

WLASNC Board of Directors FY 2023-24

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**WEST LOS ANGELES SAWTELLE
NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

Board of Directors - Agenda
Wednesday, Oct. 25, 2023 – 7:00 pm

**Stoner Park Small Gym (south of main rec center) - 1835 Stoner Ave.
West Los Angeles, Calif. 90025**

Online viewing (no public participation): <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82474769234>

Meeting ID: 824 7476 9234 (and press #)

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All items on the agenda are subject to discussion, possible action and filing of a Community Impact Statement to the Office of the City Clerk.

Agenda, Minutes, Motions and Documents: Online - <https://tinyurl.com/WLASNC-Board> (old)

New: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1jdrDB740owKDpFzAq9VL0kUW44wvWSwH>

- Binder available at security guard desk at WLA Muni Building (1645 Corinth Ave.)
- Submit public comments to Secretary: JayR@WestLASawtelle.org
James@WestLASawtelle.org

- I. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:** 15 members (9 in-person for quorum).
- II. **MINUTES:** Sept. 27 meeting: <https://tinyurl.com/WLASNC-Board>
 - a. Link: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1SUPaPcyOjZCvmJBtO7P2QC8vosVdtdMr>
- III. **GOVERNMENT/ AGENCY PARTNER REPORTS (list of reps at end of agenda).**
 - a. Written reports in advance are welcome, to distribute to neighbors.
 - b. NC Election Work Group: City Clerk seeks diverse individuals who participated in the 2023 NC Elections. The group will identify challenges and propose solutions to be more inclusive and responsive to stakeholders' concerns.
 - i. Eligible: Board Members and stakeholders 16+ years of age
 - ii. Meetings: Video from Jan-Apr 2024.
 - iii. Application: [here](#). Due Oct 29.
 - iv. Information: Naima Pulliam (213) 978-0444 or Naima.Pulliam@lacity.org

IV. **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT:** Comments on non-agenda items (minimum 1 minute).

V. **MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS / COMMENTS**

VI. **ADMINISTRATIVE**

- a. Board of Directors: Motions - Nov.-Dec. meetings:
 - i. Move date of Nov. Board meeting to Wed., Nov. 15, to avoid Thanksgiving (3rd Wed. of the month, 1 week earlier than normal)
 - ii. Cancel regular Nov. and Dec. Board meeting dates, and meet on Wed., Dec. 6 or Wed., Dec. 13.
- b. Committees: Motions: Appointment of members and representatives:
 - i. Homeless (A.Ransom)
 - ii. Public Safety (R.Migdal)
 - iii. Environmental (A.Caryotakis): Neighbor candidates - Deborah Teng, Zach Mazur.
 - iv. By-Laws (J.Ross)
- c. Elections: Records from the 2023 NC Elections are available (candidate filing forms, voter registration forms, and ballots). The Secretary requested them on Oct. 3, and they will be posted to the Google drive in the "Election Cmte" folder.
 - i. For paper copies, contact Naima Pulliam (naima.pulliam@lacity.org).
 - ii. Election records will be disposed on Dec. 29, 2023, in accordance with NC records retention policy.
- d. Reports on NC events:
 - i. Congress of NCs.
 - ii. By-Laws webinar.
- e. SB411: Motion - WLASNC shall request the implementation of SB411, and notify the City that our intent is to provide greater access to all neighbors to participate in the NC and join the Board and committees. Some neighbors may not be able to attend for physical or health reasons, or scheduling/ job/ family commitments, and video will allow more options for participation.
 - i. Next step: City Council must vote to approve it - date TBD (Gov Newsom signed on Oct. 9).
- f. Possible unauthorized submittals of PLUM agenda (Sept. 21 meeting) and Board meeting (Sept. 27) to DONE by committee members.

VII. **EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS**

VIII. OFFICERS REPORTS: Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Secretary

a. Treasurer:

