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# "Special" Joint Board & Budget and Finance Committee

Thursday, August 6, 2020, 6:00PM-8:00PM

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Out of an abundance of caution due to the possible attendance and participation of a majority of Voices Neighborhood Council Board Members at this Special Joint Committee meeting, this meeting is noticed as a Special Joint Meeting of the Committee and the Board, in adherence with the State's Brown Act. No action will be taken on behalf of the Board at this meeting of the Committee. Only Committee Members are allowed to vote.

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

## **PUBLIC INPUT AT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETINGS**

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

- 1. Call to Order & Introductions
- 2. Public Comment on Non-agenda Items (2 minutes per speaker)
- 3. Budget Advocate Update Discussion / Report / possible action to bring to full board (30 min)
  Proposed Action: Possible recommendation to full board to support Budget Advocates in the amount of \$500.
- 4. Voices NC FY2020-2021 Budget Discussion / Report / possible action to bring to full board (30 min)
  Proposed Action: Possible recommendation to full board of amended budget for FY2020-2021 to account for encumbered and rollover funds.
- 5. Priority Areas in Los Angeles City Budget- Discussion / Report / possible action to bring to full board (60 min)
  Proposed Action: Possible recommendation to full board on Voices NC priority areas/services in the Los Angeles
  City Budget.
- 6. Request for future agenda items
- 7. Adjourn

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

#### CONSIDERATION AND GRIEVANCE PROCESS

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

## **SERVICIOS DE TRADUCCION**

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

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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 <a href="ethics.lacity.org/lobbying">ethics.lacity.org/lobbying</a>. For assistance, please contact the Ethics Commission at {213} 978-1960 or ethics.commission@lacity.org.

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