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WOODLAND HILLS WARNER CENTER NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Regular Full Board Meeting Agenda
February 11, 2026
6:30pm – 9:30pm
City of Los Angeles Fire Station 84
In the Community Room
21050 Burbank Blvd. Woodland Hills, CA, 91367

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California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(6)(A).

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California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(6)(B).

AGENDA

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Board Members

Area 1 – Karen DiBiase, Geoffrey Hobson, Shelly Schwartz

Area 2 – Julian Tu, Jon Mann, Susan Roberts

Area 3 - August Steurer, Harout Aristakessian,

Area 4 – Martin Lipkin, Mary Jo Rizvi, Janyce Pink

Area 5 - Meagan Jacoby

Area 6 – Danny Mulvihill, Heath Kline, Harris Cohen

Area 7 – Kate Kennedy, Joyce Fletcher, Juliet Schwarz, Michelle Delgado

Public Announcements:

Office of Councilmember Bob Blumenfield	(5 minutes)
Office of Local and State Officials – if available	(5 minutes each)
Other Local Agencies – if available	(5 minutes each)

General Public Comment, by the Public, on Non-Agenda Items:

General Public Comment is limited to two (2) minutes per speaker and 20 minutes total.

I. Organization, Operation, Policies, & Procedures:

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so the public is encouraged to join the meeting several minutes PRIOR to a specific agenda item being discussed.*

A. Approval of Minutes: Board Meeting January 14, 2026	(2 minutes)
Board Retreat January 31, 2026	(2 minutes)

See posted support document: Roll Call Vote

B. Officer Reports	(5 minutes)
President – Jon Mann	
Vice President – Karen DiBiase	
Treasurer – Heath Kline	
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Parliamentarian – August Steurer	

2. Items for Discussion and Possible Action:

<u>Item No. (1) Governance Committee – Jon Mann, Chair</u>	
<u>(26-108) Motion to appoint a WWCNC Youth Member Board Member</u>	(5 minutes)

Discussion and possible action

Motion to approve Duncan Lawrie to be appointed as the WWCNC Youth Member Board Member
Governance Committee Vote: Yes – Jon Mann, Karen DiBiase, Heath Kline, Joyce Fletcher, August Steurer

Support documents presented at meeting: Roll Call Vote

<u>Item (2) Review of Board Retreat</u>	
<u>(26-109) Discussion: What was helpful and what was missing?</u>	(15 minutes)

Discussion Group info to committees

<u>Item No. (3) PLUM Committee - Marty Lipkin and Joyce Fletcher, Co-Chairs</u>	
<u>(26-110) ZA 2025-1291-CUW Verizon Wireless Installation “Archwood”</u>	
<u>Parking Garage, Westfield Topanga Mall</u>	(10 minutes)

Discussion and possible action:

As pertaining to Verizon Wireless, "Archwood" Project, Case Number: ZA 2025-1291-CUW the "Archwood" project, located at 21725 W Victory Blvd, 91367, and having held three public meetings for the application filed by Verizon Wireless for the installation of a Verizon unmanned wireless communication facility mounted within new Verizon screened boxes located on the east side exterior of the top floor of the parking garage at the Westfield Topanga Mall, the WHWCNC Planning, Land Use and Mobility Committee (PLUM) hereby finds that:

WHEREAS, the proposed project designs and plans adhere to requirements of the Warner Center 2035 Specific Plan; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has obtained permission for installation from the property owner Westfield Topanga Owner LP.

WHEREAS, given the installation is on the top floor of the parking garage, faces easterly and all antennas and equipment will be screened from public view

WHEREAS, the installation does not eliminate garage parking spaces nor create hazardous conditions for cars nor pedestrians, and

WHEREAS, the applicant has agreed to the following conditions:

Conditions:

1. Verizon will quickly remove all graffiti that could appear on the screens or on the utility installation on the roof of the parking garage.
2. Verizon will maintain the screens in a manner that eliminates any safety issues for cars and pedestrians.
3. The installation may not be used for advertisements or the display of logos.

Therefore, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Planning Land Use and Mobility Committee of the Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council, for the findings stated herein, finds that the submitted application and plans submitted by Verizon Wireless receive the support of the Board of the Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council (WHWCNC).

See the Case Report in the support documents.

