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HARBOR GATEWAY SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

General Board and Stakeholder Meeting

Thursday, May 8 at 6:30 pm



Halldale Elementary School Auditorium

21514 Halldale Avenue

Torrance, CA 90501

AGENDA

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call**
2. **Approval of Agenda** – Approval of May 8, 2025 meeting agenda
3. **Approval of Minutes** – April 10, 2025 Meeting minutes
4. **Governmental, LAPD, Budget Advocates, and other City Departments, Committee Updates and Report**
5. **LA City Budget 2025-2026** The shortfall is close to \$1 billion, there are expected layoffs, and many city services will be affected. The budget can be viewed at <https://cao.lacity.gov/budget/index.htm> If you would like to submit a comment on the Mayor's proposed budget, please do so by going to the following: <https://cityclerk.lacity.org/publiccomment/> be sure to use Council File 25-0600
6. **Council File 25-0600** - Submit a Community Impact Statement (CIS) about the pending Neighborhood Council Budget. See attached letter. To support not reducing the NC Budget.
7. **Council File 25-0314** proposes to create a five person advisory group on the City's finances and Budget. Submit a Community Impact Statement (CIS) that someone from the Neighborhood Council System, i.e NC Budget Advocate should be one of the five participants.
8. **Case No. VTT-83991-SL-HCA** – 1608 West 218th Street for the subdivision of an 18,000 square-foot site into eleven 11 small lot pursuant to the LAMC Section 12.22 C,27, and a request for a 20 percent reduction in the front yard setback. Appeal End Date May 12, 2025. See attachments for more details (page 21-22 has appeal information, page 23 has the existing and proposed map)
9. **General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items. To ensure that all are heard, a 2-minute time limit applies to each public speaker.** This portion of the meeting is reserved for comment on items that are not on the agenda. Under the Ralph M. Brown Act, **the Neighborhood Council (NC) cannot act on items raised during public comment**, but may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed; request clarification; or refer the item for a future meeting. Time starts when you step up to the microphone. If presenting handout material to the NC, please provide 9 copies before speaking
10. Motion to approve hosting monthly Board meetings at Halldale Elementary, 21514 Halldale Ave, Torrance CA for the new fiscal year 2025 to 2026. The application process for the period July to December 2025 opens on May 1, 2025.
11. **Budget and Finance**
 - a. Neighborhood purpose grant request of \$4,750 from Beautify LA – Mark Ragan
 - b. Motion to approve the 2025 March Monthly Expenditure Report
 - c. Motion to approve the 2025 April Monthly Expenditure Report
 - d. Motion to approve the cost of hosting meetings at Halldale Elementary, 21514 Halldale Ave, Torrance cost not to exceed \$1,000.
 - e. Motion to provide refreshments for a movie night at Normandale Park in June. Cost not to exceed \$1,500. The

event is free and open to the public and will be held at Normandale Recreation Center 22400 Halldale Ave, Torrance, CA 90501

- f. Motion to approve retractable banners with the NC Logo with a cost not to exceed \$1,200.
- g. Motion to approve promotional hats with NC Logo with a cost not to exceed \$3,500.
- h. Motion to approve purchase of 10 canvas folding chairs to be used at community events with a cost not to exceed \$1,000.
- i. Motion to approve the purchase of Canvas bags with logo, cost not to exceed \$3,500
- j. Motion to approve the purchase of promotional reusable water bottles with logo, cost not to exceed \$2,000
- k. Motion to approve the purchase of promotional pens with logo, cost not to exceed \$1,000
- l. Motion to approve the purchase of promotional notebook/notepads with logo, cost not to exceed \$2,000
- m. Motion to participate and perform outreach at Halldale Elementary End of School year graduation/event in June and contribute refreshments, cost not to exceed \$500.
- n. Motion to participate and perform outreach at Meyler Elementary End of School year graduation/event in June and contribute refreshments, cost not to exceed \$500.
- o. Motion to approve the purchase of promotional magnets with NC logo, cost not to exceed \$1,000
- p. Motion to contribute \$250 to “Neighborhood Council Budget Day” an event open to the public to be held on June 21, 9 am at City Hall.

12. Board Member Announcements/New Business

- a. Save the Date – June 21, 9am Neighborhood Council Budget Day at City Hall

13. Adjournment —The next regular Board and Stakeholder meeting to be announced.

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