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**Special Full Board Meeting Agenda
MINUTES - March 18, 2026
7:00pm – 9:30pm**

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IN CONFORMITY WITH THE JANUARY 1, 2026 ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 707 (DURAZO) AND LA CITY COUNCIL FILE 23-1114, THE WOODLAND HILLS - WARNER CENTER NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY.

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A legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to paragraph (5), to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed. **California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(6(A)),**

A legislative body that does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to paragraph (5), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment. **California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(6(B)).**

AGENDA

Call to Order – at 7:00pm by Jon Mann
Pledge of Allegiance – by the members of the board.

Roll Call – Present: Karen DiBiase, Geoffrey Hobson, Shelly Schwartz, Julian Tu, Jon Mann
August Steurer, Harout Aristakessian, Martin Lipkin, Janyce Pink Megan Jacoby, Heath Kline,
Joyce Fletcher, Juliet Schwarz, Michelle Delgado (14)

Absent – Mary Jo Rizvi, Danny Mulvihill, Harris Cohn, Kate Kennedy, Melanie Kirschbaum (5)

Board Members

Area 1 – Karen DiBiase, Geoffrey Hobson, Shelly Schwartz

Area 2 – Julian Tu, Jon Mann

Area 3 - August Steurer, Harout Aristakessian,

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

Area 5 - Megan Jacoby

Area 6 – Danny Mulvihill, Heath Kline, Harris Cohn

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

At Large – Melanie Kirschbaum

Public Announcements:

Office of Councilmember Bob Blumenfield (Up to 3 minutes)

Office of Local and State Officials – if available (Up to 3 minutes each)

Other Local Agencies – if available (Up to 3 minutes each)

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

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

Items for Discussion and Possible Action

New on this agenda are several consent calendars.

Each item on the Consent Calendar is listed separately on this agenda so that Board members and stakeholders can see exactly what is proposed. A vote on the consent calendar applies to all items listed.

Before the Board votes on the Consent Calendar, the presiding officer will ask if any Board member wants to remove an item from the Consent Calendar for individual consideration.

- *Any Board member may request that a consent item be removed*
- *No second or vote is required to remove an item*
- *Removed items will be heard later in the meeting as regular agenda items*

During public comment on the Consent Calendar, stakeholders can also request that an item be removed. These requests will be granted when a Board member makes the corresponding removal request.

Public comment on Consent Calendar items

Members of the public will have the chance to provide comments on any Consent Calendar item before the Board takes action.

Public Comment may be given:

- *While the item remains on the Consent Calendar, before the vote, or*
- *If the item is removed, when it is heard later as a regular agenda item*

This process aims to give notice of each item, offer an opportunity for public comment, and streamline the handling of routine items.

*All comments are limited to two (2) minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board. Time limits set for each agenda item may be adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board. Time limits may vary so the public is encouraged to join the meeting several minutes **PRIOR** to a specific agenda item being discussed.*

First Consent Calendar

Consent Calendar Motion to approve the following items 1 – 16.

Item #1 was removed from the consent calendar by Karen DiBiase

Item #16 was removed from the consent calendar by Shelly Schwartz

Motion to approve consent calendar items #2 through #15

Motion to approve: Jon Mann

Second: Heath Kline

Vote: Yes - Karen DiBiase, Geoffrey Hobson, Shelly Schwartz, Julian Tu, Jon Mann, August Steurer, Martin Lipkin, Janyce Pink Megan Jacoby, Heath Kline, Joyce Fletcher, Juliet Schwarz, Michelle Delgado (13) **No 0** **Ineligible 0**

Absent: Mary Jo Rizvi, Danny Mulvihill, Harris Cohn, Kate Kennedy, Melanie Kirshbayum, Harout Aristakessian (6)

Item No. 1 – was removed from the consent calendar by Karen DiBiase

(Action 26-108) Adoption of Minutes of January 14th and January 31st, 2026:

Moved by Vice President Karen DiBiase

Discussion and possible action

(Up to 4 minutes)

The Motion is to approve the Board Meeting **Minutes of January 14, 2026** and the Board Retreat **Minutes of January 31, 2026.**

See Draft Minutes in the posted supplemental document.

Roll Call Vote

Motion to approve January 14th Minutes with corrections and January 31st Minutes with no corrections.: Karen DiBiase

Second: Joyce Fletcher

Corrections: Minutes, January 14, 2026

Item #2 – Mary Jo Rizvi voted NO

Item #4 – Mary Jo Rizvi voted YES

Item #3 – Remove all comments and only state: No action was taken on this item

Adjournment: 9:30pm

Vote: Yes - Karen DiBiase, Geoffrey Hobson, Shelly Schwartz, Julian Tu, Jon Mann, August Steurer, Janyce Pink Megan Jacoby, Heath Kline, Joyce Fletcher,

Kate Kennedy, Juliet Schwarz, Michelle Delgado (13) **No 0** **Ineligible 0**

Absent: Mary Jo Rizvi, Danny Mulvihill, Harris Cohn, Martin Lipkin, Melanie Kirshbayum, Harout Aristakessian (6)

Item No. 2

Action 26-109) Community Impact Statement Filers

Moved by the Governance Committee — President Jon Mann

Discussion and possible action

Up to 4 minutes)

The Motion is for the Board to appoint Jon Mann, Joyce Fletcher, and August Steurer to be the additional WHWCNC Community Impact Statement (CIS) Filers. Currently, Heath Kline is the only board member appointed to file a CIS. The Board may appoint up to five members to submit a Board-approved CIS.

Governance Committee Vote: Yes – Jon Mann, Karen DiBiase, Heath Kline, Joyce Fletcher, August Steurer

No supplemental information

Roll Call Vote

Item No. 3

(Action 26-110) Approval of the January 2026 MER

Moved by Treasurer Heath Kline

For discussion and possible action

(5 minutes)

The Motion is for the Board to approve the January 2026 Monthly Expenditure Report [MER]. *See WHWCNC MER in the posted supplemental document. [39 Pages]*

Roll Call Vote

Item No. 4

(Action 26-111) Approval of the February 2026 MER

Moved by Treasurer Heath Kline

For discussion and possible action:

(5 minutes)

The Motion is for the Board to approve the February 2026 Monthly Expenditure Report [MER] *See WHWCNC MER Feb 26 in the posted supplemental document. [17 pages]*

Roll Call Vote

Item No. 5 *Urgent, Time sensitive related to renewal 3-20-26 or moving*

(Action 26-112) Domain Name Registration, Consolidation, and Privacy Protection (<\$60/yr)

Moved by Governance Committee – Chair, Jon Mann and Website Administrator, August Steurer

For discussion and possible action:

(Up to 5 minutes)

The Governance Committee moves that the Board of the Woodland Hills Warner Center Neighborhood Council **authorize spending up to \$60 per year** for the Web Administrator to take the following actions regarding the council's domain names:

1. Transfer **whcouncil.com** from Bluehost to the council's chosen registrar (Hosting.com or Cloudflare.com).
2. Confirm the current registrar for **whcouncil.org** and transfer that domain to the council's chosen registrar upon verification that access and eligibility are confirmed.
3. Register the new domain **whwnc.org** at the council's chosen registrar, to be held in reserve for future Board-directed use.
4. Enable WHOIS privacy protection on all three domains. The Web Administrator is authorized to select the registrar — either Hosting.com or Cloudflare Registrar — that provides WHOIS privacy at no additional charge. If neither can be confirmed to include privacy at no cost for the first year, the Web Administrator shall return to the Board.

The total estimated annual cost for all three domains, including privacy protection, is not to exceed \$60 per year. The Web Administrator is authorized to execute any registrar transfers, DNS configurations, account verifications, and privacy enrollments required to complete these actions.

*Committee Vote: Yes – Mann, Kline, Steurer. Absent – DiBiase, Fletcher
See supporting information in the posted supplemental document.*

Roll Call Vote

Item No. 6 Urgent, Time sensitive related to renewal 3-20-26 or moving
(Action 26-113) Authorization of Software Licensing for whcouncil.org
Moved by the Governance Committee – Chair, Jon Mann

For discussion and possible action:

(Up to 5 minutes)

The Governance Committee moves that the Board of the Woodland Hills – Warner Center Neighborhood Council **approve expenditures of up to \$600.00** for the Council’s website software licensing of ACF Pro, DIVI Events Calendar, Premio Folders, FS Poster, and AI Engine to support the website redesign, DIVI 5 implementation, meeting document management system, and integration with The Events Calendar, which is already in use.

