Sally Embrey, Area 1
Javonne Sanders, Area 2
Abasi Patton, Area 3
Edward Garren, Area 4
Parker Rand, At-Large
Matthew Crawford, Corresponding Secretary
Jaime Rabb, Vice Chairperson



Albert Farias, Chairperson

Tuesday, August 10, 2021, 6:00 pm VIA Telephone or Internet (Zoom)

Vacant, Education
Vacant, Youth
Elizabeth Ebow, Housing
Estuardo Mazariegos, Community-Based
Sunny Keaton, Parliamentarian
Kaamil Benoit, Recording Secretary
Steven Nieto, Treasurer

#### **Regular Board Meeting**

Tuesday, August 10, 2021 6:00 pm

## Zoom Meeting Online or By Telephone https://zoom.us/j/96107326167

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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.

#### 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 – Neighborhood Council agendas are posted for public review as follows:

- Vermont Square Library Front Door, 1201 W. 48th St.
- www.voicesnc.org
- You can also receive our agendas via email by subscribing to L.A. City's Early Notification System at https://www.lacity.org/subscriptions

#### **AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA)**

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#### **PUBLIC ACCESS OF RECORDS**

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 <a href="VoicesNC90037@gmail.com">VoicesNC90037@gmail.com</a>

#### **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 <a href="https://voicesNC.org">https://voicesNC.org</a>.

#### **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 <u>Vicechair@voicesnc.org</u> para avisar al Concejo Vecinal.

#### **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 <a href="mailto: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.

#### AGENDA FOR 8/10/2021

Call to Order Roll Call

#### **Action Items**

All items listed are designated for discussion and possible action by the Voices Neighborhood Council. Council items identified as presentations may be proposed for action by the Council and will be reflected as such in the meeting minutes.

Item	Reference Number		Time Allotted
1.	0821-01	General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (limit 3 minutes per speaker)	10 min.
2.	0821-02	Community/Government Reports and Announcements  A. LAPD Senior Lead Officers -Southwest and 77th St.  B. Office of Supervisor Mitchell's office - Alfonso Ruiz-Delgado  C. Council District 9 - Kendal Lake  D. Mayor's Office - Edith Vega  E. USC Civic Engagement- Steve Wesson	30 min.

		F. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment- Karen Hernandez	
		G. KYCC - Margarita Munoz & Angelic Perez	
3.	0821-03	Treasurer's Report: Monthly Expenditure Report	10 min.
5.	0021-03	Review and discussion of VoicesNC Budget and MERs for July 2021.	10 111111.
		Member/Committee: S. Nieto, Treasurer	
		Proposed Action 1: Motion to APPROVE the July 2021 MERs. MERs to be submitted by Aug. 31,	
		2021. Perform BAC.	
		Proposed Action 1: Motion to APPROVE the FY 21-22 budget with rollover funds from FY20-21.	
		Perform BAC.	
4.	0821-04	Meeting Minutes	5 min.
7.	0021 04	Review and discussion of minutes from the June (6/8/21) & July (7/13/21) meetings.	3 111111.
		Member/Committee: K. Benoit	
		Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE the minutes for the June and July 2021 General Board	
		Meetings.	
5.	0721-05	Figueroa and Slauson Park	20 min.
		Presentation by Sherilyn Correa and a representative from the Recreation and Park Department.	
		Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE support with recommendations for the Figueroa and	
		Slauson Park	
6.	0821-06	Vermont Square Slow Streets Program	15 min.
		Board Member: J. Rabb, Outreach and Arts, Parks & Recreation Committee	
		Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE letter of support to LADOT with Phase 2 implementation	
		for the Slow Streets program in our area.	
7.	0821-07	PG Hole Carribean Social & Cultural Center Discussion	15 min.
		Board Member: M. Crawford	
		Proposed Action:	
8.	0821-08	LAPD Firework Detonation Discussion	15 min.
		Board Member: A. Farias	
		Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE a letter to Councilmember Curren Price Jr. and the LAPD.	
9.	0821-09	Committee & Liaison Reports Assignments	15 min.
		Council to report on committee and liaison activities and invite interested stakeholders to	
		participate in scheduled meetings.	
		Outreach Committee	
		Planning & Land Use Committee	
		Arts, Parks & Recreation Committee	
		Health and Safety Committee	
		Budget & Finance Committee	
		Ad hoc Sustainability Committee	
		Ad hoc Business Committee	
		LA LGBTQ+ Alliance of Neighborhood Councils Liaison	
		CPAB - 77th Liaison & Southwest Liaison	
		Homeless Liaison	
		SLAANC Liaison	
		Area Representatives (1, 2, 3, 4 and At-Large)	
		Proposed Action: Council to assign committee chairs and liaisons	
10.	0821-10	Voices Vacancies	5 min.
		Review and discussion of vacant council seat, unassigned committees, liaisons, liaison	
		alternates, and recruitment of community stakeholders for committee assignment. Discuss	
		council member absences. Invite all committee members to be sworn in during the February	
		meeting.	
		Member/Committee: A. Farias	