- i. Motion: Approve **Sept.** Monthly Expenditure Report (MERs)
 1. \$1,352: Recurring outreach and office expenditures.
- ii. Motion: Neighborhood Purpose Grant - Sawtelle Judo Dojo.
 1. Funding requested: \$5,000.
 2. Dates: Nov. 1 to May 1.
 3. Date needed: Nov. 1
 4. Contact: Jerry Hazemoto
 5. Event: Judo classes.
- iii. Motion: Neighborhood Purpose Grant - Friends of West L.A.
 1. Funding requested: \$5,000 (of \$30,000 budget).
 2. Dates: Oct. 16 to Nov. 23.
 3. Date needed: Oct. 31.
 4. Contact: Michael Eveloff
 5. Event: Food and clothing distribution event around Thanksgiving in West L.A. Civic Center plaza.
- iv. Motion: Neighborhood Purpose Grant - Cal Poly Pomona.
 1. Funding requested: \$2,000.
 2. Dates: Jan. 1 to May 24, 2024
 3. Date needed: Jan. 1
 4. Contact: Natasha Harkison, Studio Samara, affiliated with Cal Poly Pomona.
 5. Event: Landscape architect students to hold meetings with the community, provide designs and materials for outreach for design options for Bundy Triangle Park.
- v. Motion: Neighborhood Purpose Grant - Exploring Your Universe Science Fair (UCLA).
 1. Funding requested: \$5,000 (of total cost \$7,436).
 2. Dates: Nov. 5.
 3. Date needed: Nov. 3.
 4. Contact: Yutong Wu, Jasper Laca, Sophia Uemura.
 5. Event: Science fair at UCLA - directional/informational signage and supplies for demonstration booths.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- a. By-Laws: Motions: Amend the By-Laws to [must wait until DONE approves the Amendment and issues revised By-Laws]:
 - i. Create a Youth Seat (Sect. V-501-A).
 1. Revisions: Add - One (1) Youth Representatives - Stakeholder between ages 15-17.
 2. Appointment to Youth Seat. Applications: Gabriela Nascimiento.
 - ii. Allow for Co-Chairs for Board officers (Sect. V-601).
 1. Revision: Add - Officers of Committees may be co-chairs.
 - iii. Allow Committees to have Officers - Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary (Sect. VII Committees).
 1. Revision: Add - The Officers of Committees consist of a Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary.
 - iv. Allow for Co-Chairs for committees (Sect. VII Committees).
 1. Revision: Add - Officers of Committees may be co-chairs.
 - v. Allow the Committee Chairs to prepare the Agendas, conduct the Committee general correspondence (Sect. VII Committees).
 1. Revision: Add - The Chair shall prepare the Agendas for all Meetings, conduct the Committee general correspondence, and archive the

Committee records and documents.

- vi. Allow only the Committee Chair, or his/her designee, to forward agenda items to the Board Chair and Secretary. Transmittal shall be done at least 6 days prior to Board meetings (Sect. VII Committees).
 1. Revision: Add - Only the Committee Chair may forward Agenda items to the Board.
- vii. All Agenda posting as follows (Sect. VI - 602 Duties and powers):
 1. Only the Board Chair or Secretary may post Board agendas and forward to DONE, or designee.
 2. Revision: Add - Posting shall be per DONE regulations: <https://empowerla.org/neighborhood-council-posting-policy/>
 - a. Post a paper agenda at a public location.
 - b. Post the agenda on NC website (72+ hours for regular meeting, 24-72 hours for special meeting).
 - c. Submit to DONE's Early Notification System (ncsupport@lacity.org).
 - d. Email to stakeholders (text, attachment or link).
 - e. Binder for public review at public location (i.e. West L.A.
- b. Motion: Request that the City request Waymo's overnight parking policies, and investigate if the company allows its cars to park overnight in residential areas. If so, request that Waymo cease parking its cars in residential areas overnight, request that parking enforcement ticket them, and the city attorney investigate and prosecute, if necessary (J.Ross).
 - i. Justification: Parking by commercial vehicles (such as truck rentals) are prohibited overnight in residential areas.
- c. Discussion: CD11 to Establish Bundy Triangle Park Committee with NC and community members. Neighbors can apply directly to CD11 (W.Chiu).
- d. Motion: Hold town hall on Sawtelle Japantown area, including Sawtelle Corridor Overlay Plan (2015), and proposal to widen the Sawtelle Blvd. sidewalk to improve the pedestrian environment between Olympic to La Grange (2023) (W.Chiu).
- e. New West Charter School (1905 S. Armacost Ave.): Review the impact of the school's new/updated monitoring plan to reduce morning and afternoon traffic and eliminate parking in the neighborhood, as required by its CUP and TMP. Council File [15-0038](#) (J.Handal).
 - i. Motion: Request that CD11 and Planning Dept. establish a Community Advisory Committee, per CD11's 2015 letter request and City determination/approval (J.Ross).
 - ii. Motion: Request that New West Charter School hire traffic staff to enforce traffic conditions of its CUP (J.Ross).
- f. Air sensor equipment for Bundy/Expo apartments neighborhood:

Motion: Request that CD11 direct Carmel Partners to install and operate on its property, and provide the NC and City with the data, as part of the developer's agreement with CD11 (J.Ross).

