



United Neighborhoods of the Historic
Arlington Heights, West Adams,
and Jefferson Park Communities
Neighborhood Council

UNNC Governing Board Meeting Agenda

Thursday, November 2, 2023
7:00 p.m.



In Person and on Zoom

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MEETING LOCATION:

In person at Gramercy Apartments Community Room
1856 S. Wilton Place (meeting room entry door on Washington Boulevard), Los Angeles CA 90019

OR, JOIN THE ZOOM MEETING

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81196330085>

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https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1C-usXgb5NIXGEfqBQp8O6gcIK-DvmJ8I?usp=share_link

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AGENDA

- 1). **Call to Order/Roll Call** Paula Southern/Laura Meyers
- 2). **Review and approval of the Agenda** Paula Southern
- 3). **Appoint Candidate(s) to fill vacant seats on the UNNC Governing Board. – DISCUSSION AND ACTION**
- 4). **Celebration of Service:** Recognition of for John Arnold, Greg Jackson, Paul King, Lizy Moromisato
- 5). **Public Comments and Announcements, on items not on the agenda**
(1 minute per person)
- 6). **Government Agencies Reports and Comments:**
 - A. CD 10 Report - Field Deputy, Danielle Mero/Eric Aguiar
 - B. DONE Report - Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate, Alfonso Manzo
 - C. Office of Congresswoman Sydney Kamlager-Dove - Outreach Director and Field Representative, Naomi Riley
 - D. Office of LA County Supervisor Holly Mitchell – Deputy Constituent Engagement, Daniel Park
 - E. Office of Assemblymember Isaac Bryan - Sr. Field Representative, Herman Jones II
 - F. Other Government Officials
- 7). **Treasurer’s Report** **Candice Jackson**
 - i. Review and Approve Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for September and October 2023
 - ii. Board Member Reimbursements, as required
 - iii. Budget adjustments, if/as required

-- DISCUSSION AND ACTION FOR TREASURER’S ITEMS
- 8). **Funding Requests:**
 - A. Architecture for Communities Los Angeles (ACLA): Executive Committee recommends \$2,000
Architecture for Communities Los Angeles requests an NPG (Non-Profit Grant) to create a short video exploring the rich historical diversity of architecture and diversity in the West Adams District. Request was for \$5,000, Executive Committee recommends \$2,000. – **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**
 - B. Project Pit: Executive Committee recommends \$2,000
Project Pit requests an NPG to support a session at Johnny Cochran Middle School in Arlington Heights, to raise awareness of mental health utilizing a blend of creative expression and performance. Request was for \$4,000, Executive Committee recommends \$2,000. -- **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**



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9). Proposed Community Impact Statements (CIS)

i. UNNC Community Impact Statement, Requiring Cooling “Apparatus” on all Rental Units, Council File No. 23-0453: Extreme Heat Events are increasing in number and scope, and these heat emergencies can have a devastating medical impact. According to this new City Council Motion, "At this point in the climate emergency, the ability to cool one's home cannot be considered a luxury and rather must be treated as a necessity." The City Council has directed several City departments to report back regarding possible code amendments that could require landlords to install cooling apparatus, and also possible assistance for tenants toward increased electric bills to utilize air conditioners. Committee previously recommended suggesting changes to the initiative, *including requesting a report back on the costs to property owners of electrical upgrades, and also a report regarding the impact of increased electrical usage for AC on the City’s electric grid and on climate change.*” – **DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

ii. Possible CIS regarding Council File 02-0090: Although City Council first adopted this motion in 2002, it is relevant now because it instructs City Departments to offer meeting rooms to neighborhood councils free of charge. Many neighborhood councils are experiencing difficulties returning to in-person meetings after COVID because the meeting spaces are not being made available, or are very expensive. – **DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

10). Executive Committee Reports

A. President’s Report

Paula Southern

i. Discussion of SB 411, state legislation that may allow UNNC to change its meetings to zoom only, or to continue with hybrid format. City Council scheduled to adopt an authorizing motion on 11/1/2023. If SB 411 meetings are authorized, then each neighborhood council must itself vote, which requires 2/3 vote of the entire board in the affirmative (e.g., 16 board members for UNNC). If approved, Zoom attendees must be within the City Limits during the meeting. – **DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

ii. Vacancies and Resignations – 5 Board seats still available

B. Secretary’s Report

Sarah Longhenry

i. Approve September 7, 2023 Governing Board Meeting Minutes
DISCUSSION AND ACTION

C. Vice President’s Report

Laura Meyers

i. Attendance
ii. Training
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11). Committee Reports

