City of Los Angeles Voices Neighborhood Council Regular Board Meeting

Sally Embrey, Area 1

Javonne Sanders, Area 2

Vacant, Area 3 Vacant, Area 4

Parker Rand, At-Large

Matthew Crawford, Corresponding Secretary

Jaime Rabb, Vice Chairperson



Tuesday, July 13, 2021, 6:00 pm VIA Telephone or Internet (Zoom)

Vacant, Education Vacant, Youth Elizabeth Ebow, Housing Estuardo Mazariegos, Community-Based Sunny Keaton, Parliamentarian Kaamil Benoit, Recording Secretary Steven Nieto, Treasurer

Albert Farias, Chairperson

# Regular Board Meeting Tuesday, July 13, 2021 6:00 pm Zoom Meeting Online or By Telephone https://zoom.us/j/96107326167 Dial (669) 900-6833 or 877 853 5257 (Toll Free) to Join the Meeting Then Enter This Webinar ID: 961 0732 6167

In conformity with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 (March 17, 2020), and due to public health concerns and directives issued by the Mayor of Los Angeles and Los Angeles County Public Health Department regarding reducing the spread of COVID-19, meetings of the VoicesNC will be conducted entirely by video conference or telephonically. This will be effective starting May 1, 2020 and will continue during the period in which state or local public health officials have imposed or recommended social distancing measures.

#### PUBLIC INPUT AT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETINGS

The public is requested dial \*9, when prompted by the presiding officer, 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. 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 3 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

#### NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The City of Los Angeles Code of Conduct will be enforced to ensure the Voices Neighborhood Council meetings are collaborative, supportive, and respectful of divergent opinions.

#### QUORUM

The Voices Neighborhood Council has 14 elected positions and one nominated position. The Voices Neighborhood Council must have eight members present for quorum to conduct official business.

PUBLIC POSTING OF AGENDAS – Neighborhood Council agendas are posted for public review as follows:

- Vermont Square Library Front Door, 1201 W. 48th St.
- <u>www.voicesnc.org</u>
- You can also receive our agendas via email by subscribing to L.A. City's Early Notification System at https://www.lacity.org/subscriptions

#### **AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA)**

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#### PUBLIC ACCESS OF RECORDS

In compliance with Government Code section 54957.5, non-exempt writings that are distributed to a majority or all of the board in advance of a meeting may be viewed at the scheduled meeting. In addition, if you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda, please email <u>VoicesNC90037@gmail.com</u>

#### **CONSIDERATION AND GRIEVANCE PROCESS**

For information on the Voices NC's process for board action reconsideration, stakeholder grievance policy, or any other procedural matters related to this Council, please consult the Voices NC Bylaws. The Bylaws are available at our Board meetings and at <a href="https://vicesNC.org">https://vicesNC.org</a>.

#### SERVICIOS DE TRADUCCION

Si requiere servicios de traducción, favor de avisar al Concejo Vecinal 3 días de trabajo (72 horas) antes del evento. Por favor contacte a Jaime Rabb, Vice Chair, por correo electrónico a <u>Vicechair@voicesnc.org</u> para avisar al Concejo Vecinal.

#### 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 §§ 48.01 *et seq.* More information is available at <u>ethics.lacity.org/lobbying</u>. For assistance, please contact the Ethics Commission at {213} 978-1960 or ethics.commission@lacity.org.

#### AGENDA FOR 7/13/2021

Call to Order Roll Call

#### Action Items

All items listed are designated for discussion and possible action by the Voices Neighborhood Council. Council items identified as presentations may be proposed for action by the Council and will be reflected as such in the meeting minutes.

ltem	Reference Number	Matter	Time Allotted
1.	0721-01	Neighborhood Council Installment and Oath of Office for Newly Elected Board	10 min.
2.	0721-02	General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (limit 3 minutes per speaker)	10 min.
3.	0721-03	<ul> <li>Community/Government Reports and Announcements</li> <li>A. LAPD Senior Lead Officers -Southwest and 77th St.</li> <li>B. Office of Supervisor Mitchell's office - Alfonso Ruiz-Delgado</li> <li>C. Council District 9 - Kendal Lake</li> </ul>	30 min.

	i	D. Mayor's Office - Edith Vega	
		E. USC Civic Engagement- Steve Wesson	
		F. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment- Karen Hernandez	
4.	0721-04	Treasurer's Report: Monthly Expenditure Report	15 min.
4.	0721-04	Presentation by S. Nieto, Treasurer	15 mm.
		Review and discussion of VoicesNC Budget and MERs for June 2021.	
		Member/Committee: S. Nieto	
		Proposed Action 1: Motion to APPROVE the June 2021 MERs. MERs to be submitted by July 31,	
		2021. Perform BAC.	
		Proposed Action 1: Motion to APPROVE the FY 21-22 budget. Perform BAC	
		Proposed Action 1: Motion to APPROVE Administrative Board Packet including signers and bank	
		card holders. Perform BAC	
5.	0721-05	Figueroa and Slauson Park	20 min.
		Presentation by Sherilyn Correa and a representative from the Recreation and Park Department.	
		Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE support with recommendations for the Figueroa and	
		Slauson Park	
6.	0721-06	Meeting Minutes	5 min.
		Review and discussion of minutes from the May (5/11/21) and June (6/8/21) Meetings.	
		Member/Committee: K. Benoit	
		Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE the minutes for the May and June 2021 General Board	
		Meeting.	
7.	0721-07	Mural Project at Vermont Square Branch Library	10 min.
		Board Member: J. Rabb, Outreach and Arts, Parks & Recreation Committee	
		Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE the mural artwork and cost not to exceed \$3,500 by	
		Jayson Valencia for the building next to Vermont Square Branch Library.	
8.	0721-08	First Annual Summer Saturday Extravaganza	15 min.
		In collaboration with Councilmember Price's office we are co-sponsoring an event at Vermont	
		Square Park every Saturday in August. Discussion of details.	
		Board Member: A. Farias	
		Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE the cost not to exceed \$2,000 for food/items for 4	
9.	0721-09	Summer events held in August 2021 at Vermont Square Park.         2021 Civic University for Neighborhood Councils	10 min.
9.	0721-09	Discussion and possible action to appoint board members to attend on 9/9, 9/23, 9/30/21	10 11111.
		Board Member: A. Farias & J. Rabb	
		Proposed Action: Appoint 2 board members to attend Civic University	
10.	0721-10		15 min.
10.	0721-10	Review and discussion of vacant council seat, unassigned committees, liaisons, liaison	13 mm.
		alternates, and recruitment of community stakeholders for committee assignment. Discuss	
		council member absences. Invite all committee members to be sworn in during the February	
		meeting.	
		Presentation by Area 3 Representative candidate Abasi Patton and Area 4 Representative	
		Edward Garren. Proposed Action: Motion to appoint Area 3 Representative and Area 4	
		Representative.	
		Member/Committee: A. Farias	
		Proposed Action: 1) Council to appoint vacant board seats.	
11.		Committee & Liaison Reports and Updates	15 min.
11.	0721-11	Council to report on committee and liaison activities and invite interested stakeholders to	10 11111.
		participate in scheduled meetings.	
		Outreach Committee (Jaime Rabb)	
		Planning & Land Use Committee (Parker Rand)	

		<ul> <li>Arts, Parks &amp; Recreation Committee (Sara Zurita)</li> <li>Health and Safety Committee (Steven Nieto)</li> <li>Budget &amp; Finance Committee (Steven Nieto)</li> <li>Ad hoc Sustainability Committee (Kaamil Benoit)</li> <li>Ad hoc Business Committee (Vacant)</li> <li>LA LGBTQ+ Alliance of Neighborhood Councils Liaison (Sally Embrey/Kaamil Benoit)</li> <li>CPAB - 77th Liaison (Steven Nieto) &amp; Southwest Liaison (Sally Embrey)</li> <li>Homeless Liaison (Albert Farias)</li> <li>SLAANC Liaison (Albert Farias)</li> <li>Area Representatives (1, 2, 3, 4 and At-Large)</li> <li>Proposed Action: No Proposed Action</li> </ul>	
12.	0721-12	<ul> <li>General Board Announcements on Non-Agenda Items (Not for Discussion)</li> <li>Voices NC Board Member Training Updates</li> <li>Community Refrigerator at United Market on 51st Place &amp; Vermont Sign Up</li> <li>Others</li> </ul>	3 min.

#### **RALPH M. BROWN ACT**

54954.2. (a) At least 72 hours before a regular meeting, the legislative body of the local agency, or its designee, shall post an agenda containing a brief general description of each item of business to be transacted or discussed at the 5 meeting, including items to be discussed in closed session. A brief general description of an item generally need not exceed 20 words. The agenda shall specify the time and location of the regular meeting and shall be posted in a location that is freely accessible to members of the public. If requested, the agenda shall be made available inappropriate alternative formats to persons with a disability, as required by Section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 12132), and the federal rules and regulations adopted in implementation thereof. The agenda shall include information regarding how, to whom, and when a request for disability-related modification or accommodation, including auxiliary aids or services may be made by a person with a disability who requires a modification or accommodation in order to participate in the public meeting.

#### **REMOVAL WARNING**

In the event that any meeting is willfully interrupted by a group or groups of persons so as to render the orderly conduct of such meeting unfeasible and order cannot be restored y the removal of individuals who are willfully interrupting the meeting, the members of the legislative body conducting the meeting may order the meeting room cleared and continue in session. Only matters appearing on the agenda may be considered in such a session. Representatives of the press or other news media, except those participating in the disturbance, shall be allowed to attend any session held pursuant to this section. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the legislative body from establishing a procedure for readmitting an individual or individuals not responsible for willfully disturbing the orderly conduct of the meeting.

Government code Section 54957.9

#### **DISRUPTION OF MEETINGS**

Any person who interferes with the conduct of a Neighborhood Council meeting by willfully interrupting and/or disrupting the meeting is subject to removal. A Peace Officer may be requested to assist with the removal by the Neighborhood Council.

Any person who resists removal by a Peace Officer is subject to arrest and prosecution. Penal Code Section 403, Penal Code Section 602.1(b)

Voices NC Council Liaisons				
Council Liaison	Meeting Time	Assigned Member	Alternate Member	

1. SLAANC	Third Thursday of the month (6:30pm)	
2. LAPD 77 <sup>th</sup> C-PAB	Second Thursday of the month (6:00pm)	
3. LAPD Southwest C-PAB	First Monday of the month (6:30pm)	
4. Homelessness	Every Other Month (TBD) (6:30pm)	
5. Resilience/Disaster	TBD	
Preparedness		
6. Budget Advocate	First Monday of the month (7:00pm)	
7. Neighborhood Council	TBD	
Sustainability Alliance		

#### **Voices NC Council Financial Responsibilities**

Primary Signer	2 <sup>nd</sup> Signer	Alternate Signer	1 <sup>st</sup> Bankcard holder	2 <sup>nd</sup> Bankcard holder

#### **Voices NC Standing Committees**

All meetings are open to the public and will be posted on <u>www.empowerla.org</u>. All meetings will be held at Vermont Square Library unless otherwise posted. For more about Voices NC Standing Committees refer to Bylaws, Article VI, and Section 1.

Standing	Assigned Council	Description		
Committees	Member			
1. Arts, Parks, &		The Arts, Parks and Recreation Committee will have the responsibility to		
Recreation		discuss issues, promote partnerships on projects and brainstorm ideas to		
		encourage greater community involvement and support. The Arts, parks		
		and Recreation Committee will explore issues and ideas in order to define		
		community identity and values by giving voice to its citizens and providing		
		a form for group action and expression. The committee submits reports of		
		meetings in written form and makes recommendations to the Board for		
		action. The Chair selects meeting site, date and time and meets as directed		
		in these Bylaws.		
2. Budget &		The Budget and Finance Committee Investigate and pursue sources of		
Finance		income and funding. Make an initial review of project proposals and		
		provide a report to the VNC board with recommendations. Generate a		
		budget for each fiscal year, showing planned income and expenditures.		
		And, maintain the Council budget current and report any issues to the		
		Board.		
3. Outreach		The Outreach Committee shall be charged with continuing to outreach to		
		the VNC stakeholders by utilizing any acceptable and Board approved		
		forms of media (e.g. flyers, newsletters, print, television/electronic media,		
		signs, banners, website, etc.) to inform stakeholders regarding projects and		
		events. The content and method of distribution must be pre-approved by		
		the Board.		
4. Planning & Land		The Planning & Land Use Committee shall review, take public input, report		
Use		on and make recommendations of actions to the Board on any land use,		

	beautification, and planning issues affecting the community in order to improve the health and quality of life of its citizens. The committee also reviews and recommends action regarding building development projects requiring land use permits within the VNC boundaries; advocates positions on land use and building design for the betterment of the community; and considers and provides recommendations to Council on other topics, such as rezoning, applications, development permits, and any subdivision that require council approval.
5. Senior Services	The Senior Services Committee addresses the needs of senior citizens in the community and provides an environment where seniors can discuss current issues, share ideas and voice their concerns. The committee will be supportive of programs and services that provide seniors with maximum vitality and independence. It will identify, monitor and address issues that have impact upon seniors' quality of life. The committee will promote "Healthy Aging" by creating an environment where individual differences and needs are recognized; by promoting multicultural awareness, understanding and interaction; and by serving as a bridge to access government information and resources.
6. Youth & Education	The Youth & Education Committee addresses the issues, concerns, programs and services related to the education of children, youth and adults and developing specific strategies and policies for influencing and achieving constructive outcomes within schools, classrooms, and other education/learning centers that serve the Voices community. Additionally, this committee has the general responsibility to discuss issues, foster collaboration on projects, and brainstorm ideas to encourage greater community involvement/support and participation.
7. Health & Safety	The Health & Safety Committee seeks opportunities to organize and forums to mobilize the community in seeking safety practices. This includes partnering with Neighborhood Watch, Volunteer Safety Task Force (to enhance the Services provided by the School Crossing Guards), School Crossing Guards, Los Angeles Police Department Senior Lead Officers and Traffic Division and the Los Angeles Fire Department. Representatives of VNC will work to formalize a relationship with these City agencies and other entities responsible for "safety issues" in our community.

