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**PACOIMA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**  
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**Regular Board Meeting Agenda**

Wednesday, February 18, 2026

**Time: 6:30pm - 8:30pm**

- **Meeting Type: Hybrid (In-person/Virtual (Zoom)/Teleconference**
- **In-person Location:** Pacoima Community Center - 11243 Glenoaks Blvd, Pacoima, CA, 91331
- **Virtual Platform:** Zoom Meeting Online
  - **Zoom Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87846965371>
- **Teleconference:**
  - To join the meeting by phone dial (669) 900-6833
  - Then enter this Webinar ID: 878 4696 5371 and Press #

Neighborhood Council Executive Board	Board Members
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Mikayeel Khan</b> -- President &amp; Chair of Executive Committee &amp; Chair of Land Use Committee</li> <li>▪ <b>Walter Garcia</b> -- Vice President</li> <li>▪ <b>Anna M. Justice</b> -- Treasurer &amp; Chair of Budget &amp; Finance Committee</li> <li>▪ <b>Roxanne Urquiza</b> -- Secretary</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Fannie Long</b> -- Senior Representative</li> <li>▪ <b>Rebecca Long</b> -- At-Large Representative</li> <li>▪ <b>Reuben Garcia</b> -- Chair of Public Safety &amp; Health Committee</li> <li>▪ <b>Sue Vasquez</b> -- Chair of Youth and Education Development Committee</li> <li>▪ <b>John Hernandez</b> -- Retail Business Representative</li> <li>▪ <b>Adrian Perez</b> -- Chair of Arts &amp; Culture Committee</li> </ul>



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**Every person wishing to address the Board must dial (669) 900-6833 and enter 878 4696 5371 and then press # to join the meeting. When prompted by the presiding officer, to provide public input at the Neighborhood Council meeting the public will be requested to dial \*9 or use the Raise Hand option, to address the Board on any agenda item before the Board takes an action on an item. Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered.**

Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. 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 2 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

Los comentarios del público sobre los temas de la agenda se escucharán solo cuando se esté considerando el tema respectivo. Los comentarios del público sobre otros asuntos que no aparecen en la agenda y que están dentro de la jurisdicción de la Junta se escucharán durante el período de Comentarios del Público en General. Tenga en cuenta que en virtud de la Ley Brown, la Junta no puede actuar sobre un asunto que usted señale durante el período de Comentarios del Público General; sin embargo, la cuestión planteada por un miembro del público puede convertirse en el tema de una futura reunión de la Junta. Los comentarios públicos están limitados a 2 minutos por orador, a menos que el presidente de la Junta lo modifique.

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



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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 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 volunteer stakeholders who are devoted to the mission of improving our communities and bringing government closer to us. No formal meeting shall be held, or business conducted, or votes taken, in the absence of a quorum. A quorum shall consist of nine (9) members of the Board. No floating quorums are allowed. Contacting the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment by calling (213) 978-1551 or email: [NCsupport@lacity.org](mailto:NCsupport@lacity.org) or Board President Email: [mikayeelkhan@gmail.com](mailto:mikayeelkhan@gmail.com).



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**1) WELCOMING REMARKS:**

- a) Call to order & Flag salute.
- b) Board roll Call by Secretary.

**2) COMMUNITY/GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

(Representatives from government offices, Police Department, and community-based organizations. *Up to (5) minutes per report, the Chair has the authority to adjust, if necessary, to equal time limits*)

<p><b>A.</b> <u>California Congressional District 29</u> Congresswomen Luz Rivas Field Deputy: <b>Cynthia Becerra</b></p> <p><b>B.</b> <u>Los Angeles City Council District 7</u> Councilwoman Monica Rodriguez Field Representative: <b>Esmeralda Benitez</b></p> <p><b>C.</b> <u>Los Angeles Police Department, Foothill Division</u> Senior Lead Officer: <b>Steve Nunez and Officer Diana Figueroa</b></p> <p><b>D.</b> <u>LAPD Community Safety Partnership</u> Senior Lead Officer: <b>Luis Garcia and Nancy Escobar</b></p> <p><b>E.</b> <u>Department of Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate</u> <b>Alfonzo Manzo</b></p> <p><b>F.</b> <u>California State Assembly District 43</u> <b>Assemblywoman Celeste Rodriguez</b> Field Representative: <b>Fabian Alonso</b></p>	<p><b>G.</b> <u>LAUSD Board of Education Board</u> Member Kelly Gonez Field Deputy: <b>Maria Flores</b></p> <p><b>H.</b> <u>City of Los Angeles Mayor Karen Ruth Bass</u> Field Deputy: <b>Genesis Discua</b></p> <p><b>I.</b> <u>Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors – 3<sup>rd</sup> District</u> Supervisor Lindsey Horvath Field Deputy: <b>Paulina Torres</b></p> <p><b>J.</b> <u>California State Senate District 20</u> Senator Caroline Menjivar District Representative: <b>Teodora Reyes / Katherine Castrejon</b></p> <p><b>K.</b> <u>Region 1 Budget Advocate</u> <b>Lionel Mares</b></p> <p><b>L.</b> <u>Los Angeles Metro - East San Fernando Valley Light Rail Transit Project</u> Community Relations Officer: <b>Raymond Acevedo</b></p>
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**3) GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:**

*Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's jurisdiction (Up to two (2) minutes per speaker, the Chair has the authority to adjust, if necessary, to equal time limits).*

**4) Presentation:**

- i) Presentation on Metro's plan to replace the bike lanes on Van Nuys Bl, between Parthenia St and San Fernando Rd, to Terra Bella St, between Wakefield Av and San Fernando Rd – By Raymond Acevedo (15 Minutes)

**5) ADMINISTRATIVE/MOTIONS/UPDATES:**

- a. Motion/Discussion/vote for the approval Monthly Expenditure Reports (MER's) for: January 2026. – By Anna Justice (5 Minutes)
- b. Motion/Discussion/ vote for the approval of January 2026 minutes. – By Roxanne Urquiza (5 minutes)
- c. Motion/Discussion/Vote for a Microphone Stand and Phone clip attachment for iPhones up to 125.00. – By Treasurer Anna Justice (5 minutes)
- d. Motion/discussion/vote for the approval of the funding request for Tia Chucha's. The amount requested is \$1,200 to the Celebrating Words Festival. – By Adrian Perez. (10 minutes)

**6) BOARD MEMBERS, COMMITTEE COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- President's Report
- Vice-president's Report
- Treasurer's Report
- Secretary's Report
- Outreach Committee
- Housing, Economic Development and Land Use Committee
- Bylaws Committee
- Arts & Culture Committee
- Public Health and Safety Committee
- Youth and Education Development Committee

**7) ADJOURNMENT:**

**Time allocations for agenda items are approximate and may be shortened or lengthened at the discretion of the Chairperson.**

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- [www.PacoimaNC.com](http://www.PacoimaNC.com)
- You can also receive our agendas via email by subscribing to L.A. City's Early Notification System at <http://www.lacity.org/government/Subscriptions/NeighborhoodCouncils/index.htm>

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For information on the PNC's process for board action reconsideration, stakeholder grievance policy, or any other procedural matters related to this Council, please consult the PNC Bylaws. The Bylaws are available at our Board meetings and our website [www.PacoimaNC.com](http://www.PacoimaNC.com).



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**Neighborhood Council Funding Program  
APPLICATION for Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG)**



This form is to be completed by the applicant seeking the Neighborhood Purposes Grant and submitted to the Neighborhood Council from whom the grant is being sought. All applications for grants must be reviewed and approved in a public meeting. Upon approval of the application the Neighborhood Council (NC) shall submit the application along with all required documentation to the Office of the City Clerk, NC Funding Program.

Name of NC from which you are seeking this grant: Pacoima Neighborhood Council

**SECTION I - APPLICANT INFORMATION**

1a)	<u>Tia Chucha's Centro Cultural &amp; Bookstore</u> <i>Organization Name</i>	<u>47-0919488</u> <i>Federal I.D. # (EIN#)</i>	<u>CA</u> <i>State of Incorporation</i>	<u>07/23/2004</u> <i>Date of 501(c)(3) Status (if applicable)</i>
1b)	<u>12677 Glenoaks Blvd.</u> <i>Organization Mailing Address</i>	<u>Sylmar</u> <i>City</i>	<u>CA</u> <i>State</i>	<u>91242</u> <i>Zip Code</i>
1c)	<u></u> <i>Business Address (if different)</i>	<u></u> <i>City</i>	<u></u> <i>State</i>	<u></u> <i>Zip Code</i>
1d)	<b>PRIMARY CONTACT INFORMATION:</b>			
	<u>Karina Ceja</u>	<u>(818) 554-8720</u>	<u>karina@tiachucha.org</u>	
	<i>Name</i>	<i>Phone</i>	<i>Email</i>	
2)	<b>Type of Organization- Please select one:</b>			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Public School (not to include private schools) Attach Signed letter on School Letterhead	or	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) Non-Profit (other than religious institutions) Attach IRS Determination Letter	
3)	<u></u> <i>Name / Address of Affiliated Organization (if applicable)</i>	<u></u> <i>City</i>	<u></u> <i>State</i>	<u></u> <i>Zip Code</i>

**SECTION II - PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

4) Please describe the purpose and intent of the grant.