*Committee Vote: Yes – Mann, Kline, Steurer. Absent – DiBiase, Fletcher
See supporting information in the posted supplemental document.*

Roll Call Vote

Item No. 7 Urgent, Time sensitive related to renewal 3-20-26 or moving

(Action 26-114) Migration of Website and Email hosting plus remote backup storage
Moved by the Governance Committee – Chair Jon Mann and Website Administrator August Steurer

For discussion and possible action:

(Up to 5 minutes)

The Governance Committee moves that the Board of the Woodland Hills – Warner Center Neighborhood Council **authorize funding of up to \$500 annually** for the Web Administrator to migrate the Council’s website hosting and email services from Bluehost within the next two weeks to the following infrastructure, with a total estimated cost not to exceed \$500 per year.

- Website hosting: Hosting.com cPanel Pro hosting plan
- Email hosting: MXroute 100 GB dedicated email hosting
- Website backup storage: Google One (Disk) 100 GB

The Board further authorizes the Web Administrator to execute the migration, manage DNS cutover, and export archived email from inactive accounts to council-controlled remote storage on Google Disk prior to migration.

Committee Vote: Yes – Mann, Kline, Steurer. Absent – DiBiase, Fletcher

See supporting information in the posted supplemental document.

Roll Call Vote

Item No. 8

(Action 26-115) Motion to change NC Representative to Budget Advocates

Moved by President Jon Mann

For discussion and possible action:

(Up to 4 minutes)

The Motion is that the WHWCNC Board appoint Julian Tu as the Budget Representative for Woodland Hills – Warner Center NC to the Budget Advocates, an Alliance of Neighborhood Councilmembers that monitors and advises the City of Los Angeles on its Budget.

See information on Budget Advocates in the posted supplemental document.

Roll Call Vote

Item No. 9

(Action 26-116) Approval of a WHWCNC Board Member seat change

From Governance Committee – Jon Mann, Chair

Discussion and possible action

(Up to 4 minutes)

After verification of qualifications, the Governance Committee moves that Michelle Delgado be moved from Area 7 Alternate Representative to Area 2 Alternate Representative. Upon seating, Michelle Delgado will automatically move to the currently vacant Area 2 Business Representative seat per the Bylaws.

Governance Committee Vote: Yes—Jon Mann, Heath Kline, August Steurer. Absent—Dibiase, Fletcher

No supplemental information

Roll Call Vote

PLUM Cases:

Item No. 10

(Action 26-117) Case ZA 2025-1291-CUW Verizon Wireless Installation “Archwood” at Parking Garage, Westfield Topanga Mall

Moved by the PLUM Committee — Co-Chairs Marty Lipkin and Joyce Fletcher

Discussion and possible action:

(Up to 8 minutes)

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

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

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

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

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

WHEREAS, the applicant has agreed to the following conditions:

Conditions:

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

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

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

See the Case Report in the posted supplemental documentation.

Roll Call Vote

Item No. 11

(Action 26-118) Case ZA-2025-5184-CUW Verizon Wireless “OSO” Project – 6200 Canoga Avenue

Moved by the PLUM Committee — Chair Joyce Fletcher

Discussion and possible action:

(Up to 8 minutes)

As pertaining to Verizon Wireless Project, Case Number: **ZA-2025-5184-CUW** the “OSO” Project, located at 6200 Canoga Avenue, 91367, and having held two public meetings for the application filed by Verizon Wireless for the installation of a Verizon unmanned wireless communication facility mounted within new Verizon screened boxes located on the roof top of the office building located at 6200 Canoga Avenue the WHWCNC Planning, Land Use and Mobility Committee (PLUM) hereby finds that:

WHEREAS, the proposed project designs and plans adhere to requirements of the Warner Center 2035 Specific Plan; and all enclosures are made of Fiberglass Reinforced Plastic material, screening the equipment, while matching the architecture and the color of the building’s exterior, and blending materials which make its appearance unnoticeable from the viewer outside, and

WHEREAS, the applicant has obtained permission for installation from the property owner Gelb Enterprises, LP.; and,

WHEREAS, given the installation is on the roof top of an office building, and all antennas and equipment will be screened from public view; and,

WHEREAS, the installation does not eliminate parking spaces, office space nor interfere with or create hazardous conditions for cars nor pedestrians; and,

WHEREAS, the applicant has agreed to the following conditions:

PLUM Conditions:

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

4. Verizon will contact the WHWCNC PLUM Committee should any changes be made to the project that could impact the neighborhood such as height, size and visual aspects.

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

*PLUM Vote: Yes—6 No—0 Abstain—0 Ineligible—1
See the Case Report in the posted supplemental documentation.*

Roll Call Vote

Item No. 12

**(Action 26-119) AA-2026-140-PM and ENV-2026-141-CE, 21300 Oxnard Street
Moved by the PLUM Committee — Co-Chair Joyce Fletcher**

Discussion and possible action

(Up to 8 minutes)

As pertaining to the applicant, 21300 Oxnard Master Site LP, request to subdivide the Subject Property from one ground lot to two ground lots. The Subject Property is located at 21300 Oxnard Street (between Canoga Avenue and Variel Avenue) in the Commerce District of the Warner Center 2035 Plan. The entire lot is comprised of 100,649 square feet and upon completion of the Subdivision, Parcel 1 will include 65,749 square feet and Parcel 2 will include 34,900 square feet. There is no construction request that is in conjunction with approval of the parcel map subdivision request. The project has been previously approved by the city and is 100% low-income housing.

The WHWCNC Planning, Land Use and Mobility Committee (PLUM) hereby finds that:

WHEREAS, the proposed project designs and plans will not change from the previously approved application Case No. ADM-2023-6353-DB-SPP-HCA-WC-ED1, which adheres to the requirements of the General Plan, Community Plan, and Specific Plan; and,

WHEREAS, the two-phase development remains a 100% affordable project at various income levels; and,

WHEREAS, the applicant has obtained funding and has built one low-income apartment building on the site; and,

WHEREAS, the applicant in good faith seeks to locate funding to build the second low-income apartment building on the site; and,

WHEREAS, new funding is subject to 21300 Oxnard being subdivided into two lots,

THEREFORE, The PLUM Committee recommends that the WHWCNC Board **SUPPORT** the sub-division at 21300 Oxnard with the following conditions:

PLUM Conditions:

1. The applicant must comply with Case # ADM-2023-6353-DB-SPP-HCA-WC-ED1 City Planning determination letter and conditions.

2. The WHWCNC must be notified of any major changes to the design and plans for the project. Therefore, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Planning Land Use and Mobility Committee of the Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council, for the findings stated herein, finds that the submitted application and plans submitted by Kasey Burke [Company: 21300 Oxnard

Master Site LP] receive the support of the Board of the Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council (WHWCNC).

*PLUM Vote: Yes—6 No—0 Abstain—0 Ineligible—1
See the Case Report in the posted supplemental documentation.*

Roll Call Vote

Community Impact Statements:

Item No. 13

(26-120) Community Impact Statement – Council File No. 25-1083, SB 79 Alternative Implementation Plan

Moved by the Woodland Hills Issues and Policies Committee — Chair Heath Kline

For discussion and possible action:

(Up to 8 minutes)

The Woodland Hills Issues and Policies Committee moves that the Board authorize submission of a Community Impact Statement (CIS) related to Council File No. 25-1083, whereby the city will develop an alternative plan to implement SB 79. The Planning Department has developed three options: C1, C2, and C3. The Committee recommends that the Board **SUPPORT CF 25-1083 if amended to select Option C1**, which is most compatible with the Warner Center 2035 Specific Plan and the surrounding area, contrary to Councilmember Blumenfield’s support of C2. The CIS shall be submitted to the Director of Planning, the Mayor, the City Council, and the City Attorney.

Committee Vote: Yes-Kline, Steurer; Absent-Williams

See the CIS in the posted supplemental documentation.