# Monthly Expenditure Report



Reporting Month: June 2021

# Budget Fiscal Year: 2020-2021

NC Name: Voices of 90037

	Monthly Cash Reconciliation						
Beginning Balance         Total Spent         Remaining Balance         Outstandin			Outstanding	Commitments	Net Available		
	\$11501.47	\$2053.70	\$9447.77	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$9447.77	

Monthly Cash Flow Analysis						
Budget Category	Adopted Budget	Total Spent this Month	Unspent Budget Balance	Outstanding	Net Available	
Office		\$553.70		\$0.00		
Outreach	\$30991.25	\$1500.00	\$663.94	\$0.00	\$663.94	
Elections		\$0.00		\$0.00	]	
Community Improvement Project	\$8500.00	\$0.00	\$3500.00	\$0.00	\$3500.00	
Neighborhood Purpose Grants	\$5000.00	\$0.00	\$2200.00	\$0.00	\$2200.00	
Funding Requests Under Review: \$0.00		Encumbrar	nces: \$0.00	Previous Expend	itures: \$36073.61	

			Expenditures			
#	Vendor Date		Date Description Budget Category		Sub-category	Total
1			Monthly email and website services	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$202.50
2	EXTRA SPACE 1562	06/12/2021	Reoccurring credit card charge for storage.	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$253.20
3	Community Build	05/20/2021	Voices NC to approve a contribution in the amount of \$1500 to Community Build to help mitigate COVID-19's impact on stakeholders by establishing a community refrigerator within the	General Operations Expenditure	Outreach	\$1500.00
4	Interpreters Unlimited	06/18/2021	Proxy payment for translation services requested for General Board meeting.	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$98.00
	Subtotal:			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		\$2053.70

Outstanding Expenditures							
#	#         Vendor         Date         Description         Budget Category         Sub-category						
	Subtotal: Outstanding						

#### Office of the City Clerk

Administrative Services Division

Neighborhood Council (NC) Funding Program



Board Action Certification (BAC) Form

NC Name:			Meeting Date:				
Budget Fiscal Year:			Agenda Item No:				
Board Motion and/or Public Benefit Statement (CIP and NPG):							
Method of Payment: (Select One)	Check		Credit Card		Board	Member Reimbu	rsement
	L		Count				
Recused Board Members	s must leave the room prio	or to any discuss	ion and may not	t return to the ro	om until after th	he vote is comple	ete.
Board Member's First and Last Name	Board Position	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Ineligible	Recused
	Chair						
	Vice-Chair						
	Treasurer						
	Recording Secretary						
	Corr. Secretary						
	Parliamentarian						
	Education Rep						
	Comm/Nonprofit Rep						
	Youth Rep						
	At-Large Rep						
	Area 1 Rep						
	Area 2 Rep						
	Area 3 Rep						
	Area 4 Rep						
Board Quorum:	Total:						
We, the authorized signers of the above named Neighborhood Council, declare that the information presented on this form is accurate and complete, and that a public meeting was held in accordance with all laws, policies, and procedures. The above was approved by the Neighborhood Council Board, at a Brown Act compliant public meeting where a quorum of the Board was present.							
Authorized Signature	fo		Authorized Sign	ature:	albert faires		
Print/Type Name:			Print/Type Nam	e:	-		
Date:			Date:				





4305 Degnan Blvd. Suite 102 Los Angeles, CA 90008 Phone: (323) 290-6560 Fax: (323) 596-9036

INVOICE #	DATE
5202021	5/20/21

#### **BILL TO**

Voices Neighborhood Council Attn: Steven J. Nieto, PhD

DESCRIPTION		AMOUNT
Contribution to establish and maintain a community refrigerator within the Voices NC boundaries and accessible to all Voices NC stakeholders who are experiencing food insecurity due to COVID-19		\$1,500.00
Thank you for your business!	TOTAL	\$1,500.00

If you have any questions about this invoice, please contact

Yannis Oliver, Financial Controller

IRS Department of the Treasury Internet Revenue Service P.O. Box 2508 Cincinnati OK 45201

In reply refer to: 0248564843 July 19, 2011 LTR 4168C E0 95-4375255 000000 00 00012756 BODC: TE

COMMUNITY BUILD INC % BRENDA SHOCKLEY 4305 DEGNAN BLVD STE 102 LOS ANGELES CA 90008-4949

004077

Employer Identification Number: 95-4375255 Person to Contact: Ms. Osborne Toll Free Telephone Number: 1-877-829-5500

Dear Taxpayer:

This is in response to your July 11, 2011, request for information regarding your tax-exempt status.

Our records indicate that you were recognized as exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code in a determination letter issued in March 1994.

Our records also indicate that you are not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code because you are described in section(s) 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

Donors may deduct contributions to you as provided in section 170 of the Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to you or for your use are deductible for Federal estate and gift tax purposes if they meet the applicable provisions of sections 2055, 2106, and 2522 of the Code.

Please refer to our website www.irs.gov/eo for information regarding filing requirements. Specifically, section 6033(j) of the Code provides that failure to file an annual information return for three consecutive years results in revocation of tax-exempt status as of the filing due date of the third return for organizations, required to file. We will publish a list of organizations whose tax-exempt status was revoked under section 6033(j) of the Code on our website beginning in early 2011.



# Office of the City Clerk - Administrative Services Division Neighborhood Council Funding Program **Proxy Authorization Form**

For Voices

Neighborhood Council

Date: 05.21.2021

Motion/Action:

If the proxy authorization is for a payment request, please complete the following:

Vendor Name	Invoice Number	Date of Invoice	Amount
Interpretation Unlimited	#269765	05.01.2021	\$98.00
Total			\$98.00

Reason for Proxy Authorization:

Interpretation Services for General Board Meeting

**Department Authorizing Payment:** 

Office of the City Clerk

Department of Neighborhood Empowerment

Staff Name: Karen Hernandez

Title: Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate Signature: Karen Hernandez (Jun 6, 021 13:36 PDT) Date: 6/8/2021

Authorization: Thomas Soong

Title: Director of Outreach and Elections

Signature: Thomas Soong (Jun 17, 2021 15:39 JUT)

Date: 6/17/21



# Interpreters Unlimited, Inc.

Department of Neighborhood Empowerment 200 N. Spring Street, Suite 2005, Los Angeles, CA, 90012

# INVOICE FOR PROFESSIONAL LANGUAGE SERVICES

Invoice No: 269765

Invoice Date:	2021-05-01		
Interpretee:	Voices Neighborhood Council		
Language:	Spanish		
Туре:	Language		
Date Of Service:	2021-05-01 at 01:00 PM		
Requested by:	Guadalupe Aguilar		
Event Duration :	2 Hours 00 Minutes		
Location:	Zoom Meeting, Los Angeles , California, 90001		
Notes:			
		Base	\$ 98.00
		Total:	\$ 98.00
	<b></b>		
	Please call to get your login information. ou can now visit our website to enter		
	pointments.Please call to get your login information		
	Payment Reminder		
Please inc	lude invoice Number that you are paying on your check. Thank You.		
	ing green, please provide us with your email address at oup.com to receive future invoices via email.		

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Thank you for choosing Extra Space Storage to store your belongings!

**MY ACCOUNT** 

MY ACCOUNT CONTACT US YOUR FACILITY R (323) 243-1017 宮 1701 W Slauson Ave Los Angeles, CA 90047 **Get Directions** 

# YOUR RECEIPT

Payment Date: 6/12/2021 7:12:19 AM Transaction Number: 78965268 Unit Number: 2467







# The Web Corner, Inc.

# 15300 Ventura Blvd. Suite 400 Sherman Oaks, CA 91403 818-345-7443 Date Invoice # Terms Vi/1/2021 22158 Bill To Voices Neighborhood Council Jaime Rabb

QTY	Description		Price Each	Amount
1		: includes up to 1.5 hour for; evelopment, requests, &	150.00	150.00
15	Email Standard Mailba 15 Accounts for voices		3.50	52.50
0		rg (included in maintenance)	15.00	0.00
Please remit convenience	payment at your earliest e.	Total	1 1	\$202.50
Thank you for your business!		Payments/Credits		-\$202.50
		Balance Due		\$0.00

# Invoice

NC Fiscal Year Admin Packet

Office of the City Clerk Neighborhood Council Funding Program Fiscal Year Administrative Packet

Neighborhood Council:

Fiscal Year: \_\_\_\_\_

# NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL FUNDING PROGRAM FISCAL YEAR ADMINISTRATIVE PACKET

## Summary

The Administrative Packet provides for a more comprehensive and complete record of all items that support the Neighborhood Councils' (NC) fiscal and administrative operations, including its annual budget, Financial Officers, and any commitments for NC office space, storage facility, P.O. Boxes, etc.

## Goal(s)

The goal(s) of the Administrative Packet is to make it easier for NCs to identify, plan, and confirm, via a board vote, all fiscal and administrative requirements upfront each year so that our Office can prepare for and process funding requests and resulting contracts judiciously and expeditiously.

The Packet contains the following items:

- NC Funding Program Acknowledgements & Agreements Signed by all Financial Officers

   If a new Financial Officer is being appointed for the new Fiscal Year, please check the appropriate box for the Financial Officer(s).
- Completed Annual Budget
- Information pertaining to office space, meeting space, storage facility, Post Office Box (P.O. Box), and website services, as applicable.

# Procedure

On a yearly basis, we require each NC to discuss, prepare, and approve the Administrative Packet. Once the NC board has voted on the Packet, the Packet and the completed Board Action Certification (BAC) Form are to be submitted to the NC Funding Program.

Your NC Treasurer can submit both documents, the Packet and BAC, by uploading them in the NC Funding System portal, Budget Allocation section, immediately after Board approval. Once received, reviewed, and accepted by our Program, your NC will gain full access to its funds. The NC Funding System portal website is <a href="https://cityclerk.lacity.org/NCFundPortal/#/login">https://cityclerk.lacity.org/NCFundPortal/#/login</a>

As our Program awaits your Packet submission, access to your NC funds will be limited to \$333.00 per month, until the annual budget, Administrative Packet, and BAC have been received and accepted. This limited amount is intended to assist your NC operationally for expenses related to conducting your NC meetings, i.e. meeting facility use fees, printing and photocopying of meeting documents, meeting refreshments/snacks, professional staff services.

If you have questions or require any assistance regarding the packet, please feel free to email us at <u>clerk.ncfunding@lacity.org</u> or call us at 213-978-1058.

#### NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL FUNDING PROGRAM

#### FINANCIAL OFFICERS LETTER OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT & AGREEMENT

We, the undersigned, do hereby declare that as a result of an official action of the Governing Body of the Neighborhood Council (NC) named below:

(1) we are authorized to request City funding to support NC general operations,

(2) all items or services described or included in any related funding requests are exclusively intended to further the goals and objectives of the Neighborhood Council, and

(3) all reasonable precautions shall be exercised by the undersigned to fully safeguard, control and account for all use of funds. Proper accountability of all City funds is critical to the success of the NC Funding Program.

Therefore, by the signature(s) below, and on behalf of the Neighborhood Council named below, WE HEREBY AGREE to the terms and conditions as set forth in this Letter of Acknowledgement and all related documents as provided by the City, agree to expend funds in accordance with any applicable City rules, policies or procedures, and specifically agree to expend monies received by the Office of the City Clerk solely for public purposes relating to the goals and purposes of the Neighborhood Council named below, consistent with the scope and authority under the City Charter, the Plan for a Citywide System of Neighborhood Councils and any implementing ordinances. We have attended and participated in the City-provided training relating to the NC Funding Program.

WE FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGE and WE AGREE to comply with any requirements regarding use of the NC funds. WE AGREE to provide NC financial reports and/or supporting documentation to the Office of the City Clerk, Neighborhood Council Funding Program as requested and at monthly meetings to the Governing Body and stakeholders of the NC named below. WE AGREE that the Office of the City Clerk and other City representatives may make on-site visits to inspect and review all NC financial records, upon providing reasonable advance notice to the NC Treasurer or designated representatives.

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT A NEW LETTER OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT MUST BE FILED IF THERE IS ANY CHANGE OF FINANCIAL OFFICERS.