		Proposed Action: 1) Council to appoint vacant board seats - Education Rep and Youth Rep	
11.	0821-11	<ul> <li>General Board Announcements on Non-Agenda Items (Not for Discussion)</li> <li>Voices NC Board Member Training Updates</li> <li>Community Refrigerator at United Market on 51st Place &amp; Vermont Sign Up</li> <li>Others</li> </ul>	3 min.
12.	0821-12	Voices Neighborhood Council Board Member Communication and Responsibilities Council to discuss access to public email addresses, google drive for important documents, and a general discussion about responsibilities and expectations as outlined in the bylaws and standing rules.  Presentation by A. Farias and J. Rabb	15 min.

#### **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 meetings, 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.

Any person who resists removal by a Peace Officer is subject to arrest and prosecution. Penal Code Section 403, Penal Code Section 602.1(b)

#### **Voices NC Council Vacancy**

Interested stakeholders can email a Letter of Intent to <a href="mailto:chair@voicesnc.org">chair@voicesnc.org</a>. Additional information about Voices NC is available at <a href="https://voicesNC.org">https://voicesNC.org</a>

Council Vacancy	Description
1. Education Representative	The Education Representative represents the interest of students and educators within our community. This representative should be informed on the issues and concerns related to educational organizations and institutions within Voices Neighborhood Council boundaries.
2. Youth Representative	The Youth Representative is appointed by the Board and must be at least sixteen (16) years of age at the time of appointment. This representative should be informed on the issues and concerns related to area youth and/or youth culture. If the appointed Youth Representative is less than eighteen (18) years of age, the person is excluded from voting on the (1) expenditure of Voices Neighborhood Council funds; (2) the hiring or firing of staff of the Voices Neighborhood Council; or (3) entering into contracts and agreements.

<u>Voices NC Council Liaisons</u>						
Council Liaison	Meeting Time	Assigned Member	Alternate Member			
1. SLAANC	Third Thursday of the month (6:30pm)					
2. LAPD 77 <sup>th</sup> C-PAB	Second Thursday of the month (6:00pm)					
3. LAPD Southwest C-PAB	First Monday of the month (6:30pm)					
4. Homelessness	Every Other Month (TBD) (6:30pm)					
5. Resilience/Disaster	TBD					
Preparedness						
6. Budget Advocate	First Monday of the month (7:00pm)					
7. Neighborhood Council	TBD					
Sustainability Alliance						

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Primary Signer	2 <sup>nd</sup> Signer	Alternate Signer	1 <sup>st</sup> Bankcard holder	2 <sup>nd</sup> Bankcard holder
S. Nieto (Treasurer)	A. Farias	J. Rabb	A. Farias	J. Rabb

#### **Voices NC Standing Committees**

All meetings are open to the public and will be posted on <a href="www.empowerla.org">www.empowerla.org</a>. All meetings will be held at Vermont Square Library unless otherwise posted. For more about Voices NC Standing Committees refer to Bylaws, Article VI, and Section 1.

Standing Committees	Assigned Council Member	Description
1. Arts, Parks, &		The Arts, Parks and Recreation Committee will have the responsibility to
Recreation		discuss issues, promote partnerships on projects and brainstorm ideas to
		encourage greater community involvement and support. The Arts, parks
		and Recreation Committee will explore issues and ideas in order to define

	community identity and values by giving voice to its citizens and providing a form for group action and expression. The committee submits reports of meetings in written form and makes recommendations to the Board for action. The Chair selects meeting site, date and time and meets as directed in these Bylaws.
2. Budget & Finance	The Budget and Finance Committee Investigate and pursue sources of income and funding. Make an initial review of project proposals and provide a report to the VNC board with recommendations. Generate a budget for each fiscal year, showing planned income and expenditures. And, maintain the Council budget current and report any issues to the Board.
3. Outreach	The Outreach Committee shall be charged with continuing to outreach to the VNC stakeholders by utilizing any acceptable and Board approved forms of media (e.g. flyers, newsletters, print, television/electronic media, signs, banners, website, etc.) to inform stakeholders regarding projects and events. The content and method of distribution must be pre-approved by the Board.
4. Planning & Land Use	The Planning & Land Use Committee shall review, take public input, report on and make recommendations of actions to the Board on any land use, beautification, and planning issues affecting the community in order to improve the health and quality of life of its citizens. The committee also reviews and recommends action regarding building development projects requiring land use permits within the VNC boundaries; advocates positions on land use and building design for the betterment of the community; and considers and provides recommendations to Council on other topics, such as rezoning, applications, development permits, and any subdivision that require council approval.
5. Senior Services	The Senior Services Committee addresses the needs of senior citizens in the community and provides an environment where seniors can discuss current issues, share ideas and voice their concerns. The committee will be supportive of programs and services that provide seniors with maximum vitality and independence. It will identify, monitor and address issues that have impact upon seniors' quality of life. The committee will promote "Healthy Aging" by creating an environment where individual differences and needs are recognized; by promoting multicultural awareness, understanding and interaction; and by serving as a bridge to access government information and resources.
6. Youth & Education	The Youth & Education Committee addresses the issues, concerns, programs and services related to the education of children, youth and adults and developing specific strategies and policies for influencing and achieving constructive outcomes within schools, classrooms, and other education/learning centers that serve the Voices community. Additionally, this committee has the general responsibility to discuss issues, foster collaboration on projects, and brainstorm ideas to encourage greater community involvement/support and participation.