PLUM Vote: Yes – Marty Lipkin, Joyce Fletcher, Matt Richman, August Steurer, Bobbie Wasserman, Henry Rice
No 0 Abstain 0 Ineligible 1

See posted support document:

Roll Call Vote

Item No. (4) PLUM Committee - Marty Lipkin and Joyce Fletcher, Co-Chairs

(26-111) The Boulevard Apartments: 20600 Ventura Bl., 91364

(10 minutes)

ENV-2025-3894-CE CPC-2025-3893-ZC-SPPE-SPPC

Discussion and possible action:

As pertaining to the applicant Acacia Capitals, request per The Boulevard Apartments' located at 20600 Ventura Blvd., Case Numbers ENV-2025-3894 and CPC-2025-3893-ZC-SPPE-SPPC for a formal change-of-use reclassification from retail to residential/live-work, and the partial re-configuration of five (5) currently empty retail spaces in the western-most corner of the structure to be re-classified and converted from retail/commercial-intended space to five (5) residential/live-work spaces that includes 2nd-floor (mezzanine) lofts and at the market rates currently being charged to the other building tenants in similar-sized apartments.

After having held three public meetings in 2025 and 2026 for the application filed by Acacia Capital, the property owner and manager, for the request to change the five front units along Ventura Blvd. and initially earmarked for

commercial use but which have either never been utilized by commercial tenants, or have had tenants leave due to the lack of commercial traffic at this location, the WHWCNC Planning, Land Use and Mobility Committee PLUM) hereby finds that:

WHEREAS, the developer/owner of the Boulevard Apartments site did fulfill the original requirements of the Ventura Blvd. Specific Plan at the time of the project's initial conception and subsequent development, and offered the five (5) spaces for commercial/retail use; and

WHEREAS, the the building construction was completed and residential spaces were almost fully leased, while over the same 9-year period since the structure was completed in 2016, only one or two of the five commercial/retail spaces were subsequently leased--with occupying businesses eventually moving out due to a lack of retail traffic in the area; and

WHEREAS, the five empty commercial spaces are being re-designed to incorporate 2nd (mezzanine) floor lofts for additional living room, and have had new residential appliances and features installed so that the units conform with required residential apartment requirements; and

WHEREAS, the change from commercial to residential space will not eliminate garage parking spaces intended for apartment occupants (45 spaces are available), and rear hallways will give occupants of the five new apartment spaces easy access to their garage stalls; and

WHEREAS, there will be no significant exterior material or architectural changes to the existing building, and only the existing front set of steps originally intended for commercial access will be removed and a new planter installed, Therefore, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Planning Land Use and Mobility Committee of the Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council, for the findings stated herein, finds that the submitted application and plans submitted by Acacia Capital for a change of use and limited re-design of The Boulevard Apartments receive the support of the Board of the Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council (WHWCNC).

See the Case Report in the Support Documents.

PLUM Vote: Yes – Marty Lipkin, Joyce Fletcher, Matt Richman, August Steurer, Bobbie Wasserman, Henry Rice
No 0 Abstain 0 Ineligible 1

See posted support document:

Roll Call Vote

Item No. (5) Public Safety Committee – Megan Jacoby

(26-112) : Compliance with AB 747 and Emergency Evacuation Planning

(15 minutes)

Discussion and possible action:

The Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council (WHWCNC) Public Safety Committee moves to SUPPORT Council File 25-0848, which calls for the City of Los Angeles to bring its Safety Element and emergency evacuation planning into compliance with Assembly Bill 747 (Levine) following adoption of the City's Local Hazard Mitigation Plan.

COMMUNITY SAFETY FINDINGS

The Public Safety Committee finds that:

1. Recent emergency events, including the January 7, 2025 Palisades Fire and the July 29, 2025 Tsunami Advisory, revealed significant deficiencies in evacuation preparedness, route capacity, traffic control, and public communication.
2. Woodland Hills includes multiple neighborhoods located within or adjacent to Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones, hillside corridors, and canyon interfaces, many of which rely on limited roadway access for both evacuation and emergency responder ingress.
3. Specific areas of concern within the WHWCNC boundaries include, but are not limited to:
 - o Valley Circle Boulevard and connecting hillside streets
 - o Mulholland Drive—adjacent neighborhoods, including feeder roads and residential canyons

- Topanga Canyon Boulevard (SR-27) interface areas affecting north–south evacuation flow
- Corbin Avenue, De Soto Avenue, Dumetz Rd and Woodlake Avenue hillside segments, which experience congestion during peak hours
- Dirt or unimproved hillside roads that may become impassable during fire, flood, or seismic events