#### **Neighborhood Council Financial Officers - Names and Signatures:**

Treasurer	□ <u>Please check here if a ne</u>	ew Treasurer is being appointed
SIGNATURE OF THE TREASURER		DATE
PRINT NAME OF THE TREASURER		EMAIL
BOARD POSITION		PHONE NUMBER

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2nd Signer <u>Please check I</u>	here if a new 2 <sup>nd</sup> Signer is being appointed
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1 <sup>st</sup> Bank Cardholder	here if a new Cardholder is being appointed
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PRINT NAME OF THE 1 <sup>st</sup> BANK CARD HOLDER	EMAIL
BOARD POSITION	PHONE NUMBER
2 <sup>nd</sup> Bank Cardholder	here if a new Cardholder is being appointed
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BOARD POSITION	PHONE NUMBER
*** Bank Cardholders, please read further next pag	e *** <u>*</u>

# NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL FUNDING PROGRAM BANK CARDHOLDER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT & AGREEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES

This document outlines the responsibilities that I, as the Neighborhood Council Bank Cardholder, have as the primary custodial holder of a City Los Angeles Neighborhood Council (NC) Bank Card, referred herein as "the card" for the Neighborhood Council named below. My signature indicates that I have read and understand these responsibilities and further, that I agree to adhere to the guidelines established by the Office of the City Clerk and approved by the City Controller for the use of City funding as it relates to the Neighborhood Council Funding Program.

1. Iunderstand that the City of Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Card is intended to facilitate the purchase and payment of materials or services required for the conduct of official Neighborhood Council business only.

2. Iagree to make only those purchases consistent with the type of purchases authorized by the Office of the City Clerk and approved by the NC Governing Board.

3. I understand that under no circumstances will I use the Card to make personal purchases either for myself or for others. The Card is issued in the name of the Neighborhood Council and I serve as the Card custodian. I agree that should I willfully violate the terms of this Agreement and use of the Card for personal use or gain that I will reimburse the City of Los Angeles for all incurred charges and any fees related to the collection of those charges.

4. Uses of the Card not authorized by the Office of the City Clerk can be considered misappropriation of City funds. This could result in (a) immediate and irrevocable forfeiture of the Card, and /or (b) potential decertification action. I understand that the Card must be surrendered upon termination of any official position with the Neighborhood Council to which the card is issued. I agree to maintain the Card with appropriate security whenever and wherever I or any other authorized person may use the Card. If the Card is stolen or lost, Iagree to immediately notify the Office of the City Clerk.

5. Iunderstand that since the Card is the property of the Bank and authorized for issue by the City of Los Angeles, Iam required to comply with internal control procedures designed to protect City assets. This may include being asked to produce the Card, receipts, and/or statements to validate its existence and to audit its use.

6. I understand that I will have access to the Funding Program System portal via the Internet where all card transactions will be posted by the Bank when the card is used. I understand that I am required to obtain itemized receipts for all card transactions and upload the itemized receipts to the Funding Program System portal to verify the posted card transaction. Uploading the required itemized receipt is necessary for my NC Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) to be generated by the Funding Program System portal. The MER must be reviewed and approved by the NC Governing Board before being submitted to the Office of the City Clerk as a complete Report.

7. I understand that all transactions on the Card will reduce the funds available to the NC. I understand that the Bank will not accept any limit increases from me.

8. I understand that the Card is solely provided to the designated NC cardholder and that assignment of the Card is based on the understanding that I need to purchase materials required for the conduct of Neighborhood Council business. I understand that custodial possession of the Card is not an entitlement nor reflective of title or position.

9. As a Neighborhood Council Financial Officer, I have signed and received a copy of both the NC Funding Program Bank Cardholder Agreement of Responsibilities and Financial Officers Letter of Acknowledgement, have attended and completed the required NC Funding Program training, and understand the requirements and limitations regarding the NC Bank Card's use.

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## 1st Bank Cardholder

SIGNATURE OF THE 1st BANK CARD HOLDER

PRINT NAME OF THE 1st BANK CARD HOLDER

2<sup>nd</sup> Bank Cardholder

SIGNATURE OF THE 2<sup>nd</sup> BANK CARD HOLDER

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## NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL FUNDING PROGRAM

# ANNUAL BUDGET TEMPLATE – FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021

The annual budget is a plan for the utilization of the NC's financial resources. It should be used as a strategic financial road map to conduct activities and efforts that will help the NC achieve its mission, goals, and objectives. The budget should include the input of stakeholders, be accessible, and comply with the rules that govern the use of NC public funds.

As a planning tool, the annual budget allows the NC board to allocate its funds, both regular annual funds and rollover funds, if any, into the following Expenditure Categories:

- 1. General and Operational Expenditures
  - i. Office/Operational
  - ii. Outreach
  - iii. Elections
- 2. Neighborhood Purposes Grants (NPGs)
- 3. Community Improvement Projects (CIPs)

With the exception of certain expenditures related to Office/Operational items, the annual budget cannot be used as authorization or approval of actual payments to vendors. All payments related to Outreach purchases, activities, and events, Elections, NPGs, and CIPs must be considered and approved through separate board motions, not as part of the board approval of the annual budget.

The annual budget may be accepted as authorization for payment for certain monthly and recurring **Office/Operational expenditures only**, such as those listed below, when itemized in the Office/Operational Expenditure Category. Please see the sample itemized Office/Operational budget allocations next page.

- 1. Office lease payments
- 2. Office supplies and equipment expenses, not including inventory items
- 3. Storage facility lease payments
- 4. P.O. Box payments
- 5. Office telephone and Internet services
- 6. Refreshments/snacks for board/committee meetings
- 7. Website hosting and maintenance services
- 8. Professional meeting/office-related services, i.e. translators, minute-takers, audio services
- 9. Printing and copying for meetings/office-related purposes only
- 10. Printing NC business cards

The annual budget template form provided here is an optional tool. Your Neighborhood Council may submit its annual budget on a form different from this template as long as it only contains the same budget allocation Expenditures Categories listed above.

For more details on the Administrative Packet, Fiscal Year annual budget, and rollover of funds unspent at the end of the Fiscal Year, please review the Policies and Guidelines, Policy 1.1, found on our website: <u>https://clerk.lacity.org/clerk-services/nc-funding</u>

# Sample Itemized Budget Allocations for Office/Operational Expenditures

Office/Operational Expenditures Category	
Office Rent (\$500/month x 12 months)	\$6,000.00
Office Supplies (paper, ink, staples, pens, binders, business cards, etc.)	\$500.00
Printer/Copy Machine Lease	\$1,500.00
Internet Service (Spectrum)	\$1,000.00
Telephone Service (Ooma)	\$500.00
Website Hosting and Maintenance	\$1,500.00
Printing and Photocopying for Meetings	\$300.00
Meeting Facility Fees (Riverside Elementary School)	\$1,500.00
Minute-Taker for Meetings (AppleOne)	\$1,500.00
Refreshments/Snacks for Meetings	\$1,200.00
Total Office/Operational Expenditures	\$15 500 00

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Annual Budget for Fiscal Year:	
Annual Budget Funds	
Rollover Funds*	
Total Annual Budget Funds	

Office/Operational Expenditures Category		
Total Office/Operational Expenditures		

\*The Funding Program will notify each NC of their Fiscal Year closing balance including available rollover funds and/or applicable adjustment, if any, approximately August 1st or next business day. Depending on when an NC submits its Admin Packet/annual budget, the NC may need to revise and resubmit its annual budget to account for any rollover and/or adjustments.

Outreach Expenditures Category		
Total Outreach Expenditures		

Election Expenditures Category				
Total Election Expenditures				

Neighborhood Purposes Grants (NPG) Expenditures Category	
Total NPG Expenditures	

Community Improvement Projects (CIP) Expenditures Category			
Total CIP Expenditures			

TOTAL ANNUAL BUDGET ALLOCATIONS	
Office/Operational Expenditures	
Outreach Expenditures	
Election Expenditures	
General and Operational Expenditures	
Neighborhood Purposes Grants (NPG) Expenditures	
Community Improvement Projects (CIP) Expenditures	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR	

# NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL FUNDING PROGRAM

## **LEASES & AGREEMENTS**

Please complete the following information, as applicable, for any leases or service agreements your NC currently has or plans on securing in the Fiscal Year involving office space, meeting space, storage facilities, P.O. Boxes, and/or website services. If sections below do not apply to your NC, please select NA on the sections that do not apply. If you have more than one Meeting Location, then please provide the same information on an additional page. The information provided on this form is to confirm services that an NC may currently have or that it would like to secure in the Fiscal Year which may require a City agreement. If an agreement needs to be drafted from the information provided, the NC board will be notified and advised to agendize and approve the drafted agreement at a future board meeting; The approval the Administrative Packet/annual budget does not replace the vote the board will need to take to approve any agreements needed.

#### **Office Location:**

□ Existing(may need to renew ag	New(new agreement may be	e needed)	□ Donated	$\Box$ NA	
Property Name:					
Property Address:					
Property Owner Name:					
Property Owner Phone Number:					
Property Owner Email:					

#### Meeting Location:

□ Existing(may need to renew ag	reement)	New(new agreement may be needed)	□ Donated	$\Box$ NA
Property Name:				
Property Address:				
Property Owner Name:				
Property Owner Phone Number:				
Property Owner Email:				

#### **Storage Facility:**

□ Existing(may need to renew ag	reement)	New(new agreement may be needed)	□ Donated	$\Box$ NA
Facility Name/Owner				
Facility Address:				
Facility Owner Phone Number:				
Facility Owner Email:				
Name on Facility Account:				

#### P.O. Box:

□ Existing(may need to renew age	reement) 🗌	New(new agreen	nent may be needed)	□ Donated	$\Box$ NA
Property Name/Owner:					
NC P.O. Box Address					
Property Owner Address:					
Property Owner Phone Number:					
Property Owner Email:					
Name on P.O. Box Account:					

#### Website Services:

□ Existing(may need to renew agreement	)	New(new agreement may be needed)	□ Donated	□ NA
Name of Website Services Provider:				
Service Provider Address:				
Service Provider Phone Number:				
Service Provider Email:				
Type of Services Provided:				

When the Board completes and approves the Admin Packet, the NC Treasurer may submit the Packet and BAC Form online in the NC Funding System portal, Budget Allocation section. The NC Funding System portal website is <u>https://cityclerk.lacity.org/NCFundPortal/#/login</u>

Please contact our Office for any questions you may have. We are here to help. <u>Clerk.NCFunding@lacity.org</u> (213)978-1058 City of Los Angeles Voices Neighborhood Council Regular Board Meeting

Sally Embrey, Area 1

Odalis Perez, Area 2

Abasi Patton, Area 3

Edward Garren, Area 4

Parker Rand, At-Large

Matthew Crawford, Corresponding Secretary

Jaime Rabb, Vice Chairperson



Tuesday, May 11, 2021, 6:00 pm VIA Telephone or Internet (Zoom)

Kelvin Guevara, Education Anita Gray, Youth Elizabeth Ebow, Housing Sara Zurita, Community-Based Ingrid Guevara, Parliamentarian Kaamil Benoit, Recording Secretary Steven Nieto, Treasurer

Albert Farias, Chairperson

# Regular Board Meeting MINUTES Tuesday, May 11, 2021 6:00 pm Zoom Meeting Online or By Telephone https://zoom.us/j/96107326167 Dial (669) 900-6833 or 877 853 5257 (Toll Free) to Join the Meeting Then Enter This Webinar ID: 961 0732 6167

In conformity with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 (March 17, 2020), and due to public health concerns and directives issued by the Mayor of Los Angeles and Los Angeles County Public Health Department regarding reducing the spread of COVID-19, meetings of the VoicesNC will be conducted entirely by video conference or telephonically. This will be effective starting May 1, 2020 and will continue during the period in which state or local public health officials have imposed or recommended social distancing measures.

#### PUBLIC INPUT AT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETINGS

The public is requested dial \*9, when prompted by the presiding officer, 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. 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 3 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

#### NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The City of Los Angeles Code of Conduct will be enforced to ensure the Voices Neighborhood Council meetings are collaborative, supportive, and respectful of divergent opinions.

#### QUORUM

The Voices Neighborhood Council has 14 elected positions and one nominated position. The Voices Neighborhood Council must have eight members present for quorum to conduct official business.

PUBLIC POSTING OF AGENDAS – Neighborhood Council agendas are posted for public review as follows:

- Vermont Square Library Front Door, 1201 W. 48th St.
- <u>www.voicesnc.org</u>
- You can also receive our agendas via email by subscribing to L.A. City's Early Notification System at https://www.lacity.org/subscriptions

#### AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA)

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, assistive listening devices and 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 you wish to attend by emailing <u>VoicesNC90037@gmail.com</u> Note: for TTY/TDD services, please refer to state provided services at <u>https://ddtp.cpuc.ca.gov/homepage.aspx</u>. Zoom meetings feature closed captioning functionality.

