



PACIOMA NEIGHBOURHOOD COUNCIL

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Regular Board Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, October 16th, 2024 **Time:** 6:30pm-8:30pm

- Meeting Type: Hybrid (In-person/Virtual (Zoom)/Teleconference
- In-person Location: Pacoima Community Center 11243 Glenoaks Blvd, Pacoima, CA, 91331
- Virtual Platform: Zoom Meeting Online
 - o **Zoom Link:** https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87846965371
- Teleconference:
 - o To join the meeting by phone dial (669) 900-6833
 - Then enter this Webinar ID: 878 4696 5371 and Press #

Neighborhood Council Executive Board	Board Members
 Mikayeel Khan President & Chair of Executive Committee & Chair of Land Use Committee Brenda Morales Vice President Anna M. Justice Treasurer & Chair of Budget & Finance Committee Roxanne Urquiza Secretary & Chair of Youth & Education Development Committee David Ramirez Parliamentarian 	 Teodora Reyes Chair of Outreach Committee Fannie Long Senior Representative Rebecca Long At-Large Representative Reuben Garcia Chair of Public Safety & Health Committee John Hernandez Retail Business Representative Walter Garcia Renter/Tenant Representative Adrian Perez Renter/Tenant Representative Rivera C Wendy At-Large Representative





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IN CONFORMITY WITH THE OCTOBER 6, 2023, ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 411 (PORTANTINO) AND LA CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL ON NOVEMBER 1, 2023, THE PACOIMA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY. Every person wishing to address the Board must dial (669) 900-6833 and enter 878 4696 5371 and then press # to join the meeting. When prompted by the presiding officer, to provide public input at the Neighborhood Council meeting the public will be requested to dial *9 or use the Raise Hand option, 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 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 2 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

Los comentarios del público sobre los temas de la agenda se escucharán solo cuando se esté considerando el tema respectivo. Los comentarios del público sobre otros asuntos que no aparecen en la agenda y que están dentro de la jurisdicción de la Junta se escucharán durante el período de Comentarios del Público en General. Tenga en cuenta que en virtud de la Ley Brown, la Junta no puede actuar sobre un asunto que usted señale durante el período de Comentarios del Público General; sin embargo, la cuestión planteada por un miembro del público puede convertirse en el tema de una futura reunión de la Junta. Los comentarios públicos están limitados a 2 minutos por orador, a menos que el presidente de la Junta lo modifique.

SB 411 Updates:

If a Neighborhood Council has a quorum of board members in a physical location, board members who wish to join the meeting via teleconferencing must adhere to AB 2449 rules and regulations. If a Neighborhood Council does not have a quorum of board members in a physical location, they must adhere to SB 411 rules and regulations. In the event of a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting to members of the public using the call-in option or internet-based service option, or in the event of a disruption within the eligible legislative body's control that prevents members of the public from offering public





comments using the call-in option or internet-based service option, the eligible legislative body shall take no further action on items appearing on the meeting agenda until public access to the meeting via the call-in option or internet-based service option is restored. Actions taken on agenda items during a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting may be challenged pursuant to Section 54960.1. The eligible legislative body shall not require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the legislative body and offer comments in real time. Notwithstanding Section 54953.3, an individual desiring to provide public comment through the use of an internet website, or other online platform, not under the control of the eligible legislative body, that requires registration to log in to a teleconference may be required to register as required by the third-party internet website or online platform to participate.

- i) An eligible 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 subparagraph, to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed.
- ii) An eligible 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 subparagraph (D), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment.
- iii) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed general public comment period that does not correspond to a specific agenda item shall not close the public comment period or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), until the timed general public comment period has elapsed.

The Neighborhood Council system enables civic participation for all Angelenos and serves as a voice for improving government responsiveness to local communities and their needs. We are an advisory body to the City of Los Angeles, comprised of volunteer stakeholders who are devoted to the mission of improving our communities and bringing government closer to us. No formal meeting shall be held, or business conducted, or votes taken, in the absence of a quorum. A quorum shall consist of nine (9) members of the Board. No floating quorums are allowed. Contacting the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment by calling (213) 978-1551 or email: NCsupport@lacity.org or Board President Email: mikayeelkhan@gmail.com.





1) WELCOMING REMARKS:

- a) Call to order & Flag salute.
- **b)** Board roll Call by Secretary

2) COMMUNITY/GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

(Representatives from government offices, Police Department, and community-based organizations. *Up to* **(5)** *minutes per report, the Chair has the authority to adjust, if necessary, to equal time limits*)

- A. California Congressional District 29
 Congressman Tony Cardenas
 Field Deputy: Laura Juarez
- B. Los Angeles City Council District 7 Councilwoman Monica Rodriguez Field Representative: Esmeralda Benitez
- C. Los Angeles Police Department, Foothill
 Division
 Senior Lead Officer: Steve Nunez and
 Officer Diana Figueroa
- D. <u>LAPD Community Safety Partnership</u> Senior Lead Officer: **Luis Garcia and Nancy Escober**
- E. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate Joel Gonzalez
- F. California State Assembly District 39
 Assemblywoman Luz Rivas
 Field Representative: Jessica
 Guzman