 - i. Motion: Request that the LADBS and AQMD install similar equipment to monitor air quality at the property, as part of the developer's agreement with CD11 (J.Ross).

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Outreach and Communications (W.Chiu): <https://tinyurl.com/4r9art9k>.
 - i. Motion: Request a budget of up to \$2,000 for the purchase of hybrid meeting AV equipment and speaker timer.
 - ii. Motion: Request a budget of \$100 to print cards that we can send to our sponsors and community partners.
 - iii. Motion: Request permission to host a series of townhall meetings about the future of our neighborhood in 2035, starting with a public presentation on the General Plan Land Use with LA City Planning and CD11. (No budget requested.)

- iv. Motion: Request that CD11 request that Parks and Rec Dept. allow Sawtelle Judo Dojo to use the Felicia Mahood Center when space is available in a careful manner.
- v. Motion: Send a letter to Hermanito Brothers about traffic safety/concern for trash bin on Sawtelle Blvd.
- vi. Motion: Create and post a digital tribute to Jean Shigamatsu to honor her service on the NC and contribution to broader Sawtelle community with input from the Japanese-American community/former colleagues/NC peers.
- b. Planning and Land Use Management: <https://tinyurl.com/yckv79tz>
 - i. 11250 La Grange Ave. apartments: Motion - Oppose the project as designed and request the following design changes (6-0-0):
 - 1. Plant trees onsite in soil (not planters) in order to allow full root and canopy growth - 2 on each of the streets (4 total).
 - 2. Install at least 4 EV chargers (developer proposes 30).
 - 3. Add 1 moderate-income unit.
 - 4. Change the dark grey cement plaster to Metal Panels.
 - 5. Include additional green elements.
 - ii. 11430 W. Exposition Blvd., 11434 W. Pico Blvd., 11460-11488 Gateway Ave. apartments: Motion - Oppose the project as designed and request the following design changes (6-0-0). Report from Ad Hoc Committee:
 - 1. Break the project into 2 separate buildings.
 - 2. Provide public open space / access as a trade-off for vacating the two alleys:
 - a. Access to parklet at end of Butler Ave. (card access at gate entrance) for residents living 250 feet down Butler Ave.
 - b. Access to the Fitness Center for two adjacent properties south of the building property on Butler Ave.
 - 3. Plant 8 trees within the property with 6-7 feet planter depth visible along the building frontages and south side.
 - 4. Add 3 moderate-income units.
 - 5. Include 30 installed EV chargers.
 - 6. Ensure that the metal standing seam panels are well-detailed without overlapping trim pieces.
 - 7. Install open joint tiles at the base of the building.
 - 8. Ensure the design and construction of the 2-story building height area adjacent to the southern Butler Ave. residences.
 - 9. Proposed Amendments: Provide a 10,000-sf quasi-public park onsite for use of neighbors during daylight hours. Reduce windows in the rear, and remove balconies in the rear. Increase stepbacks in the rear, which will reduce the height in the rear. Remove or relocate the vehicle entrance/exist on Colby Ave. No vacation of alleys.
- c. Homeless (A.Ransom): <https://tinyurl.com/yeyvphak> .
- d. Budget Advocates (J.Handal): Website: <https://www.BudgetAdvocates.org/reports>
- e. DWP (J.Ross): Proposal to build new office building on Nebraska Ave.: CEQA approved for proposal for 60-ft tall building.
- f. Public Safety (R.Miqdal).
- g. By-Laws (J.Ross): <https://tinyurl.com/2vu3uu22> .
- h. Environmental (A.Caryotakis): <https://tinyurl.com/mrx9w7st> .
- i. N.C. Sustainability Alliance: www.NCSA.LA (C.Aranguri, representative)
- j. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee (M.Mejia-Lambert): <https://tinyurl.com/375afamu>
- k. Stoner Park Advisory Cmte. (K.Kaisaki, representative):

- XI. WRAC (Westside Regional Alliance of Councils):** <https://westsidecouncils.com/>
- a. Homeless Committee (J.Handal, Chair).

- b. Land Use and Planning Committee (J.Ross, representative):
- c. Transportation Committee (J.Ross, representative).
- d. Public Safety (Ron Migdal, representative).

