



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

UNNC Governing Board Meeting Agenda

Thursday, October 2, 2025

Special Presentation begins at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting begins directly thereafter

In Person and on Zoom



NOTE: In conformity with the October 6, 2023 enactment of California Senate Bill 411 and Los Angeles City Council approval on November 1, 2023, UNNC will be conducting this meeting both **in-person and also virtually utilizing the Zoom platform**. Please see expanded information on page 5 of this agenda. You have the option of attending in person, via the internet, or by telephone. Questions? Email President@unnc.org.

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>

Meeting ID: 811 9633 0085

One tap mobile: +16699006833,,81196330085# US

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Agenda Packet link with meeting presentation materials here:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1uBEB6-Yog9tcaeltwQxsszh9wHRkmTlM?usp=sharing>

PUBLIC COMMENTS: As is usual for UNNC meetings, Stakeholders are invited to participate. However, for virtual participants, please do "mute" yourself throughout the meeting, whether you are joining the meeting by internet or telephone. When an individual attending virtually wishes to address the Governing Board, the Chair or the Moderator will unmute the line, whether during the general public comment section on the agenda or before the Governing Board takes action on any agenda items. All other rules to public comments still apply.

Please see expanded information regarding public comments and other virtual meeting protocols starting **page 3** of this agenda.

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

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Note: Please see further information about TTY/TDD services and translation services at the end of this agenda.

Agenda items begin next page.



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PRESENTATION

Brief presentation about the ongoing process to officially designate the “Historic South Los Angeles Black Cultural District” through the California Arts Council. This initiative will formally recognize South L.A.’s cultural contributions and to shine a spotlight on legacy areas of the community, such as the Crenshaw Corridor, West Adams, Leimert Park, and Historic Central Avenue. The proposed cultural district will be supported by \$3 million in state funding obtained by Senator Lola Smallwood-Cuevas for cultural markers and monuments.

AGENDA

1). Call to Order/Roll Call/Board members’ voting status, review the Agenda

2). Public Comments and Announcements, on items not on the agenda (1 minute per person)

3). Government Agencies Reports and Comments:

- A. **CD 10 Report** - Field Deputy, Danielle Mero/Jeff Camp
- B. **DONE Report** - Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate, Alfonso Manzo
- C. **Other Government/Agency Officials**

4). Support Letter Requested by Friends of the Jefferson Library for their projects on City-owned buildings: The Friends of Jefferson library (FOL) is planning a first-of-its-kind Monarch butterfly garden on a city library property, to create a welcoming and peaceful setting for the patrons, and to provide green space for relaxation, enjoyment and a teachable moment. FOL will harvest butterflies and have milkweed plants placed in planters to attract more, starting the process by hanging butterfly kits, allowing the cocoons to create, and then releasing the butterflies into the area in hopes that they will continuously return. Monarch butterflies are endangered, and a goal of the project is to help increase their population. Additionally, FOL is planning a separate mural project. – **DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

5). Funding Request ~ NPG grant for \$2,500 supporting FA-MLI’s education/outreach regarding Malcolm X’s legacy: As the new street signs denoting “Malcolm X Corridor” are installed on Crenshaw Blvd., this grant will provide financial support for the third stage, the 2-mile segment within UNNC, to continue coordinating outreach to the community about the legacy El-Hajj Malik El-Shabazz, “Malcolm X,” along with education to local youth regarding his role in civil rights. This final phase features a new, innovative element: QR Codes embedded on each sign, linking to descriptive information about historic sites, cultural institutions, and attractions within their respective neighborhoods - the first of their kind in the City of Los Angeles. The “Malcolm X Corridor” Project is a cornerstone of the Malcolm X Legacy Project of the Foundation for the Arts, Mentorship, Leadership, and Innovation (FA-MLI, Inc.), a nonprofit founded in 1992. Other components of the Legacy Project include the Annual Malcolm X Human Rights Breakfast, the Annual Malcolm X Festival (celebrating its 34th year), and the award-winning “See a Man, Be a Man” youth life-mastery and mentoring program, which has transformed the lives of countless high-risk youth. – **DISCUSSION AND ACTION**



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6). Executive Committee – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION, ALL ITEMS

A. President's Report – Laura Meyers

- i. Designate individual to receive NC election records from the City Clerk
- ii. Appoint representatives to Neighborhood Council Alliances and Budget Reps
- iii. Followup to Congress of Neighborhoods* (**see Resolutions to vote on at end of this agenda & in agenda packet*)
- iv. Should UNNC appoint a Charter Reform ad hoc committee (to comment on the various initiatives)?
- v. Possible Board Retreat, still need to set date

B. Treasurer's Report - Candice Jackson

- i. Review and Approve Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for August 2025
- ii. Updated UNNC Budget, Adjustments for Rollover
- iii. Board Member Reimbursements, if/as required

C. Vice President's Report – Michael Soderstrom

- i. Review Board member training (many returning board members need to update their training)

7). Approve Revised Traffic Safety Letter – DISCUSSION AND ACTION

8). Appoint Cesar Garcia as Chair of UNNC's Recreation & Parks Committee – DISCUSSION AND ACTION

9). Proposed Community Impact Statement (CIS) to oppose Council File 21-1230-S10: The UNNC Tree Committee opposes this motion, and urges that the City maintain the required Board of Public Works approval for requests to remove three or more street trees. UNNC recognizes that there is an urgent need for housing and noting in general UNNC supports efforts to streamline the approval process. However, with a tree canopy of only 15% in UNNC compared to the citywide average of 25%, our community cannot afford further canopy loss. Preserving street trees is not only about aesthetics—it is about public health, climate resilience, and equity. (*see draft CIS in agenda packet*). -- **DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