- G. LAUSD Board of Education Board
 Member Kelly Gonez
 Field Deputy: Maria Flores
- H. <u>City of Los Angeles Mayor Karen Ruth</u><u>Bass</u>Field Deputy: **Michelle Vergara**
- Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors – 3rd District
 Supervisor Lindsey Horvath
 Field Deputy: Savannah Portillo
- J. California State Senate District 20
 Senator Caroline Menjivar
 District Representative: Katherine
 Castrejon
- K. Region 1 Budget Advocate
 Kevin Davis
- L. Department of Health Services
 Olive View-UCLA Medical Center
 Community Relations Lead: Brenda
 Yanez





3) GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's jurisdiction **(Up to two (2) minutes** per speaker, the Chair has the authority to adjust, if necessary, to equal time limits).

4) ADMINISTRATIVE/MOTIONS/UPDATES:

- a. Motion/Discussion/vote for the approval Monthly Expenditure Reports (MER's) for: September 2024. By Anna Justice. (5 Minutes).
- b. Motion/Discussion/vote for the approval of September 2024 minutes.
 - By Roxanne Urquiza. (5 minutes).
- c. Motion/ Motion/Discussion/Vote is required to approve a letter / resolution / community impact statement (CIS) to be submitted to Council File 24-0867 regarding the neighborhood council bylaws, youth participation, diversity increase, and leadership development (see attached CIS letter for more information). By Mikayeel Khan. (20 minutes).
- d. Motion/Discussion/vote to approve a funding request of \$1,000 for the Sherman Oaks East Valley Adult Center. The goal is to provide pumpkin pie to all our homebound clients as a way of spreading holiday cheer and warmth. To ensure every client receives something special this holiday season, Sherman Oaks East Valley Adult Center wants to brighten their days this Thanksgiving. The funding will be given to Pacoima Charter School to help students celebrate the holidays with a nice meal along with various activities they can participate in. By Mikayeel Khan. (10 minutes).
- e. Motion/discussion/vote to provide funds towards the Gabriel Fernandez Foundation for a yet-to-be-completed mural in Pacoima that honors the memory of child abuse victim, Gabriel Fernandez. The funds will go towards the cost of painting materials and preservation. The foundation will promote the council and publicly acknowledge their contribution in return. The mural is for outreach and made open to the public on Van Nuys Blvd. and Ralston Avenue. The requested amount is \$4000.00. By Adrian Perez. (10 Minutes).





5) BOARD MEMBERS, COMMITTEE COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- President's Report
- Vice-president's Report
- Treasurer' Report
- Secretary's Report
- Outreach Committee
- Housing, Economic Development and Land Use Committee
- Bylaws Committee
- Arts & Culture Committee
- Public Health and Safety Committee
- Youth and Education Development Committee

6) ADJOURNMENT:

Time allocations for agenda items are approximate and may be shortened or lengthened at the discretion of the Chairperson.

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 http://www.lacity.org/government/Subscriptions/NeighborhoodCouncils/index.htm





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In addition, if you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda, please contact Department of Neighborhood Empowerment by calling (213) 978-1551 or email: <u>NCsupport@lacity.org</u> or Board President Email: <u>mikayeelkhan@gmail.com</u>
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Pacoima Neighborhood Council 11243 Glenoaks Blvd. Pacoima. CA 91331

10-16-2024

TO:

City Council and Committees, City Ethics Commission, Board of Neighborhood Commissioners

Council File No.: 24-0867

Pacoima Neighborhood Council opposes the proposed changes in Council File Number: 24-0867 regarding term limits for board members and mandatory youth seats. It is our belief that these amendments would adversely affect the effectiveness and stability of Neighborhood Councils, despite their intent to increase diversity and foster leadership development.

- Due to the time commitment required, it is often impossible to fill mandatory youth seats because term limits would intensify existing retention issues and risk losing valuable institutional knowledge. It's hard for many Neighborhood Councils to keep their members. This problem would get worse if term limits were implemented.
- 2. The longest-serving board members have valuable institutional knowledge that makes the Neighborhood Council work. By forcing these experienced members to step down, our efficiency would be severely compromised.
- 3. Instead of mandating counterproductive bylaw changes, we ask the city to boost funding for Neighborhood Councils and DONE, to provide comprehensive training and resources to DONE, to improve technology and communication tools, and to streamline administrative processes. DONE and other city departments lack basic skills in communication and public relations, so these proposals address symptoms rather than root causes.

In conclusion, we strongly urge the City Council to reject proposed bylaw modifications. The government should instead work with Neighborhood Councils to find solutions that address our real challenges and needs. Neighborhood Councils can be strengthened by focusing on improved support, resources, and skill development so that they can effectively serve our communities.

Pacoima Neighborhood Council

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