Roll Call Vote

Item No. 14

(Action 26-121) Community Impact Statement (CIS) on Compliance with AB 747 and Emergency Evacuation Planning

Moved by Public Safety Committee — Megan Jacoby

Discussion and possible action

(Up to 8 minutes)

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

COMMUNITY SAFETY FINDINGS

The Public Safety Committee finds that:

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

- Mulholland Drive—adjacent neighborhoods, including feeder roads and residential canyons
 - Topanga Canyon Boulevard (SR-27) interface areas affecting north–south evacuation flow
 - Corbin Avenue, De Soto Avenue, Dumetz Rd and Woodlake Avenue hillside segments, which experience congestion during peak hours
 - Dirt or unimproved hillside roads that may become impassable during fire, flood, or seismic events
4. Residents within these areas have repeatedly raised concerns regarding evacuation feasibility, traffic bottlenecks, emergency vehicle access, signage clarity, and the absence of routine community evacuation education or drills.
 5. Although the City adopted its Local Hazard Mitigation Plan in September 2024, the required updates to the Safety Element under AB 747 have not yet been completed, leaving communities such as Woodland Hills vulnerable to foreseeable emergencies.

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

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

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

No supplemental information

Roll Call Vote

Item No. 15

(Action 26-122) Community Impact Statement (CIS) – Council File Number: 25-0434

Moved by Community Services Committee — Chair Joyce Fletcher

Discussion and possible action

(Up to 8 minutes)

The Motion is that the WHWCNC Board approve the following Community Impact Statement submitted by Kate Kennedy, Community Service Committee for Council File Number: 25-0434

Directed TO: City Council Budget and Finance Committee

Council File Number: 25-0434

WHWCNC Position: **FOR**

Summary: The WHWCNC wishes to express their support FOR the motion presented on January 14, 2026, by Bob Blumenfield, Councilmember, 3rd District (and seconded by Tim Mcosker) to transfer funds that were previously earmarked, in April of 2025, for the purchase and installation of solar-powered lights along the G (Orange) Line Bike Path, per the Operation Safe Streets Initiative in Council District 3.

In addition, we would like to echo the Councilmembers' additional motion to ensure that the Bureau of Street Lighting is authorized to make any technical corrections or clarifications to the fund transfer instructions in order to effectuate the intent of their motion as written.

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

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

No supplemental information

Roll Call Vote

End of First Consent Calendar

Item No. 16 - removed from the consent calendar by Shelly Schwartz

(Action 26-123) Draft Letter of WHWCNC Support of LA Board of Supervisors ' motion to enact an ordinance that limits ICE activities in certain public spaces.

Moved by Homelessness and Social Justice Committee — Chair Juliet Schwarz

Discussion and possible action.

(Up to 8 minutes)

The Homelessness and Social Justice Committee moves that the Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council (WHWCNC) approve a draft letter of support for the Los Angeles Board of Supervisors' motion to enact an ordinance that limits ICE activities in certain public spaces.

On January 13, 2026, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors unanimously approved a motion by Supervisors Lindsey P. Horvath and Hilda L. Solis initiating the development of an ordinance to establish "ICE-Free Zones" across County-owned and County-controlled properties. The Board action directs County Counsel to draft and return an ordinance for Board consideration within 30 days. Link to the full motion: <https://file.lacounty.gov/SDSInter/bos/supdocs/211800.pdf>.

The Risks Associated with ICE Raids: ICE is currently staging and conducting unauthorized raids in public spaces, including school parking lots, public parks, public buildings, open spaces, and public parking lots. These unauthorized "staging areas", "operations bases," or "processing locations" are often used for unauthorized and often violent immigration enforcement, public harassment, and arrests without a warrant, causing significant risk to public safety. Aggressive "Surprise ICE Raids" cause physical harm and death. These unauthorized and aggressive surprise tactics terrorize and endanger innocent bystanders and those being chased down by federal immigration agents. Innocent children are being arrested, and people are being shot during ICE-created public chaos. Lindsey Horvath has stated: "Los Angeles County will not allow our public property to be used by ICE to cause harm and to frighten people away from receiving services and support," Horvath said. "When residents are scared to seek care or show up in public spaces, something is deeply wrong."

The Board of the Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council also asks the following entities and departments for their support and to take action to establish ICE-Free Zones in the City of Los Angeles: City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks Los Angeles Police Department Los Angeles Unified School District Council District 3 – Councilmember Bob Blumenfield.

See support information in the posted supplemental document:

Roll Call Vote

Original Motion to Approve: Juliet Schwarz

Second: Jon Mann

Amendment: Motion to amend the document as follows: Joyce Fletcher

Motion: *The Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council (WHWCNC) supports the Los Angeles Board of Supervisors' motion to enact an ordinance which limits ICE activities in certain public spaces.*

Second: Juliet Schwarz

Vote: Yes - Karen DiBiase, Jon Mann, Janyce Pink, Megan Jacoby, Heath Kline, Kate Kennedy, Joyce Fletcher, Juliet Schwarz, Michelle Delgado (9)

No: Shelly Schwartz, Julian Tu, Marty Lipkin, Megan Jacoby (4)

Abstain: August Steurer

Ineligible 0

Absent: Mary Jo Rizvi, Danny Mulvihill, Harris Cohn, Kate Kennedy, Melanie Kirshbayum, Harout Aristakessian (6)

Second Consent Calendar

Consent Calendar Motion is to approve the following items 17 and 18

PLUM Cases (continued):

Items 17 and 18 will be heard separately from the first consent calendar because the employer of Karen DiBiase's spouse has pending work with the developer, requiring her recusal.

Item No. 17

(Action 26-124) Case DIR-2026-682-DI, Wisteria at Warner Center – Vertical Signage; 5490, 5500, 5600 N Canoga Street, Woodland Hills, 91367

Moved by the PLUM Committee — Co-Chair Joyce Fletcher

Board Member Karen DiBiase is recused.

Discussion and possible action:

(Up to 6 minutes)

As pertaining to Wisteria at Warner Center Permit 25048-20000-00960 located at 5500 N. Canoga Blvd, Woodland Hills, CA 91367, held two public meeting for the application filed by Weidner CA for the placement of two illuminated signs for Wisteria at Warner Center, the WHWCNC Planning, Land Use and Mobility Committee (PLUM) hereby finds that:

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

WHEREAS, the applicant shall submit written acknowledgment of compliance with mitigation conditions AES-7 through AES-20 of DIR-2018-7428-SPP, including illumination schedule, photometric compliance, wattage and lumen caps, and freeway visibility considerations, prior to NC Board transmission to Planning; and

WHEREAS, given the project’s visibility and public-facing architectural frontage at a Warner Center gateway, signage illumination and maintenance are of community interest and subject to PLUM advisory input per Warner Center 2035 Specific Plan design stewardship goals;

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Planning Land Use and Mobility Committee of the Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council, for the findings stated herein, finds that the submitted application and plans from Weidner CA receive the **SUPPORT** of the Board of the Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council (WHWCNC).

Committee Vote: Yes 6 No 0 Abstain 0 Ineligible 1

See the Case Report in the posted supplemental documentation.

Roll Call Vote

Item No. 18

(Action 26-125) Case DIR-2018-7428-SPP, Wisteria at Warner Center , Master Alcohol Permit; 5490, 5500, 5600 N Canoga Street, Woodland Hills, 91367

Moved by the PLUM Committee — Co-Chair Joyce Fletcher

Board Member Karen DiBiase is recused.

Discussion and possible action

(Up to 6 minutes)

WHEREAS, the Applicant, Wisteria Warner Center CCRC, LLC, has requested a Main Conditional Use Permit – Master Alcohol Permit (Class 2) pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Sections 12.24.W.1 and 13.B.2.2 to allow the sale and dispensing of alcohol within up to six previously approved ground-floor restaurant and retail tenancies located in the Independent Living Building (“Building 1”) of the Wisteria Warner Center Continuing Care and Retirement Community (CCRC); and,

WHEREAS, the Project site consists of approximately 17.63 acres (767,760 square feet) located at 5490, 5500, and 5600 North Canoga Boulevard at the southeast corner of Canoga Avenue and Burbank Boulevard (APN 2149-016-027; Tract PM 2005-1466 Lot A), within the Commerce-SN Zone and the Commerce District of the Warner Center 2035 Specific Plan area; and,

WHEREAS, the Wisteria Warner Center CCRC is a previously approved multi-phase mixed-use senior living development currently under construction pursuant to City Planning Case No. DIR-2018-7428-SPP, including the primary Independent Living Building and ancillary structures; and

WHEREAS, the instant request pertains to a maximum of six of the twelve previously approved retail and restaurant tenancies and seeks authorization for ancillary alcohol service within those commercial spaces; and,

WHEREAS, the request would authorize four tenancies to provide a full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption with limited off-site carryout, one tenancy to provide beer and wine for on-site consumption, and one tenancy to allow full-line alcohol sales for off-site consumption with associated on-site tasting; and,

WHEREAS, proposed alcohol service hours are between 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 a.m., and the Project includes 24-hour on-site security staffing; and

WHEREAS, the Project is located within the Warner Center 2035 Specific Plan area, which establishes the regulatory framework for mixed-use development within the Warner Center community;

THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Planning, Land Use and Mobility Committee of the Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council, for the findings stated herein, finds that the submitted application and plans from Weidner CA receive the **SUPPORT** of the Board of the Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council (WHWCNC).

