



General Board Meeting

Tuesday, May 21, 2024, 6:00 P.M.

Agenda



Philip Armstrong, President | Ronee Reece, Vice President
Lara Morrison, Treasurer | Hector Quezada, Secretary
Quazi Huda, Community Interest Rep | Jennifer Quinones, At-Large Rep
Shafi Ahmed, At-Large Rep | Amy Lee, Student Youth Rep
David Hourin, At-Large Rep | Gaines Newborn, At-Large Rep
Jason Gamez, At-Large Rep

Rampart Village Neighborhood Council
St. Anne's, Anne Floto Classroom
155 N. Occidental Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90026

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IN CONFORMITY WITH THE OCTOBER 6, 2023 ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 411 (PORTANTINO) AND LA CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL ON NOVEMBER 1, 2023, THE RAMPART VILLAGE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY.

Physical Meeting Access Information

If the gate to St. Anne's parking lot is not open when you arrive, please use the intercom to contact the building's gate opener to let you in. If the front door to St. Anne's is locked when you arrive, please use the intercom there to gain admission. Then, take the elevator or walk up the stairs to the second floor.

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Every person wishing to address the Board must dial 669.900.6833, and enter 843 9934 5554 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.

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SB 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 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 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.

- I. **Call to Order, Welcoming Remarks, and Reading of RVNC’s Purpose** (0 Min.)
- II. **Roll Call and Adoption of Outstanding Minutes** (0 Min.)
- III. **Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (2 minutes per speaker)** (0 Min.)
- IV. **Reports:** (0 Min.)
 - A. **Government Agencies, Elected Officials or their Rep, and Candidates for Office**
 - B. **Community Organizations**
 - C. **RVNC Officers**
 - D. **RVNC Committee Chairs and Liaisons**

In accordance with the motion passed at the October 17, 2023, General Board meeting, all RVNC Committee Chairs are requested to report to the board:

1. **Who is on the committee;**
2. **What is the committee working on; and**
3. **When is the day of the month for regular committee meetings.**

V. Presentations

- A. **Presentation: LA Metro is in the early planning phase of the [Vermont Transit Corridor Project](#). Metro wants to work with our Neighborhood Council and will provide a project at tonight’s General Board meeting. The session aims to provide insights into project goals and benefits and address questions.**
- B. **Presentation on the May 20 Clean California Community Days of Action event in terms of both its impact on environment of the community and what we learned about engaging the community.**
- C. **Presentation of a Neighborhood Purpose Grant of up to \$3000 to support the 51st Los Angeles Korean Festival.**

VI. Announcements (0 Min.)

- A. **ATTENTION! Music loving RVNC Board members and Stakeholders: The Levitt Pavilion free concert season in MacArthur Park begins Fri., June 21st. The 10th and final concert will take place on Sat., Aug. 21st. BOARD MEMBERS AND STAKEHOLDERS NEEDED TO DO TABLING. Contact Ronnie Reece (323) 774-3597 to volunteer. Go to [levittlosangeles.org](#) to view the concert schedule & itinerary.**

VII. Discussion and Possible Action on the following Motions & Resolutions. (0 Min.)

Old Business

None will be discussed this month.

New Business

- A. **APPROVE the Monthly Expenditure Report for April 2024.**

- B. Discussion and possible action to approve a Neighborhood Purpose Grant of up to \$3000 to support the 51st Los Angeles Korean Festival. Funding being requested in the amount of \$3000 may be considered once the Los Angeles Korean Festival Foundation submits the appropriate forms.
- C. Discussion and possible action to:
 - a. Approve how we will incorporate Spanish interpretation into our board meeting set up and take down, including inviting guests, include in outreach how Spanish interpretation will be provided for the May 21 and subsequent General Board meetings), translating and printing the agenda and minutes (and taking the minutes) and other documents, sound system, video system, Zoom and recording (including recordings in English and Spanish), and ordering and picking up food and beverages.
 - b. Nominate Ronee and Jason to work with Hector and Lara and members of the CROSN Committee to take the lead on a strategy for outreach and implementation for Spanish interpretation and translation.
- D. Discussion and possible action to support LA Metro in the early planning phase of the [Vermont Transit Corridor Project](#). Metro wants to work with our Neighborhood Council and will provide a project briefing at our May 21 General Board meeting. The session aims to provide insights into project goals and benefits and address questions.
- E. In consideration of the lessons learned, actions taken, and solutions found regarding the safe route to school at 200 N Vermont Avenue, the PSHT Committee recommended a motion to request: 1) an explanation from the Bureau of Street Services (BSS) investigator of what transpired; and 2) a copy of the traffic control plan that was enforced by the developer. In addition, the PSHT Committee recommended that the motion include a request for a traffic signal and a pedestrian crosswalk across Vermont Avenue at Council Street. On April 4, Laila Molina informed us that CD 13 flagged the issues to BSS. She spoke with the BSS investigator, who went to the site after the issue was brought to her attention and made sure a traffic control plan was enforced by the developer.
- F. Discussion and possible action to work with LAFD CERT program to modify and upgrade the 2015 RVNC Emergency Plan and request the Neighborhood Team Program (NTP) thru Patrick Botz-Forbes and Chin Thammasaengsri to help the RVNC to develop our Emergency Plan and build our Emergency Team. On April 16, Vince Ababao, LAFDCERT Battalion 11 Coordinator, told us he'd be there the first day of class to welcome & thank the trainees for taking the CERT class. Also he'll be there the last day of class, Graduation day, to welcome, thank them and as Battalion Coordinator to invite them and get their information for sign-ups. The RVNC already has a Team, this CERT class. He'll help us to recruit and train a Team Leader and after that, he'll discuss with us the 2015 RVNC Emergency Plan (C. Burleson) that he will send to us to modify and upgrade.
- G. Discussion and possible action to follow up with CD 10 and Department of Recreation and Parks about the Shatto Recreation Center – Park Renovation (PRJ21768) Project. Please see the Board of Recreation and Parks Commissioners Report No. 24-064, Shatto Recreation Center Park Renovation Project, at the following link: <https://www.laparks.org/sites/default/files/pdf/commissioner/2024/apr04/24-064.pdf>.
- H. Discussion and possible action to approve a community impact statement for Council File 24-0600, Budget Proposal Fiscal Year 2024-25. The Budget Advocates 2024 White Paper was published to this Council File on May 7 (please see the following link: https://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2024/24-0600_misc_NCadvocacy.pdf) and it addresses how the City of Los Angeles is implementing recordation of covenants for the low-income units in projects with Density Bonus or TOC incentives in the course of delivering permits, covenants, and entitlements for the low-income units. A proposed community impact statement for the board's consideration may be found in the supporting documents. This is a time-sensitive item given that there will be a public hearing on May 22 and discussions on approving the budget will begin on May 23.
- I. Discussion and possible action to approve a community impact statement for Council File 23-1027 regarding City Charter Reform, currently in the Ad Hoc Committee on City Governance Reform. Ronee, as our LANCC representative, said he would review what LANCC has done on this and Lorenzo told us he will check with his leadership on whether DONE currently has the capacity to directly provide administrative support to Neighborhood Councils or whether they would want to ask for that authority through the Charter Reform.
- J. Discussion and possible action to approve a community impact statement for Council File 24-0465 regarding Carmen Chang / General Manager / Department of Neighborhood Empowerment / Appointment.

- K. As a standing agenda item, collect feedback at the end of each meeting as to what worked well and what needed improvement.
- L. Consider whether any of the items on the Board meeting agenda (such as the minutes and MER) could be added to the consent calendar.

VIII. Adjournment

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