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Oscar Robles • Jessie Rojas
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Homeowner Center-West (2027)
Renter Center-West (2029)
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PANORAMA CITY NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, July 23, 2026, 6:30 pm

**Liz Galan Community Room (behind central play area)
Plaza Del Valle, 8600 Van Nuys Boulevard, Panorama City, CA 91402**

**Spanish language interpretation will be available at this meeting.
La interpretación en español estará disponible en esta reunión.**

The quorum for Panorama City Neighborhood Council Board of Directors meetings is eleven. Public comments on agenda items will be heard when the item is considered. Public comments on other matters within the committee's jurisdiction may be made during the Public Comment period. Public comments are limited to two minutes per speaker or less if declared by the Chair. Action may be taken on any agenda item except Public Comment, announcements and reports. You may request a copy of printed materials that are distributed at the meeting. You may record the meeting by audio, video or photographic means if it is not disruptive. Meeting notices and agendas are posted at Plaza del Valle, Community Room (see below). If you need translation, or accommodation for a disability, please call the city Department of Neighborhood Empowerment at least three business days in advance (213-978-1551, or toll-free 3-1-1). The city is a covered entity under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you believe the council is not following the law or its own rules you may file a grievance in writing with copies to both the Chair and the Secretary. Please be respectful of others, even when you differ with them. *Telephone and email on agenda are for Board Member Tony Wilkinson

This is the one in-person meeting required for calendar year 2026. It is also the annual meeting to elect officers and appoint committee chairs. Please come BEFORE the meeting to meet our participants. Food and refreshments will be available for everyone before, during and after the business meeting.

- 6:30 1. Call to Order** and remarks (**Tony Wilkinson* Chair** [tonyw.civic@gmail.com])
0:00 2. Roll Call of board members and alternates (the quorum is eleven).
0:00 3. General Public Comment and announcements (**Please limit to two minutes per speaker.**)
Public comment on agenda items will be heard at the time the item is considered.
0:00 4. Discussion and possible action to remove Board Members and Alternate Board Members with excessive unexcused absences. The following members have been identified by the

Secretary as eligible for removal by absences: **Mary Torres, At Large Director, 2027** (attended zero meetings in the last six months); **Alena Escobedo, At Large Director, 2027** (absent for 3 and essentially 4 meetings in the last six months: February 26, April 23 Special meeting, June 23 Regular meeting, present at roll call but left before any of the business or board votes, June 23 Special meeting; **Maria Nieto, Business Director, 2027** (absent February 26, March 26 Special meeting, April 23 Special meeting; **Anna Rojas Campirano, Alternate #1** (May 28, June 25 Regular meeting, June 25 Special meeting); **Gerson Lovos, Youth Advisor** (attended zero meetings in last 6 months).

- 0:00 5. Fill vacant seats and Alternate positions and possibly Youth Advisors by appointment.**
Despite the 2025 election, this Neighborhood Council still has vacant seats and Alternate positions. (Please see the letterhead, plus the results of any removals under item 4.) Filling current open positions is critical to continued ability to achieve a quorum.
- 0:00 6. Election of Board officers for the new Fiscal Year: Chair of the Board of Directors, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, Equity Officer (Equity Officer is an optional local position that is not specified in the bylaws. The Board may choose to elect an Equity Officer or not, at its discretion).**

CANDIDATES AND VOTERS: All current board members and Alternates seated as board members may participate in the voting. Any board member can nominate candidates for an elected office. The candidate must be present and must accept the nomination. Anyone can nominate themselves for any elected office.

VOTING: Voting for each office will continue with the lowest-vote candidate removed from each contest until the winner has a majority of votes cast. If two or more candidates are tied for the lowest vote count, that vote may be retaken with board members ranking all candidates in order of preference with the hope that ranked-choice voting will resolve the tie for the next candidate to be removed. If one lowest-total candidate is removed, the voting will return to normal one vote per person. If ranked choice voting cannot resolve a tie for a lowest-ranked candidate to be removed, a candidate may be selected by the result of the ranked choice vote.

CHAIR: The Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate (NEA John Darnell or his substitute) of the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment or, if not present, a current member of the Board who is not running for election as Chair and who is selected by majority vote will chair the meeting until the Board elects its Chair. At that point, the newly elected Chair will take control of the meeting for the following officer votes and other items.

