

# General Board Meeting Tuesday, June 17, 2025, 6:00 P.M. Agenda

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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**

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Internet: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84399345554</u> | Telephone: 669.900.6833 | Mtg. ID: 843 9934 5554 (No Password Required)

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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.

Campus of St. Anne's | 155 N. Occidental Blvd. #236, LA, CA 90026 | 213.568.3086 RampartVillage@gmail.com | RVNC.org Page 1 of 4 (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.)	
	Α.	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

# VI. Announcements

- A. Neighborhood Council Budget Day June 21, 2025 REGISTER TODAY! The Budget Advocates announce a powerhouse lineup of speakers for our annual Budget Day. This year's event will be in person at Los Angeles City Hall from 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM. Breakfast and networking begin at 7:30 AM. Scheduled speakers include Mayor Karen Bass, Controller Kenneth Mejia, City Council President Marqueece Harris-Dawson, City Administrative Officer Matt Szabo, and Chair of the City Council Budget and Finance Committee Katy Yaroslavsky. A panel discussion on the theme of City Services: Budgetary Transparency and Accountability will be moderated by LAist (FM 89.3) Civics and Democracy reporter Frank Stoltze. The panelists are Assistant City Administrative Officer Ben Ceja, Chief Deputy Controller Rick Cole, and Former General Manager Service Employees International Union Local 347 Julie Butcher. Register at: <u>https://www.eventbrite.com/e/neighborhood-council-budget-day-2025-tickets-1362112558329?aff=oddtdtcreator</u>
- B. In collaboration with Healing Urban Barrios and the Bresee Youth Center, the RVNC is offering a free 5-hour CPR/AED/First Aid class at 9 AM on Friday, June 27. There are a few places left in the class for RVNC stakeholders who may apply using the linked <u>form</u>.
- VII. Discussion and Possible Action on the following Motions & Resolutions.

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# Old Business

A. Discussion and possible action to address the assault on November 8, 2024, of a student and a community member at Bimini Place and Whitehouse Place.

# New Business

- B. APPROVE the Monthly Expenditure Report for May 2025.
- C. Discussion and possible action to cancel our contract with Spectrum and make other arrangements for internet access at the RVNC office.
- D. Discussion and possible action to approve coordinating an RVNC community cleanup day with the Mayor's <u>ShineLA</u> program and save the date of Saturday, October 25, for this event. The Mayor's Northeast Area Representative Susana Cervantes agreed to reconvene to plan the cleanup logistics at our August 6 PSHT Committee meeting
- E. As recommended by the PPPWLU Committee, discussion and possible action to consider a motion for the RVNC to approve and sign the Clean California Designation Pledge. The Pledge can be signed online: <a href="https://cleanca.com/designation/#criteria">https://cleanca.com/designation/#criteria</a> It appears that it can be signed by anyone in the community. There does need to be one main contact person (PLEDGER) who will lead the charge in engaging the community to reduce litter. After signing, there is a list of 15 items to do in the effort to reduce litter: <a href="https://cleanca.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/CleanCA-Community-Designation-Checklist\_Final-Web.pdf">https://cleanca.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/CleanCA-Community-Designation-Checklist\_Final-Web.pdf</a> If we, the
- community, complete 10 of the 15 items, we get officially designated as a Clean Community.
  F. Discussion and possible action regarding the <u>Vermont Transit Corridor Project</u> where Metro is currently reviewing and summarizing the public comments. We understand the Mayor's Office is working with LADOT and Metro to try to broker a compromise. LADOT wants to put in the bike lane on Vermont and has been telling Metro they'd like to figure it out, and Metro is pushing back hard. On July 30, 2024, Philip observed a Metro bus collide with a bicyclist as it approached the southbound bus stop at Vermont and Beverly. The bicyclist was transported to the emergency room. Based on some information in the <u>online report of crash details</u>, Philip was referred by Rampart Division Senior Lead Officer Carlos Diaz to Central Traffic Detective DeHesa who said he would have his auditor reach out to Philip and see if they can make the necessary corrections with the Officer who completed the report.
- G. Discussion and possible action to consider approving a Letter of Support for the Central City SRTS Safety & Climate Resilient Neighborhood Network Project to be sent to LADOT General Manager Laura Rubio-Cornejo and to Dr. Rocio Rivas, Board Member, LAUSD District 2, and asking for a status update on the appointment of an implementation project manager. On May 20, LADOT told us the project is still looking for a home and the City's budget situation may affect the future of that project.
- H. Discussion and possible action to approve a community impact statement regarding Council File <u>25-0207</u>, Bureau Creation / Los Angeles Housing Department / Homeless Services System Oversight / Resources / Staffing Plan. On April 22, the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) submitted a report in response to Council File <u>24-0330</u> that outlined how the City can create a department to develop and manage the City's homelessness programs.
- I. As recommended by the PSHT Committee, discussion and possible action to recommend approval of a community impact statement regarding Council File <u>23-1134</u>, Economic Roundtable / Economic Study / Annual Rent Increase / Rent Stabilization Ordinance (RSO) / Sole-Source Contract.
- J. As recommended by the PSHT Committee, discussion and possible action to agendize for the May 20 General Board meeting to approve a community impact statement regarding Council File <u>21-1230-S8</u>, Citywide Code Amendment (CA) / Environmental Clearance (EIR) / Resident Protections Ordinance (Los Angeles City Planning Commission): Introduced October 17, 2024 and referred to Planning and Land Use Management Committee. Los Angeles City Planning Commission report is relative to the Citywide Code Amendment and Environmental Clearance for the proposed <u>Resident Protections Ordinance</u>.
- K. As recommended by the PSHT Committee, discussion and possible action to agendize for the May 20 General Board meeting to approve a community impact statement regarding Council File 25-0481, Bicycle and Multi Use Paths / Maintenance Responsibility / Department of Public Works / Los Angeles Administrative Code / Amendment. The Council to REQUEST that the City Attorney, in consultation with the Department of Public Works (DPW) and its bureaus, to prepare and present an ordinance amending the Los Angeles Administrative Code to assign the responsibility for maintaining City bicycle and multiuse paths to the Department of Public Works and INSTRUCT the City Administrative Officer, with the cooperation of DPW and the

Department of Transportation, to provide recommendations regarding alignment of staffing and funding to provide an adequate level of maintenance for bicycle and multi-use paths, at least equal to that provided to streets and sidewalks.

- L. Discussion and possible action to approve a community impact statement regarding Council File <u>25-0558</u>, Bicycle Lane / Parking Violations / Cameras / Automated Technology / Pilot Program / Hollywood Boulevard / Council District 13. Council to instruct the Department of Transportation to report on the feasibility of implementing a pilot project that would utilize cameras and related technologies for the enforcement of parking violations in bicycle lanes, along Hollywood Boulevard in Council District 13, in accordance with the California Vehicle Code Section 40245.
- M. As a standing agenda item, collect feedback at the end of each meeting as to what worked well and what needed improvement.
- N. 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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