10). Proposed Community Impact Statement (CIS) RE Council File No. 25-1036, establishing a heat threshold of 82 degrees for rental units: The UNNC Environmental Committee recommends UNNC oppose this motion unless significantly change. This new motion would establish a "heat threshold" of 82 degrees for L.A.'s rental units for all rooms in the unit, while allowing landlords flexibility in selecting methods to reach compliance. According to the motion, "in February 2025, the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) released a landmark 60-page report recommending state lawmakers establish a maximum safe indoor temperature standard of 82 degrees Fahrenheit for all housing. This threshold is based on extensive public health evidence linking sustained indoor heat above this level to increased emergency room visits, hospitalizations, and mortality." The Environmental Committee has concerns that older multifamily properties, which are common within the UNNC footprint, may not currently have the electrical capacity to accommodate new AC units, plus many permit and LADWP requirements make it difficult and expensive for small landlords to upgrade their systems; requiring every room in a rental to meet the standards may not be feasible. (*see draft CIS in agenda packet*). – **DISCUSSION AND ACTION**



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11). UPDATE ~ Possible Master Plan for Creating Green and Recreation Spaces within UNNC and CD10: UNNC's neighborhoods are park-poor compared to other parts of Los Angeles, and southwest Jefferson Park near the Crenshaw and Exposition light rail stations (within Metro's "First Mile/Last Mile" initiative radius) is particularly so. -- **DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

12). Possible new UNNC Budget & Grants committee. – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

13). Committee Reports -- DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION (all items)

A. Public Safety/Emergency Preparedness Committee

B. Environmental Committee

C. Tree Committee

D. Communications Committee

E. Planning & Zoning Committee

Updates and Follow-up to Previous Cases, ENS, and Old Business

14). Old Business – DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Calendar of Upcoming UNNC outreach engagements (Board members needed for tables):

Saturday, October 18 ~ 6th Ave Elementary School Tree Planting and Community Block Party

Saturday, October 18 ~ Taste of Soul

October 16-19, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. ~ Los Angeles Korean Festival

15). Adjourn

*** Resolution for UNNC to vote on (Agenda Item 6.A.iii):**

"The purpose of the Los Angeles City Council is to assist, convey and execute the best interests of any stakeholder and the public at large. Neighborhood Councils were formed with the goal of advising the City by advocating on behalf of their stakeholders. In this spirit, UNNC requests that the Los Angeles City Council implement the following rules and guidelines:

"1). Delineate the time granted to designated Neighborhood Council Board Members for presenting a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to the City Council as separate from the time granted to the public for comment on the agenda and non agenda items. Comment period for Neighborhood Council designees shall be held before public comment period. Each designee shall be granted at least 5 minutes for CIS presentation. Public Comment period shall commence after all Neighborhood Council designees have been heard.

"2). Reinstate and maintain remote/telephonic public comment option for all public meetings and hearings. During public comment period, Council shall alternate between in-person and remote speakers to ensure equity and accessibility among members of the public wishing to speak."



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Future Meetings: The next scheduled UNNC Governing Board meeting is **Thursday, Nov. 6, 2025** (*Standing Governing Board meetings are usually held on the 1st Thursday of the month, currently in person and via Zoom.*)

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 or a Committee is prevented from acting on a matter you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a public member may become the subject of a future Board or Committee meeting. Public comment is limited to 1 minute per speaker unless waived by the Board or Committee presiding officer. When prompted by the presiding chair to provide public input at this virtual meeting, public members who are attending virtually will be requested to dial *9 or use the Raise Hand option on the computer to address any agenda item before the Board takes action on an item.

Further Brown Act Updates: Public comments cannot be required to be submitted in advance of the meeting. Only real-time public comment is required. If broadcasting interruptions prevent the public from observing or hearing the meeting, the meeting must be recessed or adjourned. If members of the public are unable to provide public comment or be heard due to issues within the Neighborhood Council's control, the meeting must be recessed or adjourned.

Further SB 411 Updates: If a Neighborhood Council has a quorum of board members in a physical location, board members who wish to join the meeting via teleconferencing must adhere to AB 2449 rules and regulations. If a Neighborhood Council does not have a quorum of board members in a physical location, they must adhere to SB 411 rules and regulations.

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



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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.

The agendas for the UNNC meetings are posted at the following location: South Seas House, 2301 West 24th Street, Los Angeles 90018. The agenda is also posted as usual at the UNNC's official website at www.UNNC.org, where you can also sign up to be notified of future meetings and events. Stakeholders may also subscribe to the City of Los Angeles Early Notification System (ENS) through the City's website at <https://www.lacity.org/government/subscribe-agendasnotifications/subscribe-other-meetings-agendas-and-documents>, to receive notices for UNNC meetings (and other government entities).

For more information, you may also contact the President of UNNC, at president@UNNC.org or at 323-731-8686. Stakeholders may also subscribe to the City of Los Angeles Early Notification System (ENS), through the City's website at <https://www.lacity.org/government/subscribe-agendasnotifications/subscribe-other-meetings-agendas-and-documents>, to receive notices for UNNC meetings (and other government entities). For more information, you may also contact the President of UNNC, at president@UNNC.org or at 323-731-8686.

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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

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