Committee Vote: Yes—6 No—0 Abstain—0 Ineligible—1

See the Case Report in the posted supplemental documentation.

Roll Call Vote

Karen DiBiase recused herself from board discussion/board vote and left the room for both Agenda Items #17 and #18 as her husband is employed at an architectural firm that is affiliation with the project.

Motion to approve Consent Calendar – Agenda Items #17 and #18: Joyce Fletcher

Second: Marty Lipkin

Vote: Yes - Jon Mann, Geoffrey Hobson, Shelly Schwartz, Julian Tu, August Syeurer, Janyce Pink, Marty Lipkin, Megan Jacoby, Heath Kline, Joyce Fletcher, Juliet Schwarz, Michelle Delgado (12)

Recused: Karen DiBiase (1)

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Ineligible 0

Absent: Mary Jo Rizvi, Danny Mulvihill, Harris Cohn, Kate Kennedy, Melanie Kirshbayum, Harout Aristakessian (6)

End of Second Consent Calendar

Organization and Membership:

Item No. 19

(Action 26-126) Motion to appoint a WHWCNC Youth Member

From Governance Committee – Jon Mann, Chair

Discussion and possible action

(Up to 6 minutes)

After a verification of qualifications, the Governance Committee moves that Duncan Lawrie be appointed as the WHWCNC Youth Member.

Governance Committee Vote: Yes—Jon Mann, Karen DiBiase, Heath Kline, Joyce Fletcher, August Steurer

See posted supplemental information

Roll Call Vote

Motion to approve: Jon Mann

Second: Heath Kline

Vote: Yes - Karen DiBiase, Geoffrey Hobson, Shelly Schwartz, Julian Tu, Jon Mann, August Steurer, Martin Lipkin, Janyce Pink, Megan Jacoby, Heath Kline, Joyce Fletcher, Juliet Schwarz, Michelle Delgado (13)

No 0

Abstain 0

Ineligible 0

Absent: Mary Jo Rizvi, Danny Mulvihill, Harris Cohn, Kate Kennedy, Melanie Kirshbayum, Harout Aristakessian (6)

Item No. 20

**(Action 26-127) Appointment of a WHWCNC Area 5 Board Member
From Governance Committee – Jon Mann, Chair**

Discussion and possible action

(Up to 6 minutes)

After a verification of qualifications, the Governance Committee moves that Monalisa Okojie be appointed as the WHWCNC Area 5 Alternate Representative.

Governance Committee Vote: Yes—Jon Mann, Heath Kline, August Steurer Absent—DiBiase, Fletcher

No supplemental information

Roll Call Vote

Item #20 - Continued to the next board meeting.

Neighborhood Purpose Grants:

Item No. 21

**(Action 26 -128) A \$2,478.43 NPG for 21st Area Boosters to fund project at LAPD Topanga Station that serves & will benefit the Woodland Hills – Warner Center community.
Moved by the Public Safety Committee and Member Megan Jacoby**

Discussion and possible action

(Up to 10 minutes)

The Motion is:

(a.) To approve \$2,478.43 for a Neighborhood Purpose Grant (NPG) application for the 21st Area Boosters, Inc / Los Angeles Police Department, Topanga Division. Funds will be used to purchase a free-standing cover for the Mobile Command Unit (MCU) for the Topanga Division. The total cost of the cover is **\$9,913.72** and is to be equally shared by the four (4) Neighborhood Councils served by the Topanga Division.

And (b.) the WHWCNC board directs the NC Treasurer to perform a Budget Reallocation to transfer funds equal to the amount approved in (a.) above from the Outreach Budget Category where unallocated funds are available to the NPG budget category sufficient to fund this NPG. The treasurer is further directed to update the NC's internal working budget and file an updated budget and reallocation with the City Clerk as is required to reflect these changes, to allow submission to the City Clerk for approval and funding of this NPG without delay upon passage.

Motion part (a.) was passed by the Public Safety Committee on 2/18/26; Yes—Jacoby, Schwartz, Mulvihill.

Motion part (b.) is added at the request of the Treasurer to allow prompt funding upon approval.

See 21st Area Boosters NPG in the posted supplemental documentation.

Roll Call Vote

Motion to approve: Michelle Delgado

Second: Heath Kline

Vote: Yes - Karen DiBiase, Geoffrey Hobson, Shelly Schwartz, Julian Tu, Jon Mann
August Steurer, Harout Aristakessian, Martin Lipkin, Janyce Pink, Megan Jacoby, Heath Kline,
Joyce Fletcher, Juliet Schwarz, Michelle Delgado (14)

No 0 **Abstain** 0 **Ineligible** 0

Absent: Mary Jo Rizvi, Danny Mulvihill, Harris Cohn, Kate Kennedy, Melanie Kirshbayum (5)

Outreach Items:

Item No. 22

(26-129) Approve \$2,500 from the 2025/2026 Outreach Budget for the annual WHWCNC Booth at Valley Cultural Foundation Summer Concerts (10 concerts + July 4th)

Moved by Community Services Committee — Committee Member Karen DiBiase

Joyce Fletcher will recuse herself from this item because she is the Secretary of Valley Cultural Foundation.

For Discussion and Possible Action.

(Up to 5 minutes)

Substitute Motion that the WHWCNC Board approve \$2,500.00 from the *Outreach Budget Category* to Valley Cultural Foundation for the annual WHWCNC Booth at the Valley Cultural Foundation Summer Concert Season.

\$2,500 is the least cost for a booth for 10 concerts and the July 4th Fireworks Program which will also include a tent, two chairs, (3) NC parking passes, WHWCNC signage on VCF promotional outreach materials and one Sunday for the NC to appear on stage to address the stakeholders. The booth provides opportunities for board members to meet with stakeholders, hear their issues and promote the mission of the WHWCNC.

The motion is supported by Invoice #2029 dated March 9, 2026. Payment of \$2,500.00 is due by April 15, 2026, as required to ensure WHWCNC is included in the printed materials and signage for the concert season.

Committee Vote: YES—DiBiase, Tu, Kennedy | Recused—Fletcher

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Note: This item was passed in the Community Services Committee as an “NPG.” Based on the above information, the Treasurer has advised that this item is an Outreach activity and expense, internally budgeted as such. Under NC Funding policies, the board must vote to approve, and the Treasurer must submit to the City Clerk as an Outreach expense, supported by the appropriate documentation. Text in italics represents technical corrections advised by the Treasurer that constitute the substitute motion.

See supporting documentation for invoice and concert calendar (disregard previously circulated NPG documentation for this item).

Roll Call Vote

Joyce Fletcher recused herself from the discussion/vote and left the room as she is on the board of the Valley Cultural Foundation.

Motion to approve: Jon Mann

Second: Heath Kline

Vote: Yes - Karen DiBiase, Geoffrey Hobson, Shelly Schwartz, Julian Tu, Jon Mann, August Steurer, Martin Lipkin, Janyce Pink, Megan Jacoby, Heath Kline, Juliet Schwarz, Michelle Delgado (12)

Recused: Joyce Fletcher (1)

No 0 **Abstain** 0 **Ineligible** 0

Absent: Harout Aristakessian, Mary Jo Rizvi, Danny Mulvihill, Harris Cohn, Kate Kennedy, Melanie Kirshbayum (6)

Item No. 23

(Action 26-130) Approval of Funding for the CD3 Neighborhood Council Candidate Forum
Moved by the Community Services Committee — Chair Joyce Fletcher

Discussion and possible action: (Up to 8 minutes).