7. Health & Safety	The Health & Safety Committee seeks opportunities to organize and	
	forums to mobilize the community in seeking safety practices. This	
	includes partnering with Neighborhood Watch, Volunteer Safety Task Force	
	(to enhance the Services provided by the School Crossing Guards), School	
	Crossing Guards, Los Angeles Police Department Senior Lead Officers and	
	Traffic Division and the Los Angeles Fire Department. Representatives of	
	VNC will work to formalize a relationship with these City agencies and	
	other entities responsible for "safety issues" in our community.	

### **Monthly Expenditure Report**



Reporting Month: July 2021

**Budget Fiscal Year: 2021-2022** 

NC Name: Voices of 90037

	Monthly Cash Reconciliation						
	Beginning Balance	Total Spent	Remaining Balance	Outstanding	Commitments	Net Available	
Ī	\$32000.00	\$276.20	\$31723.80	\$60.00	\$0.00	\$31663.80	

Monthly Cash Flow Analysis						
Budget Category	Adopted Budget	Total Spent this Month	Unspent Budget Balance	Outstanding	Net Available	
Office		\$276.20		\$0.00		
Outreach	\$17000.00	\$0.00	\$16723.80	\$0.00	\$16723.80	
Elections		\$0.00		\$0.00		
Community Improvement Project	\$8500.00	\$0.00	\$8500.00	\$60.00	\$8440.00	
Neighborhood Purpose Grants	\$6500.00	\$0.00	\$6500.00	\$0.00	\$6500.00	
Funding Requests Under Review: \$0.00		Encumbrar	nces: \$0.00	Previous Expe	nditures: \$0.00	

Expenditures						
#	Vendor Date Description Budget Category Sub-category					
1	EXTRA SPACE 1562	07/20/2021	Reoccurring charges for storage.	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$276.20
	Subtotal:					\$276.20

Outstanding Expenditures						
#	# Vendor Date Description Budget Category Sub-category				Sub-category	Total
1	Department of Cultural Affairs, City of Los Angeles  O7/30/2021  Motion to APPROVE the cost not to exceed \$80 for a application fee to the Department of Cultural Affairs for the mural project at Vermont Square Library.		Community Improvement Project		\$60.00	
Subtotal: Outstanding				\$60.00		



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NC Fiscal Year Admin Packet

Office of the City Clerk
Neighborhood Council Funding Program
Fiscal Year Administrative Packet

#### NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL FUNDING PROGRAM FISCAL YEAR ADMINISTRATIVE PACKET

#### **Summary**

The Administrative Packet provides for a more comprehensive and complete record of all items that support the Neighborhood Councils' (NC) fiscal and administrative operations, including its annual budget, Financial Officers, and any commitments for NC office space, storage facility, P.O. Boxes, etc.

#### Goal(s)

The goal(s) of the Administrative Packet is to make it easier for NCs to identify, plan, and confirm, via a board vote, all fiscal and administrative requirements upfront each year so that our Office can prepare for and process funding requests and resulting contracts judiciously and expeditiously.

The Packet contains the following items:

- NC Funding Program Acknowledgements & Agreements Signed by all Financial Officers
  - If a new Financial Officer is being appointed for the new Fiscal Year, please check the appropriate box for the Financial Officer(s).
- Completed Annual Budget
- Information pertaining to office space, meeting space, storage facility, Post Office Box (P.O. Box), and website services, as applicable.

#### **Procedure**

On a yearly basis, we require each NC to discuss, prepare, and approve the Administrative Packet. Once the NC board has voted on the Packet, the Packet and the completed Board Action Certification (BAC) Form are to be submitted to the NC Funding Program.

Your NC Treasurer can submit both documents, the Packet and BAC, by uploading them in the NC Funding System portal, Budget Allocation section, immediately after Board approval. Once received, reviewed, and accepted by our Program, your NC will gain full access to its funds. The NC Funding System portal website is <a href="https://cityclerk.lacity.org/NCFundPortal/#/login">https://cityclerk.lacity.org/NCFundPortal/#/login</a>

As our Program awaits your Packet submission, access to your NC funds will be limited to \$333.00 per month, until the annual budget, Administrative Packet, and BAC have been received and accepted. This limited amount is intended to assist your NC operationally for expenses related to conducting your NC meetings, i.e. meeting facility use fees, printing and photocopying of meeting documents, meeting refreshments/snacks, professional staff services.