4. Residents within these areas have repeatedly raised concerns regarding evacuation feasibility, traffic bottlenecks, emergency vehicle access, signage clarity, and the absence of routine community evacuation education or drills.
5. Although the City adopted its Local Hazard Mitigation Plan in September 2024, the required updates to the Safety Element under AB 747 have not yet been completed, leaving communities such as Woodland Hills vulnerable to foreseeable emergencies.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the WHWCNC Public Safety Committee recommends that the City Council:

1. Direct the Department of City Planning, in coordination with the Emergency Management Department, Los Angeles Fire Department, Los Angeles Police Department, Department of Transportation, and other relevant agencies, to report back on the City's current compliance status with AB 747.
2. Conduct a comprehensive evaluation of evacuation routes in high-risk areas citywide, including hillside and wildland-urban interface neighborhoods such as Woodland Hills, with particular attention to corridors including Valley Circle Boulevard, Mulholland Drive–adjacent streets, and Topanga Canyon Boulevard, and with specific assessment of:
 - Route capacity, congestion points, and peak-hour constraints
 - Physical safety hazards and roadway conditions
 - Viability under wildfire, earthquake, flood, and other emergency scenarios
 - Emergency ingress and egress for fire, police, and medical responders
 - Traffic control, signage, and choke-point mitigation strategies
3. Develop and implement community-facing education and preparedness measures, including evacuation route mapping, drills, and outreach tailored to hillside and canyon-adjacent neighborhoods.
4. Identify and pursue state and federal grant funding to support evacuation infrastructure improvements, signage, traffic management systems, and broader community resilience planning in high-risk areas.

FURTHER RESOLVED

That the WHWCNC Public Safety Committee recommends the WHWCNC Board of Directors adopt this position and submit a corresponding Community Impact Statement (CIS) in support of Council File 25-0848.

See posted support document:

Roll Call Vote

Item No. (6) Homelessness and Social Justice Committee – Juliet Schwarz, Chair

(26-113) WHWCNC Draft Letter of Support of LA Board of Supervisors motion to enact an ordinance which limits ICE activities in certain public spaces

(15 minutes)

Discussion and possible action.

Motion for the Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council (WHWCNC) to approve a draft letter of support for the Los Angeles Board of Supervisors' motion to enact an ordinance which limits ICE activities in certain public spaces. On January 13, 2026, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors unanimously approved a motion by Supervisors Lindsey P. Horvath and Hilda L. Solis initiating the development of an ordinance to establish "ICE-Free Zones" across County-owned and County-controlled properties. The Board action directs County Counsel to draft and return an ordinance for Board consideration within 30 days. Link to the full motion: <https://file.lacounty.gov/SDSInter/bos/supdocs/211800.pdf> The Risks Associated with ICE Raids: ICE is currently staging and conducting unauthorized raids in public spaces such as school parking lots, public parks, public

buildings, open spaces and public parking lots etc. These unauthorized “staging areas”, “operations bases” or “processing locations” are often used for unauthorized and often violent immigration enforcement, public harassment and arrests without a warrant, causing significant risk to public safety. Aggressive “Surprise ICE Raids” cause physical harm and death. These unauthorized and aggressive surprise tactics terrorize and endanger innocent bystanders and those being chased down by federal immigration agents. Innocent children are being arrested and people shot during ICE created public chaos. Lindsey Horvath has stated: "Los Angeles County will not allow our public property to be used by ICE to cause harm and to frighten people away from receiving services and support," Horvath said. "When residents are scared to seek care or show up in public spaces, something is deeply wrong." The Board of the Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council also asks the following entities and departments for their support and to take action to establish ICE-Free Zones in the City of Los Angeles: City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks Los Angeles Police Department Los Angeles Unified School District Council District 3 – Councilmember Bob Blumenfield

See posted support document:

Roll Call Vote

Item No. (7) Homelessness and Social Justice Committee – Juliet Schwarz, Chair

(5 minutes)

(26-114) Discussion regarding Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG) funding policy for organizations located outside the City of Los Angeles boundary.

See posted support document:

Item No. (8) Governance Committee – Jon Mann, Chair

(26-115) Community Impact Statement Filers

(2 minutes)

Discussion and possible action

Motion for the Board to appoint Jon Mann, Joyce Fletcher and August Steurer to be the additional WHWCNC Community Impact Statement (CIS) Filers. Currently Heath Kline is the only board member who has been appointed to file a CIS. The board can appoint a total of five board members to submit board approved CIS.
Governance Committee Vote: Yes - Jon Mann, Karen DiBiase, Heath Kline, Joyce Fletcher, August Steurer

Roll Call Vote

Item No. (9) Community Services Committee – Joyce Fletcher, Chair

(26-116) WGWCNC Damaged Banners on Ventura Blvd,

(10 minutes)

Discussion only and possible action

Discussion related to replacing **currently** damaged WHWCNC double banners on two poles located on Ventura Blvd. These current banners were installed per the April 2025 to April 2026 agreement which **does not** contain a maintenance agreement.