The purpose of this funding is to join in partnership with PNC to sponsor a portion of our 1,000 book giveaway at the 21st annual Celebrating Words happening in Pacoima on May 30th, 2026. This free outdoor festival offers free books, a musical stage, creative art workshops, community conversations, and a vendor market with local food and art vendors. Our festival is dedicated to generations of family members who are invited to connect with their roots, culture, and community, countering risk factors such as isolation, depression and discrimination.

5) How will this grant be used to primarily support or serve a public purpose and benefit the public at-large. (Grants cannot be used as rewards or prizes for individuals)

The funds will directly support the purchase of a portion of our books for the giveaway. These books are brand new and curated by us with themes of social justice, self development, race, inclusivity, critical thinking, mental health and wellbeing. The book giveaway is meant to support multi-generational literacy from toddlers to elders, including bilingual children's and Spanish language books for adults. By partnering with Tia Chucha's, PNC gets to support the effort of increasing access to culturally relevant literature to hundreds of Pacoima residents.

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**SECTION III - PROJECT BUDGET OUTLINE**

You may also provide the Budget Outline on a separate sheet if necessary or requested.

6a)	<b>Personnel Related Expenses</b>	<b>Requested of NC</b>	<b>Total Projected Cost</b>
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
6b)	<b>Non-Personnel Related Expenses</b>	<b>Requested of NC</b>	<b>Total Projected Cost</b>
	100 brand new books for all ages	\$1,200	\$13,000
		\$	\$
		\$	\$

7) Have you (applicant) applied to any other Neighborhood Councils requesting funds for this project?  
 No     Yes    If Yes, please list names of NCs: \_\_\_\_\_

8) Is the implementation of this specific program or purpose described in Question 4 contingent on any other factors or sources or funding? (Including NPG applications to other NCs)  No     Yes    If Yes, please describe:

<b>Source of Funding</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Total Projected Cost</b>
Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs Grant	\$5,000	\$13,000
	\$	\$
	\$	\$

9) What is the TOTAL amount of the grant funding requested with this application: **\$ 1,200**

10a) Start date: 2/11/26    10b) Date Funds Required: 3/1/26    10c) Expected Completion Date: 5/30/26  
 (After completion of the project, the applicant should submit a Project Completion Report to the Neighborhood Council)

**SECTION IV - POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

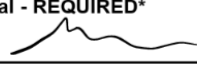
11a) Do you (applicant) have a current or former relationship with a Board Member of the NC?  
 No     Yes    If Yes, please describe below:


Name of NC Board Member	Relationship to Applicant

11b) If yes, did you request that the board member consult the Office of the City Attorney before filing this application?  
 Yes     No    \*(Please note that if a Board Member of the NC has a conflict of interest and completes this form, or participates in the discussion and voting of this NPG, the NC Funding Program will deny the payment of this grant in its entirety.)

**SECTION V - DECLARATION AND SIGNATURE**

I hereby affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided herein and communicated otherwise is truly and accurately stated. I further affirm that I have read the documents "What is a Public Benefit," and "Conflicts of Interest" of this application and affirm that the proposed project(s) and/or program(s) fall within the criteria of a public benefit project/program and that no conflict of interest exist that would prevent the awarding of the Neighborhood Purposes Grant. I affirm that I am not a current Board Member of the Neighborhood Council to whom I am submitting this application. I further affirm that if the grant received is not used in accordance with the terms of the application stated here, said funds shall be returned immediately to the Neighborhood Council.

12a) Executive Director of Non-Profit Corporation or School Principal - REQUIRED\*  
Michael Centeno    Executive Director        2/11/26  
 PRINT Name    Title    Signature    Date

12b) Secretary of Non-profit Corporation or Assistant School Principal - REQUIRED\*  
José Miguel Paez    Board Secretary        2/11/26  
 PRINT Name    Title    Signature    Date

\* If a current Board Member holds the position of Executive Director or Secretary, please contact the NC Funding Program at (213) 978-1058 or [clerk.ncfunding@lacity.org](mailto:clerk.ncfunding@lacity.org) for instructions on completing this form