This is a Motion to approve up to \$200 from the Outreach and/or Office Administrative Budget for meeting-related expenses, including light refreshments and handout materials, local advertising for a Spring 2026 CD-3 Joint Candidate Forum. The event will be a joint general meeting of the five CD-3 Neighborhood Councils: Woodland Hills–Warner Center, Canoga Park, Reseda, Winnetka, and Tarzana.

The purpose of the meeting is to host a candidate forum for individuals running to become the next Los Angeles City Council District 3 representative and other City candidates. The event will be conducted in accordance with all City rules and policies governing joint NC meetings and candidate forums.

The other four participating Neighborhood Councils will share approximately equal costs for organizing the event, which will be held at Magnolia Science Academy (MS1), [18238 Sherman Way, Reseda, CA 91335](#) on April 27, 2026 | 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM.

Committee Vote:

Yes—Joyce Fletcher, Karen DiBiase, Kate Kennedy, Julian Tu No—0; Abstain—0; Ineligible—0

No supplemental information

Roll Call Vote

Motion to approve: Joyce Fletcher

Second: Heath Kline

Vote: Yes - Karen DiBiase, Geoffrey Hobson, Shelly Schwartz, Julian Tu, Jon Mann, August Steurer, Martin Lipkin, Janyce Pink, Megan Jacoby, Heath Kline, Juliet Schwarz, Joyce Fletcher, Michelle Delgado (13)

No 0 **Abstain** 0 **Ineligible** 0

Absent: Harout Aristakessian, Mary Jo Rizvi, Danny Mulvihill, Harris Cohn, Kate Kennedy, Melanie Kirshbayum (6)

Item No. 24

(Action 26 -131) Motion to approve up to \$1000 to Sponsor Congress of Neighborhoods

Moved by President Jon Mann

For discussion and possible action:

(Up to 4 minutes)

What is Congress of Neighborhoods? Do we want to support this?

\$1000 gets us Gold Level Recognition for September 26, 2026.

The motion is that the Board approve the Treasurer directing up to \$1,000 to the City's account for the Congress of Neighborhoods. Upon **Board approval**, the Treasurer is directed to **complete the City Clerk's funding form** for the Congress of Neighborhoods to effectuate funding.

See supporting information in the posted supplemental document.

Roll Call Vote

Jon Mann recused himself from the discussion and board vote as he is a member of the Congress of Neighborhoods. He recused himself and left the room.

Amendment #1 - Motion to amend the original motion to only provide funding for \$750 to sponsor Congress of Neighborhoods:

Motion: Heath Kline

Second Marty Lipkin

Yes - Karen DiBiase, Geoffrey Hobson, Shelly Schwartz, August Steurer, Joyce Fletcher (5)

Recused: Jon Mann (1)

No: Julian Tu, Janyce Pink, Martin Lipkin, Megan Jacoby, Heath Kline, Juliet Schwarz, Michele Delgado (7)

Abstain 0 **Ineligible 0**

Absent: Harout Aristakessian, Mary Jo Rizvi, Danny Mulvihill, Harris Cohn, Kate Kennedy, Melanie Kirshbaum (6)

Motion failed.

Amendment #2 - Motion to amend the original motion to provide funding of \$500 to sponsor the Congress of Neighborhoods.

Motion: Marty Lipkin

Second: Shelly Schwartz

Vote: Yes - Karen DiBiase, Geoffrey Hobson, Shelly Schwartz, Julian Tu, Martin Lipkin, Megan Jacoby, Joyce Fletcher (7)

Recused: Jon Mann (1)

No: August Steurer, Janyce Pink, Heath Kline, Juliet Schwarz, Michelle Delgado (5)

Abstain 0 **Ineligible 0**

Absent: Harout Aristakessian, Mary Jo Rizvi, Danny Mulvihill, Harris Cohn, Kate Kennedy, Melanie Kirshbaum (6)

Motion passed.

Item No. 25

(Action 26-132) Motion to Approve Outreach Funds for Tabling at New Friends Homeless Center - Homelessness and Social Justice Committee

Moved by Juliet Schwarz

For discussion and possible action:

(Up to 8 minutes)

The committee moves that the Woodland Hills – Warner Center Neighborhood Council approve up to \$1,000 from the Outreach Budget to host an outreach table at the 15th Anniversary event of New Friends Homeless Center, taking place on March 20, 2026, in Woodland Hills.

See supplemental documentation to see Poster and supporting info

Roll Call Vote

Motion to approve: Juliet Schwarz

Second: Jon Mann

1. Motion for the original motion to be sent back to the committee to be revised and presented at the next board meeting as an NPG request: Shelly Schwartz

Second: Megan Jacoby

Vote: Yes - Geoffrey Hobson, Shelly Schwartz, Julian Tu, Heath Kline, August Steurer, Megan Jacoby (6)

No: Jon Mann, Harout Aristakessian, Janyce Pink, Juliet Schwarz, Joyce Fletcher, Michelle Delgado (6)

Abstain: Karen DiBiase, Marty Lipkin (2) **Ineligible 0**

Absent: Mary Jo Rizvi, Danny Mulvihill, Harris Cohn, Kate Kennedy, Melanie Kirshbayum (6)

The vote was tied and motion failed.

2. Vote on the Original Motion:

Vote: Yes - Karen DiBiase, Julian Tu, Jon Mann, Harout Aristakessian, Janyce Pink, Juliet Schwarz, Joyce Fletcher, Michelle Delgado (8)

No: August Steurer (1)

Abstain: Geoffrey Hobson, Shelly Schwartz, Marty Lipkin, Megan Jacoby, Heath Kline (5)

Ineligible 0

Absent: Mary Jo Rizvi, Danny Mulvihill, Harris Cohn, Kate Kennedy, Melanie Kirshbayum (5)

Items Discussed Out of Order or Pulled From the Consent Calendars for later discussion.

The Board will discuss each item removed from the Consent Calendars.

Items will be addressed as regular agenda items with public comment, followed by Board discussions, and then individual **Roll Call Vote(s)**.

3. Officer Reports:

(Up to 5 minutes)

President – Jon Mann

Vice President – Karen DiBiase

Treasurer – Heath Kline

Secretary – Joyce Fletcher

Parliamentarian – August Steurer

4. Area Reports:

(Up to 8 minutes)

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

5. Committee Reports:

(Up to 8 minutes)

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

Adjournment of Meeting: at 10:20pm by Jon Mann

Announcements:

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NCsupport@lacity.org

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Dear Sponsor:

We are proud to announce our West Valley Warner Center Chamber of Commerce Community Benefit Foundation 5th Annual Valley Asian & Pacific Islander Cultural Festival celebrating the vast diversity from the Asian cultures that enhance the San Fernando Valley and the City of Los Angeles.

The event will highlight the cultures of Asia and the Pacific Islands focusing on expression through music, dance, food and children’s activities. The San Fernando Valley has a large Asian & Pacific Islander population with over 100,000. They make a substantial contribution to our economy and extended community.

On May 2, 2026, from 10 AM-3PM, we will be presenting the 5th Annual Asian Cultural Festival. A tremendous committee collaborates and works together for months to make this wonderful and memorable as we educate in the Discovery of these Cultures. Each year, we will have additional access to an array of ideas for the festival, volunteers, and a wider audience that will appreciate our collective efforts to make this an annual event.

We ask that you become an exhibitor or sponsor which will help promote your mission as an institution as well as add layers of Culture for our audience to discover. This will give you access to more marketing outlets through electronic and print coverage and create an opportunity to showcase the talents of your business.

Your Community Partner,

Diana Williams

Diana Williams

CEO West Valley-Warner Center Chamber of Commerce /Community Benefit Foundation Director

Event Sponsor: \$10,000- The West Valley-Warner Center Chamber of Commerce puts on the event and we place your company name with equal billing. Your banner will be placed on stage, commercial from stage, logo on print and electronic media, stage recognition and flexible exhibit space.

Embassy Sponsor: \$5,000- Banner placement at event, commercial from stage, logo on print and electronic media stage recognition, and flexible exhibit space.

Cultural Sponsor: \$3,500- Present and announce a performance. Logo will be on print and electronic media, commercial on stage, and flexible exhibit space.

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Exhibitor: (Discounted rate up \$200-until April 14th with receipt of completed application and payment. On or after April 15th \$250.) Permit and Equipment fees may apply. *****Vendors must display seller’s permit.**

Company Name:

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Matching Billing address of credit cards.

