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**PALMS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

**Special General Assembly Meeting Agenda  
Tuesday, May 12, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.**

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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).**

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**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](mailto: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. Register at [tiny.cc/BudgetDay26](http://tiny.cc/BudgetDay26).
- 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](mailto:Vanessa.Saldana@lacity.org)
- b. Office of Mayor Karen Bass – Jennifer Hull [jennifer.hull@lacity.org](mailto:jennifer.hull@lacity.org)
- c. Office of County Supervisor Lindsey Horvath – Page Hajiloo [PHajiloo@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:PHajiloo@bos.lacounty.gov)
- d. Office of LAUSD Board of Education Sherlett Hendy Newbill – Jewett Walker, Jr. [jewett.walkerjr@lausd.net](mailto:jewett.walkerjr@lausd.net)
- e. Office of State Assemblymember Isaac Bryan- Karen Calderon [Karen.Calderon@asm.ca.gov](mailto:Karen.Calderon@asm.ca.gov)
- f. Office of State Senator Lola Smallwood-Cuevas – Carlos Penilla [Carlos.Penilla@sen.ca.gov](mailto:Carlos.Penilla@sen.ca.gov)
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- h. Office of Congress Representative Sydney Kamlager Dove – Jackson Benarroch [Jackson.Benarroch@mail.house.gov](mailto:Jackson.Benarroch@mail.house.gov)
- i. Los Angeles Police Department Pacific Division – Senior Lead Officer (SLO) Adrian D. Acosta [37285@lapd.online](mailto:37285@lapd.online)
- j. Los Angeles Fire Department Battalion 18 – Chief Shin Black [Shin.Black@lacity.org](mailto:Shin.Black@lacity.org)
- k. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment – Daniel Johnson [daniel.d.johnson@lacity.org](mailto: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)
  - i. [April 16, 2026 Meeting Minutes](#)
- b. Executive (Hartman)
- c. Green (Miller)
- d. Planning and Land Use Management (Hartman)
  - i. [April 8, 2026 Meeting Minutes](#)
- e. Transportation and Infrastructure (Garfinkel)
- f. 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 is 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. Until the City Council Budget and Finance committee completes its work, we don’t know which way it will go.
  - iii. The City Clerk released new [Funding Policies and Guidelines](#). The new policies prohibit the use of a funding consent agenda among other restrictions.

- 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](mailto: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](mailto:president@palmsnc.la).
  - vi. Looking for someone to help Kay at the May 16 Youth Art Fair.
  - vii. 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](mailto:president@palmsnc.la). Let Kay know if you have any questions.
- b. Treasurer
    - i. Palms Neighborhood Council [Budget](#)
    - ii. [Remaining funds](#)
      - 1. We will revisit this next month
  - 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 appoint John Giarratana vice chair of the Unhoused and Public Safety Committee
- d. **MOTION** to remove one Business Representative from our board structure and add one Equity Officer
  - i. [Bylaws changes](#)
- e. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to submit a [CIS](#) supporting [Council File 19-0229-S2](#) to enforce the Fair Work Week
- f. **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
- g. **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
- h. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to submit a [CIS](#) supporting [Council File 25-1484](#) regulating concentration of sober living facilities
- i. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to submit a [CIS](#) supporting [Council File 21-0658-S1](#) to retain three Affordable Housing Liaison positions
- j. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to send a [letter](#) to Mayor Bass about restoring the funding consent agenda
- k. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to send a [letter](#) to Councilmember Yaroslavsky about making a motion to raise the maximum tip
- 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

- a. **MOTION** to amend the budget for the Youth Art Show to \$500 for tables, chairs, and drinks
  - i. We have enough snacks in the storage unit

## 9) NEW BUSINESS

- a. **MOTION** to approve Neal Broverman as Area E Representative
- b. [Neal Broverman Cover Letter](#)
- c. [Neal Broverman Resume](#)

- d. **MOTION** to approve the [February 2026 MER](#)
- e. **MOTION** to approve the [March 2026 MER](#)
- f. **MOTION** to approve a [new 2025-2026 Administrative Packet](#)
- g. **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](#)
- h. **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.
- i. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to spend up to \$260 to renew its Zoom license
- j. **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](#)
- k. **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](#)
- l. **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.
- m. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to spend up to \$2600 for 800 [Palms branded TAP cards](#) with no fare loaded
- n. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to spend up to \$450 for 500 [branded ballpoint pens](#)
- o. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to spend up to \$3600 for 300 branded tote bags
  - i. Organic and fair trade
- p. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to contribute \$1000 to Neighborhood Council Budget Day
- q. **MOTION** to authorize the Palms Neighborhood Council to contribute \$1000 to the Congress of Neighborhoods event
- r. **MOTION** to approve a [\\$2000 NPG](#) for Fire Station 43
- s. **MOTION** to approve a [\\$2000 NPG](#) for Friends of Palms Middle School
- t. **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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