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Sara Zurita (Chair)

City of Los Angeles
Voices Neighborhood Council

**“Special” Joint Board & Arts, Parks, and Recreation Committee via Zoom
Friday, October 30, 2020, 2:00PM-4:00PM**

Zoom Meeting Online or By Telephone
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87227431970>
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- 1. Call to Order and Introductions**
- 2. Public Comments on non-agenda items (2 minutes per speaker)**
- 3. Approval of Minutes from the January 2020 Meeting**
- 4. NPG Request-Neighborhood Housing Services:
Presentation by: Sheila Moweta**
- 5. Think outside the box project update (40 minutes):**
-Art Submission application-Review and Discuss
- Proposed Deadline (Nov. 20th)
- 6. Request for future items**
- 7. Adjourn**

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

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The public is requested dial *9, when prompted by the presiding officer, to address the Board on any agenda item before the Board takes an action on an item. Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board’s jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board meeting. Public comment is limited to 3 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

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

QUORUM

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

PUBLIC POSTING OF AGENDAS –

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- Vermont Square Library Front Door, 1201 W. 48th St.

- www.voicesnc.org
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NOTICE TO PAID REPRESENTATIVES

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

RALPH M. BROWN ACT

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

REMOVAL WARNING

In the event that any meeting is willfully interrupted by a group or groups of persons so as to render the orderly conduct of such meeting unfeasible and order cannot be restored y the removal of individuals who are willfully interrupting the meeting, the members of the legislative body conducting the meeting may order the meeting room cleared and continue in session. Only matters appearing on the agenda may be considered in such a session. Representatives of the press or other news media, except those participating in the disturbance, shall be allowed to attend any session held pursuant to this section. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the legislative body from establishing a procedure for readmitting an individual or individuals not responsible for willfully disturbing the orderly conduct of the meeting. Government code Section 54957.9

DISRUPTION OF MEETINGS

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

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Arts, Parks & Recreation Committee



ARTS, PARKS & RECREATION
COMMITTEE MEMBERS
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“Special” Joint Board & Arts, Parks & Recreation Committee Agenda

Thursday, January 30, 2020, 6:00PM-7:30PM

Vermont Square Branch Library

1201 West 48th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90037

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1. Call to Order & Introductions: 6:04 PM

2. Public Comment on non-agenda items (2 minutes per speaker)

Albert Farias attended the Homeless Liaison meeting

3. Approval of the Minutes of the December 2019 meeting. (2 min)

Jaime moved to approve the minutes, second by Parker

4. Update on the, Think Outside the Box Art Project (20 min)

Sara Zurita will reach out to local Art teachers from Manual Arts High Schools, and Augustus Hawkins. Committee decided each school will be assigned two boxes.

-Social Media,

-Not to exceed \$925

5. Presentation by Margarita Munoz from from KYCC (20 min)

Environmental unit attended the meeting, ongoing projects Adopt a tree to expand the tree canopy. Trees are picked arborist inspects the area-3 month process (arborist plant the trees) commitment to water your adopted trees

trees that are maintained by KYCC- Collaboration with CD-8

100 total trees of maintenance trees for the entire South LA area (one month notice)

-13 trees per block

-plan an event around the maintenance trees (KYCC takes care of the logistics of the event)

-VNC would provide food and water for the event

-KYCC is available to volunteer for VNC cleanups

Sara Zurita Motion to recommend to the board a Tree Planting event for March 28th and to co-sponsor the event with food not to exceed \$800, second by Jaime

Theme: Make a choice, share your voice (open to interpretation)

- 6. Community Garden Event - discuss feasibility of producing and installing planter boxes at Julian Dixon Park (20 min)**
Planter boxes were discussed
- 7. Vermont Square Master Plan - discuss project and make recommendations to the board on items to be included in the plan i.e. indoor basketball, cameras, etc. (20 min)**
-Benches for seating in the park and get rid of the rocks
-lighting
- 8. Request for future agenda items**
- 9. Adjourn 7:55**

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SECTION III - PROJECT BUDGET OUTLINE

You may also provide the Budget Outline on a separate sheet if necessary or requested.

6a)	Personnel Related Expenses	Requested of NC	Total Projected Cost
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
		\$	\$

6b)	Non-Personnel Related Expenses	Requested of NC	Total Projected Cost
		\$	\$
		\$	\$
		\$	\$

7) Have you (applicant) applied to any other Neighborhood Councils requesting funds for this project?
 No Yes If Yes, please list names of NCs: _____

8) Is the implementation of this specific program or purpose described in Question 4 contingent on any other factors or sources or funding? (Including NPG applications to other NCs) No Yes If Yes, please describe:

Source of Funding	Amount	Total Projected Cost
	\$	\$
	\$	\$
	\$	\$

9) What is the TOTAL amount of the grant funding requested with this application: \$ _____