A. Outreach Committee – Updates and Upcoming Events

- i. Updates on Wilshire LAPD Open House, 10/15, and Taste of Soul, 10/21**
- ii. Ciclavia, Sunday, December 3 – Leimert Park/South Los Angeles (MLK Blvd., Crenshaw to Central, plus Crenshaw to Vernon). – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

B. Planning & Zoning

- i. Council File 23-1123, 1540-44 S. St. Andrews Pl., Motion for City to Lease and/or Purchase this newly-built 44-unit apartment building with a gross building area of 48,528 square feet:** All units in the new building are vacant, furnished and move-in ready. The property includes a 19,136 square foot parking lot, a ground floor office, an enclosed courtyard, onsite amenities, and a fully furnished common area. The owner of this property, D&K Con LLC, has offered to lease the property to the City with an option to purchase at any time during the lease term upon 60 days’ notice. According to the motion, "This property may be a suitable candidate for interim or permanent supportive housing. The City should evaluate the feasibility of leasing and/or purchasing this property to provide more beds for unhoused individuals and further address the continuing homelessness crisis." Owner D&K Con LLC also owns the next door property, **1554 S. St. Andrews Pl.**, a designated City of Los Angeles Historic Cultural Monument. Currently that property remains vacant, premises has had major debris, and landscaping has been removed. *The Committee recommends that the City also explore leasing or purchasing the property at 1554 S. St. Andrews to be renovated and adaptively reused, and utilized for related support services offices and possibly additional housing.* – **DISCUSSION AND ACTION**
- ii. Follow-up to Previous Cases, ENS, and Old Business. – DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

C. Environmental Committee

- i. Washington Boulevard Deceased Trees:** More than 15 street trees on Washington Boulevard between Normandie and Crenshaw are dead, most with their stumps remaining inside City-owned metal cages. Committee members created a spread sheet of the locations with notes (see agenda packet). The Environmental Committee recommends that UNNC write a letter to CD10 and/or City Departments requesting the removal of all the dead trees, including stumps, plus cages if/where they surround dead trees. – **DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

D. Executive Committee recommends that the Governing Board establish a UNNC Tree Committee, with Theresa Maysonet as its chair – DISCUSSION AND ACTION

E. Other Committee Reports



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12). Appoint Committee Chairs/Co-Chairs and Representatives to NC Alliances, Budget Reps – For those interested in being appointed as a UNNC Committee Chair or to an NC Alliance, please be prepared to make a short statement. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

13). Old Business – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

14). Adjourn

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

Future Meetings: The next scheduled UNNC Governing Board meeting is Thursday, December 7 at 7 p.m., subject to cancellation if no agenda items. *(Standing Governing Board meetings are held on the 1st Thursday of the month, currently in person and via Zoom.)*

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Telecommunication Relay Services

Telephone communication is one of the most important forms of communication in society today. Due to advancements in technology, telephone devices have evolved with new services and capabilities. Individuals who are deaf and hard of hearing, and individuals with a speech disability are following these trends and are rapidly migrating to more advanced telecommunications methods, both for peer-to-peer and third-party telecommunications relay service (TRS) communications.

Telecommunications Relay Service is a telephone service that allows persons with hearing or speech disabilities to place and receive telephone calls. TRS is available in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the U.S. territories for local and/or long distance calls. TRS providers – generally telephone companies - are compensated for the costs of providing TRS from either a state or a federal fund. There is no cost to the TRS user. What forms of TRS are available? There are several forms of TRS, depending on the particular needs of the user and the equipment available: TRS includes: Text to Voice TIY-Based TRS; Speech-to-Speech Relay Service; Shared Non-English Language Relay Service; Captioned Telephone Relay Service; Internet Protocol Relay Service; and Video Relay Service.

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<https://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/telecommunications-relay-service-trs>

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If you have limitations hearing or speaking a specially-trained CA can relay telephone conversations for all of your calls. In California, dial 711 to reach the California Relay Service (CRS). If you prefer having your calls immediately answered in your mode of communication, dial one of the toll-free modality- and language-specific numbers below. The call will be routed to the CRS provider.

TTY/VCO/HCO to Voice
1-800-735-2929/English
800-855-3000/Spanish

Voice to TTY/VCO/HCO
1-800-735-2922/English
1-800-855-3000/Spanish

From or to Speech-to-Speech
1-800-854-7784/ English & Spanish

Federal regulations specify very strict confidentiality requirements for CAs of all Relay services. No part of the conversation that takes place between callers is revealed or recorded in written, verbal, or any other form. CRS CAs do not participate in the conversation and acquire no benefit from information relayed.



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