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North Westwood
**NEIGHBORHOOD
COUNCIL**
**Regular Board Meeting
Agenda**

June 7th, 7pm

**In-person meeting:
Weyburn Terrace
Weyburn Commons, Village View Room (4th floor)
11020 Weyburn Drive, Los Angeles 90024**

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- I. **CALL TO ORDER AND BOARD ROLL CALL**
- II. **Approval of the Minutes of the Special Meeting 05/10/2021.** [5 10 Regular NWWNC Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)
- III. **GOVERNMENT REPORTS**
 - a. Los Angeles Police Department
 - b. Councilmember Katy Yaroslavsky
 - c. Supervisor Lindsey Horvath
 - d. Mayor Karen Bass
 - e. Assembly Member Rick Zbur
 - f. Congressman Ted Lieu
 - g. Westwood Village Improvement Association (BID)
 - h. UCLA Government Relations
 - i. Empower LA
 - j. Los Angeles Fire Department
- IV. **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT** - Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. Each speaker will be allowed 2 minute(s).
- V. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 - a. Budget & Finance
 - b. Outreach
 - c. Transportation
 - d. Community Health & Homelessness
- VI. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. DONE Presentation regarding the BONC Agenda Posting Policy, (Erica, 20min)
 - b. Discussion of, and possible Vote to approve, [NWWNC Administrative Packet](#) for the 23-24 FY, (Kyle, 25min)
 - c. Possible Discussion and Vote to add/amend to the LANCC 'Bill of Rights' - [Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Bill of Rights - Google Docs](#), (Terrence Gomes -LANCC, Josh, 25min)
 - 'This is a framework, a work in progress and, to make it the best it can be, we need everyone's input to ensure it covers the appropriate rights to cover every Neighborhood Council and, you, the Boardmember while being as inclusive as possible. Please note that these are rights, basic and unchanging, to protect the Neighborhood Councils and their Boardmembers. Once the Neighborhood Council Bill of Rights is finalized with Neighborhood Councils approval, the WG4CC's next task will be to collect input from the Neighborhood Councils and their representatives to create a document on procedures that need to be addressed and measures that might need to be taken to protect Neighborhood Councils and their Boardmembers based on concerns that have arisen in recent years. The Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition has been listening to our members' concerns and have been working hard to address these concerns.
 - Yesterday we had Mayor Karen Bass as our guest speaker. She was very open and answered every question that was asked of her and stated that she wants to continue to build a relationship with the Neighborhood Councils. LANCC would like to thank her and look forward to continuing to build a relationship. We may not always agree, but LANCC will be there to

build common ground between City Hall and the Neighborhood Councils for a better Los Angeles We look forward to receiving your ideas and comments on the Neighborhood Council Bill of Rights.' -Terrence Gomes, Chair Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition

d. Possible 'UCLA Luskin LA Community Heat Survey Team Presentation' (20min)

- 'The City of LA's Climate Emergency Mobilization Office is working to develop a Heat Action Plan to prepare for hotter days in LA, especially for disadvantaged communities. Our group of UCLA researchers is helping CEMO to collect community opinions for the Plan. We believe that your neighborhood council representatives and community members represent highly vulnerable communities to heat in LA and we would like to include your perspectives in our report.'

e. Possible from Arminé Sargsyan (she/her), Outreach Analyst Community Relations and Outreach, Branch California Department of Insurance, 'California Department of Insurance', (25min)

- 'Presentation on the California Low-Cost Auto Insurance Program (CLCA). The number of residents in the greater Los Angeles area forgoing auto insurance is the highest anywhere in the state, and as a department, it is our priority to ensure that every California driver is insured.'

f. Possible vote and discussion of Items from 6/3 Transportation Committee Meeting, (Jacob, 20min)

- *'Discussion and Possible Action:* Signing onto Letters Concerning Sepulveda Transit Corridor
 - a. Streets for All Coalition Letter Requesting Elected Support of Heavy Rail Option

Letter text:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qaIr_8kfJvS9O-FrfVevuMZy_ISErjPt-pbDARt8POw/edit?usp=sharing

b. New Community Impact Statement on Council File 15-0719-S28

Draft:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1MCV8MHD-g9eunTaSL_rKQCKwVhziNRMLMqseOSjtHzs/edit?usp=sharing

Council File 15-0719-S28:

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=15-0719-S28>

g. Discussion and possible Vote on [Council File: 23-0530](#), Yaroslavsky, 'Ethics and Conflict of Interest Laws / Disclosure Requirement / Registered Lobbyist / Relative / Councilmember or Staff / Lobbying Prohibition' (Andrew, 20min)

- Motion language: "Under current interpretation of the City's ethics and conflict of interest laws when the spouse of a City Councilmember's staff is a registered lobbyist and when that lobbyist is seeking to influence their spouse's office, the staff are advised to create a firewall within the Council office to effectively recuse themselves from engaging in any discussions or deliberations of the issue. However, such advice is only provided if the staff person in question proactively seeks guidance from the Ethics Commission or the City Attorney.

Because there are no provisions requiring such a firewall and in recognition that such firewalls may not always be effectively applied, it is likely that there have been instances where the spouse or close relative of a Councilmember or of the senior or planning staff of a Councilmember (e.g., those that are required to file a Form 700) has lobbied the office of that Councilmember. This presents at a minimum an appearance of conflict of interest if not an actual conflict. As the City Council is currently in the process of considering changes to these laws, now is an opportune time to consider provisions that would address this unregulated area of the law. I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council request that the Chief Legislative Analyst, in consultation with the Ethics Department and the City Attorney, report to the Council within 30 days on whether and how the City could adopt revisions to the ethics and conflict of interest laws that would:

1) Require that anyone registering as a lobbyist disclose if they are a Close Relative - defined as the spouse, registered domestic partner, parent, or child of the lobbyist - of a City Councilmember or staff person of a Councilmember that is required to file a Form 700 form (collectively the "Reporting Staff"); . leu, 2) Prohibit a registered lobbyist that is a Close Relative of a Councilmember or of a member of the Reporting Staff of a Councilmember from lobbying that Council office on any proposed or pending land use development project that is located in that Councilmember's district; and ri F MAY 16 2023 JI'.v 3) Prohibit a Councilmember or Reporting Staff person of a Councilmember from communicating with a registered lobbyist who is a close relative of the Councilmember or of a Reporting Staff person of a Councilmember on proposed or pending land use development project that is located in the Councilmember's district and require the prohibited individual, the Councilmember or a Reporting Staff person, to recuse and file the appropriate disclosure form with the City Ethics Commission."

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