- 0:00 7. Discussion and possible action to revise to the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Administrative Packet which may be necessary because of the new officer elections in item #6, to change the Second Signer and the Alternate Signer, to change who holds the city purchase cards, and to change any regular operations vendors or budget items that may need to be updated, and to approve the revised Administrative Packet if revisions are made.**
- 0:00 8. Consideration and possible action to approve the May and June 2026 Monthly Expenditure Reports (MERs) and any additional financial documents that may be needed to keep our funding status current.**
- 0:00 9. Discussion and possible action to approve reimbursement to Treasurer John DiGregorio for personal purchase of snacks, drinks and arts and crafts items for Summer Night Lights outreach event when city purchase card was not operational on July 10 for \$257.61.**
- 0:00 10. Discussion and possible action to approve reimbursement to Treasurer John DiGregorio for personal purchase of snacks, drinks and arts and crafts items for Summer Night Lights outreach event when city purchase card was not operational on July 17 for \$255.18.**
- 0:00 11. Discussion and possible action to approve reimbursement to Secretary Pamela Gibberman for personal purchase of water, juice and baking soda for Summer Night Lights outreach event when city purchase card was not operational on July 17 for \$45.29.**

- 0:00 12. Discussion and possible action to approve reimbursement to Outreach Chair Sally Marchado Pamela Gibberman for personal purchase of ice for a Panorama Recreation Center outreach event when city purchase card was not operational on June 10, 2026, for \$20.56.
- 0:00 13. Discussion and possible action to approve up to \$1,500 in additional purchases of light snacks, water and juice, helium for imprinted balloons, craft supplies and equipment including a foldable rolling cart to support three more Friday night outreach events at the Sepulveda Park Summer Night Lights program on July 24, July 31, and August 7.
- 0:00 14. Discussion and possible action to approve any unapproved Board of Directors Minutes.
- 0:00 15. Report from Black Thumb Farm, a non-profit organization that provides farming & gardening education, fresh produce, and cut flowers, regarding its relocation from the Panorama City area to a new 2.3 acre site in Mission hills. Black Thumb Farm is represented by Sarah Rendon (sarah@blackthumbfarm.org).
- 0:00 16. Reports from representatives of local officials, government entities, and Neighborhood Council organizations including the Budget Advocates. Please keep reports brief in the interest of time.
- 0:00 17. Discussion and possible action on nomination and selection of committee chairs for the current Fiscal Year, and approval of new committee members appointed by the chairs.
- Standing committees are listed in the bylaws and always continue. Special committees are created by the Board as needed, with some popular ones recreated each year. **A motion is needed at this meeting to create or recreate any special committees.**

Standing Committees (in bylaws):

Commerce	(vacant)	
Finance	(vacant)	[Treasurer, 4 Additional Board Members, 3 stakeholders = 8 total]
Land Use	Tony Wilkinson	tonyw.civic@gmail.com (2 nd Monday, 7:00 pm)
Outreach	Sally Machado	machado.sally.nc@gmail.com (as needed, Zoom)
Public Safety	(vacant – now handled by Outreach)	
Rules	Tony Wilkinson	tonyw.civic@gmail.com (as needed)

Special committees (Not in bylaws. These and/or other committees are created or recreated each year):

City Life	John DiGregorio	johnPCNC@gmail.com (appointed July 24)
Education	Pamela Glibberman	pgibberman@gmail.com (2 nd Monday, 6:00 pm) (appointed July 24)

- 0:00 18. Discussion and possible action to appoint board members and/or stakeholders to serve as representatives to various Neighborhood Council alliances and coalitions. For the list, please see below and click here for more information: <https://empowerla.org/alliances/>
- a. **Budget Representatives** (two) – Meets 1st Monday & 3rd Saturday
Gabriel Avelar and **Alena Escobedo** were appointed on July 24 and September 3, 2025.
NOTE: Gabriel Avelar has been elected as a Recording Secretary for Budget Advocates
 - b. **LADWP Advocacy and Oversight** (primary and alternate) – Meets 1st Saturday, 8:30 am
NOTE: Tony Wilkinson is Chair of the LADWP-NC MOU Oversight Committee.
 - c. **Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC)** – Meets 1st Saturday, 10:00 am
 - d. **Neighborhood Council Emergency Preparedness Alliance (NCEPA)** Meets 4th Saturday
 - e. **Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance (NCSA)** Meets 2nd Sunday
 - f. **Plan Check NC** – Meets 2nd Saturday
 - g. **Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (VANC)** Meets 2nd Thursday, 6:30 pm
NOTE: Tony Wilkinson is on the Executive Committee of the Valley Alliance.

NOTE: The Congress of Neighborhoods 2026 does not require designation of Planning Committee members by their Neighborhood Councils. However, you are welcome to participate. Tony Wilkinson is the Chair of the Workshops Subcommittee.