#### PUBLIC ACCESS OF RECORDS

In compliance with Government Code section 54957.5, non-exempt writings that are distributed to a majority or all of the board in advance of a meeting may be viewed at the scheduled meeting. In addition, if you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda, please email <u>VoicesNC90037@gmail.com</u>

#### **CONSIDERATION AND GRIEVANCE PROCESS**

For information on the Voices NC's process for board action reconsideration, stakeholder grievance policy, or any other procedural matters related to this Council, please consult the Voices NC Bylaws. The Bylaws are available at our Board meetings and at <a href="https://vicesNC.org">https://vicesNC.org</a>.

#### **SERVICIOS DE TRADUCCION**

Si requiere servicios de traducción, favor de avisar al Concejo Vecinal 3 días de trabajo (72 horas) antes del evento. Por favor contacte a Jaime Rabb, Vice Chair, por correo electrónico a <u>Vicechair@voicesnc.org</u> para avisar al Concejo Vecinal.

#### 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 §§ 48.01 *et seq*. More information is available at <u>ethics.lacity.org/lobbying</u>. For assistance, please contact the Ethics Commission at {213} 978-1960 or ethics.commission@lacity.org.

#### AGENDA FOR 5/11/2021

Call to Order at 6:05 pm Roll Call PRESENT: A. FARIAS, J. RABB, K. BENOIT, S. NIETO, M. CRAWFORD, P. RAND, S. EMBREY. TARDY: A. GRAY, A. PATTON

#### Action Items

All items listed are designated for discussion and possible action by the Voices Neighborhood Council. Council items identified as presentation may be proposed for action by the Council and will be reflected as such in the meeting minutes.

Item	Reference Number	Matter	Time Allotted
	Number		
1.	0521-02	<b>General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items</b> (limit 3 minutes per speaker) Martha from Vermont Square Library: library may re-open in a few weeks. No news on whether or not meetings will be held there. Hydee Feldstein: she is running for City Attorney and wants to explain the position and introduce herself, hydeeforcityattorney.com. Heather Michaels: to ask for this NC support for the Congress of Neighborhood Councils. Richelle Callies: wants board to	10 min.

		post job opening flyers. Ignite: wants board to be mindful of cannabis business equity in this area and work with EQUA to ensure funds for cannabis are funneled into this area and can provide CIS. Caller would like to request that meetings in the future be hybrid (in person and virtual) and commend the community on the improvements to the park	
2.	0521-02	<ul> <li>Community/Government Reports and Announcements <ul> <li>A. LAPD Senior Lead Officers -Southwest and 77th St.</li> <li>Officer Canizalez: 1 shooting last month at 57th and Budlong, young lady shot in thigh.</li> <li>GTA up 9% from 2020, robberies and assaults are down from last year. quality of life issues, addressing homeless encampments with CD9. Wes says that helicopters giving instructions to the public can not be heard on the ground.</li> <li>B. Office of Supervisor Mitchell's office - Alfonso Ruiz-Delgado: not present</li> <li>C. Council District 9 -</li> <li>James Westbrooks: budget committee making recommendations on city budget, comes to full council on May 20th. New bridge housing opening in the area for homeless individuals and veterans. 100,000 Covid-19 vaccines administered in CD9, opening at 9am and 9pm to accommodate more people. Lights and camera construction at Vermont Square Park started.</li> <li>D. Mayor's Office - Edith Vega: not present.</li> <li>E. USC Civic Engagement-Steve Wesson: USC wants to help small businesses by promoting them, email him at swesson@usc.edu. Graduation begins next Friday, will be held at the Coliseum, don't or it 100 and Evencifien if accribing due to the friday.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	30 min.
		<ul><li>exit 110 and Exposition if possible due to traffic. Vaccination center at USC doing well.</li><li>F. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment- Karen Hernandez: not present.</li></ul>	
3.	0521-03	UPDATE: Reimaging LAPD Funds in South LA Presentation: Representative from Councilmember Curren Price Proposed Action: Motion to AMEND Voices NC recommendations on CD9's allocated funding. NO ACTION TAKEN	15 min.
4.	0521-04	King Solomon Village (KSG) Housing Concept at 1300 W. Slauson Ave, LA 90044Presentation by Jacquelyn Dupont-Walker, Ward Economic Development Corporation (WEDC)Proposed Action: Motion to SUPPORT the King Solomon Village Housing Concept.MOTION: J. RABB, 2ND M. CRAWFORD, 8 YES, MOTION CARRIES.	20 min.
5.	0521-05	LADOT's proposed pedestrian refuge island request at Vermont & 52nd St.         Board Member: Christopher Rider, LADOT         Proposed Action: Motion to SUPPORT the installation of a pedestrian refuge island at Vermont         Ave and 52nd St.         MOTION: M. CRAWFORD, 2ND: K. BENOIT, 8 YES, MOTION CARRIES.	10 min.
6.	0521-06	2021 Voices Neighborhood Council Board Seating Policy         Discussant: Karen Hernandez         Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE the 2021 board seating         MOTION: K. BENOIT, 2ND: M. CRAWFORD, 8 YES, MOTION CARRIES	10 min.
7.	0521-07	Meeting Minutes         Review and discussion of minutes from the April Meeting on 4/13/21.         Member/Committee: K. Benoit         Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE the minutes for the April 2021 General Board Meeting.         MOTION: J. RABB, 2ND: K. BENOIT, 8 YES, MOTION CARRIES.	3 min.
8.	0521-08	Treasurer's Report: Monthly Expenditure ReportPresentation by S. Nieto, TreasurerReview and discussion of VoicesNC Budget and MERs for April 2021.Member/Committee: S. Nieto	10 min.

		Descrete distance Marking to ADDDOV/5 the April 2024 MED, MED, to be submitted by Mary 24	
		Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE the April 2021 MERs. MERs to be submitted by May 31,	
		2021. Perform BAC.	
		MOTION: S. NIETO, 2ND: J. RABB, 8 YES, MOTION CARRIES	
		Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE an amended FY 20-21 budget. Perform BAC	
-		MOTION: S. NIETO, 2ND: A. GRAY, 8 YES, MOTION CARRIES	
9.	0521-09	Community Refrigerator	10 min.
		Member/Committee: M. Crawford	
		Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE not to exceed \$2000 for the construction and	
		maintenance of the community refrigerator program to CommunityBuild for pandemic related	
		expenses. MOTION: K. BENOIT, 2ND: J. RABB, 8 YES, MOTION CARRIES.	
10.	0521-10	Committee & Liaison Reports and Updates	15 min.
		Council to report on committee and liaison activities and invite interested stakeholders to	
		participate in scheduled meetings.	
		Outreach Committee (Jaime Rabb)	
		Planning & Land Use Committee (Parker Rand)	
		Arts, Parks & Recreation Committee (Sara Zurita)	
		Health and Safety Committee (Steven Nieto)	
		Budget & Finance Committee (Steven Nieto)	
		Ad hoc Sustainability Committee (Kaamil Benoit)	
		Ad hoc Business Committee (Ingrid Guevara)	
		• LA LGBTQ+ Alliance of Neighborhood Councils Liaison (Sally Embrey/Kaamil Benoit)	
		CPAB - 77th Liaison (Steven Nieto) & Southwest Liaison (Sally Embrey)	
		Homeless Liaison (Albert Farias)	
		• SLAANC Liaison (Albert Farias)	
		<ul> <li>Area Representatives (1, 2, 3, 4 and At-Large)</li> </ul>	
		Proposed Action: No motions from updates. Committee and Liaison agenda motions will be	
		listed individually for discussion and possible action.	
11.	0521-11	Voices Vacancies	5 min.
	0521-11	Review and discussion of vacant council seat, unassigned committees, liaisons, liaison	
		alternates, and recruitment of community stakeholders for committee assignment. Discuss	
		council member absences. Invite all committee members to be sworn in during the February	
		meeting.	
		Member/Committee: A. Farias	
		Proposed Action: 1) Council to appoint vacant board seats.	
12.	0521-12	General Board Announcements on Non-Agenda Items (Not for Discussion)	10 min.
	0521-12	Voices Neighborhood Council 2021 Elections - List of Candidates	
		Ballot Drop Box at Vermont Square Library - opens Friday, May 14 at 9:00am - closes on Election	
		Day, Tuesday, May 18 at 8:00pm.	

#### **RALPH M. BROWN ACT**

54954.2. (a) At least 72 hours before a regular meeting, the legislative body of the local agency, or its designee, shall post an agenda containing a brief general description of each item of business to be transacted or discussed at the 5 meeting, including items to be discussed in closed session. A brief general description of an item generally need not exceed 20 words. The agenda shall specify the time and location of the regular meeting and shall be posted in a location that is freely accessible to members of the public. If requested, the agenda shall be made available inappropriate alternative formats to persons with a disability, as required by Section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 12132), and the federal rules and regulations adopted in implementation thereof. The agenda shall include information regarding how, to whom, and when a request for disability-related modification or accommodation, including auxiliary aids or services may be made by a person with a disability who requires a modification or accommodation in order to participate in the public meeting.

City of Los Angeles Voices Neighborhood Council Regular Board Meeting

#### **REMOVAL WARNING**

In the event that any meeting is willfully interrupted by a group or groups of persons so as to render the orderly conduct of such meeting unfeasible and order cannot be restored y the removal of individuals who are willfully interrupting the meeting, the members of the legislative body conducting the meeting may order the meeting room cleared and continue in session. Only matters appearing on the agenda may be considered in such a session. Representatives of the press or other news media, except those participating in the disturbance, shall be allowed to attend any session held pursuant to this section. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the legislative body from establishing a procedure for readmitting an individual or individuals not responsible for willfully disturbing the orderly conduct of the meeting.

Government code Section 54957.9

#### **DISRUPTION OF MEETINGS**

Any person who interferes with the conduct of a Neighborhood Council meeting by willfully interrupting and/or disrupting the meeting is subject to removal. A Peace Officer may be requested to assist with the removal by the Neighborhood Council.

Voices NC Council Liaisons					
Council Liaison	Meeting Time	Assigned Member	Alternate Member		
1. SLAANC	Third Thursday of the month (6:30pm)	A. Farias	J. Rabb		
2. LAPD 77 <sup>th</sup> C-PAB	Second Thursday of the month (6:00pm)	S. Nieto	J. Rabb		
3. LAPD Southwest C-PAB	First Monday of the month (6:30pm)	S. Embrey	A. Patton		
4. Homelessness	Every Other Month (TBD) (6:30pm)	A. Farias	K. Benoit, A. Gray, P. Rand		
5. Resilience/Disaster Preparedness	TBD	S. Zurita	S. Embrey		
6. Budget Advocate	First Monday of the month (7:00pm)	S. Nieto	E. Garren		
7. Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance	TBD	K. Benoit	A. Patton		

Any person who resists removal by a Peace Officer is subject to arrest and prosecution. Penal Code Section 403, Penal Code Section 602.1(b)

Voices NC Council Financial Responsibilities					
Primary Signer	2 <sup>nd</sup> Signer	Alternate Signer	1 <sup>st</sup> Bankcard holder	2 <sup>nd</sup> Bankcard holder	
S. Nieto (Treasurer)	A. Farias	J. Rabb	A. Farias	J. Rabb	

#### Voices NC Standing Committees

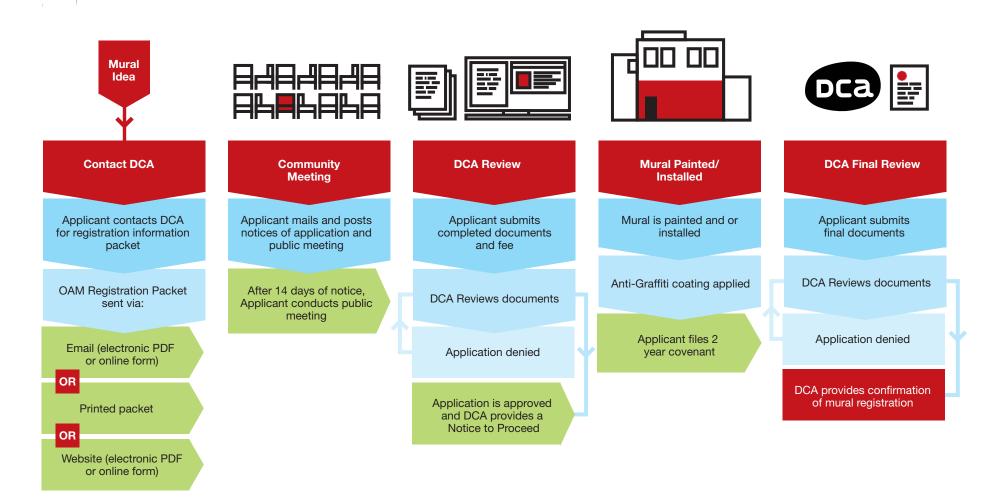
All meetings are open to the public and will be posted on <u>www.empowerla.org</u>. All meetings will be held at Vermont Square Library unless otherwise posted. For more about Voices NC Standing Committees refer to Bylaws, Article VI, and Section 1.