Point of Contact:

Day of Event Phone:

Email:

Sponsor or Exhibit Amount Enclosed:

Card #:

Expiration:

Security Code:

***** Vendors must come fully equipped with their own, table and chairs. For your comfort, bring your own canopy. Canopies must be anchored. The payment and signed agreement will confirm your participation.**

INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT:I agree to be solely responsible for any costs, claims, damages and expenses incurred by me as a result of participation in the May 2, 2026 Valley Asian & Pacific Islander Cultural Festival sponsored by the West Valley~Warner Center Chamber of Commerce Community Benefit Foundation. I understand the Valley Asian & Pacific Islander Cultural Festival will be held at Pierce College. I may begin setting up my booth as early as 7 AM. Please allow yourself enough time to set up & be ready by 11 AM. I also understand I am participating at my own risk and accept such risk as my sole responsibility. Therefore, in the event of any loss or injury sustained from participating in the aforementioned event. I agree to hold harmless the West Valley~Warner Center Chamber of Commerce and the West Valley-Warner Center Chamber of Commerce Community Benefit Foundation itself and staff and representatives, from any responsibility in any way for such loss, injury, claims or damages. West Valley- Warner Center Chamber of Commerce Community is committed to maintaining a family friendly environment at this event. Therefore, possession, sale, or use of alcohol, illegal substances, or weapons of any kind are inappropriate for this Family Friendly event and are prohibited -- California Penal Code Section 417. Vendors not complying with this will be asked to leave immediately with no refund of booth fee. There will be no refunds or rain checks due to weather or event cancellation. PO Box 1 Woodland Hills, CA 91365 | 818-347-4737 | www.woodlandhillsc.net

Motion to Approve Community Impact Statement (CIS)

Committee of Origin: Homeless & Social Justice Advocacy Committee

Committee Meeting Date: Tuesday, March 31, 2026

Motion by: Juliet Schwarz

2nd: Aaron Quantz

ROLL CALL: YES - Juliet Schwarz, Reina Cerros McCaughey, Dean Mathew, Jadolphus Fraser, Janiese Finney, Aaron Quantz, Melanie Kirschbaum = 7 YES, 0 NO, 0 ABSTAIN *MOTION PASSES

I move that the Woodland Hills - Warner Center Neighborhood Council approve and submit a Community Impact Statement (CIS) in support of Council File 23-1027 regarding Los Angeles City Charter Reform – Neighborhood Council Proposals.

The CIS supports proposed amendments to the Los Angeles City Charter that strengthen the role, rights, and effectiveness of Neighborhood Councils. These reforms are consistent with proposals advanced by the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) on January 1, 2026, which call for:

- Formal recognition of Neighborhood Councils in the Charter as elected advisory bodies
- Guaranteed early and meaningful participation in City decision-making
- Strengthened authority in budget and policy matters
- Clear rights to advocate to all levels of government
- Improved administrative structure to support Neighborhood Councils while preserving autonomy

For full details of LANCC's proposal, see:

<http://www.lancc.org/>

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1PGA4_DYf6qk4Hsh7YA51mr1merf_4Nhn/view?usp=drivesdk

Additional information:

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=c.search&tab=cfi>

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Community Impact Statement (CIS)

Date: April 8, 2026

Council File / Reference: 23-1027 / Los Angeles City Charter Reform – Neighborhood Council Proposals

Support for Charter Reform Strengthening Neighborhood Councils

The Woodland Hills - Warner Center Neighborhood Council supports proposed amendments to the Los Angeles City Charter that strengthen Neighborhood Councils' roles and clarify their rights.

Neighborhood Councils were created to empower community voices in city governance, yet current charter language and administrative rules limit their influence. The proposed reforms would:

- Embed NCs in the Charter as elected advisors, ensuring consistent rights and protections.
- Guarantee meaningful participation in City Council, committees, and commissions, with early access to policy discussions.
- Enhance budget and policy influence, ensuring neighborhood priorities are formally considered.
- Clarify advocacy authority, allowing NCs to communicate official positions to county, state, and federal bodies.
- Provide consistent administrative support, restructuring DONE to serve NCs effectively without limiting autonomy.

These changes empower communities, promote transparency, and ensure local voices are heard on decisions that affect neighborhoods. For communities advocating for homeless services, social justice, and equitable city resources, these reforms create a framework for consistent and meaningful engagement.

The Woodland Hills - Warner Center Neighborhood Council strongly supports these charter reforms and urges the City Council and Charter Reform Commission to adopt them in full.

Submitted by:

Jon Mann, President

Woodland Hills - Warner Center Neighborhood Council

j.mann@whcouncil.org

Neighborhood Council: Northridge East

The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(7) Nay(1) Abstain(1) Ineligible(0)
Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 01/26/2026

The Northridge East Neighborhood Council voted to "support in concept the Charter Reform recommendations approved by the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) as well as those approved by the Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates and to file a Community Impact Statement to the Charter Reform Commission and to the City Council." The LANCC recommendations were approved by Neighborhood Council representatives voting at its regular monthly meeting held on January 3, 2026. This vote was a culmination of weekly meetings held during November and December of 2025 by the LANCC Charter Reform Ad Hoc Committee that included participants from NCs throughout the City. Recommendations include topics such as Neighborhood Councils, the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners, the City Budget, an Office of Transparency and Accountability, City Council activities, the Ethics Commission, the City Attorney, and ongoing Charter reform. These recommendations were presented by LANCC representatives to the Charter Reform Commission on January 21, 2026 and they are linked

here: <http://www.lancc.org/resources/LANCC%20Charter%20Reform%20presentation%202026.01.21%20FINAL.pdf> On September 13, 2025, the Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates (NCBA) presented their recommendations to the Charter Reform Commission, which are linked

here: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1_LHiwdqo80OfQQRN4sm1XCbNWlJDKsLb/view

These recommendations were the result of their annual meetings with most of the City departments and their resultant White Paper reports issued annually since 2011, which are posted on the NCBA webpage linked here: <https://www.budgetadvocates.org/white-papers> Thank you for your serious consideration of all of these recommendations.

LOS ANGELES NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL COALITION (LANCC) RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CHARTER REFORM

Submitted to the Los Angeles Charter Reform Commission

Better Government Committee

January 21, 2025

The LANCC Committee's Process

- The Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) Charter Reform Recommendation committee was created by a vote of LANCC at its regularly scheduled meeting on November 1
- During the committee's weekly public meetings, we came up with our own recommendations, including input from the public, that we wanted to see in the Charter. We reviewed 192 Charter Reform related CISs written since October 13, 2022. We considered the recommendations of the Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates.
- We voted on each of the ideas we culled from these sources. Votes went from agreement (yes or no) with no discussion to agreement (yes or no) requiring discussion for a full meeting.
- Every agreed upon item was written into a copy of the Charter
- The marked-up Charter that comes from this process was approved by LANCC January 3, 2026
- Charter numbers referenced in this presentation reflect the LANCC marked-up copy

Neighborhood Councils

- There is no serious discussion of Neighborhood Councils in the Charter. Article IX in the existing Charter, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, is about DONE, BONC, and establishing the NC system.
- If DONE happened to be removed, another support structure could be developed to support Neighborhood Councils. If the Neighborhood Councils happen to be removed, DONE would have no purpose. DONE is not the Neighborhood Councils and the Neighborhood Councils are not DONE.
- To address this, we moved DONE and BONC to Article V, Departments, and renamed Article IX Neighborhood Councils. During this exercise we added NC impacts into the Charter descriptions of the impacted bodies. In this writing, Neighborhood Councils are more directly woven into the fabric of the City.
- We removed language about forming the NC system
- Named ourselves Elected Advisors to the City Government

Neighborhood Councils (continued)

- Neighborhood Councils need codified authority to operate within their lane.
- Recognition of Neighborhood Councils by City Council is essential. We have the right to advise, but are sometimes not given the opportunity to do so.
- Neighborhood Councils shall have the right to speak, in person and telephonically, before all public meetings of the City
- Neighborhood Councils delivering a Community Impact Statement shall be in a separate queue from public comment and shall be given five minutes to speak
 - NCs shall have the right to speak whenever an item appears on an agenda, even in cases where that item has already been heard by a committee
 - Neighborhood Councils, regardless of the City's position, may deliver to any governmental agency a statement passed in a Brown Act public meeting at which there is quorum. The City may create and require language to indicate the NC is speaking for itself and not the City.
- Neighborhood Councils shall be authorized to form Alliances
 - Neighborhood Councils may contribute funds or equivalent (including, but not limited to, websites, licenses, and meeting spaces) for the benefit of the Alliances.