If you have questions or require any assistance regarding the packet, please feel free to email us at clerk.ncfunding@lacity.org or call us at 213-978-1058.

## NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL FUNDING PROGRAM FINANCIAL OFFICERS LETTER OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT & AGREEMENT

We, the undersigned, do hereby declare that as a result of an official action of the Governing Body of the Neighborhood Council (NC) named below:

- (1) we are authorized to request City funding to support NC general operations,
- (2) all items or services described or included in any related funding requests are exclusively intended to further the goals and objectives of the Neighborhood Council, and
- (3) all reasonable precautions shall be exercised by the undersigned to fully safeguard, control and account for all use of funds. Proper accountability of all City funds is critical to the success of the NC Funding Program.

Therefore, by the signature(s) below, and on behalf of the Neighborhood Council named below, WE HEREBY AGREE to the terms and conditions as set forth in this Letter of Acknowledgement and all related documents as provided by the City, agree to expend funds in accordance with any applicable City rules, policies or procedures, and specifically agree to expend monies received by the Office of the City Clerk solely for public purposes relating to the goals and purposes of the Neighborhood Council named below, consistent with the scope and authority under the City Charter, the Plan for a Citywide System of Neighborhood Councils and any implementing ordinances. We have attended and participated in the City-provided training relating to the NC Funding Program.

WE FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGE and WE AGREE to comply with any requirements regarding use of the NC funds. WE AGREE to provide NC financial reports and/or supporting documentation to the Office of the City Clerk, Neighborhood Council Funding Program as requested and at monthly meetings to the Governing Body and stakeholders of the NC named below. WE AGREE that the Office of the City Clerk and other City representatives may make on-site visits to inspect and review all NC financial records, upon providing reasonable advance notice to the NC Treasurer or designated representatives.

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT A NEW LETTER OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT MUST BE FILED IF THERE IS ANY CHANGE OF FINANCIAL OFFICERS.

#### Neighborhood Council Financial Officers - Names and Signatures:

Treasurer	Please check here if a new Treasurer is being appointed
SIGNATURE OF THE TREASURER	DATE
PRINT NAME OF THE TREASURER	EMAIL
BOARD POSITION	PHONE NUMBER

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2nd Signer	□ Please check	here if a new 2 <sup>nd</sup> Signer is being appoint	<u>ted</u>
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\*\*\* Bank Cardholders, please read further next page \*\*\*

#### NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL FUNDING PROGRAM BANK CARDHOLDER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT & AGREEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES

This document outlines the responsibilities that I, as the Neighborhood Council Bank Cardholder, have as the primary custodial holder of a City Los Angeles Neighborhood Council (NC) Bank Card, referred herein as "the card" for the Neighborhood Council named below. My signature indicates that I have read and understand these responsibilities and further, that I agree to adhere to the guidelines established by the Office of the City Clerk and approved by the City Controller for the use of City funding as it relates to the Neighborhood Council Funding Program.

- 1. Iunderstand that the City of Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Card is intended to facilitate the purchase and payment of materials or services required for the conduct of official Neighborhood Council business only.
- 2. Iagree to make only those purchases consistent with the type of purchases authorized by the Office of the City Clerk and approved by the NC Governing Board.
- 3. I understand that under no circumstances will I use the Card to make personal purchases either for myself or for others. The Card is issued in the name of the Neighborhood Council and I serve as the Card custodian. I agree that should I willfully violate the terms of this Agreement and use of the Card for personal use or gain that I will reimburse the City of Los Angeles for all incurred charges and any fees related to the collection of those charges.
- 4. Uses of the Card not authorized by the Office of the City Clerk can be considered misappropriation of City funds. This could result in (a) immediate and irrevocable forfeiture of the Card, and /or (b) potential decertification action. I understand that the Card must be surrendered upon termination of any official position with the Neighborhood Council to which the card is issued. I agree to maintain the Card with appropriate security whenever and wherever I or any other authorized person may use the Card. If the Card is stolen or lost, I agree to immediately notify the Office of the City Clerk.
- 5. Iunderstand that since the Card is the property of the Bank and authorized for issue by the City of Los Angeles, Iam required to comply with internal control procedures designed to protect City assets. This may include being asked to produce the Card, receipts, and/or statements to validate its existence and to audit its use.
- 6. I understand that I will have access to the Funding Program System portal via the Internet where all card transactions will be posted by the Bank when the card is used. I understand that I am required to obtain itemized receipts for all card transactions and upload the itemized receipts to the Funding Program System portal to verify the posted card transaction. Uploading the required itemized receipt is necessary for my NC Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) to be generated by the Funding Program System portal. The MER must be reviewed and approved by the NC Governing Board before being submitted to the Office of the City Clerk as a complete Report.
- 7. I understand that all transactions on the Card will reduce the funds available to the NC. I understand that the Bank will not accept any limit increases from me.
- 8. I understand that the Card is solely provided to the designated NC cardholder and that assignment of the Card is based on the understanding that I need to purchase materials required for the conduct of Neighborhood Council business. I understand that custodial possession of the Card is not an entitlement nor reflective of title or position.
- 9. As a Neighborhood Council Financial Officer, I have signed and received a copy of both the NC Funding Program Bank Cardholder Agreement of Responsibilities and Financial Officers Letter of Acknowledgement, have attended and completed the required NC Funding Program training, and understand the requirements and limitations regarding the NC Bank Card's use.