Standing	Assigned Council	Description
Committees	Member	
1. Arts, Parks, & Recreation	S. Zurita	The Arts, Parks and Recreation Committee will have the responsibility to discuss issues, promote partnerships on projects and brainstorm ideas to encourage greater community involvement and support. The Arts, parks and Recreation Committee will explore issues and ideas in order to define community identity and values by giving voice to its citizens and providing a form for group action and expression. The committee submits reports of meetings in written form and makes recommendations to the Board for action. The Chair selects meeting site, date and time and meets as directed in these Bylaws.
2. Budget & Finance	S. Nieto	The Budget and Finance Committee Investigate and pursue sources of income and funding. Make an initial review of project proposals and provide a report to the VNC board with recommendations. Generate a budget for each fiscal year, showing planned income and expenditures. And, maintain the Council budget current and report any issues to the Board.
3. Outreach	J. Rabb	The Outreach Committee shall be charged with continuing to outreach to the VNC stakeholders by utilizing any acceptable and Board approved forms of media (e.g. flyers, newsletters, print, television/electronic media, signs, banners, website, etc.) to inform stakeholders regarding projects and events. The content and method of distribution must be pre-approved by the Board.
4. Planning & Land Use	P. Rand	The Planning & Land Use Committee shall review, take public input, report on and make recommendations of actions to the Board on any land use, beautification, and planning issues affecting the community in order to improve the health and quality of life of its citizens. The committee also reviews and recommends action regarding building development projects requiring land use permits within the VNC boundaries; advocates positions on land use and building design for the betterment of the community; and considers and provides recommendations to Council on other topics, such as rezoning, applications, development permits, and any subdivision that require council approval.
5. Senior Services	Vacant	The Senior Services Committee addresses the needs of senior citizens in the community and provides an environment where seniors can discuss current issues, share ideas and voice their concerns. The committee will be supportive of programs and services that provide seniors with maximum vitality and independence. It will identify, monitor and address issues that have impact upon seniors' quality of life. The committee will promote "Healthy Aging" by creating an environment where individual differences and needs are recognized; by promoting multicultural awareness, understanding and interaction; and by serving as a bridge to access government information and resources.
6. Youth & Education	A. Gray, K. Guevara	The Youth & Education Committee addresses the issues, concerns, programs and services related to the education of children, youth and adults and developing specific strategies and policies for influencing and achieving constructive outcomes within schools, classrooms, and other education/learning centers that serve the Voices community. Additionally, this committee has the general responsibility to discuss issues, foster

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		collaboration on projects, and brainstorm ideas to encourage greater community involvement/support and participation.
7. Health & Safety	S. Nieto	The Health & Safety Committee seeks opportunities to organize and forums to mobilize the community in seeking safety practices. This includes partnering with Neighborhood Watch, Volunteer Safety Task Force (to enhance the Services provided by the School Crossing Guards), School Crossing Guards, Los Angeles Police Department Senior Lead Officers and Traffic Division and the Los Angeles Fire Department. Representatives of VNC will work to formalize a relationship with these City agencies and other entities responsible for "safety issues" in our community.









OFFICE **APPLICATION** DATE NUMBER \_ PROCEED DATE \_\_\_\_\_ EXPIRATION DATE COVENANT EXPIRATION DATE \_\_\_\_ OAM #

### ORIGINAL ART MURAL APPLICATION

Registration Fee (per LAAC 22.116): A \$60 non-refundable application fee based on the estimated administrative cost for mural registration program implementation pursuant to LAAC Section 22.116. Check or money order made payable to the City of Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs.

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

Applicant (Organization or Individual): Artist(s)

**Property Owner** 

First Name: <u>SARA</u>	First Name: <u>JAYSON</u>	First Name: <u>CITY OF LOS ANGELES.</u>
Last Name: <u>ZURITA</u>	Last Name: <u>VALENCIA</u>	Last Name: <u>MARTHA SHEROD</u>
Phone: <u>213-7039420</u>	Phone: <u>323-363-9207</u>	Phone: <u>323-290-7406</u>
Email: <u>COMMUNITYREP@VOICESN</u>	Email: <u>UNIVERSOULFIGHTER@GM</u>	Email: <u>MSHEROD@LAPL.ORG</u>
Address: <u>VOICES NEIGHBORHOOD</u>	Address:	Address:
Preferred Method of Contact:	Preferred Method of Contact:	Preferred Method of Contact:

#### MURAL INFORMATION

Location: (i.e. "Bob's Bakery")
VERMONT SQUARE PARK
NEXT TO THE LIBRARY
Project Address:
1201 W. 48TH ST
LOS ANGELES, CA 90037
Council District: CD9

Mural Title: LOVE BOOKS

Square Footage: 21W x 9H 189 SQ. FT. Project Budget: \$3,600.00

Media: Paint 🗸 Tile\* Digital\*\* If "Other" describe: SS Other only paing will be used with a coat of anti-graffiti seal

Mural Description:

The mural will have a green base color with clouds all over, and displayed on the larger wall with be the word "love." Each letter will be displayed as a book except for the letter "o" which will be displayed as a globe. The sides of the mural will h

\*If "Tile" contact L.A. Department of Building and Safety for an Alteration Permit. \*\*If "Digital" refer to the Supplemental Digital Application criteria. Digitally printed image murals require approval from both the Los Angeles Fire

Department and the Department of Building and Safety.





#### TIME. PLACE AND MANNER REGULATIONS

Ot	ther City Departments	Yes	No
1.	Will the mural require hardware to be affixed to the wall? If yes, refer to the <b>Department of Building and Safety</b> for approval.		V
2.	Will the mural be fabricated with a potentially flammable substrate? If yes, refer to the Los Angeles Fire Department for approval.		V
3.	Is the property located in a special zone, such as a Specific Plan or Community Design Overlay (CDO)? If yes, refer to the <b>Department of City Planning's Plan Implementation Division</b> for review.		r
4.	Is the property a designated historic resource, such as Historic Preservation Overlay Zone (HPOZ), Historic-Cultural Monument (HCM), listed in the California Register of Historical Resources or National Register of Historic Places, or under a Mills Act Historical Property Contract? If yes, refer to the <u>Department of City Planning's Office of Historic Resources</u> for review.		V
5.	Will the construction, fabrication and installation protrude into the public right of way? If yes, refer to the <b>Department of Public Works</b> for approval.		V
6.	Will the mural	Yes	No
	<ul> <li>a. Remain in place, without alterations, for a minimum period of two years?</li> <li>b. Exceed the height of the structure to which it is tiled, painted, or affixed?</li> <li>c. Extend more than 6 inches from the plane of the wall upon which it is tiled, painted, or affixed?</li> <li>d. Exceed a height of 100 feet above grade?</li> <li>e. Consist of or contain electrical or mechanical components, or changing images?</li> <li>f. Be arranged and illuminated in a manner that will produce a light intensity of greater than three foot candles above ambient lighting, as measured at the property line of the nearest residentially zoned property?</li> <li>g. Is the mural location a single family residence? If yes, only Council Districts 1,9,14 and 15</li> </ul>		<b>v</b> <b>v</b> <b>v</b>
	allow murals on single family residences. h. Is the mural location on a lot with two or more residential units?		~
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	h. Is the mural location on a lot with two or more residential units?	Yes	∟ No

3. Held a meeting to discuss the mural proposal with the local community near the proposed mural location during evening or weekend hours.

4. List any additional correspondence: Attached are the Voices Neighborhood Council minutes from meeting approving

the design concept and cost of mural.



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#### ATTACHMENTS

#### **Document Check List:**

Listed below are additional materials required for a complete registration. Materials can be emailed to <u>DCA.PublicArt@lacity.org</u>, mailed or hand-delivered to the Department of Cultural Affairs, 201 N. Figueroa St., Suite 1400 Los Angeles, CA 90012.

1.	PH	OTOGRAPHS identify		Yes	No
	a. b.	The area on the building façade on which the mural is to be located. The surrounding site of the mural's intended location.		<b>v</b>	~
2.	FIN	AL RENDERING illustrates the proposed mural's			
	a. b. c.	Dimensions including height, width, and depth. Height above grade (street level). Content and style to the greatest extent possible.		<ul> <li></li> <li></li> <li></li> </ul>	~
3.	PA	RCEL PROFILE REPORT			
		<ul> <li>Instructions for locating parcel information on ZIMAS LA City Zoning online:</li> <li>Step 1: Visit http://zimas.lacity.org/</li> <li>Step 2: You will be prompted to list the street address number and street name of the proposed project property.</li> <li>Step 3: Click "Go"</li> <li>Step 4: Once the program has located the parcel of land, click "Reports" on the website's top menu bar and select "Parcel Profile Report."</li> <li>Step 5: You will be prompted to select a "Report Style." Click the first option to locate the "Parcel Profile Report (official, no modifications)."</li> <li>Step 6: The website should pull up a full listing of the property with all relevant information for the application including the census tract number and whether the property is included in any special zoning designations such as a "Historic Preservation Overlay Zone" (HPOZ).</li> </ul>			
4.	PEF	RMITS FROM OTHER CITY DEPARTMENTS (IF APPLICABLE)	Yes	No	N/A
	a. b. c. d.	Building and Safety Fire Department City Planning Public Works		<b>v</b> <b>v</b> <b>v</b> <b>v</b>	
5.	NEI	GHBORHOOD INVOLVEMENT DOCUMENTATION		Yes	No
	a. b. c.	Copy of the meeting notice. Copy of sign-in sheet. Additional correspondence.			~





#### SIGNATURES

#### **Applicant Certification:**

I, as the Original Art Mural applicant, certify that the information and materials provided for the Original Art Murals application are correct and true to the best of my knowledge, and I have read, understand, and will abide by the Original Art Murals Administrative Rules.

#### **Voices Neighborhood Council**

(Specify relationship : i.e. artist,	property owner, community organizer/funder)	
Sara Zurita	Sara Zurita	4/14/21
Signature	Name (print)	Date

#### **Property Owner Certification:**

I certify that I am the owner of the project property. I further certify: that I have read, understand, and will abide by the Original Art Mural Administrative Rules; and, I give permission for the placement of the mural as presented in the application.

MUYI	JOYCE L. COOPER	00/23/21
Signature	Name (print)	Date

#### **Confirmation of Maintenance Responsibility:**

I confirm that I have agreed to maintain the mural as required in the Original Art Mural Administrative Rules. I understand that the City requires an anti-graffiti coating be placed on the completed mural as a cost-effective manner to abate graffiti and vandalism.

(Specify relationship : i.e. artist, property owner, community organizer/funder)

Signature

Name (print)

Date





#### FINAL REGISTRATION MATERIALS

#### **Document Checklist:**

After mural fabrication and installation, registration is not complete until the below final submission materials are received and approved by the Department of Cultural Affairs. Materials can be emailed to DCA.PublicArt@lacity.org or sent to the Department of Cultural Affairs, 201 N. Figueroa St., Suite 1400 Los Angeles, CA 90012.

- 1. Send final photo of completed mural (.jpg 72 dpi, maximum 2 MB).
  - 2. Provide anti-graffti brand and product name used on the mural.
- 3. Complete covenant signed by property owner in the presence of a notary.
  - 4. Send covenant to the Department of Cultural Affairs for signature.
- 5. Record the covenant with the County of Los Angeles: Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk.
- 6. Send certified covenant to the Department of Cultural Affairs.

#### COMPLETE REGISTRATION

OAM Registration Number: Once the final registration materials are received and approved, a Original Art Mural registration number will be assigned to the mural applicant.

90-Day Notice to Artist: Once registered and completed, any alteration to or removal of a registered mural must be done pursuant to LAAC 22.119 and the adopted Administrative Rules pursuant to Section VI Mural Removal and 90-Day Notice to Artist.







## PUBLIC NOTICE

CONTACT PERSON:		
TELEPHONE:		
DATE:		
TIME:**		
PLACE:***		
MURAL LOCATION ADDRESS:		
MURAL DESCRIPTION:		
ARTIST(S):		

Building elevation or photo of the building façade showing the proposed mural design.

\*POSTED DATE: Must be posted a minimum of 14 days before the meeting date at the site of the proposed mural in a visible location on the street frontage but not blocking the public right-of-way.

\*\*TIME: The meeting shall be held during evening or weekend hours, but in no case between the hours of 10:00 pm and 7:00 am.

\*\*\*PLACE: The meeting shall be held near the proposed mural location. The location must be non-discriminatory and accessible to people with disabilities.





**MEETING LOCATION:** 

TIME:	
CONTACT PERSON:	
MURAL LOCATION:	

MURAL TITLE:

## **SIGN IN SHEET MURAL PROPOSAL MEETING**

NAME	ADDRESS	SIGNATURE





## **COVENANT** INSTRUCTIONS

**STEP 1:** Request from DCA a pre-signed wet signature covenant which DCA will mail to the applicant's address.

**STEP 2:** Complete the original covenant as indicated on the right. Property owner must sign in the presence of a notary.

STEP 3: Record original covenant with the County of Los Angeles: Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk and request a certified copy. Estimated cost is \$92.00.\* For more information about Property Document Recording, please visit: <u>www.lavote.net</u> (800) 201-8999.

**STEP 4:** Mail or deliver certified covenant to the DCA, Public Art Division 201 N. Figueroa St. Suite 1400 Los Angeles, CA 90012.