Neighborhood Councils (Continued)

- Neighborhood Councils shall monitor the delivery of City services in their respective areas and the City at-large. City services shall include all departments defined in the Charter and created by ordinance, joint power commissions, and offices of elected officials.
- City Departments, Commissions, and Offices that issue permits, approvals, or regulatory decisions following a public hearing (including but not limited to the City Planning Department, Department of Cannabis Regulation, and any successor or related offices) and ministerial construction projects that bypass City Planning and go directly to the Department of Building and Safety shall give NCs a minimum of 30 calendar days to weigh in
 - The Department of City Planning shall ensure that all documents related to a case before the Department, including ministerial projects that bypass the Department of City Planning and go directly to the Department of Building and Safety are made public and posted to the online case file.
- Even if a board member's economic interest is foreseeable and material, they do not have a legal conflict of interest unless the decision's impact on his or her economic interest is different from the general public's impact
 - [This comes from a finding of City Attorney Rocky Delgadillo](#)

Neighborhood Councils (Continued)

- Updated definition of stakeholder to match the definition voted by City Council
- In the interest of efficiency, Neighborhood Councils may include consent calendars on their agendas. Items on consent calendars may include common agenda items including, but not limited to, approval of minutes and the Monthly Expenditure Report and may include agenda items voted by a committee.
 - Any member of the board shall have the ability, at the meeting, to request an agenda item on the consent calendar be removed from consent and heard on its own. The meeting chair shall remove the requested consent agenda item if requested. Removal shall not be a topic for discussion.
 - The public shall have the opportunity to make public comment on the items on the agenda items in the consent calendar.
- Capitalized Neighborhood Councils throughout
- See marked-up Charter sections 254, preamble to "GENERAL PROVISIONS RELATED TO DEPARTMENTS," Section 550, Article IX

Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE)

- Moved from Article IX to Article V
- DONE must become better at being the source of City information for the NCs. Different Neighborhood Empowerment Advocates have differing levels of knowledge resulting in the same question being answered differently depending on which NEA you talk to
 - We have asked, and we ask again, the Department to maintain a database of knowledge articles for the benefit of the Neighborhood Empowerment Advocates and the NCs
- We added a list of items DONE should not do
 - Substitute its judgment for that of elected NCs
 - Use its resources to request NCs advocate for any legislative position
 - Create policies that become de facto regulations

Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) (Continued)

- Added an employment requirement that the DONE General Manager have public policy experience
- Provided NCs the opportunity to submit questions to ask GM candidates during the employment interview
- See marked-up Charter Section 599

Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (BONC)

- Moved from Article IX to Article V
- Increased the number of commissioners from seven to nine with the two additional commissioners being at-large and appointed by Neighborhood Councils
- At the same time as departments, Neighborhood Councils shall submit their budget request for the following year. The two at-large BONC commissioners shall be a single point-of-contact and shall organize the requests into a single request for the Mayor's consideration.
- Give BONC oversight responsibilities over DONE
- Make BONC an appeals body for NCs and/or board members seeking redress for actions by DONE and/or the City Clerk
- Members of BONC shall not be permitted to vote at Commission meetings if they have not completed their required training within 30 days of being seated and to be able to continue voting their required training must be current.
- See marked-up Charter Sections 311 and 599

Budget

- The Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates and LANCC support
 - Transparent labor negotiations where there is public outreach before, during, and after the negotiations so the public can understand the direction of the negotiations and provide public comment
 - The City Council shall not approve labor agreements that would create a current or future deficit
 - As part of budget planning, the CAO shall prepare a four-year budget outlook that reflects realistic anticipated raises for City Employees
 - Two-year budgets. This is also supported by the City Controller and the LA 2020 Commission. See report in [Council File 14-1184](#).
 - Five-year capital infrastructure plan that is updated bi-annually.
 - The reserve fund shall be maintained at a minimum of 5% of the total budget (current City policy). The Reserve Fund shall only be drawn upon during a declared emergency and may not be used to balance the rest of the budget
- During budget challenges, the percentage of Neighborhood Councils budget reductions shall not be greater than that of the office of the Mayor. When the Mayor's office budget is restored after the budget challenge, the Neighborhood Councils budgets are similarly restored.
- See marked-up Charter Sections 219, 291, 312, 321

Office of Transparency and Accountability

- Recommended by the Los Angeles 2020 Commission. See report in [Council File 14-1184](#). Consistently requested by the Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates.
- The Office of Transparency and Accountability would be an independent watchdog. The office serves as the people's financial guardian, reviewing contracts, scrutinizing expenditures and sounding the alarm when the numbers stop adding up. (Some language taken from OJ Oleka, CEO of the State Financial Officers Association. [Article by OJ Oleka](#))
- The Office of Transparency and Accountability is a truth-telling body that operates independently of elected officials and provides unbiased facts to the public.
- See marked-up Charter section 295

City Council Activities

- Update to codify mandatory telephonic public comment. Working people cannot go downtown to get on a queue where they hope to get one minute to speak.
- City Council members shall actively vote yes, no, or abstain and they shall be visible to the public for the vote to count
- Each City Council member shall meet with each NC in its district no less than once a year
- Council members shall file a Form 51 when recusing from a vote
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- Each City Councilmember shall, on an annual basis at a minimum, meet with each Neighborhood Council located wholly or partially within the Councilmember's district if the Neighborhood Council desires the meeting
- See marked-up Charter Section 242, 250, 501, 907

Ethics Commission

- Increase the number of Commissioners from five to seven
 - One of the new Commissioners is appointed by the Neighborhood Councils and one is appointed by the Ethics Commission itself
 - City Council does not confirm the selections by the Ethics Commission and NCs
- The Ethics Commission shall have the ability to send items directly to the ballot when the City Council does not advance a recommendation or heavily amends a recommendation
- Increase the Ethics Commission budget to \$9 million, adjusted year-by-year based on the change in the City's revenues
 - Allow the budget not to be increased in the case of a declared fiscal emergency
- Increased the time for adjudication of Ethics complaints from four years to five
- See marked-up sections 470, 700, 703, 711, 803

City Attorney

- Added Neighborhood Councils to the entities to which the City Attorney provides legal advice
- The City Attorney shall give advice or opinion in writing when requested by a Neighborhood Council President or Chair
- The City Attorney shall not limit public interactions for Neighborhood Councils more than it does for City Council
- See marked-up section 271

Ongoing Charter Reform

- We envision a more regular Charter Reform process. Don't wait 25 years or more to review the Charter. No less than every ten years, the City should review the Charter and determine whether or not we need an update.
- The Charter Reform Commissions may send recommendations to the ballot when the City Council does not advance a recommendation or heavily amends a recommendation
- See marked-up Charter Section 130.

Wrap Up

- Thank you for making the time to hear us out. We are greatly appreciative and are looking forward to seeing the Commission's final recommendations.
- If you have any question when you review these materials, feel free to email Kay Hartman, the committee chair, at kay.hartman@palmsnc.la

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Charter Recommendations
September 13, 2025

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Encino NC

VOTE: 13-0-0 on January 28,2026

FILE TO:

Charter Reform Commission

Board of Neighborhood Commissioners

The Encino Neighborhood Council voted unanimously to support the charter reform recommendations made by the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) and the Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates.

On September 13, 2025, the NC Budget Advocates presented their recommendations to the Charter Reform Commission. These recommendations were the culmination of their annual meetings with most of the City departments and their White Paper reports issued annually since 2011. These White Papers are posted on the webpage linked here:

<https://www.budgetadvocates.org/white-papers>

The LANCC recommendations were approved by NC representatives voting at its meeting of January 3, 2026. This vote was a culmination of weekly meetings during November and December 2025 of a LANCC Charter Reform Ad Hoc Committee that included participants from NCs throughout the City. Recommendations include topics such as Neighborhood Councils, the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners, the City Budget, an Office of Transparency and Accountability, City Council activities, the Ethics Commission, the City Attorney, and ongoing Charter reform. These recommendations were presented to the Charter Reform Commission on January 21, 2026 and are linked here:

<http://www.lancc.org/resources/LANCC%20Charter%20Reform%20presentation%202026.01.21%20FINAL.pdf>

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of these various recommendations.