10a) Start date: ___/___/___ 10b) Date Funds Required: ___/___/___ 10c) Expected Completion Date: ___/___/___
 (After completion of the project, the applicant should submit a Project Completion Report to the Neighborhood Council)

SECTION IV - POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

11a) Do you (applicant) have a current or former relationship with a Board Member of the NC?
 No Yes If Yes, please describe below:

Name of NC Board Member	Relationship to Applicant

11b) If yes, did you request that the board member consult the Office of the City Attorney before filing this application?
 Yes No ***(Please note that if a Board Member of the NC has a conflict of interest and completes this form, or participates in the discussion and voting of this NPG, the NC Funding Program will deny the payment of this grant in its entirety.)**

SECTION V - DECLARATION AND SIGNATURE

I hereby affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided herein and communicated otherwise is truly and accurately stated. I further affirm that I have read the documents "What is a Public Benefit," and "Conflicts of Interest" of this application and affirm that the proposed project(s) and/or program(s) fall within the criteria of a public benefit project/program and that no conflict of interest exist that would prevent the awarding of the Neighborhood Purposes Grant. I affirm that I am not a current Board Member of the Neighborhood Council to whom I am submitting this application. I further affirm that if the grant received is not used in accordance with the terms of the application stated here, said funds shall be returned immediately to the Neighborhood Council.

12a) Executive Director of Non-Profit Corporation or School Principal - REQUIRED*

_____ *Lori Gay* _____
 PRINT Name Title Signature Date

12b) Secretary of Non-profit Corporation or Assistant School Principal - REQUIRED*

_____ *Gloria Tang* _____
 PRINT Name Title Signature Date

* If a current Board Member holds the position of Executive Director or Secretary, please contact the NC Funding Program at (213) 978-1058 or clerk.ncfunding@lacity.org for instructions on completing this form

SECTION II – PROJECT DESCRIPTION

4) Please describe the purpose and intent of the grant.

NHS respectfully requests \$1,000 to support an upcoming Neighborhood Pride day event in Los Angeles. Organized as part of our ongoing community outreach and revitalization programming, Neighborhood Pride Day brings together dozens of volunteers and makes land, street and property clean ups in target neighborhoods throughout LA County. Major expenses include clean-up materials and supplies, printing, vehicle rental, refreshments staff coordination and event promotion. After the improvement work is completed, NHS surveys residents and community leaders for demographic and economic data to help us better serve community needs. We host Pride Day events several times a year. Beyond the direct benefits of property improvement, community clean-up, & volunteer opportunities. The event will contribute to creating community leaders and provide outreach for neighborhood groups while facilitating valuable partnerships & promoting sustainability.

5) How will this grant be used to primarily support or serve a public purpose and benefit the public at-large. (Grants cannot be used as rewards or prizes for individuals.)

In addition to the direct positive impacts of helping low income homeowners improve their properties by cleaning up the surrounding neighborhood, NHS engages residents and stakeholders as partners in the project and solicits feedback and opinions on how to improve the program and the delivery of services for future Pride Day events Residents are a crucial partner and through questionnaires and follow-ups, we can gain new ideas for building more successful programs. Some neighborhoods have installed community gardens as a response to Pride Day. Volunteers are also encouraged to involve their employers, friends and neighborhood networks for future events. As we connect with the community in a deeper, more meaningful way, we all move closer to achieving the vision for “true community” that neighbors wish to see.



**Neighborhood Housing Services of Los Angeles County
South LA - Neighbor Hood Pride Day
Adjusted Budget FY2020**

Revenue

Private Contribution	\$2,400
Neighborhood Council	\$1000
Total Revenue:	\$2,400

Expenses

Supplies (PPE, hand sanitizer,	\$500
UHaul	\$200
Gas	\$50
Food & Water	\$150
Event Staff	\$2,400
Portable Restroom	\$100
Total Expense:	\$2,400

P.O. Box 2508, Room 4010
Cincinnati OH 45201

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NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING SERVICES OF
LOS ANGELES COUNTY
3926 WILSHIRE BLVD 200
LOS ANGELES CA 90010-3303

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Employer Identification Number: 95-3938955
Person to Contact: Sophia Brown
Toll Free Telephone Number: 1-877-829-5500

Dear Taxpayer:

This is in response to your Nov. 28, 2012, request for information regarding your tax-exempt status.

Our records indicate that you were recognized as exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code in a determination letter issued in April 1987.

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

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

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

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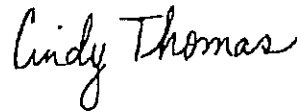
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NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING SERVICES OF
LOS ANGELES COUNTY
3926 WILSHIRE BLVD 200
LOS ANGELES CA 90010-3303

If you have any questions, please call us at the telephone number shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cindy Thomas".

Cindy Thomas
Manager, EO Determinations