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#### NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL FUNDING PROGRAM ANNUAL BUDGET TEMPLATE – FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021

The annual budget is a plan for the utilization of the NC's financial resources. It should be used as a strategic financial road map to conduct activities and efforts that will help the NC achieve its mission, goals, and objectives. The budget should include the input of stakeholders, be accessible, and comply with the rules that govern the use of NC public funds.

As a planning tool, the annual budget allows the NC board to allocate its funds, both regular annual funds and rollover funds, if any, into the following Expenditure Categories:

- 1. General and Operational Expenditures
  - i. Office/Operational
  - ii. Outreach
  - iii. Elections
- 2. Neighborhood Purposes Grants (NPGs)
- 3. Community Improvement Projects (CIPs)

With the exception of certain expenditures related to Office/Operational items, the annual budget cannot be used as authorization or approval of actual payments to vendors. All payments related to Outreach purchases, activities, and events, Elections, NPGs, and CIPs must be considered and approved through separate board motions, not as part of the board approval of the annual budget.

The annual budget may be accepted as authorization for payment for certain monthly and recurring **Office/Operational expenditures only**, such as those listed below, when itemized in the Office/Operational Expenditure Category. Please see the sample itemized Office/Operational budget allocations next page.

- 1. Office lease payments
- 2. Office supplies and equipment expenses, not including inventory items
- 3. Storage facility lease payments
- 4. P.O. Box payments
- 5. Office telephone and Internet services
- 6. Refreshments/snacks for board/committee meetings
- 7. Website hosting and maintenance services
- 8. Professional meeting/office-related services, i.e. translators, minute-takers, audio services
- 9. Printing and copying for meetings/office-related purposes only
- 10. Printing NC business cards

The annual budget template form provided here is an optional tool. Your Neighborhood Council may submit its annual budget on a form different from this template as long as it only contains the same budget allocation Expenditures Categories listed above.

For more details on the Administrative Packet, Fiscal Year annual budget, and rollover of funds unspent at the end of the Fiscal Year, please review the Policies and Guidelines, Policy 1.1, found on our website: <a href="https://clerk.lacity.org/clerk-services/nc-funding">https://clerk.lacity.org/clerk-services/nc-funding</a>

#### Sample Itemized Budget Allocations for Office/Operational Expenditures

Office/Operational Expenditures Category			
Office Rent (\$500/month x 12 months)	\$6,000.00		
Office Supplies (paper, ink, staples, pens, binders, business cards, etc.)	\$500.00		
Printer/Copy Machine Lease	\$1,500.00		
Internet Service (Spectrum)	\$1,000.00		
Telephone Service (Ooma)	\$500.00		
Website Hosting and Maintenance	\$1,500.00		
Printing and Photocopying for Meetings	\$300.00		
Meeting Facility Fees (Riverside Elementary School)	\$1,500.00		
Minute-Taker for Meetings (AppleOne)	\$1,500.00		
Refreshments/Snacks for Meetings	\$1,200.00		
Total Office/Operational Expenditures	\$15,500.00		

Neighborh Annual Budget for Fiscal Year:	ood Council
Annual Budget Funds	
Rollover Funds*	
Total Annual Budget Funds	
Office/Operational Expenditures Category	
Total Office/Operational Expenditures	

<sup>\*</sup>The Funding Program will notify each NC of their Fiscal Year closing balance including available rollover funds and/or applicable adjustment, if any, approximately August 1st or next business day. Depending on when an NC submits its Admin Packet/annual budget, the NC may need to revise and resubmit its annual budget to account for any rollover and/or adjustments.