- 0:00 19. Discussion and possible action to appoint board members and stakeholders to serve as liaisons to certain city departments and programs.** City of Los Angeles elected officials, departments, and even other Neighborhood Councils (NC) are frequently looking for a contact person to work with on a particular subject matter. During the year, agencies will ask the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) for liaison contact information for the purpose of sending invitations to meetings or events of interest, to receive feedback, or simply to request help in sharing information with NCs and stakeholders. Your willingness to be that contact person will help your NC improve government responsiveness to your community's needs. Thank you again for doing your part to EmpowerLA! The official list of liaison positions are the following:
- a. Aging Liaison**
 - b. Animal Services Liaison**
 - c. Emergency Preparedness Liaison**
 - d. Film**
 - e. Homelessness Liaison**
- On September 3, **Tony Wilkinson** and **Alena Escobedo** were appointed. We can have one more.
- f. Public Works**
 - g. Resilience Liaison**
- 0:00 20. Discussion and possible action on the unanimous recommendation of the Rules Committee on July 13, 2026, that the Board approve a resolution to support enforcement of street sweeping day No Parking rules on Tobias Avenue North of Parthenia Street and to request, if needed, financial support for LAPD overtime from Council District 6 to protect Bureau of Street Service (BSS) workers while writing citations for a one-month trial period. Towing of parked cars on street sweeping days is needed to remove derelict cars and to discourage illegal residential auto repair operations on Tobias and adjacent streets.**
- 0:00 21. Discussion and possible action on the suggestion of an LAPD Senior Lead Officer at the Summer Night Lights event on July 17 that the Board approve a resolution to support enforcement of No Parking rules AT NIGHT on Blythe Street West of Van Nuys Boulevard and to request, if needed, financial support for LAPD overtime from Council District 6 to protect Bureau of Street Service (BSS) workers while writing citations for a one-month trial period. Towing of cars parked at night on Blythe Street is needed to prevent the local street gang from dealing drugs from parked cars and from hiding behind cars at night, which is the reason the street still has No Parking rules on both sides.**
- 0:00 22. Discussion and possible action on the unanimous recommendation of the Land Use Committee on July 13 that the Board approve a resolution of SUPPORT for continued use of Whiteman Airport for General Aviation to retain the businesses and jobs it provides, the economic benefits it provides from private plane use by local business people, the safety and security it provides from support for county public safety air operations and for medical evacuations, and the funding it provides to the county to support the other four county airports, and to ask that the county stop refusing federal money that is appropriated for much needed airport improvements pursuant to a 1999 agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration, with copies to City Councilmembers including Imelda Padilla and a request that they advocate for the County to accept the funds for airport improvements that will benefit City of Los Angeles communities near the facility.**
- 0:00 23. Discussion and possible action to review the recently adopted Inventory Control Policy to determine if it has been helpful and if any modifications may be required or if use of the rules in the recently revised Treasurer's Handbook would be sufficient.**

0:00 24. Discussion and possible action on recommendation of the Rules Committee that the Board adopt and approve a Standing Rules document with rules and policies as approved at the February meeting, provided that the text is made available to board members at least 24 hours before this meeting. Items approved in concept at the February meeting include the committee quorum of three, the process for naming and approving committee members, the board process for approving urgent operations or outreach expenses that arise between meetings, and the role and selection of Youth Advisors to the Board.

0:00 25. Adjournment

Notice to Paid Representatives:

If you are compensated to monitor, attend, or speak at this meeting, City law may require you to register as a lobbyist and report your activity. See Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 48.01 et seq. More information is available at ethics.lacity.org/lobbying. For assistance, please contact the Ethics Commission at (213) 978-1960 or ethics.commission@lacity.org

Council Process: The council gained its official city role upon certification by the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners on March 15, 2007. Everyone who lives, works or owns real property within the boundaries of the Panorama City Neighborhood Council, or who declares a Community Interest in the area and the basis for it, is a "stakeholder". All stakeholders are members of the Council. Stakeholders elect a Board of Directors to represent them. This Board is recognized as the decision-making entity by the City of Los Angeles. The current Board was elected in Spring, 2025. The next election is planned for Spring, 2027. While the Board is the official decision-making entity, meetings are conducted as much as possible in a town hall spirit. Committees are open to anyone with an interest in Panorama City. Panorama City's neighborhood council is much more than its Board, and it depends on public participation for its success.

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<http://lacity.org/government/Subscriptions/NeighborhoodCouncils/index.htm>

In addition to the Plaza Del Valle posting location, this council MAY post agendas at other locations within Panorama City. These may include: (1) Panorama City Branch Library, 14345 Roscoe Boulevard; (2) Panorama Recreation Center, 8600 Hazeltine Avenue; (3) Sepulveda Recreation Center, 8801 Kester Avenue; and (4) Casa Esperanza, 14705 Blythe Street. In addition to the ENS agenda list, this council MAY include agendas in its occasional informational emails. You can subscribe to the council's informational email list by sending your request to 'info@panoramacitync.org'. You can also sign up on the council's website. In order to respect our stakeholders' inboxes, messages to the informational email list will be sent at most once or twice a month. *The only way to assure that you will receive emailed agendas is through the ENS list.*

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