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**SPECIAL GENERAL BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

**VIRTUAL MEETING ONLY**

**Tuesday, January 21, 2025— 6:30 PM**

Supporting Documents for this meeting are available: [January 21, 2025](#)

Zoom Live Streaming Online: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85794343370>

Webinar ID: **857 9434 3370**

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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 RESEDA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY.

Informational tracker regarding projects in Reseda [available here](#). For questions or additional suggestions for this tracker, please email: [President@resedacouncil.org](mailto:President@resedacouncil.org) and [Secretary@resedacouncil.org](mailto:Secretary@resedacouncil.org).

Si requiere servicios de traducción, favor de avisar al Concejo Vecinal 3 días de trabajo (72 horas) antes del evento. Por favor contacte el presidente, por correo electrónico [president@resedacouncil.org](mailto:president@resedacouncil.org) para avisar al Concejo Vecinal.

**PUBLIC INPUT AT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETINGS** Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered or during multiple agenda items comment. 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. General Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board. Comment on agenda items is limited to 5 minutes total per speaker (maximum 1 minute per item), unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

*The Neighborhood Council system enables meaningful 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 stakeholder volunteers who are devoted to the mission of improving our communities.*

**I. Call to Order (Reminder to Record)**

- A. Call to Order by Presiding Officer
- B. Roll Call

**II. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (2 minutes per person)**

**III. Multiple Agenda Items Comment (5 minutes/300 seconds per person, maximum of 1 minute/60 seconds per item)**

**IV. Lead Business**

A. Youth Board Member (2025) Vacancy. Open to Stakeholders between the ages of fourteen (14) and seventeen (17) who either live, work, or are a student in Reseda and as further defined below. This position is precluded from voting on matters regarding the expenditure of funds, contracts, or recommendations to enter into contracts. A Youth Board Member shall be allowed to speak on such matters, however. Any Stakeholder interested in filling a vacancy on the Board shall submit a written application to the Secretary ([secretary@resedacouncil.org](mailto:secretary@resedacouncil.org)) at any time before a vote is taken, and the application must specify the stakeholder category the applicant is running for. Youth adult board member stakeholder qualifications can be found in the [bylaws](#). The seat is held until the end of the 2025 term on May 31, 2025. **No applicants.**

B. Discussion and possible action; approval of the December 2024 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER). (Eric)

**V. Introduction of Public Officials, City Employees and other Visitors:** Stakeholders are allotted 30 seconds for a question for each agendized public official who visits. Questions do not count against public comment time totals. Public Officials who do not give advance notice of their participation in the Reseda Neighborhood Council meeting are limited to 1 minute of announcements, which must include their contact information as part of their announcement.

**VI. Board Member Announcements and Comments on Non-Agenda Items (2 minutes per person)**

A. NC Election Announcement/Reminders (Reseda is in [Region 3](#) and this is a Vote by Mail only election):

Virtual regional election information session for Region 3 Neighborhood Council Board and Stakeholder Committee Members on Saturday, January 25, 2025 from 10:00am-12:00pm. You can register for the information session [here](#).

[Seats up for election](#). Candidate Filing begins January 31, 2025

**VII. Officer’s Reports (1 min per person, please file a written report if more time is requested)**

**VIII. Committee and Alliance Reports (2 min per person, please file a written report if more time is requested)**

**IX. Old Business**

A. Discussion and possible action; submit a Community Impact Statement (CIS) for CF 25-0600 City Budget proposal Fiscal Year 2025-2026 (Jamie)