Council File 00-9999 and 23-1027 // Position: FOR, IF AMENDED
Charter Reform Commission

February 18, 2026

The North Hollywood Northeast Neighborhood Council strongly supports, if amended, Council File 23-1027.

The NHNENC supports [the recommendations](#) put forth by the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) and [the recommendations](#) put forth by the Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates.

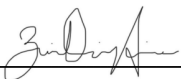
The fact that the charter commission dismissed some of the recommendations without robust discussion is frustrating, and does not bode well for the coalition-building needed to make the much needed updates to our charter in the short amount of time available to make them.

Additionally, we are extremely concerned with the conduct of the meetings of the charter commission thus far, including continuous instances of not following the Brown Act. If our neighborhood councils are expected and required to follow the law, surely this commission, which has a paid staff who is well aware of the rules, can also follow the law.

We continue to recommend that the councilmembers responsible for the oversight of this commission ask the commission to pause, reflect, and rededicate themselves to the important work at hand.

Thank you,

North Hollywood Northeast Neighborhood Council

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Zaid Diaz-Arias

Board President, North Hollywood Northeast Neighborhood Council

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Date of Board Vote: 2/18/2026 **Board Vote Count:** Aye: 7 | Nay: 0 | Abstain 1 | Ineligible: 1 |
Recused: 0

Motion Status:

- Passed
- Failed
- Other

Board

President Jon Mann, Area 2 CB Org.
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Treasurer Heath Kline, Area 6 Bus.
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Reina Cerros McCaughey, Area 2 Bus.
Jon Mann, Area 2 CB Org.
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August Steurer, Area 3 Res.
Dean Matthews, Area 3 Bus.
Harout Aristakessian, Area 3 CB Org.
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Paul Scola, Area 4 Res.
Martin Lipkin, Area 4 Bus.
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Kate Kennedy, Area 7 Res.
Juliet Schwarz, Area 7 Bus.
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for

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Action Passed on 10/08//2024

Members Present: 15
Quorum: 13

Members voting Aye: 13
Members voting Nay: 0
Members Abstaining: 0

Members Ineligible: 2
Members Recused: 0

Community Impact Statement (CIS) CF-23-1027 Community Impact Statement on City Charter Reform & Motion in Support of Greater Toluca Lake Neighborhood Council's Declaration of Commitment to Representative Government & to Enshrine these rights of community advocacy for all NCs with all levels of government in the Charter of the City of Los Angeles.

This motion supports the Greater Toluca Lake Neighborhood Council and other neighborhood councils that are being restricted by City officials from speaking out on community issues. We want to protect all neighborhood councils' right to advocate for their communities at any level of local, county, state, or federal government and their departments and agencies.

Whereas, the Greater Toluca Lake Neighborhood Council (GTLNC) and other Neighborhood Councils have adopted or supported a Declaration of Commitment to Representative Government (https://bit.ly/GTLNC_Declaration);

Whereas, this Declaration affirms these Neighborhood Councils' role as democratically elected bodies representing their communities with full authority to advocate on their behalf;

Whereas, at the time of filing this CIS nine other Neighborhood Councils have unanimously or near unanimously passed motions in support of GTLNC's Declaration of Commitment to Representative Government;

Whereas, City of Los Angeles officials and attorneys are trying to limit GTLNC's and other NCs' free speech and advocacy rights based on an unsigned, memorandum from August 2020;

Whereas, the Los Angeles City Charter Article IX establishes that Neighborhood Councils "shall have an advisory role on issues of concern to the neighborhood" but nowhere prohibits Neighborhood Councils from advocating to local, county, state, or federal government and their departments and agencies on behalf of their stakeholders;

Whereas, these attempted restrictions violate both the spirit of Article IX and the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution;

Whereas, the Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council has actively engaged with multiple levels of government for nearly 25 years;

Whereas, WHWCNC regularly works with city government including the City Council, Mayor's Office, city departments, boards and commissions;

Whereas, WHWCNC has advocated with local, county, state, and federal agencies including:

- Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD)
- LA Community College District (LACCD)
- LA County Board of Supervisors
- Metro Transportation Authority
- Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy
- South Coast Air Quality Management District
- State and federal elected officials and their agencies;

Whereas, the LA City Council has 15 members, each representing about 250,000 residents;

Whereas, City Council members and the Mayor have limited time and ability to address highly local or technical issues that affect specific communities;

Whereas, Neighborhood Councils are made up of local engaged stakeholders who are elected or appointed by their communities;

Whereas, Neighborhood Councils are unique in that they represent entire communities rather than segmented special interest groups;

Whereas, Neighborhood Council board members take an oath of office, receive training, and follow procedures to ensure their positions respect and understand diverse community interests and needs;

Whereas, these volunteers bring local knowledge and can focus on community-specific problems that city-wide officials cannot address in detail;

Whereas, Neighborhood Councils speak for their own stakeholders, not on behalf of the City of Los Angeles, and use clear disclaimers to prevent any confusion;

Whereas, Neighborhood Councils are advisory only to the City on City matters, but nothing in the Charter prohibits them from advocating directly to local, county, state, or federal government and their departments and agencies on issues affecting their communities;

Whereas, other levels of government recognize Neighborhood Councils as legitimate and trusted community voices;

Whereas, restricting Neighborhood Councils from advocating to other levels of government would make them ineffective on issues outside City jurisdiction, including schools (LAUSD), transit (Metro), air quality (SCAQMD), county services, state and federal legislation, and other matters that directly impact local communities;

Whereas, WHWCNC supports preserving Neighborhood Councils' full right to advocate on any community issue before local, county, state, or federal government and their departments and agencies without interference;

Whereas, Neighborhood Council board members volunteer their time without pay, benefits, or job protections, and deserve respect for their service;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Woodland Hills-Warner Center Neighborhood Council:

1. **Supports** the Greater Toluca Lake Neighborhood Council's Declaration of Commitment to Representative Government and all Neighborhood Councils facing similar restrictions (https://bit.ly/GTLNC_Declaration);
2. **Condemns** any efforts by City officials to illegally restrict Neighborhood Councils' free speech and advocacy rights;
3. **Commits** to continue advocating with local, county, state, and federal government and their departments and agencies on behalf of Woodland Hills residents and encourages all Neighborhood Councils to defend their advocacy rights;
4. **Supports** creating a Neighborhood Council Bill of Rights in the City Charter that protects these advocacy rights, to be voted on by Los Angeles residents;
5. **Directs** the Board CIS filer to send this statement and the GTLNC Declaration to:
 - Mayor of Los Angeles
 - All LA City Council members
 - LA City Attorney
 - Department of Neighborhood Empowerment
 - Board of Neighborhood Commissioners
 - City Charter Review Commission
 - The GTLNC, VANC and LANCC

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Jon Mann, President
Woodland Hills – Warner Center Neighborhood Council
October 8, 2025

Motion to Maximize Neighborhood Council Outreach Using Nextdoor

Committee of Origin: Homeless & Social Justice Advocacy Committee

Committee Meeting Date: Tuesday, March 31, 2026

Motion by: Jadolphus Fraser

2nd: Dean Mathew

Roll call: YES - Juliet Schwarz, Reina Cerros McCaughey, Dean Mathew, Jadolphus Fraser, Janiese Finney, Aaron Quantz = 6 YES, 0 NO, 0 ABSTAIN

MOTION PASSES

I move that the Woodland Hills - Warner Center Neighborhood Council establish and actively utilize the [Nextdoor](#) Public Agency Platform to expand community outreach, improve communication, and increase stakeholder engagement.

Through this platform, the Neighborhood Council will:

- Share timely updates on meetings, events, and public safety information
- Promote community programs, resources, and initiatives
- Encourage broader participation in Neighborhood Council activities
- Provide accessible, two-way communication with stakeholders

Furthermore, the Board designates the President, or their designee, as the authorized administrator(s) of the Nextdoor Public Agency account, responsible for ensuring content is accurate, appropriate, and consistent with Neighborhood Council policies.

The Board also directs that use of the platform comply with all applicable Brown Act requirements, Neighborhood Council bylaws, and City guidelines regarding public communications.

The authorized administrator(s) shall provide periodic updates to the Board on outreach metrics and engagement.