#) to create a sliding scale of fees for developers with repeated building code violations
- xi. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to submit a [CIS](#) to support if amended [Council File 17-0274-S3](#) to refund the Affordable Housing Linkage fee for projects that do not complete or do not obtain a Certificate of Occupancy
- xii. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to respond with a [letter](#) to the [draft Los Angeles Parks Needs Assessment](#) proposal
 - 1. [Interactive version of the report](#)

8) FUNDING CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- i. **MOTION** to approve an [updated budget](#)
 - 1. Includes a \$9,696.43 rollover from last fiscal year's unspent funds
- ii. **MOTION** to approve an [updated Administrative Packet](#)
 - 1. To match the updated budget
- iii. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to host a December 7, 2025 event for a group transit ride from Palms Station to LAX and back and spend up to \$700.
 - 1. Plan is to take the Metro from Palms Station to the LAX Metro Transit Center and then continue on the shuttle to LAX and then return the same way followed by gathering for snacks. Snacks location is still up for discussion, but Lobster and Beer is a heavy favorite.
 - 2. The Transportation Committee requests support from the Outreach Committee
 - 3. [Budget](#)
- iv. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to spend up to \$150 for 1000 [outreach flyers](#)
 - 1. 500 flyers are \$99.93 plus tax

2. 1000 flyers are \$111.32 plus tax

9) OLD BUSINESS

10) NEW BUSINESS

- a. The Outreach Committee would like to see us table once a month. It is asking each committee to pick a time to staff a table and talk to stakeholders. Sign up in [this spreadsheet](#)
- b. **DISCUSSION** and possible **MOTION** to appoint up to three board members to represent the Palms Neighborhood Council at Civic University on Saturday, October 11, 2025, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
 - i. Designate two attendees and one standby

11) ADJOURNMENT

- a. Next meeting is scheduled for November 5, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. in person at the IMAN Center.

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- <https://palmsnc.la/>
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