Outreach Expenditures Category	
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Election Expenditures Category	
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Neighborhood Purposes Grants (NPG) Expenditures Category	
Total NPG Expenditures	
Community Improvement Projects (CIP) Expenditures Categor	у
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TOTAL ANNUAL BUDGET ALLOCATIONS	
Office/Operational Expenditures	
Outreach Expenditures	
Election Expenditures	
General and Operational Expenditures	
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR	

# NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL FUNDING PROGRAM LEASES & AGREEMENTS

Please complete the following information, as applicable, for any leases or service agreements your NC currently has or plans on securing in the Fiscal Year involving office space, meeting space, storage facilities, P.O. Boxes, and/or website services. If sections below do not apply to your NC, please select NA on the sections that do not apply. If you have more than one Meeting Location, then please provide the same information on an additional page. The information provided on this form is to confirm services that an NC may currently have or that it would like to secure in the Fiscal Year which may require a City agreement. If an agreement needs to be drafted from the information provided, the NC board will be notified and advised to agendize and approve the drafted agreement at a future board meeting; The approval the Administrative Packet/annual budget does not replace the vote the board will need to take to approve any agreements needed.

Office Location:				
☐ Existing(may need to renew ag	greement) 🗌	New(new agreement may be needed)	□ Donated	□ NA
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Facility Address:				
Facility Owner Phone Number:				
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# Office of the City Clerk Administrative Services Division Neighborhood Council Funding Program

Date: August 1, 2021

To: Voices of 90037 Neighborhood Council

Subject: Fiscal Year 2020 - 2021 Final Expenditure Analysis

#### Dear Voices NC:

This Office has conducted a reconciliation of your funding account for Fiscal Year 2020 - 2021:

Annual Budget	\$ 32,000.00	
Add: Adjustments including rollover	\$ 15,575.08	\$ 47,575.08
Less: Total Expenditures for FY 20 - 21	\$ 38,029.31	
Outstanding Checks	\$ 98.00	
Accruals	\$ -	\$ (38,127.31)
Net Cash		\$ 9,447.77

BALANCE AVAILABLE FOR ROLLOVER	\$	9,447.77
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#### NOTICE TO PAID REPRESENTATIVES

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#### AGENDA FOR 6/8/2021

Call to Order 6:09pm

ROII Call PRESENT: A. FARIAS, S. NIETO, M. CRAWFORD, P. RAND, E. GARREN, S ZURITA, A. PATTON
TARDY: J. RABB
ABSENT: S. EMBREY, K. GUEVARA, I. GUEVARA, O. PEREZ, A. GRAY, K. BENOIT

#### **Action Items**

All items listed are designated for discussion and possible action by the Voices Neighborhood Council. Council items identified as presentation may be proposed for action by the Council and will be reflected as such in the meeting minutes.

Item	Reference Number	Matter	Time Allotted
1.	0621-01	General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (limit 3 minutes per speaker) NONE	10 min.
2.	0621-02	Community/Government Reports and Announcements  A. LAPD Senior Lead Officers -Southwest and 77th St. Captain Zarekani (email:31025@lapd.online), new captain at 77th St. LAPD, 3 homicides in our area	30 min.

3. 0621-03	Officer Canizales, 77th St. LAPD, as Captain mentioned, 2 homicides at Gage/Fig at 7Eleven and 68th & Hoover, other crimes are down. Officer Salazar, Southwest Division, crime down but aggravated assaults are upl GTA are up; working on cleaning trash around the areas with CD9. Jason Sanders, stakeholder asked about what can be done with the street cars doing donuts near Normandie/Gage.  B. Office of Supervisor Mitchell's office - Alfonso Ruiz-Delgado - not present C. Council District 9 - Kendal Lake - Cap & Gown Event Saturday 6/12 from 10am-2pm at Vermont Square Park; Vaccination Clinic on-going at South LA Wetlands (Tues-Sat 9am-9pm) offering Pfizer and J&J vaccines; Vermont Square Park Programming want to collaborate with Voices NC - attend our Outreach meeting this month.  D. Mayor's Office - Edith Vega - Budget passed; Mayor signed, increasing budget for sanitation, housing for homeless. Albert asked if Street Sweeping will that change back to every week or continue with every other week? Will Summer Night Lights continue at our park? Edith will find out.  E. USC Civic Engagement- Steve Wesson Developments in area regarding student housing; NANDC has established a task force to study and make recommendations on housing for students; New stabilization ordinance (NSO) will cover down to Slauson - would like to recruit Albert Farias to help finalize RFP/study for this stabilization ordinance.  F. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment- Karen Hernandez Board training updates; Translation services will no longer be through EmpowerLA. We need to request these services directly if needed and there will be a \$50k to refund for these services based on first come, first serve with all NCs.  Treasurer's Report: Monthly Expenditure Report Presentation by S. Nieto, Treasurer Review and discussion of VoicesNC Budget and MERs for May 2021.  Member/Committee: S. Nieto Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE the May 2021 MERs, MERs to be submitted by June 30, 2021. Perform BAC. MOTION: S. NIETO, 2ND: J. RABB, 8 YES, MOTION CARR	15 min.
	Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE the FY 21-22 budget. Perform BAC MOVED TO JULY MEETING	
4. 0621-04	Figueroa and Slauson Park	20 min.
3322 0.	Presentation by Sherilyn Correa and a representative from the Recreation and Park Department. Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE support with recommendations for the Figueroa and Slauson Park Darryl Ford from RAP to put together initial concept designs; Construction to start pocket park in Spring 2022; Community Gathering Square will have green space, we request no fencing and a self cleaning restroom within the space. MOTION that park not have fencing and includes a restroom: E.GARREN, 2ND: M. CRAWFORD, MOTION CARRIES	-3
5. 0621-05	LA City Council Budget Update AND Reimagining Public Safety allocations  Presentation from James Westbrooks  Proposed Action: Motion to AMEND Voices NC's recommendation on reimagining public safety.  No action taken	20 min.
6. 0621-06	Discussion on Hybrid Meeting (In-person/online) once COVID-19 orders are lifted Proposed Action: Resolution to DONE regarding VOICES NC stance on hybrid meetings Tabled	10 min.
7. 0621-07	KIPP Scholar Academy's Proposal at 6100 S. Hoover Presentation by Donna Shen Tripp Proposed Action: Motion to AMEND Voices NC support of 29 parking spaces to 18 parking spaces. MOTION: M. CRAWFORD, 2ND: E. GARREN, MOTION CARRIES	5 min.
	Council File (CF: 21-0318) regarding fireworks buyback program	20 min.

