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**Palms Neighborhood Council
General Assembly**

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PALMS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

**General Assembly Meeting Agenda
The IMAN Center**

**3376 Motor Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90034 (onsite parking available)
Wednesday, May 6, 2026 – 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 fill the roles of Vice President, Business Representative, and Youth Representative. Please send a resume and cover letter to president@palmsnc.la to apply. Board members are also welcome to apply.
- b. The Neighborhood Council is looking for people to join our committees. See our list of committees on our website at <https://palmsnc.la/committees/>. To join, attend a committee. If you like it, contact the committee chair to express your interest.
- c. Budget Day is the morning of June 27 at City Hall
- d. 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 – Jennifer Hull jennifer.hull@lacity.org
- c. Office of County Supervisor Lindsey Horvath – Page Hajiloo PHajiloo@bos.lacounty.gov
- d. Office of LAUSD Board of Education Sherlett Hendy Newbill – Jewett Walker, Jr. jewett.walkerjr@lausd.net
- 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 Jackson.Benarroch@mail.house.gov
- 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 – Daniel Johnson daniel.d.johnson@lacity.org
- l. Other Government Departments and Community Organizations
 - i. Community Forest Advisory Committee
 - ii. Budget Advocates

5) COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Community Engagement (Hartman)
- b. [April 16, 2026 Meeting Minutes](#)
- c. Executive (Hartman)
- d. Green (Miller)
- e. Planning and Land Use Management (Hartman)
- f. [April 8, 2026 Meeting Minutes](#)
- g. Transportation and Infrastructure (Garfinkel)
- h. Unhoused and Public Safety (Akef)

6) EXECUTIVE REPORTS

- a. President
 - i. The Mayor’s Budget was released April 20 and the money to hold the 2027 election was restored. The money was for a by-mail election. The City Clerk is going to advocate for a hybrid election.
 - ii. The Mayor’s Budget calls for a \$10,000 rollover. The City Clerk says they are going to advocate for a 100% rollover.
 - iii. The City Clerk released new [Funding Policies and Guidelines](#). The new policies prohibit the use of a funding consent agenda.
 - iv. The Neighborhood Council is looking for people to fill the roles of Vice President, Business Representative, and Youth Representative. Please send a resume and cover letter to president@palmsnc.la to apply. Board members are also welcome to apply.
 - v. 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.
 - vi. 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.

- b. Treasurer
 - i. Palms Neighborhood Council [Budget](#)
- c. Secretary

7) REGULAR CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- a. **MOTION** to approve the [April 1, 2026 General Assembly Meeting Minutes](#)
- b. **MOTION** to appoint William Keith chair of the Unhoused and Public Safety Committee
- c. **MOTION** to remove one Business Representative from our board structure and add one Equity Officer
 - i. [First draft of bylaws changes](#)
- d. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to submit a [CIS](#) supporting [Council File 19-0229-S2](#) to enforce the Fair Work Week
- e. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to submit a [CIS](#) supporting [Council File 25-1473](#) to require short term rental platforms to share information about its rentals
- f. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to submit a [CIS](#) opposing [Council File 25-1083-S1](#) to plan for a slow walk of SB-79 in some neighborhoods
- g. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to submit a [CIS](#) supporting [Council File 25-1484](#) regulating concentration of sober living facilities
- h. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to submit a [CIS](#) supporting [Council File 21-0658-S1](#) to retain three Affordable Housing Liaison positions
- i. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to send a [letter](#) to Mayor Bass about restoring the funding consent agenda
- j. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to send a [letter](#) to Councilmember Yaroslavsky about making a motion to raise the maximum tip
- k. **MOTION** to appoint John Giarratana vice chair of the Unhoused and Public Safety Committee
- l. **MOTION** to hold a public safety month in September
 - i. Ideas so far include Red Cross Class, Car Seat Safety event, Coffee with a Cop, Maybe something with LAFD, CERT class is September, RYLAN, Earthquake Alliance
 - ii. Red Cross has CPR and sound the alarm to discuss alarms and give away a start-up kit
 - iii. Let Kay and/or William know if you have other ideas

8) OLD BUSINESS

9) NEW BUSINESS

- a. **MOTION** to approve Neal Broverman as Area E Representative
 - i. [Neal Broverman Cover Letter](#)
 - ii. [Neal Broverman Resume](#)
- b. **MOTION** to approve the [February 2026 MER](#)
- c. **MOTION** to approve the [March 2026 MER](#)
- d. **MOTION** to approve a [new 2025-2026 Administrative Packet](#)
- e. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to hold a trivia night on June 17 at the Dough Room with a budget of \$2000
 - i. [Budget](#)
- f. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to participate in the time capsule ceremony at Palms Middle School on May 16
 - i. A time capsule from 1976 will be uncovered. A new time capsule will be buried to be opened in 2076.
 - ii. **DISCUSSION** of what to add to the new Palms Middle School time capsule to be opened in 2076. Current ideas include a Palms branded TAP card, a letter describing who we are, a copy of this agenda, and business cards.

- g. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to spend up to \$260 to renew its Zoom license
- h. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to spend up to \$500 to purchase certificates of merit for students at Charnock Road Elementary School with good attendance
 - i. [Certificate graphic](#)
- i. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to spend up to \$300 on the MyLA311 campaign for print, yard, and digital signs
 - i. [Example graphic](#)
- j. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to spend up to \$1300 to purchase a [branded canopy](#)
 - i. This is a medium duty canopy with a fabric top. Our current canopy has a vinyl top. It's duty is unknown, but it is breaking down and the peak has no way to be held up.
 - ii. The design would say PALMSNC.LA on the four valences. It would have our logo on the four sloped sides.
- k. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to spend up to \$2600 for 800 [Palms branded TAP cards](#) with no fare loaded
- l. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to spend up to \$450 for 500 [branded ballpoint pens](#)
- m. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to spend up to \$3600 for 300 branded tote bags
 - i. Organic and fair trade
- n. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to contribute \$1000 to Neighborhood Council Budget Day
- o. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to contribute \$1000 to the Congress of Neighborhoods event
- p. **MOTION** to approve a [\\$2000 NPG](#) for Fire Station 43
- q. **MOTION** to approve a [\\$2000 NPG](#) for Friends of Palms Middle School
- r. **MOTION** to approve a [\\$2000 NPG](#) for Charnock Road Elementary School

10) ADJOURNMENT

- a. Next meeting is scheduled for June 3, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. in person at the IMAN Center.

[ALL SUPPLEMENTALS](#)

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- <https://palmsnc.la/>
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