\*Includes SB 2 recording fee increase of \$75 effective January 1, 2018

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						to: Maintain mural as	described in the	
	mural registration application for a minimum of two (2) years from the recorded date of this Covenant and Agreement.							
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Recorded at the request of and mail to:

Name:

Address:

SPACE ABOVE THIS LINE FOR RECORDER'S USE

#### COVENANT AND AGREEMENT REGARDING MAINTENANCE OF BUILDING

The undersigned hereby certify that we are the owners of the hereinafter legally described real property located in the City of Los Angeles, State of California.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Improvements located at \_\_\_\_\_

as recorded in Book \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_\_\_ Records of Los Angeles County, which property is located and known

as (ADDRESS):

And in consideration of the City of Los Angeles allowing:

The creation of an original art mural as described in Municipal Code, Section 14.4.2

on said property, we do hereby covenant and agree to and with said City to: Maintain mural as described in the

mural registration application for a minimum of two (2) years from the recorded date of this Covenant and Agreement.

This mural was completed in adherence to the requirements of the City of Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 22.119

This Covenant and Agreement shall run all of the above described land and shall be binding upon ourselves, encumbrances, their successors, heirs or assignees and shall continue in effect until released by the authority of the General Manager of the Department of Cultural Affairs of the City of Los Angeles upon submittal of request, applicable fees and evidence that this Covenant and Agreement is no longer required by law.

SIGNATURES	Owner's Name (Please type or print)	
MUST BE	Signature of Owners	- (Sign)
NOTARIZED	Two Officer's Signatures Required for Corporations	– (Sign)
Name of Corpo	pration	
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	ACKNOWLEDGEMENT	

A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

On \_\_\_\_\_ before me, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ personally appeared \_\_\_\_

(insert name and title of officer)

who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ (Seal)

MUST BE APPROVED BY DEPT. OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS (DCA):

Signature \_\_\_\_



#### **SECTION I. AUTHORITY**

Section 22.119 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code ("LAAC") authorizes and directs the Department of Cultural Affairs ("Department") to adopt Mural Ordinance Administrative Rules setting forth the substantive and procedural requirements for Original Art Mural ("mural") registration for new and Vintage Original Art murals.

#### SECTION II. MURAL REGISTRATION OVERVIEW

No person, firm, or corporation may commence a mural installation on a site without first registering the mural as an Original Art Mural with the Department. New murals not registered as an Original Art Mural as provided below, are considered signs and regulated by Article 4.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code.

Applications for Original Art Mural registration will be reviewed for compliance with the requirements of Municipal Code Section 14.4.20, Administrative Code Section 22.119, and these Administrative Rules. The mural application will be approved and the registration will be complete once the reviewer has ensured that all provisions have been met. The review is a non-discretionary administrative review. Decisions on the application are made by the Department and are final. Exceptions to the requirements of these rules are prohibited. Where the Department finds that a proposed mural does not comply with these Administrative Rules, it may deny the application.

Pursuant to LAAC Section 22.119, murals created prior to October 12, 2013, the date of adoption of Ordinance No. 182706, not registered with the Department of Cultural Affairs are not considered signs and therefore are not subject to the provisions of Article 4.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code, or any other ordinance that regulates signs. Vintage Original Art Mural registration is available from the Department of Cultural Affairs following the procedures in Section IV. B. below.

Applications for registration must be made in writing on forms furnished by the Department. The applicant may not commence with a new mural installation before the Department has issued a Notice to Proceed. A separate application is required for each mural on a site.

#### SECTION III. REQUIREMENTS AND REGULATIONS

#### A. NEIGHBORHOOD INVOLVEMENT FOR NEW ORIGINAL ART MURALS

The purpose of Original Art Murals include: public access to original works of art; community participation in the creation of original works of art; and community building through the presence of and identification with original works of art. In furtherance of these purposes, and pursuant to LAAC Section 22.119 B.3, the Neighborhood Involvement process provides a setting for a mural applicant and neighborhood residents to review a proposed mural in an informal manner, to enable community input into the process of the creation of the mural, and to allow neighborhood residents to share any concerns regarding the proposed mural with the mural applicant prior to commencing installation of the mural. The discussion at the meeting is advisory only and is not binding on the applicant.





## **ADMINISTRATIVE RULES ORIGINAL ART MURAL ORDINANCE**

#### SECTION III. REQUIREMENTS AND REGULATIONS

- 1. Mailed notice of the meeting. The applicant shall send a letter to the applicable City Council District office, Neighborhood Council, and Business Improvement District in which the proposed mural is to be located announcing the meeting not less than 14 calendar days prior to the meeting date. The letter must contain:
  - a. Mural proposal description.
  - b. Meeting location, date, and time.
  - c. Copy of the site plan and building elevation or site photograph.
  - d. Rendering showing the location and size of the proposed mural.

The mural registration application will not be processed until the applicant provides a copy of the letter with a Certificate of Mailing provided by the Post Office for the meeting announcement. It should be noted that the completion of the mural registration process can only occur 45 after the certificate of mailing date.

If the mural is placed on a lot with two or more residential units, the applicant shall send the letter, as described above, to the applicable City Council District office, Neighborhood Council, immediately adjoining neighbors and applicable Community Council, Homeowners Association, or Block Club.

- 2. Posted notice of the meeting. The applicant must post a notice of the meeting no less than 14 calendar days prior to the meeting date at the site of the proposed mural in a visible location on the street frontage of the proposed mural site but not blocking the public right-of-way. The posted notice shall contain:
  - a. Applicant's name.
  - b. Applicant's telephone number.
  - c. Meeting date, time and place.
  - d. Building elevation or photo of the building facade showing the mural design.
- 3. Open meeting. Prior to the fabrication and installation of the mural, the applicant shall schedule a meeting to discuss the mural proposal with interested persons at a location near where the mural is proposed. The meeting shall not be held in locations where any person attending the meetings would face discrimination on the basis of race, religion, color, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, disability, legal citizenship, national origin, income, or political affiliation. The meeting shall be held in a location accessible to people with disabilities, and the meeting shall be held during evening or weekend hours, but in no case between the hours of 10:00 pm and 7:00 am. The mural registration application will not be processed until the open meeting has been held.
- 4. Additional correspondence. The above notification process is mandatory. However, communication is not limited to only these channels. The applicant may elect to communicate further with the neighborhood and interested parties through a communication medium that is most convenient for all parties.





## **ADMINISTRATIVE RULES ORIGINAL ART MURAL ORDINANCE**

#### SECTION III. REQUIREMENTS AND REGULATIONS

#### **B. ORGINAL ART MURALS TIME, PLACE, AND MANNER REGULATIONS**

- 1. Duration for new murals. The new mural shall remain in place without alteration for a period of two years, except in limited circumstances articulated in Administrative Code 22.119. The applicant shall certify in the registration application that the applicant agrees to maintain the mural in place for a period of at least two years without alteration.
- 2. Parameters. The following parameters are required for new Original Art Murals as indicated below per Administrative Code 22.119. The mural application, drawings, and descriptive narrative shall confirm the proposed mural meets the following standards:
  - a. New Original Art Murals shall remain in place, without alterations, for a minimum period of two years.
  - b. No part of the new mural shall exceed the height of the structure to which it is tiled, painted, or affixed.
  - c. No part of the new or Vintage Original Art Mural shall extend more than 6 inches from the plane of the wall upon which it is tiled, painted, or affixed.
  - d. No part of the new mural shall exceed a height of 100 feet above grade.
  - e. No new or Vintage Original Art Mural shall consist of or contain electrical or mechanical components, or changing images.
  - f. No part of the new mural shall be arranged and illuminated in a manner that will produce a light intensity of greater than three foot candles above ambient lighting, as measured at the property line of the nearest residentially zoned property.
  - g. Digitally printed image murals shall receive approval of both the Los Angeles Fire Department and the Department of Building and Safety.
  - h. No mural shall be placed on a lot that is improved with only one single-family residential structure and necessary structures excluding Council Districts 1,9, 14 and 15.

#### C. OTHER CITY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENTS

The Office of Building Safety maintains specific requirements regarding the use of certain materials, and may have fabrication requirements for any murals intended to project outward from a wall, or for murals created on a substrate material. The Original Art Mural Parameters do not exempt the project from these requirements and may require final approval by Building and Safety.

Similarly, the mural may be subject to additional requirements if it is located within a Historic Preservation Overlay Zone or a Special Design Overlay Zone and may require special approval from the Department of City Planning.

If during mural construction, fabrication and installation the activity protrudes into the public right-of-way, the project may be subject to approval by the Department of Public Works pursuant to section 91.3201.3 of the Municipal Code.

Detailed questions regarding these requirements can be directed to the appropriate department office, accessed through the city 3-1-1 call center (dial 311).





#### SECTION III. REQUIREMENTS AND REGULATIONS

#### **D. HIERARCHY OF REGULATIONS**

- a. Murals proposed on properties in legally adopted specific plans, supplemental use districts, and overlay districts shall meet any specific design requirements for Original Art Murals set forth in the ordinance(s) establishing the specific plan, supplemental use district, or overlay district.
- b. Murals proposed on properties in Historic Preservation Overlay Zones may be subject to review by the Department of City Planning's Office of Historic Resources.
- c. Murals proposed on properties listed in the National Register or California Register or properties determined eligible for listing in the National Register or California Register are subject to review by the Department of City Planning's Office of Historic Resources.

#### E. VIOLATIONS AND ENFORCEMENT

It is unlawful to violate any provision of LAAC Section 22.119, these Administrative Rules adopted by the Department of Cultural Affairs, or any representations made or conditions or criteria agreed to in an Original Art Mural or Vintage Original Art Mural registration application.

This applies to any applicant for an Original Art Mural or Vintage Original Art Mural registration, to the proprietor of a use or development on which a permitted Original Art Mural or Vintage Original Art Mural is located, or to the owner of the land on which the permitted Original Art Mural or Vintage Original Art Mural is located. For the ease of reference in this Article, all of these persons are referred to by the term "operator."

#### SECTION IV. PROCESS AND SUBMITTAL ITEMS

#### A. NEW ORIGINAL ART MURALS

One copy of each of the following are required to initiate the application process and begin initial review by the Department of Cultural Affairs:

- 1. Completed application. Original Art Mural Registration form, including all necessary attachments and signatures. The registration form will require the attachment of a "Parcel Profile Report" from zimas.lacity.org. Instructions on how to locate this report will be provided on the form. The Department of Cultural Affairs may refer applicants to the Department of City Planning for appropriate clearances for planning and zoning compliance or to the Department of Building and Safety for safety compliance for murals created on a substrate other than paint or tile applied directly to the wall.
- 2. Initial photographs. Phototographs showing both the façade to which the mural will be painted or affixed, as well as well as the surrounding site. The photos must include captions, or a legend to provide orientation to the photos. The photo showing the façade in which the mural will be placed must indicate the mural area and the height above grade for the highest point of the mural.





#### SECTION IV. PROCESS AND SUBMITTAL ITEMS

- 3. Final sketch. A drawing or rendering of the proposed mural showing the height, width, and depth of the project. This sketch should demonstrate the design and style of the proposed project to the greatest extent possible.
- 4. Written description. A description of the mural proposal and type of mural (painted, mosaic, etc.) and details showing how the mural will be applied to the wall surface.
- 5. Documentation. Documentation of the completion of the above Neighborhood Involvement, including:
  - a. Copy of each mailed notice with a Certificate of Mailing to the applicable City Council District Office, Neighborhood Council, and Business Improvement District offices.
  - b. Copy of posted notice with an indication of the posted locations and date of posting.
  - c. Copy of sign-in sheet for meeting attendees.
  - d. Copy of any other meeting announcement correspondence, email notices, etc. provided to the community (optional).
- 6. Registration fee. (per LAAC 22.116): A \$60 non-refundable application fee based on the estimated administrative cost for mural registration program implementation pursuant to LAAC Section 22.116. Check or money order made payable to the City of Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs.
- 7. Notice to proceed. After the Department of Cultural Affairs reviews the above to ensure the mural conforms to the Original Art Murals Parameters, the department will issue a Notice to Proceed. The applicant may then commence with the mural fabrication and installation. The Original Art Mural Application will expire 60 days from the date of issuance of the Notice to Proceed if the mural registration process is not completed.
- 8. Final registration materials. The following are to be submitted after the fabrication and installation of the Original Art Mural:
  - a. Final photograph of the Original Art Mural in jpg. format confirming that the completed artwork conforms to the Original Art Mural requirements, and is as presented in the application.
  - b. Anti-graffiti brand and product name used on the mural.
  - c. Confirmation of Covenant registration consisting of a Los Angeles County Recorder certified copy of the registered Covenant. The Covenant Agreement shall expire after two years.

Registration is not complete until the above submission materials are received and approved by the Department of Cultural Affairs After the submission, review, and approval of the above items, the Department will issue a confirmation of the successful completion of the Original Art Mural registration. It should be noted that the completion of the mural registration process can only occur 45 days after the aforementioned Certificate of Mailing date.

The Original Art Mural Application is a binding contract between the applicant and the City. An application will not be accepted until it is complete, meaning that all elements of the application have been completed in full with appropriate signatures in all locations and all applicable fees have been paid. Applications will be registered after all applicable requirements have been met.