XII. OLD / CONTINUING BUSINESS (updates from government/agencies requested)

- a. WLASNC List of Priorities: Updates from for CD11 and SD2 (emailed in April).
- b. West L.A. Commons (civic center / courthouse re-development):
 - i. NC sent letter in August to request that CD11, SD3 and Developer update the NC on how the NC's requested designs changes (public park, skateboard facility) are being integrated into the design.
 - 1. Resolutions: <https://tinyurl.com/2rew2suu>
 - ii. Info: <https://planning.lacounty.gov/case/view/prj2022-000303>
 - iii. EIR: Scoping meeting (Jun. 14):
 - 1. Presentation: <https://youtu.be/fv0enzMvt8l>.
 - 2. Public testimony: https://youtu.be/zl2-E_stSuU
 - iv. Planners (for public comment):
 - 1. L.A. City: Bob Babajian, Milena Zasadzien, Alan Como – Milena.Zasadzien@LACity.org bob.babajian@lacity.org
 - v. L.A.County: Jolee Hui - JHui@Planning.LACounty.gov

XIII. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT: Comments on non-agenda items (minimum 1 minute)

XIV. MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS / COMMENTS

XV. ADJOURNMENT

Resources:

- 1. Budget: Running budget for FY2023-24: <https://tinyurl.com/3e7ca23z>
- 2. NPGs: Application available for Neighborhood Purpose Grants during FY 2023-2024. Quarterly deadlines to submit (Sept., Jan., April, July).
 - a. \$2,500 available (\$2,500 to West LA Community Coalition on Aug. 2, may increase if funds unspent during the fiscal year).
 - b. Educational organizations and non-profits can win grants for projects that benefit the community and empower the neighbors.
 - c. Info: <https://clerk.lacity.gov/clerk-services/nc-funding/documents-forms/npg-documents> .
- 3. CIPs: Community / non-profit organizations can receive Community Improvement Grants for events and resources open to the public.
 - a. Info (see p. 35): https://clerk.lacity.gov/sites/g/files/wph1491/files/2021-03/NCFP%20Policies_07.19.18_Final.pdf
- 4. DONE Monthly profile: Cornerstone training (see Exhibit at end of Agenda).
- 5. DONE Legislative updates: <https://tinyurl.com/4nh5amms>
 - a. Link: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1hWqWBCnVcBEKsn8AXeXJ9i2g_MbSTjrW

Government/agency partners: Please provide written report to distribute to neighbors.

- 1. Mayor Bass: West field deputy - Michelle Vergara Michelle.Vergara@lacity.org - (213) 320-8205.
- 2. Westside info/events: <https://sites.google.com/lacity.org/westarea/>
- 3. Council District #11: Traci Park - Traci.Park@LACity.org WLA Field Deputy - Michael Amster Michael.Amster@LACity.org Gabriela Medina Gabriela.Medina@LACity.org .
- 4. Supervisor District #3-Lindsay Horvath: ThirdDistrict@bos.lacounty.gov Field Deputy - Zachary Gaidzik ZGaidzik@LACounty.gov
- 5. State Assembly District #51-Rick Chavez Zbur: Field Representative – Sherwin Shamoeil Sherwin.Shamoeil@ASM.CA.gov .

6. State Assembly District #54-Isaac Bryan: Field Representative - Michelle Persoff, Michelle.Persoff@ASM.CA.gov
7. U.S. House of Representatives-Ted Lieu: Representative - Karen Calderon Karen.Calderon@Mail.House.gov
8. Police Dept.: Senior Lead Officer James Lavenson - 30627@lapd.online
9. Citizens Forestry Advisory Committee (Urban Forestry): CD11 representative - Isabelle Duvivier.
10. Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment: John Darnell John.Darnell@LACity.org
11. Stoner Park: Adria Deliberto, Director rap.stonerrc@lacity.org .
12. DWP: Deborah Hong - Deborah.Hong@LADWP.com .

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- Stoner Park - 1845 Stoner Ave.
- Website: www.WestLASawtelle.org
- Online: <https://tinyurl.com/WLASNC-Board>
- Receive agendas via email by subscribing to L.A. City's [Early Notification System \(ENS\)](#)

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 ethics.lacity.org/lobbying. For assistance, please contact the Ethics Commission at (213) 978-1960 or ethics.commission@lacity.org

Public Access of Records - In compliance with Government Code 54957.5, non-exempt writings that are distributed to a majority of the board in advance of a meeting may be viewed at the NC Office at 1645 Corinth Ave., at website: www.WestLASawtelle.org , online at <https://tinyurl.com/WLASNC-Board>, or at the meeting. If you want a copy of any record on the agenda, contact J.Ross, Secretary, at (310) 494-1115 or email at: JayR@WestLASawtelle.org.