		Proposed Action: Motion to SUPPORT CF 21-0318. MOTION to submit CIS and support if amended to strike or rephrase to not offer a reward leading to the identification, arrest, conviction of persons and add education: M. CRAWFORD, 2ND: E. GARREN, MOTION CARRIES.	
9.	0621-9	Meeting Minutes Review and discussion of minutes from the April Meeting on 5/11/21. Member/Committee: K. Benoit Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE the minutes for the May 2021 General Board Meeting. Tabled to July meeting	3 min.
10.	0621-10	Committee & Liaison Reports and Updates Council to report on committee and liaison activities and invite interested stakeholders to participate in scheduled meetings.  • Outreach Committee (Jaime Rabb)  • Planning & Land Use Committee (Parker Rand)  • Arts, Parks & Recreation Committee (Sara Zurita)  • Health and Safety Committee (Steven Nieto)  • Budget & Finance Committee (Steven Nieto)  • Ad hoc Sustainability Committee (Kaamil Benoit)  • Ad hoc Business Committee (Ingrid Guevara)  • LA LGBTQ+ Alliance of Neighborhood Councils Liaison (Sally Embrey/Kaamil Benoit)  • CPAB - 77th Liaison (Steven Nieto) & Southwest Liaison (Sally Embrey)  • Homeless Liaison (Albert Farias)  • SLAANC Liaison (Albert Farias)  • Area Representatives (1, 2, 3, 4 and At-Large)  Proposed Action: No motions from updates. Committee and Liaison agenda motions will be listed individually for discussion and possible action. Tabled	15 min.
12.	0621-12	Voices Vacancies Review and discussion of vacant council seat, unassigned committees, liaisons, liaison alternates, and recruitment of community stakeholders for committee assignment. Discuss council member absences. Invite all committee members to be sworn in during the February meeting.  Member/Committee: A. Farias Proposed Action: 1) Council to appoint vacant board seats.	5 min.
13.	0621-13	<ul> <li>General Board Announcements on Non-Agenda Items (Not for Discussion)</li> <li>Announce 2021-2023 Voices Neighborhood Council Board Members - Albert announced the new board members</li> <li>Voices NC Board Member Training Updates</li> <li>Community Refrigerator at United Market on 51st Place &amp; Vermont Sign Up - Electrical issue at United Market to power the refrigerator; Matthew reaching out to community entity re: weekly cleaning.</li> </ul>	10 min.

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Government code Section 54957.9

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<u>Voices NC Council Liaisons</u>					
Council Liaison	Meeting Time	Assigned Member	Alternate Member		
1. SLAANC	Third Thursday of the month (6:30pm)	A. Farias	J. Rabb		
2. LAPD 77 <sup>th</sup> C-PAB	Second Thursday of the month (6:00pm)	S. Nieto	J. Rabb		
3. LAPD Southwest C-PAB	First Monday of the month (6:30pm)	S. Embrey	A. Patton		
4. Homelessness	Every Other Month (TBD) (6:30pm)	A. Farias	K. Benoit, A. Gray, P. Rand		
5. Resilience/Disaster Preparedness	TBD	S. Zurita	S. Embrey		
6. Budget Advocate	First Monday of the month (7:00pm)	S. Nieto	E. Garren		
7. Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance	TBD	K. Benoit	A. Patton		

#### Voices NC Council Financial Responsibilities

Primary Signer	2 <sup>nd</sup> Signer	Alternate Signer	1 <sup>st</sup> Bankcard holder	2 <sup>nd</sup> Bankcard holder
S. Nieto (Treasurer)	A. Farias	J. Rabb	A. Farias	J. Rabb

