



NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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Special Board Meeting

Tuesday July 8, 2025
6:30PM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81855966845>

Phone 1-833-548-0282 Webinar ID: 81855966845

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. Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

I. **CALL TO ORDER**

- a. Board Roll Call
- b. Recognition of 2024-2025 Executive Officers
 - Cartashia Perkins, Chair
 - Oscar Rizo, Vice Chair
 - Taylor Tenesha, Recording Secretary
 - Tasha Johnson, Treasurer
 - Demetria Scott, Communications Secretary
 - Phillip “Rock” Lester, Parliamentarian

II. **SEATING OF THE NEW NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL BOARD**

- a. Neighborhood Council Board Member Oath
 - Lottie Cleveland
 - Adelina McCloud
 - Samara Mercado
 - Timothy McDaniels
 - Chica Caldwell
 - Jacquelyn Badejo
 - Moses Massenburg

III. **ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS**

- a. **Chair-** The Chairperson shall be the Council’s Executive Officer and chairperson of the Board. The Chairperson shall be responsible for the general oversight of the Council and preside over all Council meetings, including setting the agenda. If the Chairperson is temporarily unable to perform the duties of office, the Vice-Chairperson shall assume the duties. The Chairperson may call a special meeting of the Board if the issue warrants critical and timely attention of the Council.
- b. **Vice Chair** The Vice-Chairperson is responsible to coordinate and prioritize issues of concerns from the community to be brought before the Council. The Vice Chairperson will confer with the Chairperson regarding agenda items. The Vice Chairperson will be the Chairperson of the Rules and Elections Committee. Also, it shall be the responsibility of the Vice-Chairperson to assume the duties of the Chairperson as described above when the Chairperson is temporarily unable to perform his/her duties of office.
- c. **Recording Secretary-** The Recording Secretary shall record the minutes of Council meetings, maintain the historical records, and handle incoming and outgoing correspondence. The Recording Secretary shall make the Council records available to the public as required by law.
- d. **Communications Secretary-** The Communications Secretary oversees all communications with the Council members and media communications and the posting of Council notices for the public.
- e. **Treasurer-** The Treasurer will be responsible for maintaining all accounting records and for providing monthly reports to the Council per Department policy. The Treasurer shall ensure the safekeeping of all financial records, including, but not limited to, bank records and account information. In addition, the Treasurer shall: handle or cause to be handled regular/recurring monthly expenses; cooperate fully with the Department in matters related to Council’s funding, financial affairs and accounting procedures, and allow the Department staff access to the accounting records of the Council; submit accounting statement to the Department per City policy; disburse or cause to be disbursed by check, the funds of the Council as may be directed by the Board, taking responsibility for obtaining proper signed vouchers for such disbursements; keep and maintain adequate and correct books of accounts of the Council’s properties and business transactions; reconcile accounts monthly with bank statements; exhibit at all reasonable times the books of account and financial records to any Officer/member of the Council or stakeholder on request; and perform all duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as may be required by law, Generally Accepted Accounting Procedures (“GAAP”), by these Bylaws, the City or which may be assigned from time to time by the Board.
- f. **Parliamentarian-** The duties of the Parliamentarian will be to ensure that all

meetings of the Council run in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order, including keeping the time during public comment and presentations. When there is a vote on the floor, the Parliamentarian will make sure the vote is properly taken and will also be responsible to determine whether or not a quorum of Board members are present at all meetings of the Council to conduct business. The Parliamentarian shall also maintain the official record of attendance for each board member

IV. ELECTION OF FINANCIAL OFFICERS

- a. Discussion and/or possible action to designate up to two (2) Bank Card Holders
- b. Discussion and/or possible action to designate a Second Signer
- c. Discussion and/or possible action to designate an Alternate Signer

V. GOVERNMENT REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Reports and brief presentations only. Any questions, please follow up with the presenter on the side so the meeting may proceed as scheduled. Thank you.)

- a. LA City Council District Representative
- b. LAPD Senior Lead(s)
- c. Other Government Departments/Agencies

VI. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's jurisdiction (Up to two minutes per speaker)

VII. PRESENTATIONS: EmpowerLA Neighborhood Council Board Orientation

- a. What should you expect over the next few months?
 - Administrative Financial Packet
 - Retreat? August
- b. Important Announcements and Upcoming Events
 - Update from Alfonso

ADJOURNMENT

Next Meeting In Person Only:
Alma Reaves Woods - Watts Branch Library
10205 Compton Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90002
Tuesday August 12, 2025
6:00PM

**Agenda items please email WattsNC@empowerla.org
THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME!!!**

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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 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.

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