

Northridge West Governing Board

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NORTHRIDGE WEST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL



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Regular General Board Meeting Tuesday, August 12th, 2025 at 6:15 PM

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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 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.



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- I. CALL TO ORDER
 - a) Board Roll Call
 - b) Pledge of Allegiance
- **II. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT -** Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. Each speaker will be allowed up to 2 minute(s).
- **III. ANNOUNCEMENTS -** Comments from the Board Members on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction
 - a) September 2nd, 2025 NWNC Executive Board Meeting TBD
 - b) September 9th, 2025 NWNC General Board Meeting
 - c) DONE Training Updates for Board Members
 - d) Board members-confirmation of board emails
 - g) Congress of Neighborhood Councils is Saturday September 27th, from 8:00am to 4:30pm. Registration is open now. The Congress Planning Committee works very hard every year to host an excellent event. It is expensive to host this event even though it is held at Los Angeles City Hall. The Congress is also known as the NC Convention. Neighborhood Council Board Members, BONC, EmpowerLA, and City Leaders are together at City Hall. Many vendors and City Partners attend as well. It is a day to expand your knowledge about NC and City Department operations. It is enjoyable to network with NC Board members from the various regions. Although DTLA is far from the North Valley, a Saturday morning drive takes about 30 minutes. You may wish to consider carpooling. Please register. Hope to see you there!
 - h) EmpowerLA Awards: Nominate your NC and other NCs for this award. The winner will be announced during lunch at the Congress of Neighborhood Councils on September 27th. Nominations open in August.
- IV. APPROVAL OF NWNC MONTHLY GBM MINUTES FOR JULY 2025
- V. APPROVAL OF NWNC MONTHLY EXPENDITURE REPORT (MER) FOR JULY 2025

VI. Presidential Comments

VII. GOVERNMENT REPORTS

- a) Public Safety LAPD Devonshire Division. (non-emergency number 1 877-ASK LAPD)
- b) CD 12 City Council Representative
- c) Other Government Departments/Agencies
- d) Department of Neighborhood Empowerment
- e) Budget Advocate, budgetadvocates.org

VIII. NWNC COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) Executive Committee (Janis Kraft)
- b) Public Safety (Kathleen Edwards)
- c) Government Affairs (Greg Wood)
- d) Planning and Land Use (Diana Delgado)
- e) Elections
- f) Homelessness
- g) Beautification
- h) Budget (Joel Lowell)
- i) Outreach-(Nathan Lichtman) Recap of National Night Out board participation
- i) Education

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Discussion and selection of NWNC committee chairs and member assignments.
- b) Whereas the City no longer has a contract with AppleOne for minute taking services, a motion to approve amending the 2025-2026 Admin Packet office budget line item from "AppleOne" to "Minute Taking" is proposed.
- c) Motion to establish an Ad Hoc Committee for Charter Reform to review and discuss the Los Angeles Charter and make recommendations important to our communities and NC. BONC will host listening sessions to obtain feedback. Dates for the listening sessions are to be announced.
- d) Discuss interest in doing another Outreach event with the Museum of the San Fernando Valley in November or December 2025 possibly calling it a Winter Fest. This will include other Northridge NCs. Northridge West, Northridge East and Northridge South participated in the October 2025 Valley Art Fair and Northridge West approved a \$2466 NPG for the Museum to host the Fair. The Museum wants to expand the event for 2025.
- e) Discussion of potential venues for future in-person General Board Meetings and Committee Meetings.
- f) Discussion on NWNC operational assets management and needs, such as: selecting a new physical location for posting meeting agendas, selecting new storage key holders, and inventory assets management.
- g) Motion to create an Ad Hoc committee to consider Amendments to Bylaws-opens

8/1/25 and closes 4/1/26. The Ad Hoc Committee will review bylaws and recommend any changes/updates to NWNC Board. EmpowerLA will host a virtual session on September 11 to review the Neighborhood Councils Bylaws. It's important to have at least one representative from the Bylaws Committee from our Board to attend the session and RSVP.

- h) The Northridge West NC agrees to authorize the Northridge East NC to share its Post Office Box (located at the Granada Hills Post Office) to receive its NC mail; the NENC has agreed to pay for one-half the annual rental fee and for all of the costs of any additional keys.
- i) One Generation is asking for Northridge NCs to sponsor a Fall Senior Health Fair at the Wilkinson Senior Center on October 25, 2025 from 10am to 1pm-save the date. One Generation/Rhonda Bunnin is currently working on sponsorship levels and costs to include NC booths. Rhonda will be presenting to the board at our September 9th GBM.
- j) Discuss and vote on \$4950 NPG request from Mark Ragan on behalf of Beautify LA.
- k) Motion to approve a committee zoom license not to exceed \$200

X. ADJOURNMENT (BY 9:00PM)

As a covered entity under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Los Angeles does not discriminate on the basis of disability and upon request will provide reasonable accommodation to ensure equal access to its programs, services, and activities. Sign language interpreters, assistive listening devices, or other auxiliary aids and/or services may be provided upon request. To ensure availability of services, please make your request at least 3 business days (72 hours) prior to the meeting by contacting the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment by calling (213) 978-1551 or email: NCsupport@lacity.org

Public Posting of Agendas -

Neighborhood Council agendas are posted for public review as follows:

- Matador Credit Union, 9401 Reseda Blvd, Northridge, CA 91324
- www.northridgewest.org
- You can also receive our agendas via email by subscribing to L.A. City's <u>Early Notification System</u> (ENS)

Notice to Paid Representatives -

If you are compensated to monitor, attend, or speak at this meeting, City law may require you to register as a lobbyist and report your activity. See Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 48.01 et seq. More information is available at ethics.lacity.org/lobbying. For assistance, please contact the Ethics Commission at (213) 978-1960 or ethics.commission@lacity.org

Public Access of Records -

In compliance with Government Code section 54957.5, non-exempt writings that are distributed to a majority or all of the board in advance of a meeting may be at our website www.northridgewest.org or at the scheduled meeting. In addition, if you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda, please contact Jorge Antonio Jiménez, President, at jijimenez@northridgewest.org

Reconsideration and Grievance Process -

For information on the NC's process for board action reconsideration, stakeholder grievance policy, or

any other procedural matters related to this Council, please consult the NC Bylaws. The Bylaws are available at our Board meetings and our website www.northridgewest.org

Senate Bill 411 Updates:

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 Government Code Section 54960.1.

- (C) The eligible 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.
- (D) Notwithstanding Government Code 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.

(E)

- (i) An eligible 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 subparagraph (D), to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed.
- (ii) An eligible 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 subparagraph (D), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment.
- (iii) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed general public comment period that does not correspond to a specific agenda item shall not close the public comment period or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), until the timed general public comment period has elapsed.