#### SECTION IV. PROCESS AND SUBMITTAL ITEMS

#### **B. VINTAGE ORIGINAL ART MURALS**

A separate application is required for each mural on a site. Application for registration must be made in writing on forms furnished by the Department. The application must contain the general information specified below. One copy of each of the following are required to initiate the application process and begin initial review by the Department of Cultural Affairs:

- 1. Completed Application. A "Vintage Original Art Mural" registration form, including all necessary signatures.
- 2. Photographs. Vintage mural photographs identifying:
  - a. Façade on which the mural is located from multiple angles.
  - b. Mural dimensions.
  - c. Height of the mural above grade.
  - d. Captions or a legend showing the directions from which the photographs were taken.
- 3. Historic documentation. Evidence of age, or date of mural completion before mural ordinance adoption date: October
  - 12, 2013. Such documentation may include any of the following:
  - a. A newspaper or media clippings documenting the mural's creation (original or photocopy).
  - b. The mural's official documentation within an anthology, documentary or other publication.
  - c. Records or receipts of any contractual agreements between the artists and property owners.
  - d. Record with date of registration if the mural received an official copy-right pursuant to Visual Artist Rights Act.
  - e. A confirmation from a City or Public Agency that they have a record of the mural prior to the adoption of the Original Art Murals ordinance.
  - f. Other documentation acknowledged by the Department of Cultural Affairs.
- 4. Written description. A written description of the type of mural (painted, mosaic, etc.) and details showing how the mural is applied or affixed to the wall surface.
- 5. Contact information. The name(s) and contact information for all artists involved if available.

The Vintage Original Art Mural application is a binding contract between the applicant and the City. An application will not be accepted until it is complete, meaning that all elements of the application have been completed in full with appropriate signatures in all locations. Applications will be registered after all applicable requirements have been met.

#### **SECTION V. MAINTENANCE**

The applicant is responsible for ensuring that a mural is maintained in good condition and is repaired in the case of vandalism or accidental destruction. The party providing maintenance to the mural is required to apply anti-graffiti coating to the mural, and is encouraged to provide other measures that will discourage vandalism or facilitate easier and less costly repair of the mural in the future.





## ADMINISTRATIVE RULES ORIGINAL ART MURAL ORDINANCE

## SECTION VI. MURAL REMOVAL AND 90-DAY ADVANCE NOTICE TO ARTISTS

- A. PROCESS
- Removal within two years. Registered Original Art Murals may be removed within the first two years of registration under limited circumstances per Administrative Code 22.119(d)(1)(i)-(iv)The applicant must notify the Department of Cultural Affairs with a letter stating their intent to remove the mural within the first two years including an explanation of the following circumstances necessitating the removal:
  - a. Condition or security of the mural cannot be guaranteed.
  - b. Mural requires excessive and unreasonable maintenance.
  - c. Mural is no longer suitable for the current site.
  - d. Artist provides a written request to remove the mural.
  - e. Significant adverse public reaction.
  - f. Mural is replaced with a more appropriate work by the same artist.
  - g. Mural has little or no aesthetic, historical or cultural value.

The Department of Cultural Affairs will confirm the removal conforms to the Administrative Code requirements and approve or deny the request accordingly. Removal of the mural shall be in accordance with any applicable federal and state laws and regulations pertaining to intellectual property right protections of copyrighted works of visual art. All Applicable 90-day advance notice to the artist requirements pursuant to the California Arts Preservation Act, section 987 of the California Civil Code; and the Visual Artist Rights Act, section 106a of the United States Code, are the responsibility of the property owner, not the city.

- 2. Removal after two years. Registered murals may be removed after the first two years of the date of completion. No letter of intent is necessary before removal of the mural. Removal of registered Original Art Murals and Vintage Original Art Murals shall be in accordance with any applicable federal and state laws and regulations pertaining to intellectual property rights protections of copyrighted works of visual art. All Applicable 90-day advance notice to the artist requirements pursuant to the California Arts Preservation Act, section 987 of the California Civil Code; and the Visual Artist Rights Act, section 106a of the United States Code, are the responsibility of the property owner, not the city.
- 3. Removal of materials. Any associated materials that were used to affix or secure the mural to the wall must be removed at the time of the removal of the mural, including, but not limited to, mounting hardware or brackets, caulk or grout, and adhesives or glues.



City of Los Angeles Voices Neighborhood Council Regular Board Meeting

Sally Embrey, Area 1

Odalis Perez, Area 2

Abasi Patton, Area 3

Edward Garren, Area 4

Parker Rand, At-Large

Matthew Crawford, Corresponding Secretary

Jaime Rabb, Vice Chairperson



Tuesday, April 13, 2021, 6:00 pm VIA Telephone or Internet (Zoom)

Kelvin Guevara, Education Anita Gray, Youth Elizabeth Ebow, Housing Sara Zurita, Community-Based Ingrid Guevara, Parliamentarian Kaamil Benoit, Recording Secretary Steven Nieto, Treasurer

Albert Farias, Chairperson

#### Regular Board Meeting MINUTES Tuesday, April 13, 2021 6:00 pm Zoom Meeting Online or By Telephone https://zoom.us/j/96107326167 Dial (669) 900-6833 or 877 853 5257 (Toll Free) to Join the Meeting Then Enter This Webinar ID: 961 0732 6167

In conformity with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 (March 17, 2020), and due to public health concerns and directives issued by the Mayor of Los Angeles and Los Angeles County Public Health Department regarding reducing the spread of COVID-19, meetings of the VoicesNC will be conducted entirely by video conference or telephonically. This will be effective starting May 1, 2020 and will continue during the period in which state or local public health officials have imposed or recommended social distancing measures.

#### PUBLIC INPUT AT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETINGS

The public is requested dial \*9, when prompted by the presiding officer, 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. 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 3 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

#### NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The City of Los Angeles Code of Conduct will be enforced to ensure the Voices Neighborhood Council meetings are collaborative, supportive, and respectful of divergent opinions.

#### QUORUM

The Voices Neighborhood Council has 14 elected positions and one nominated position. The Voices Neighborhood Council must have eight members present for quorum to conduct official business.

PUBLIC POSTING OF AGENDAS – Neighborhood Council agendas are posted for public review as follows:

- Vermont Square Library Front Door, 1201 W. 48th St.
- <u>www.voicesnc.org</u>
- You can also receive our agendas via email by subscribing to L.A. City's Early Notification System at https://www.lacity.org/subscriptions

#### AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA)

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#### PUBLIC ACCESS OF RECORDS

In compliance with Government Code section 54957.5, non-exempt writings that are distributed to a majority or all of the board in advance of a meeting may be viewed at the scheduled meeting. In addition, if you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda, please email <u>VoicesNC90037@gmail.com</u>

#### **CONSIDERATION AND GRIEVANCE PROCESS**

For information on the Voices NC's process for board action reconsideration, stakeholder grievance policy, or any other procedural matters related to this Council, please consult the Voices NC Bylaws. The Bylaws are available at our Board meetings and at <u>https://VoicesNC.org</u>.

#### **SERVICIOS DE TRADUCCION**

Si requiere servicios de traducción, favor de avisar al Concejo Vecinal 3 días de trabajo (72 horas) antes del evento. Por favor contacte a Jaime Rabb, Vice Chair, por correo electrónico a <u>Vicechair@voicesnc.org</u> para avisar al Concejo Vecinal.

#### 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 §§ 48.01 *et seq.* More information is available at <u>ethics.lacity.org/lobbying</u>. For assistance, please contact the Ethics Commission at {213} 978-1960 or ethics.commission@lacity.org.

#### AGENDA FOR 4/13/2021

Call to Order at 6:07pm. Roll Call - A. Farias, J. Rabb, P, Rand, E. Garren, S. Embrey, S. Zurita, M. Crawford

#### Action Items

All items listed are designated for discussion and possible action by the Voices Neighborhood Council. Council items identified as presentation may be proposed for action by the Council and will be reflected as such in the meeting minutes.

Item	Reference Number	Matter	Time Allotted
1.	0421-02	General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (limit 3 minutes per speaker) - None	10 min.
2.	0421-02	<ul> <li>Community/Government Reports and Announcements</li> <li>A. LAPD Senior Lead Officers -Southwest and 77th St Sergeant Pounds, 77th St. The George Floyd Trial is ending soon; they will not tolerate any violence/vandalization based on the outcome of the trial. Burglary of motor vehicles and home break ins are</li> </ul>	30 min.

		picking up. Working with CD9 to get some of the sidewalks power washed and cleaned	
		near homeless encampments.	
		B. Office of Supervisor Mitchell's office - Alfonso Ruiz-Delgado - will be attending our	
		meetings every other month; handle more county related items like IHSS, Health	
		Department and Social Services; work cell 213-705-7610; Assistance with finding	
		vaccines. Matthew Crawford asked about Workforce Development in South LA. Alfonso	
		will get back to Matthew re: small business programs with the deputy in charge of that.	
		C. Council District 9 - Kendal Lake - Vermont Square vaccine clinic last week provided	
		1,000 vaccines; this week they are South Park and have changed back to Pfizer from J&J	
		due to recall. City Council approved a homeless outreach team protocol. Hosted a	
		Hope & Healing on April 23rd live streamed on Channel 35 to remember the lives of	
		those lost due to Covid; Cameras installation begin in May at Vermont Square Park.	
		Virtual Townhall on April 23rd for Budget Committee.	
		D. Mayor's Office - Edith Vega - Emergency to Rent Program Outreach to low income	
		families determined at the Federal level	
		E. USC Civic Engagement- Steve Wesson - Vaccine location at Expo/Fig/Flower in USC Parking Structure - vaccinated 900 people on 1st day; averaging 3,000 per day now.	
		They have vaccinated over 55,000 people to date; Graduation/Commencement will	
		hold live graduation at LA Memorial Coliseum from May 14-25 and they are inviting last	
		year's graduates to come as well and each student only gets 2 tickets. Volunteer	
		program for help with income tax - uscvita.org to get help preparing your 2020 tax	
		returns.	
		F. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment- Karen Hernandez - Elections on May	
		18th, request ballot in paper form or online portal. Last day to request ballot is May	
		11th. Funding trainings are coming up on City Clerk's website. June 1st final date to	
		submit check request for NPG, June 20th final date to purchase with bank card.	
3.	0421-03	Presentation by Jose Guadron, CRCD's Director of the Youth Development Dept., - Summer	10 min.
		Youth employment program and other resources - Programming/Internship Opportunities (paid)	
		for Ages 14-24 years of age for \$15 an hour and providing virtually opportunities to help bolster	
		your resume. Career Edge- how to find employment; secure cover letter; etc. Go at your own	
		pace; LA Unified - Student to Student for tutors kids in the households. Bank of America virtual	
		internship - provide financial exploration; banking industry has to offer in jobs.	
4.	0421-04	Meeting Minutes	3 min.
		Review and discussion of minutes from the March Meeting on 3/9/21.	
		Member/Committee: K. Benoit	
		Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE the minutes for the March 2021 General Board Meeting.	
		Motion: J. Rabb motioned; E. Garren second; unanimously approved.	
5.	0421-05	Treasurer's Report: Monthly Expenditure Report	3 min.
		Presentation by S. Nieto, Treasurer	
		Review and discussion of VoicesNC Budget and MERs for March 2021.	
		Member/Committee: S. Nieto	
		Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE the March 2021 MERs. MERs to be submitted by April 29, 2021. Perform BAC. Motion: J. Rabb motioned; S. Embrey second; unanimously approved.	
		Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE an amended FY 20-21 budget. Perform BAC. Motion: J.	
		Rabb motioned; M. Crawford second; unanimously approved.	
6.	0421-06	The People for Crenshaw Park Development Project/Green Space	10 min.
0.	0421-00	Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE a letter of support for the development project on MLK	10 11111.
		Blvd. Motion: M. Crawford motioned; E. Garren second; unanimously approved.	
7.	0421-07	Mural Project at Vermont Square Branch Library	10 min.
, · ·	0721-07	Board Member: S. Zurita, Arts, Parks & Recreation Committee Chair	10 11111.
		Sourd Memory 5. Zurita, Arts, Furks & Recreation Committee Chair	

		Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE the mural artwork and cost not to average \$2,500 by	
		Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE the mural artwork and cost not to exceed \$3,500 by	
		Jayson Valencia for the building next to Vermont Square Branch Library. Amended motion not	
		to exceed \$3,600 to include the application cost for the City of Cultural Affairs. Motion: E.	
•		Garren motioned; S. Zurita second; unanimously approved.	40
8.	0421-08	Heart of South LA Postcards Reprint	10 min.
		Board Member: J. Rabb, Outreach Committee Chair	
		Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE the reprinting of 2,000 Voices NC "Heart of SouthLA"	
		postcards from 907k Marketing at a cost not to exceed \$150. Amend Motion to include QR	
		Code to direct customers to the monthly General Board Zoom link and not to exceed \$500 for	
		the reprinting of 2,000+ postcards. J. Rabb motioned; E. Garren second; unanimously approved.	
9.	0421-09	Reimaging LAPD Funds	10 min.
		Board Member: A. Farias	
		Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE a resolution outlining Voices NC priorities for reimagining	
		LAPD Funds in CD9. S. Embrey mentioned adding the importance of public transit to the	
		community and ability to have some funds go towards supporting or subsidizing transportation	
		cost/SouthLA Transportation Stimulus Cards; Explore the feasibility to connect the DASH to the	
		blue line/Crenshaw line to the letter. E. Ebow helping the unhoused population get into SRO -	
		should include in the letter the partnering with organizations to address homeless needs. P.	
		Rand asks that we address that money be tied to the life expectancy of our constituents. E.	
		Garren suggested we offer grants to homeowners to add sustainability/electrical upgrades to	
		item #5. Jason Saunders suggests add programs to mental services and youth services. Motion:	
		M. Crawford motioned, E. Garren second, motion carries.	
10.	0421-10	Committee & Liaison Reports and Updates	15 min.
	0421 10	Council to report on committee and liaison activities and invite interested stakeholders to	
		participate in scheduled meetings.	
		Outreach Committee (Jaime Rabb)	
		<ul> <li>Planning &amp; Land Use Committee (Parker Rand)</li> </ul>	
		Arts, Parks & Recreation Committee (Sara Zurita)	
		Health and Safety Committee (Steven Nieto)	
		• Budget & Finance Committee (Steven Nieto)	
		<ul> <li>Ad hoc Sustainability Committee (Kaamil Benoit)</li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>Ad hoc Business Committee (Ingrid Guevara)</li> </ul>	
		• LA LGBTQ+ Alliance of Neighborhood Councils Liaison (Sally Embrey/Kaamil Benoit) - Raquel	
		Beltran discussed inclusivity training that is supposed to be happening; next meeting is on 4/15.	
		CPAB - 77th Liaison (Steven Nieto) & Southwest Liaison (Sally Embrey)	
		Homeless Liaison (Albert Farias)	
		• SLAANC Liaison (Albert Farias)	
		<ul> <li>Area Representatives (1, 2, 3, 4 and At-Large)</li> </ul>	
		Proposed Action: No motions from updates. Committee and Liaison agenda motions will be	
		listed individually for discussion and possible action.	
11.	0421-11	Voices Vacancies	5 min.
	0421-11	Review and discussion of vacant council seat, unassigned committees, liaisons, liaison	
		alternates, and recruitment of community stakeholders for committee assignment. Discuss	
		council member absences. Invite all committee members to be sworn in during the February	
		meeting.	
		Member/Committee: A. Farias	
		Proposed Action: 1) Council to appoint vacant board seats. No Action	
12.	0424 42	General Board Announcements on Non-Agenda Items (Not for Discussion)	10 min.
	0421-12		

City of Los Angeles Voices Neighborhood Council Regular Board Meeting

	<ul> <li>Voices Neighborhood Council 2021 Elections - <u>List of Candidates</u>; <u>Request Mail-in</u></li> </ul>	
	Ballot now - May 11. Candidate Forum will be held on Saturday, May 1 from 1pm - 3pm	
	via Zoom.	
	Ballot Drop Box at Vermont Square Library - opens Friday, May 14 at 9:00am - closes on Election	
	Day, Tuesday, May 18 at 8:00pm.	

#### **RALPH M. BROWN ACT**

54954.2. (a) At least 72 hours before a regular meeting, the legislative body of the local agency, or its designee, shall post an agenda containing a brief general description of each item of business to be transacted or discussed at the 5 meeting, including items to be discussed in closed session. A brief general description of an item generally need not exceed 20 words. The agenda shall specify the time and location of the regular meeting and shall be posted in a location that is freely accessible to members of the public. If requested, the agenda shall be made available inappropriate alternative formats to persons with a disability, as required by Section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 12132), and the federal rules and regulations adopted in implementation thereof. The agenda shall include information regarding how, to whom, and when a request for disability-related modification or accommodation, including auxiliary aids or services may be made by a person with a disability who requires a modification or accommodation in order to participate in the public meeting.

#### **REMOVAL WARNING**

In the event that any meeting is willfully interrupted by a group or groups of persons so as to render the orderly conduct of such meeting unfeasible and order cannot be restored y the removal of individuals who are willfully interrupting the meeting, the members of the legislative body conducting the meeting may order the meeting room cleared and continue in session. Only matters appearing on the agenda may be considered in such a session. Representatives of the press or other news media, except those participating in the disturbance, shall be allowed to attend any session held pursuant to this section. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the legislative body from establishing a procedure for readmitting an individual or individuals not responsible for willfully disturbing the orderly conduct of the meeting.

Government code Section 54957.9

#### **DISRUPTION OF MEETINGS**

Any person who interferes with the conduct of a Neighborhood Council meeting by willfully interrupting and/or disrupting the meeting is subject to removal. A Peace Officer may be requested to assist with the removal by the Neighborhood Council.

Voices NC Council Liaisons				
Council Liaison	Meeting Time	Assigned Member	Alternate Member	
1. SLAANC	Third Thursday of the month (6:30pm)	A. Farias	J. Rabb	
2. LAPD 77 <sup>th</sup> C-PAB	Second Thursday of the month (6:00pm)	S. Nieto	J. Rabb	
3. LAPD Southwest C-PAB	First Monday of the month (6:30pm)	S. Embrey	A. Patton	
4. Homelessness	Every Other Month (TBD) (6:30pm)	A. Farias	K. Benoit, A. Gray, P. Rand	
5. Resilience/Disaster Preparedness	TBD	S. Zurita	S. Embrey	
6. Budget Advocate	First Monday of the month (7:00pm)	S. Nieto	E. Garren	
7. Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance	TBD	K. Benoit	A. Patton	

Any person who resists removal by a Peace Officer is subject to arrest and prosecution. Penal Code Section 403, Penal Code Section 602.1(b)

#### **Voices NC Council Financial Responsibilities**

Primary Signer	2 <sup>nd</sup> Signer	Alternate Signer	1 <sup>st</sup> Bankcard holder	2 <sup>nd</sup> Bankcard holder
S. Nieto (Treasurer)	A. Farias	J. Rabb	A. Farias	J. Rabb

#### **Voices NC Standing Committees**

All meetings are open to the public and will be posted on <u>www.empowerla.org</u>. All meetings will be held at Vermont Square Library unless otherwise posted. For more about Voices NC Standing Committees refer to Bylaws, Article VI, and Section 1.

Standing Committees	Assigned Council Member	Description
1. Arts, Parks, & Recreation	S. Zurita	The Arts, Parks and Recreation Committee will have the responsibility to discuss issues, promote partnerships on projects and brainstorm ideas to encourage greater community involvement and support. The Arts, parks and Recreation Committee will explore issues and ideas in order to define community identity and values by giving voice to its citizens and providing a form for group action and expression. The committee submits reports of meetings in written form and makes recommendations to the Board for action. The Chair selects meeting site, date and time and meets as directed in these Bylaws.
2. Budget & Finance	S. Nieto	The Budget and Finance Committee Investigate and pursue sources of income and funding. Make an initial review of project proposals and provide a report to the VNC board with recommendations. Generate a budget for each fiscal year, showing planned income and expenditures. And, maintain the Council budget current and report any issues to the Board.
3. Outreach	J. Rabb	The Outreach Committee shall be charged with continuing to outreach to the VNC stakeholders by utilizing any acceptable and Board approved forms of media (e.g. flyers, newsletters, print, television/electronic media, signs, banners, website, etc.) to inform stakeholders regarding projects and events. The content and method of distribution must be pre-approved by the Board.
4. Planning & Land Use	P. Rand	The Planning & Land Use Committee shall review, take public input, report on and make recommendations of actions to the Board on any land use, beautification, and planning issues affecting the community in order to improve the health and quality of life of its citizens. The committee also reviews and recommends action regarding building development projects requiring land use permits within the VNC boundaries; advocates positions on land use and building design for the betterment of the community; and considers and provides recommendations to Council on other topics, such as rezoning, applications, development permits, and any subdivision that require council approval.

5. Senior Services	Vacant	The Senior Services Committee addresses the needs of senior citizens in the community and provides an environment where seniors can discuss current issues, share ideas and voice their concerns. The committee will be supportive of programs and services that provide seniors with maximum vitality and independence. It will identify, monitor and address issues that have impact upon seniors' quality of life. The committee will promote "Healthy Aging" by creating an environment where individual differences and needs are recognized; by promoting multicultural awareness, understanding and interaction; and by serving as a bridge to access government information and resources.
6. Youth & Education	A. Gray, K. Guevara	The Youth & Education Committee addresses the issues, concerns, programs and services related to the education of children, youth and adults and developing specific strategies and policies for influencing and achieving constructive outcomes within schools, classrooms, and other education/learning centers that serve the Voices community. Additionally, this committee has the general responsibility to discuss issues, foster collaboration on projects, and brainstorm ideas to encourage greater community involvement/support and participation.
7. Health & Safety	S. Nieto	The Health & Safety Committee seeks opportunities to organize and forums to mobilize the community in seeking safety practices. This includes partnering with Neighborhood Watch, Volunteer Safety Task Force (to enhance the Services provided by the School Crossing Guards), School Crossing Guards, Los Angeles Police Department Senior Lead Officers and Traffic Division and the Los Angeles Fire Department. Representatives of VNC will work to formalize a relationship with these City agencies and other entities responsible for "safety issues" in our community.

### CLIENT: VOICES NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL - LOS ANGELES LOCATION: VERMONT SQUARE LIBRARY CINDER BLOCKS (4 SIDES) SIZE: RECTANGLE WALLS 20' 7.5"W X 8' 9.5"H (189 SQ. FT) SQUARE WALLS 11' 5" W X 8' 9.5"H (108 SQ. FT)

## **QUOTE: \$3,500.00** (PAINT+SUPPLIES+PROTECTIVE ANTI-GRAFFITI COATING INCLUDED)



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Letter of intent June 13, 2021

Mr. Patton, A.

- Philanthropist
- Local business owner
- Seeds Growing Families, Inc. (SGF), Founder / CEO
- Fifth Element God Apparel, Founder / Owner
- Strictly Vegan Soulful Foods Catering & Delivery, Co-founder / Co-owner
- Jewels by Janet: Beauty Wellness and Cosmetic Products, Founder
- Fifth Element Entertainment, Founder / Owner
- Fifth Element Media Group, Co-founder / Co-owner
- Community Activist / Organizer

I am honored for the opportunity to be considered as one sitting among the current influencers and caretakers of our community's integrity in the Voices Neighborhood Council.

On December 8th, 2019, Seeds Growing Families held the Julian C. Dixon Mind, Body, and Soul Festival, the purpose of which was to help grow the community in several ways: by offering socialization activities for the locale's immediate residents to engage in; by bringing together local business owners, musicians, rappers, food vendors, local politicians; providing a space for community members of all ages to enjoy themselves, as well as a platform for still others to showcase their art or business; by stimulating the immediate local economy, circulating local dollars with vendors, and supporting local talent, all while strengthening communal bonds and forging new relationships amongst neighbors. I know when it comes to bringing restoration to the dilapidated and or neglected areas of our community, the possibilities are endless; by joining Voices Neighborhood Council, with myself being a positive bridge between Voices Neighborhood Council and Area 3 residents I believe there will be much more needed attention, continuous care, directions and allocated resources brought to Area 3.

I was born at California Hospital, raised at 1233 West 54th Street and also family resided on 53rd and Hoover Street since 1946. I grew up from a young child in the heart of the crack epidemic—ground zero rather—into a teenager in the streets of

South Central Los Angeles, where dodging bullets and riding skateboards were both regular after-school activities. Where participating in schoolmates' quinceañeras and funerals are cliche high school traditions. Where gangbanging is a way of identifying self—sustaining oneself economically, ones practicing culture, language, dance, and so on and so forth. Growing up with these experiences has afforded me a particular sort of insight, relatability, and organizational abilities, which I feel would be a great addition to the wealth of persons presently sitting as Voice Neighborhood Council board members, and to the great forward-moving works this great organization does in our communities now.

Seeds Growing families, Inc, founded as a 501 (c)(3) in 2016, is a community-based initiative centered around the ideals of restoring a greater sense of community in our neighborhoods, and adding to the overall wellness of the peoples who reside here. As with all endeavors, this process begins with the vital first step, which we believe is to restore the proper nutrients to the body so that it may function on this most optimal level of performance. The food that we eat affects our bodies; the nutrients we ingest directly correlate to not only our own brain development but that of our children. Thus we believe that in order to heal a people, let alone a person, it starts with valuing self; and there's no better measure of self-value than that which you feed your body. The Seeds Growing Families mission is to affect change through the foods that we eat.

I intend to bring my full body of resources, attention and efforts to the Voice Neighborhood Council, and all of the steps it is taking to improve the quality of life in our community.

Sincerely,

Mr. Patton, A.

#### **Edward Garren MFT**

June 9, 2021

To Voices Neighborhood Council -

This is my official request that I be voted on as Area 4 representative by the board at the next meeting Voices neighborhood Council.

As I have explained, I was in either a hospital or a nursing home from December 5, 2020 to May 18, 2021. For that reason I was unable to participate in the election. As you know I am still very interested in and passionate about our neighborhood, and the city of Los Angeles.

I look forward to continuing to serve on the Voices neighborhood Council as the Area 4 representative.

Thank you for your consideration and support.

Edward G. Garren

Sent from my iPhone

Thanks, Ed

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