## X. New Business (all items may have discussion and action)

- A. Consent Items: All items will be voted on in one vote unless any member pulls them from the consent calendar.
1. Approval of the draft minutes for the December 9, 2024, RNC General Board meeting.
  2. Appoint Michelle Gallagher as Chair of the Election Ad Hoc Committee.
  3. Approval to reimburse Jamie York \$25 for the duplication of one RNC storage unit key.
  4. Approval of up to \$600 for the printing of 1000 color copies of the Winter 2025 RNC newsletter. Submitted by Outreach Committee:  
*“Motion passes 4 Yes, 3 Absent  
Karla Escobar, Douglas Smith, Erin Huffer, Maria Skelton- Yes  
Garth Carlson, Sophia Zambrano, Andres Perkins - Absent”*
  5. Approval of up to \$250 for a new assessment by a landscaper or gardener for the beautification of planters on Sherman Way. Submitted by Outreach Committee:  
*“Motion passes 4 Yes, 3 Absent  
Karla Escobar, Douglas Smith, Erin Huffer, Maria Skelton- Yes  
Garth Carlson, Sophia Zambrano, Andres Perkins - Absent”*
  6. *Approval of a statement of solidarity regarding the recent fires (Andres)*
  7. *Approval of a CIS regarding [Council File 24-0600-s36](#) (Fiscal Year 2024-25 Interim Budget Request / Los Angeles Fire Department)*
- B. Committee appointments, removals, and ratification (if needed):
1. Discussion and possible action, committee appointments, removals or ratification by committee Chairpersons.
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- C. Discussion and possible action; review and reallocate funds for the RNC 2025 Fiscal Budget. (Eric)
- D. Discussion and possible action; donate up to \$999 each for any of the following 501(c)3 non-profit organizations for 2025 Wildfire Emergency Relief Efforts as Outreach expenditures pursuant to new guidance provided by the Office of the City Clerk. Total not to exceed \$10,000 distributed across various charities ([see Supporting Documents](#)). (Jamie):
- [Watch Duty](#)
  - [Go Fund Me Wildlife Relief Fund](#)
  - [World Central Kitchen](#)
  - [LA Fire Department Foundation](#)
  - [Baby2Baby](#)
  - [California Community Foundation Wildfire Recovery Fund](#)
  - [Anti Recidivism Coalition](#) Firefighter Fund
  - Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- E. Discussion and possible action; review and approval for Reseda NC final logo update. (Danny)
- F. Discussion and possible action, a request for action on the removal of remote public comment. (Jamie)
- G. Discussion and possible action; request update from the Bylaws and Standing Rules Committee on alternatives to Agenda Setting Meeting. (Amos)
- H. Discussion and possible action; nominate/elect an [RNC representative](#) to replace Joe Phillips on the Los Angeles [Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance](#) at the request of Lisa Hart, Executive Director from 12/9/24 meeting. (Amos)
- I. Discussion and possible action; approve up to \$1000 for purchasing a new branded canopy for outreach events. (Jamie)
- J. Discussion and possible action; purchasing name tags for RNC outreach events total not to exceed \$250. (Rami)

## XI. Upcoming Agenda Items

- A. Any stakeholder may request the inclusion of any specific agenda item for future meetings, and upon the concurrence of a majority vote of the Board, such item will be placed on the future agenda as requested, per Article VIII§2 of the Bylaws.

**XII. Next Special General Meeting: 6:30 pm, Tuesday, February 18, 2025, on Zoom. February 17, 2025, General Board Meeting has been cancelled due to President’s Day.**

### **XIII. Adjournment**

**THE AMERICAN WITH DISABILITIES ACT** 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, assisted 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](mailto:NCsupport@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 viewed at the West Valley Regional Library, 19036 Vanowen St. Reseda, CA 91335 by appointment 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 the Secretary by email at: [Secretary@resedacouncil.org](mailto:Secretary@resedacouncil.org).

**PUBLIC POSTING OF AGENDAS-** Neighborhood Council agendas are posted for public review as follows: West Valley Regional Library, 19036 Vanowen St. Reseda, CA 91335 and at [www.ResedaCouncil.org](http://www.ResedaCouncil.org). You can also receive our agendas via email by subscribing to L.A. City's Early Notification System at <https://www.lacity.org/government/subscribe-agendasnotifications/neighborhood-councils>.

**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/lobby](http://ethics.lacity.org/lobby)

**RECONSIDERATION AND GRIEVANCE PROCESS** – [Please see the Reseda NC Bylaws.](#)

**PROCESS FOR RECONSIDERATION (Article VIII§4)** - [Please see the Reseda NC Bylaws.](#)

**PROCESS FOR FILING A GRIEVANCE (Article XI)** - [Please see the Reseda NC Bylaws.](#)

**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.