



## Neighborhood Council of Westchester/Playa

Board Meeting Agenda

Paula Gerez, President

**Meeting Date:** August 5, 2025 6:30 pm

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Meeting Location: 7166 Manchester Avenue, Westchester, CA 90045

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1. **Call to Order**
2. **Salute the Flag**
3. **Introductions**
4. **Consent Calendar:** *(The following items will be treated as one item and enacted with one vote unless a Board member or a stakeholder requests that an item be placed on the Discussion Calendar.)*
  1. Approval of Minutes of July 2025 Board meeting
  2. Motion to receive, approve and file the June 2025 Treasurer's Report and MER
  3. Motion to Oppose Legislation Mandating Housing Density Without Funding Mechanisms. ([More information can be found here](#)) "The State of California has enacted a series of housing-related bills aimed at increasing residential density in cities and municipalities statewide, including SB 9, SB 10, and others. While the stated intent of these bills is to address the statewide housing crisis, implementation of these measures often places significant burdens on local government without providing the necessary infrastructure, services, or fiscal support. These mandates frequently override local planning authority, diminish the ability of cities to tailor land use to their unique needs and capacities, and strain existing infrastructure and funding resources."NCWP, a member of the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC), therefore:"1) requests that our elected state officials take steps to initiate a pause on all enacted legislation that provides for statewide housing density and/or streamlining mandates, unless and until clear funding mechanisms are identified and enacted to accompany the legislation, in order to support the resulting impact on infrastructure, public safety, and municipal services; and"2) opposes any pending and future legislation that proposes statewide housing density and/or streamlining mandates, unless clear funding mechanisms are identified to accompany any such bills, in order to support the resulting impact on infrastructure, public safety, and municipal services."The imposition of increased density — without accompanying state funding or resource allocation — exacerbates existing challenges, particularly in areas vulnerable to wildfire, evacuation constraints, and other environmental or geographic hazards, such as the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone, Flood Zones or other environmentally sensitive locations as determined by local governments throughout the state."
  4. Motion to Request Mayor to Consent to City Controller's Audit of Inside Safe. ([More information can be found here](#)) "NCWP, a member of the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC), urges Los Angeles Mayor Karen Bass to immediately consent to a full audit of the City's Inside Safe program by Los Angeles City Controller Kenneth Mejia."
  5. Motion to Support [CF 20-1376-S5](#) (Park) ([More information can be found here](#)) "The Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC), strongly supports CF 20-1376-S5 (Park), which calls for certain amendments of LAMC Sec. 41.18 and a report back by the City Attorney on the feasibility of amending 41.18 to prohibit encampments as per the Governor's model ordinance."
  6. Motion to Postpone Caltrans Repaving Project on the 405. ([More information can be found here](#)) "NCWP, a member of the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC), urgently requests that Caltrans delay the I-405 Pavement Rehabilitation Project (<https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-7/district-7-new-s/d7-caltrans-to-host-meeting-for-the-interstate-405-sepulveda-pass>

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pavement rehabilitation project) until after: “1) All lanes of Pacific Coast Highway are reopened, and “2) All Palisades fire debris removal is complete.” NCWP believes that this delay is reasonable given that the I-405 Pavement Rehabilitation project is scheduled to take four years, and we ask that Caltrans accommodate this important request. NCWP further requests that Council members representing WRAC member councils (Park, Yaroslavsky, Hutt and/or Raman) bring a resolution in Council to effectuate this request on behalf of the City.”

7. Motion to Oppose RFP for IKE Sidewalk Kiosk Program. ([More information can be found here](#)) Refers to City [Council file 22-1154-S1](#) “NCWP, a member of the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC), opposes Council File 22-1154-S1 and the issuance of a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the interactive digital kiosk program, because it would: “1) allow installation of hundreds of 8 to 9 foot tall two-sided digital advertising kiosks on sidewalks through the City, which WRAC previously opposed in January 2023 (<https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/WRAC-Letter-re-IKE-program.pdf>), and “2) directly compete with, and undermine, the success of the City’s Sidewalk and Transit Amenities Program (STAP) and other community benefit programs that the City and its transit riders rely upon to provide much-needed shade, shelter, transit information and public service announcements.”
8. Motion to approve the Airport Relations Committee appointment of Cory Birkett, Community Member.
9. Motion to approve a NPG request from Friends of the Jungle for their annual beach/neighborhood clean up to take place on Saturday morning, September 20th, 2025 at Trolleyway in Playa del Rey for an amount not to exceed \$1,500.00. The funds are to provide volunteers with food, drinks, a porta-potty and other necessities during the event.

**5. Announcements from Governmental Representative** (limit to 3 minutes please)

**6. Announcements from Board Members**

**7. Presentations**

1. Presentation from Lucy Han with Friends of The Jungle who is asking for the NCWP Support for the mural honoring the Gillis Volleyball Tournament founded and run for fifty years for our community by Steve and Dave Cressman. It was a labor of love for the city they grew up in. This mural was created by Hector Rios and art by Tim Neil. This project would not have happened without the determination of LA Council Member Traci Park, County Supervisor Holly Mitchell and Lucy Han with Friends of The Jungle.

Board Discussion with possible motion to send a letter of support for the Mural to Councilwoman Parks and the City of Los Angeles.

Public Comment

**8. Discussion Calendar and related Public comment**

1. Discussion and possible motion to remove Jessica Lesley (appointed on February 4, 2025), Service Organizations who has failed to comply with the city-administered ethics training within three (3) months of being seated as a Board Member.
  1. New Board Members shall take training in the fundamentals of Neighborhood Council, including, but not limited to, ethics, and other trainings required by the City within sixty (60) days of being seated, or they will lose their Council voting rights. All other Board Members must be current with such training requirements or they will lose their Council

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voting rights.

2. Section 9: Removal – A Board Member may be removed for any of the following reasons:

- A. The Member is unable to carry out his/her duties and responsibilities to the Board and/or its committees due to time limitations, illness and/or other personal obligations.
- B. A change in the status that qualified the Member to hold his/her seat shall result in automatic removal.
- C. Failure to comply with the city-administered ethics training within three (3) months of being seated as a Board Member or out of compliance for three (3) months in the case of a seated Board Member.
- D. A Board Member may be removed from the Board for good cause, including, but not limited to, disruptive conduct; interfering with Council business; violations of the Bylaws, Operating Procedures or Code of Conduct. Removal of the identified Board Member requires a two-thirds majority of the attending Board Members.

9. **Public Comment** – non-agenda items *(limited to 1 minute per speaker unless otherwise declared by the President or presiding director. Public comment on agenda items will be called as each agenda item is brought forward.)*

10. **Committee Reports**

11. **Adjourn**

**Next Meeting Date:**

**Next Meeting Highlights:**

**Relevant Files:**

- <https://ncwpdr.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/NCWP-Minutes-07-25-meeting.doc>
- <https://ncwpdr.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/MER-for-June-2025.pdf>
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