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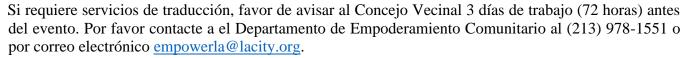
WATTS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL Special General Board Meeting

> Wednesday 3/20/2024 7:00 PM

Zoom Meeting Online

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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 WATTS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY.

Every person wishing to address the Board must dial (XXX) XXX-XXXX, and enter XXX XXX XXX and then press # to join the meeting. When prompted by the presiding officer, to provide public input at the Neighborhood Council meeting the public will be requested to dial \*9 or use the Raise Hand option, to address the Board on any agenda item before the Board takes an action on an item. Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered.

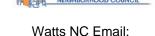
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# SB 411 Updates:

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





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a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting may be challenged pursuant to Section 54960.1.

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.

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.

- (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, 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.

# **AGENDA**

# I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

a. Call to Order by Presiding Officer

	Teresa J	Patricia W	Area 3 VACANT	Oscar R	Adeline	Cartashia P	Storm H	Tasha J	Erica D	Demetria S	Phillip "Rock"L	Tenesha T	Hector C	At Large VACANT	Healthcare VACANT
Present															
Absent															
After Roll															

b. Roll Call

# II. PUBLIC SAFETY

- a. Los Angeles Police Department/CSP:
- b. Los Angeles Fire Department:

# III. OLD BUSINESS

# **RULES & ELECTIONS, Oscar Rizo**

- a. **Discussion and possible action** to authorize the use of teleconferencing for Neighborhood Council meetings, including board meetings and committee meetings, in accordance with the rules established by Senate Bill 411, to increase stakeholder engagement and outreach. *This vote requires approval of 2/3. 10 board members need to vote yes for the motion to be approved.*
- b. **Discussion and possible action** on WNC board members status of vacant seats for the following:
  - Area 3 Representative
  - Healthcare Representative
  - At Large Representative

# IV. NEW BUSINESS

# BUDGET & FINANCE, Tasha Johnson

- a. **Discussion and possible action** to approve reimbursement of \$60.29 to Oscar Rizo for new storage location.
- b. **Discussion and possible action** to approve February 2024 MERs
- c. Discussion and possible action to approve up to \$5,000 NPG for Women of Watts
- d. **Discussion and possible action** to approve up to \$5,000 NPG for Children Mending Hearts

## V. RULES & ELECTIONS, Oscar Rizo

- a. **Discussion and possible action** on Standing and Ad Hoc Committees shall be comprised of at least one (1), but no more than five (5) Board members and will include any interested Stakeholders. Committee chairs may be stakeholders or Board members.
- b. **Discussion and possible action** to send attendance compliance letter to Transportation Representative-Storm Hopkins
- c. **Discussion and possible action** on WNC board members who are or at risk of being out of compliance in the following trainings:
  - i. Ethics
  - ii. Funding
  - iii. Code of Conduct
- d. **Discussion and possible action** to elect and approve a Chair and/or Vice Chair for WNC following committees:
  - i. Faith based and Community Organizations
  - ii. Transportation
  - iii. Senior, Adults, Parents, and Caregivers
  - iv. Business, Commerce, Planning, and Land Use
  - v. Environmental and Health Care
  - vi. Youth
  - vii. Cannabis

# VII. ELECTED OFFICIALS:

- a. Los Angeles Mayor: Watts Area Representative
- b. County Supervisors 2 Office -
- c. Council District 15:
- d. Assembly District 64:
- e. Congressional District 44:
- f. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment:

# VIII. HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES (HACLA):

- a. HACLA Updates
- b. Watts Rising Collaboration

# IX. LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT (LAUSD):

a. LAUSD Representative:

# X. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT NONAGENDA (2 mins per speaker)

Parliamentarian, Rock Lester

# XI. WNC COMMUNITY UPDATES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Area Representatives (5)
- b. Community Interest Representatives (8)
- c. At-Large Representatives (2)

#### XII. 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: <a href="McSupport@lacity.org">MCSupport@lacity.org</a>

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#### **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 <a href="mailto:ethics.lacity.org/lobbying">ethics.lacity.org/lobbying</a>. For assistance, please contact the Ethics Commission at (213) 978-1960 or <a href="mailto:ethics.commission@lacity.org">ethics.commission@lacity.org</a>