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Unhoused and Public Safety
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PALMS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
Special Unhoused and Public Safety Committee Meeting Agenda
Monday, May 11, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.

Zoom Meeting Online at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81000927824>

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IN CONFORMITY WITH THE JANUARY 1, 2025 ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 707 (PORTANTINO) AND LA CITY COUNCIL FILE 23-1114, THE PALMS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL PLUM COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY.

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Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Committee's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Committee 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 Committee meeting. Public comment is limited to two minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

In the event of a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting to members of the public using the call-in option or internet-based service option, or in the event of a disruption within the eligible legislative body's control that prevents members of the public from offering public comments using the call-in option or internet-based service option, the eligible legislative body shall take no further action on items appearing on the meeting agenda until public access to the meeting via the call-in option or internet-based service option is restored. Actions taken on agenda items during a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting may be challenged pursuant to Section 54960.1. **California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(3).**

The legislative body shall not require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the legislative body and offer comments in real time. **California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(4).**

Notwithstanding Section 54953.3, an individual desiring to provide public comment through the use of an internet website, or other online platform, not under the control of the eligible legislative body, that requires registration to log in to a teleconference may be required to register as required by the third-party internet website or online platform to participate. **California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(5),**

A legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to paragraph (5), to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed. **California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(6)(A),**

A legislative body that does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to paragraph (5), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment. **California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(6)(B).**

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**
 - a. Call to Order
 - b. Roll Call
- II. INTRODUCTIONS**
 - a. Introductions and welcome
- III. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**
 - a. General public comment is limited to non-agenda items
- IV. COMMITTEE BUSINESS**
 - a. LAPD Report
 - b. LAFD Report
 - c. Committee member updates
 - i. LAFD Community Emergency Response Team held the first class on May 7th at First Lutheran Church, 3735 Hughes Ave., 90034. Seats are available. **Participants who miss the first class are still eligible to complete the course.**

- ii. The next LAFD Community Emergency Response Team classes will start September 8th at the IMAN Center, 3376 Motor Ave., 90034. Seats are available.
- d. **MOTION** to invite a guest speaker from the LA Dept of Public Health, Office of Diversion and Reentry, to provide details on the [LEAD \(Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion\)](#) program.
- e. **MOTION** to support and promote a Palms Public Safety Month in September, including:
 - i. Staff locations that feature [LAFD CERT](#), [LA EMD Ready Your LA Neighborhood](#), [American Red Cross](#), [Earthquake Country Alliance](#), and other emergency preparedness organizations.
 - ii. Are there any other ideas for the Palms Public Safety Month event?
 - iii. Encourage stakeholder participation throughout the Palms area.
- f. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to submit a [CIS](#) supporting [Council File 26-0386](#) to report on the feasibility of establishing a program to authorize the Fire Department to proactively demolish abandoned structures that pose a significant fire risk prior to the occurrence of a fire, including necessary due process protocols such as owner notification and a final opportunity to abate.
- g. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to submit a [CIS](#) opposing [Council File 26-0286](#) LAPD Drone First Responder Program donation receipt.
 - i. The Los Angeles Police Foundation has donated \$2.1 million to purchase drones, docking stations, and supporting infrastructure for the LAPD's Drone as First Responder (DFR) program.
 - ii. The LAPD already has a multi-billion-dollar budget. If this is a priority program, they should account for it in their current, city-crippling allotment.
 - iii. LAPD has a history of financial irresponsibility with the implementation and execution of their rotorcraft technology. See the [LA City Controller's Audit](#) of LAPD's Helicopter use here.

V. ADJOURNMENT:

- a. The next Unhoused & Public Safety committee meeting is on June 22 at 7:00 on Zoom.

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