Public Records Act Requests: Requests shall be forwarded to DONE and the City Attorney for guidance in determining compliance with the request. The Board will respond to the person or agency requesting the records in writing, within 10 days of receipt of the request, informing them that their request has been received and forwarded to DONE and the City Attorney to determine compliance.

Link: <https://recordsrequest.lacity.org/>

DONE link: <https://empowerla.org/public-records-requests/>

Reconsideration and Grievance Process - For information on the NC's process for board action reconsideration, stakeholder grievance policy, or any other procedural matters related to this Council, please consult the NC Bylaws. The Bylaws are available at our Board meetings and our website www.WestLASawtelle.org

#2-D. Monthly profile (Oct. 2): Status of Boardmember trainings (next page →):

#2-D. Monthly profile (Oct. 2): Status of Boardmember trainings

First Name	Last Name	Board Seat	Ethics Expiration (Expires every 2 years)	Funding Expiration (Expires every 2 years)	Code of Conduct Expiration (Expires every 2 years)
Jay	Handal	Large Business Representative (2027)	11/19/2023	8/1/2024	6/27/2024
Ron	Migdal	At-Large Representative (2027)	3/9/2025	10/10/2024	1/27/2024
Jay	Ross	Organizational Representative (2027)	2/14/2024	10/7/2024	11/2/2023
Pierre	Tecon	At-Large Representative (2027)	12/23/2024	12/5/2024	12/5/2024
Danilo	Torro	Small Business Representative (2027)	10/10/2022	10/5/2022	12/2/2024
Alexandra	Polin	South West District Representative (2027)	11/7/2024	11/7/2024	11/7/2024
David	Swartz	South East District Representative (2027)	2/7/2025	2/8/2025	2/7/2025
Adriane	Ransom	Small Business Representative (2027)	3/8/2024	3/7/2024	3/7/2024
Walton	Chiu	North West District Representative (2027)	3/9/2024	3/7/2024	3/7/2024
Monica	Mejia-Lambert	At-Large Representative (2027)	9/7/2024	2/14/2025	9/6/2024
Victor	Pacheco	At-Large Representative (2027)	7/21/2025	7/22/2025	7/22/2025
Kent	Kaisaki	North East District Representative (2027)	6/14/2025	6/13/2025	6/13/2025
Alexandra	Caryotakis	At-Large Representative (2027)	7/23/2025	7/10/2025	7/13/2025
James	Altuner	Organizational Representative (2027)	7/24/2025	7/24/2025	7/24/2025
Ron	Ben-Yehuda	At-Large Representative (2027)	8/22/2025	8/22/2025	8/22/2025

Attendance: 13 of 15 members attended the Sept. 27 meeting.

West L.A. Sawtelle N.C.		Special		
Meeting Attendance	<u>7/26/2023</u>	<u>8/2/2023</u>	<u>8/23/2023</u>	<u>9/27/2023</u>
W. Chiu	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
J. Altuner	Yes	Yes	Yes	NO
V. Pacheco	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
D. Swartz	NO	Yes	Yes	Yes
A. Polin	Yes	Yes	NO	Yes
A. Caryotakis	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
P. Tecon	Yes	Yes	NO	Yes
R. Migdal	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
A. Ransom	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
J. Handal	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
M. Mejia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
D. Torro	NO	NO	Yes	Yes
J. Ross	Yes	Yes	NO	NO
K. Kaisaki		appointed	NO	Yes
R. Ben-Yehuda		appointed	NO	Yes
	meeting			
	cancelled			

Treasurer's Report: Budget (FY Jul. 2022 - Jun. 2023)

Link: <https://tinyurl.com/3e7ca23z>

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
Expenditure	Date	Office/Outreach		Elections	NPG	CIP	Paid	Sent to Clerk
Opening Balance	7/1/23	\$36,562.97	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00		
facebook	7/15	\$29.96						x
google suite	7/29	\$100.80					x	x
google suite	8/1	\$104.26					x	x
wla community coalition	8/6				\$2,500.00			x

Request for Judo Club to use Felicia Mahood Center (from Reza Sabahi):

Sawtelle Judo Dojo is truly part of the cultural and historical bedrock of the Sawtelle neighborhood, and our inability to find local space to continue providing instruction may jeopardize that legacy.

REQUEST: Sawtelle Judo Dojo is submitting a request to use the Felicia Mahood Multipurpose Center for instruction and training. The space is unused each day after 4:00 pm.