See the attached agreement that the *board approved on January 14, 2026*, that will go into effect in **April 2026 until April 2027** which does contain a maintenance agreement.

However, the 2026-2027 agreement is for next year's replacements, and if used now, will not cover the cost should other banners become damaged in the future year prior to April 2027.

Or the board can vote in March to spend additional funds to replace the currently damaged banners and not deplete the maintenance funds in the 2026 -2027 agreement for next year.

The cost of replacement for double sided banners on two poles is about \$1,500.00.

Community Services vote for discussion: Yes- Karen DiBiase, Joyce Fletcher, Kate Kennedy, Julian Tu, Susan Roberts

Roll Call Vote

Item No. (10) Community Services Committee – Joyce Fletcher, Chair
(26-117) Community Impact Statement (CIS) – Council File Number:25-0434

(10 minutes)

Discussion and possible action

Motion for the board to approve the following Community Impact Statement submitted by Kate Kennedy, Community Service Committee for Council File Number: 25-0434

Directed TO: City Council Budget and Finance Committee

Council File Number: 25-0434

WHWCNC Position: FOR

Summary: The WHWCNC wishes to express their support FOR the motion presented on January 14, 2026, by Bob Blumenfield Councilmember. 3rd District (and seconded by Tim Mcosker) to transfer funds that were previously earmarked, in April of 2025, for the purchase and installation of solar-powered lights along the G (Orange) Line Bike Path, per the Operation Safe Streets Initiative in Council District 3. In addition, we would like to echo the council members additional motion to ensure that the Bureau of Street Lighting be authorized to make any technical corrections or clarifications to the fund transfer instructions in order to effectuate the intent of their motion as written.

The WHWCNC supports this project and looks forward to the expedition of installation so that our community can enjoy a well lit and safe bike path!

Community Services Committee Vote: Yes – Joyce Fletcher, Karen DiBiase, Julian Tu, Kate Kennedy, Susan Roberts

Roll Call Vote

Item (11) Jon Mann, President
(26-118) Motion to Sponsor Congress of Neighborhoods

(5 minutes)

For discussion and possible action:

What is Congress of Neighborhoods? Do we want to support this?
\$1000 gets us Gold Level Recognition for September 26, 2026

See posted support document:

Roll Call Vote

Item No. (12) Heath Kline, Treasurer
(26-119) Motion to Approve the January MER

(5 minutes)

For discussion and possible action:

Motion to approve the January 2026 Monthly Expenditure Report [MER]

The MER was not available from the City Clerk at the time of agenda cutoff. It will be made available to the public and board prior to board consideration.

Roll Call Vote

3. Area Reports – (10 minutes)

Area 1 – Karen DiBiase, Geoffrey Hobson, Shelly Schwartz
Area 2 – Julian Tu, Jon Mann, Susan Roberts
Area 3 - August Steurer, Harout Aristakessian
Area 4 – Martin Lipkin, Mary Jo Rizvi, Janyce Pink
Area 5 - Meagan Jacoby
Area 6 – Danny Mulvihill, Heath Kline, Harris Cohen
Area 7 – Kate Kennedy, Joyce Fletcher, Juliet Schwarz, Michelle Delgado
At Large – Melanie Kirschbaum

4. Committee Reports - (10 minutes)

Budget Committee – Heath Kline, Chair
Arts and Culture Committee – Harout Aristakessian
Community Services Committee – Joyce Fletcher, Chair
Community Outreach Committee – August Steurer, Chair
Education and Youth Committee -
Environmental & Beautification Committee – Karen DiBiase, Chair
Governance Committee – Officers
Government Relations Committee –
Homelessness and Social Justice Advocacy Committee – Juliet Schwarz, Chair
PLUM Committee – Martin Lipkin and Joyce Fletcher. Co-Chairs
Public Safety and Transportation Committee –
WHIP Committee – Heath Kline and August Steurer, Co-Chairs

Announcements:

The next Regular Board meeting will be held on March 11, 2026. Please visit the calendar page at whcouncil.org for the complete details and to confirm the date and time.

Meeting dates for year 2025 -2026: Full Board meetings are held on the second Wednesday of every month at 6:30pm. Check the NC website calendar for a complete list of committee and board meetings. Meeting dates and times are subject to change.

Adjournment of Meeting:

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