



Voices Neighborhood Council Regular Board Meeting  
 Vermont Square Branch Library  
 1201 West 48th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90037  
 Tuesday, November 13, 2018  
 6:00 pm\*  
 (New start time)



**BOARD MEMBERS**

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*Mr. Vincente B. Miles*

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*Vacant*

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*Ms. Jaime Rabb*

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*Ms. Laure Ferguson*

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*Ms. Sally Embrey*

**AREA 2 REPRESENTATIVE**

*Vacant*

**AREA 3 REPRESENTATIVE**

*Ms. Genesis Lopez*

**AREA 4 REPRESENTATIVE**

*Mr. Alonzo Warren*

**AT-LARGE REPRESENTATIVE**

*Mr. Parker Rand*

**COMMUNITY/NONPROFIT REPRESENTATIVE**

*Ms. Sara Zurita*

**FAITH BASED REPRESENTATIVE**

*Vacant*

**YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE**

*Mr. Michael J. Parker*

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**Agenda**

1. Call to Order at 6:10pm
2. Roll Call by Parliamentarian - Mr. Miles, Ms. Keaton, Ms. Rabb, Mr. Rand, Ms. Zurita, Mr. Parker, Ms. Ale in attendance. Mr Warren, Ms. Ferguson and Ms. Lopez were absent.
3. Senior Lead Officer/Public Officials (7 mins, each) – No SLO were present
4. General Public Comment on Non-agenda Items (3 mins) –
  - Jacqueline Coto (jacqueline.coto@asm.ca.gov) from Assembly member Jones-Sawyer's office (District 59) in attendance.
    - Jones-Sawyer's office having an open house/Toy Drive on December 6th from 5:30pm – 7pm at 700 Expo Blvd; Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> will be the toy giveaway.
    - UnSung Heroes program - accepting names up until Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> – must submit bio/synopsis on person who deserves to be acknowledged – winner will be flown up to Sacramento for breakfast (likely in the spring 2019)
    - Youth Reinvestment Fund – working on Diversion program with new governor \$37.3 million for 2019 fiscal year, non-profit eligible to apply; help get youth off streets. Passed AB2944 bill – voluntary tax contribution on 2019 state tax returns to help donate to fund these diversion/prevention programs.
    - Census 2020 – our district has a very high rate that doesn't get counted (hard to count population due to trust issue); working on surveys to help determine best way to overcome this issue. Household mom/dad or teachers/admin in schools are trusted people.
    - Grand Ave. corridor (59<sup>th</sup> St. to 40<sup>th</sup> St. northbound) homeless problem/encampments, LAPD involved – state and city jurisdictions lines blurred.
  - Thomas Soong from DUNN
    - Working on Outreach for upcoming elections in June 2019
    - Events - Funding Training being held Wednesday, 11/14; Outreach gathering on 12/5; City Hall Outreach Chairs meeting on 12/10
5. Board Announcements of Upcoming Events (2 mins each) – Michael Parker mentioned meeting with Days of Dialogue (with local LAPD) event he attended which was very insightful – will continue to attend future events.
6. Approval of Minutes- **Discussion and Possible Action** (3 mins)
  - October Regular Board Meeting – Due to no quorum, will move to next meeting
7. Approval of MERs – **Discussion and Possible Action** (3 mins)
  - August and September – Due to no quorum, will move to next meeting
8. Special Presentation: California Greenworks – **Discussion and Possible Action** (10 mins) - Haley Feng, Project Coordinator will present to the Board on the LADWP's Community Partnership Program to promote water and energy savings.
  - Revitalize green business/urban space – community partnership with LADWP for rebate program to encourage energy saving incentives for residents, go to Efficient Product marketplace for details: [www.ladwp.com/epm](http://www.ladwp.com/epm)
  - Program will continue until August 2019.
  - Would like to come back and host workshop around March to provide more info/services, etc. Need flyers to help market benefits etc. Proposing 1 hour workshops with 2 different times or create larger event to create more buzz/more attendees.

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9. Status Report on Formation of Standing Committees and Member Selection - **Discussion and Possible Action** (10 mins)
  - Board to motion on Board Member to lead and individuals interested in participation in Committee (Please refer to our bylaws Article VII, Section, for Standing Committees and responsibilities). - Due to no quorum, will move to next meeting
    - a. Arts, Parks and Recreation (Vacant)
    - b. Budget and Finance (Ivette Ale)
    - c. Health and Safety (Sally Embrey)
    - d. Outreach (Jaime)
      - Social Media Ad Hoc Minutes
    - e. Planning and Land Use (Parker Rand)
    - f. Seniors (Vacant)
    - g. Youth and Education (Vacant)
10. Report on Community Forum Board – **Discussion and Possible Action** (5 minutes)
  - Board to receive report from Mr. Parker and Ms. Keaton on Community Forum held on October 16. Reimbursement will be motioned for related expenses. - Due to no quorum, will move to next meeting
11. December Holiday Mixer – **Discussion and Possible Action** (5 minutes)
  - Board to motion on an abbreviated regular Board meeting for necessary motions and host a Holiday Mixer to offer an opportunity to interact with community stakeholders. Board to motion on mixer budget of no greater than \$150. – Discussed having a board meeting gathering instead of regular Dec. meeting to be held at Parker Rand and Jaime Rabb's home in early December – will send Doodle to coordinate date/time.
12. Adjourn at 7:45pm

## Vacancies and Responsibilities

**Faith-Based Representative** - represents the interest of faith-based organizations in our community and who is a designated representative of a faith-based organization located within the boundaries of the VNC area. A "designated representative" shall be the individual who is selected by a faith-based organization to represent said constituencies to the VNC.

**Recording Secretary** – records Council and Stakeholder attendance, records minutes of General Board meetings and Special Board Meetings, lists vacancies and forwards applicants to the Corresponding Secretary for Board distribution and placement on agenda, records Stakeholder grievances, selects Ad Hoc Grievance Panel, coordinates time and place for panel meeting and forwards panel report and recommendations to the Board.

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