- Our desired days are Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, from 4:30 pm to 9:30 pm.
- All equipment is provided by and is the responsibility of the judo club.

BACKGROUND: Founded in 1927, Sawtelle Judo Dojo is one of the oldest judo clubs in the United States. The club provides recreational and competition instruction for children aged 4 and up, as well as high school aged, college aged, and adults. For the last 96 years, the club has served the West Los Angeles community through sport and philanthropy. The club has earned a reputation as one of the best judo schools in the country, and has developed several national champions and Olympians. The club has been housed and operated from a gymnasium at the Japanese Institute of Sawtelle; a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting Japanese culture, located on the corner of Corinth Ave and Olympic Blvd.

CURRENT SITUATION: The Japanese Institute of Sawtelle recently broke ground on a multi-year, multi-million dollar real estate development project. As such, the judo club is in need of a space to practice. The judo club is run as a not-for-profit, with dues set at a level for all families to afford, which puts most commercial spaces beyond the practical budget of the judo club. In the hopes of keeping our dues affordable for everyone in our community, we are seeking under-utilized, City-owned space we may use. Please note that the judo club covers 100% of the cost of insurance and all instructors are certified by the appropriate governing bodies.

COMPLIANCE AND PERMITTING: The club submitted a proposal with the Dept of Recreation and Parks Partnership Section to use the Mahood Center as a Partner.

- Our club and proposal meet the Partnership Criteria, specifically: Supporting the Department's Mission and Vision in enhancing recreational opportunities for the benefit of Los Angeles residents;
 - Proof of insurance coverage pursuant to scope of proposed collaboration;
 - Proposal is open and accessible to the public;
 - The collaboration primarily benefits the City of Los Angeles communities and residents; and
 - The proposed collaboration will be privately funded.
- Our club and proposal meet LA City Department of Recreation and Parks stated definition of ideal Operational Collaboration, specifically: Free or low cost Recreational Programs; Sports Programs and Clinics; Support of Cultural Programs; and After School Programs.
- We have staff that are Live Scanned with Recreation and Parks, and are willing to become City volunteers to effectuate the proposal.
- We have been in contact with CD11 and U.S. Congressman Ted Lui.

KEY BENEFITS FOR FELICIA MAHOOD MULTIPURPOSE CENTER / CITY OF LOS ANGELES

- Additional activity for existing members; Practice would be open to the public, including senior citizens who may want to watch or participate (if physically fit).
- Well-known and highly respected judo club will add positive visibility for the center and increase facility utilization.
- Both organizations support the local community; the judo club has operated for almost 100 years walking distance from the center.

ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS: \$0 expense required by the center.

- Partnership allows the judo club to operate, while keeping tuition low for local families. Instructors are volunteers and tuition goes to pay for insurance, certifications, and competitions.
- Diverse organization, comprised of students and instructors from various backgrounds and socio-economic histories; gender diverse and more than half of all members are people of color.

List of Priorities to CD11 and SD3 (Mar. 23, 2023)

Re: West L.A. Sawtelle NC - list of priorities for our neighborhood

Councilmember Park and Supervisor Horvath,

This is a list of our district's priorities for the next eight months until year end (Dec. 2023):

1. Homelessness
 - a. Enforce no camping zones in sensitive areas as required by law, enforce ADA compliance so that our community members with disabilities have access to their neighborhood.
 - b. Remove items and objects which obstruct traffic lanes near encampments as a matter of public safety.

2. Green Space
 - a. Bundy Triangle Activation: Public Access. Public Safety. Public Health.
 - b. Request an audit/accounting of how much Quimby funds and city money is available to create additional urban green spaces in Sawtelle (we have had 20 years of development and large payments into the fund, but the only capital improvement is a jungle gym at Stoner Park).

3. Public Safety/Transportation
 - a. Sidewalk curb cuts and sidewalk repairs to improve accessibility for community members with disabilities.
 - b. Pedestrian crosswalks and traffic calming measures installed at identified high-risk intersections (i.e., Ohio/Wellesley/Santa Monica) to make Sawtelle a pedestrian/jogger/bike-safe neighborhood for everyone.

4. Planning and new housing
 - a. Support NC's resolutions that channel new development to commercial corridors, and preserve lower densities in interior neighborhoods.
 - b. Support NC's resolutions that include a real public park in the West L.A. Commons project, and re-builds a skate park facility at the Idaho Ave. parking lot.

Stoner Park – Small gym (south of main building) – 1835 Stoner Ave.

