

City of Los Angeles
 Voices Neighborhood Council
 Regular Board Meeting



Tuesday, July 9, 2024, 6:00 pm
 Vermont Square Branch Library

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 1201 W. 48th St.
 Los Angeles, CA 90037

AGENDA FOR 7/9/2024

Call to Order

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Roll Call

Present:

Absent

Action Items

All items listed are designated for discussion and possible action by the Voices Neighborhood Council. Council items identified as presentations may be proposed for action items identified as presentations may be proposed for action by the Council and will be reflected as such in the meeting minutes.

Item	Reference Number	Matter
1.	0709-01	General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items: Public comment will be LIMITED to 2 MINUTES PER PERSON.
2	0709-02	Announcements A. LAPD - Crime Report, Department activity and community feedback B. Los Angeles Fire Department - Report, updates C. Mayor's Office D. ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES E. USC F. NHS

		G. Community Coalition
2.	0709-03	<p>2024-2025 Annual Budget:</p> <p>Proposed Action: Approve the 2024-25 fiscal year budget.</p> <p>Members: Andrew Daramola, Jason Saunders, Matthew N. Crawford</p> <p>Funding item: Roll Call vote</p>
3.	0709-04	<p>CLIFF Cultural Literacy Intelligence Foundation Federation. This grant was previously approved by the Neighborhood Council in November of 2024. Due to complications related to the exhaustive efforts status of the council, the grant paperwork was not submitted to the city clerk in time for payment to be processed. The initial request was for \$5000. The council authorized amount was \$3540 in November of 2023. The grant is for dance and self defense classes for people of all ages.</p> <p>Proposed Action: Reauthorize \$3540 for the 2024 fiscal year.</p> <p>Member: Jason Saunders</p> <p>Funding item: Roll Call vote</p>
	0709-04	<p>CLIFF Cultural Literacy Intelligence Foundation Federation. In addition to the other programs CLIFF offers they operate a foodbank each Tuesday at 6060 Normandie Ave. Los Angeles. Free donated food is available to anyone who ask. Their refrigerator recently broke and this has limited the types of food they are able to accept. The 501(3)c non profit is requesting additional funds for the cost to replace the refrigerator.</p> <p>Proposed Action: Authorize funding for Neighborhood Purpose Grant for a replacement refrigerator in an amount to be determined by Voices.</p> <p>Member: Jason Saunders</p> <p>Funding item: Roll Call vote</p>
4	0709-05	<p>NPG Grant: Artfully United Art Education Grant.</p> <p>Education Grant for artist Mike Morice to host classes in making art making, implantation, and preservation to be conducted at Augustus Hawkins High School., The Vermont Branch Library and/or Emmanuel Arts High School.</p> <p>Proposed Action: Authorize funding in the amount of \$4900</p> <p>Member: Jason Saunders</p> <p>Funding item: Roll Call vote</p>
5	0709-06	<p>NPG Grant: Request by Congress of Neighborhoods. The Congress of Neighborhoods annual event is requesting funds from all neighborhood councils to offset the \$50,000 plus cost of the annual event. The City has reduced funding for this event. A suggested donation of \$1000 is made but the neighborhood council may contribute any amount up to the \$5,000 limit.</p>

		<p>Proposed Action: Authorize funding to the Congress of Neighborhoods in an amount to be determined by Voices.</p> <p>Member: J. Saunders</p> <p>Funding item: Roll Call vote</p>
	0709-07	<p>Neighborhood Purpose Grant: Augustus Hawkins High School Healing Garden.</p> <p>Augustus Hawkins is requesting \$5000 for funds to support the high school garden.</p> <p>Proposed Action to approve funds up to \$5000</p> <p>Member: J. Saunders</p> <p>Funding item: Roll Call vote</p>
7	0611-08	<p>Authorize funds up to \$600 to artist Jayson Valencia for vandalism repair of the Vermont Square Library mural that the neighborhood council commissioned in 2021. The council approved these funds in the previous fiscal year but due to issues with the council's 'exhaustive efforts' status at the time the funding was not processed.</p> <p>Proposed Action: to approve funds up to \$600 to remove graffiti from the Vermont Square Library Mural</p> <p>Member: J. Saunders</p> <p>Funding item: Roll Call vote</p>
8	0611-09	<p>Presentation: United Rangers Of America.</p> <p>No Action Required; Information Only.</p>
9	0611-10	<p>Treasurer's Report</p> <p>Approve Monthly Expenditure Report (MERS.) For month June , 2024</p> <p>Funding item: Roll Call vote</p> <p>Member: A. Daramola.</p>
10	0611-11	<p>Meeting Minutes</p> <p>Review and approve minutes from June General Board Meeting</p> <p>Member/Committee: Sidney Thomas</p>
11	0611-12	<p>Announcements/Updates by Department of Neighborhood Empowerment</p> <p>Daniel Johnson-Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate</p>
12	0611-13	<p>General Board Announcements on Non-Agenda Items (Not for Discussion)</p>

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