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Standing Committees	Assigned Council Member	Description
1. Arts, Parks, & Recreation	S. Zurita	The Arts, Parks and Recreation Committee will have the responsibility to discuss issues, promote partnerships on projects and brainstorm ideas to encourage greater community involvement and support. The Arts, parks and Recreation Committee will explore issues and ideas in order to define community identity and values by giving voice to its citizens and providing a form for group action and expression. The committee submits reports of meetings in written form and makes recommendations to the Board for action. The Chair selects meeting site, date and time and meets as directed in these Bylaws.
2. Budget & Finance	S. Nieto	The Budget and Finance Committee Investigate and pursue sources of income and funding. Make an initial review of project proposals and provide a report to the VNC board with recommendations. Generate a budget for each fiscal year, showing planned income and expenditures. And, maintain the Council budget current and report any issues to the Board.
3. Outreach	J. Rabb	The Outreach Committee shall be charged with continuing to outreach to the VNC stakeholders by utilizing any acceptable and Board approved forms of media (e.g. flyers, newsletters, print, television/electronic media, signs, banners, website, etc.) to inform stakeholders regarding projects and events. The content and method of distribution must be pre-approved by the Board.
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#### **CONSIDERATION AND GRIEVANCE PROCESS**

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#### **SERVICIOS DE TRADUCCION**

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#### **AGENDA FOR 7/13/2021**

Call to Order at 6:09pm

Roll Call Present: A. Farias, J. Rabb, S. Nieto, M. Crawford, P. Rand, S. Keaton, E. Mazariegos, J. Sanders, E. Ebow Tardy: S. Embrey, K. Benoit

#### **Action Items**

All items listed are designated for discussion and possible action by the Voices Neighborhood Council. Council items identified as presentations may be proposed for action by the Council and will be reflected as such in the meeting minutes.

Item	Reference Number	Matter	Time Allotted
1.	0721-01	Neighborhood Council Installment and Oath of Office for Newly Elected Board - Karen Hernandez gave the oath of installment to all the newly elected board members.	10 min.
2.	0721-02	General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (limit 3 minutes per speaker) Josef Siroky, Field Rep for State Sen. Sydney Kamlager (handles issues east of Arlington/north of Slauson) regarding DMV, DOT, CalTrans. Stakeholder Alfred wants answers on who approved the firework bomb explosion in South Central, he wants to know what this board is doing about it even though it didn't take place without our boundaries.	10 min.

3.	0721-03	Community/Government Reports and Announcements	30 min.
		A. LAPD Senior Lead Officers -Southwest and 77th St Captain Zarekani	
		(email:31025@lapd.online), 77th St. LAPD - property crimes down 8%, homicides up	
		8%, rape up 19%, recovered over 600 firearms and 500 arrests; increase in Ghost guns.	
		Officer Canizales, 77th St. LAPD gave an update on crime is down in his area with only	
		1 stolen vehicle; auto shop complaints - impounding cars to clean up streets and quality	
		of life issues. Contact ATF Media Relations regarding the firework bombing in South	
		Central. Officer Salazar, Southwest Division gave up crime down; cleaning up	
		encampment areas.	
		B. Office of Supervisor Mitchell's office - Alfonso Ruiz-Delgado - Free Small Business	
		Academy on July 28 (legal service) at 5pm-6:30pm. Measure H funds going to LAHAS.	
		C. Council District 9 - Kendal Lake - CD9 working with housing individuals from the	
		firework bombing; asking for another investigation.	
		D. Mayor's Office - Edith Vega - not present.	
		E. USC Civic Engagement- Steve Wesson - not present.	
		F. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment- Karen Hernandez - Board training	
		updates	
4.	0721-04	Treasurer's Report: Monthly Expenditure Report	15 min.
		Presentation by S. Nieto, Treasurer	
		Review and discussion of VoicesNC Budget and MERs for June 2021.	
		Member/Committee: S. Nieto	
		Proposed Action 1: Motion to APPROVE the June 2021 MERs. MERs to be submitted by July 31,	
		2021. Perform BAC. MOTION: S. NIETO, 2ND: J. RABB, 8 YES, 1 ABSTAIN, MOTION CARRIES	
		Proposed Action 1: Motion to APPROVE the FY 21-22 budget. Perform BAC MOTION: J.RABB,	
		2ND: S. NIETO, 9 YES, 1 ABSTAIN, MOTION CARRIES	
		Proposed Action 1: Motion to APPROVE Administrative Board Packet including signers and bank	
		card holders. Perform BAC MOTION: S. NIETO, 2ND: J. SANDERS, 9 YES, 1 ABSTAIN, MOTION	
		CARRIES	
5.	0721-05	Figueroa and Slauson Park	20 min.
		Presentation by Sherilyn Correa and a representative from the Recreation and Park Department.	
		<u>Proposed Action:</u> Motion to APPROVE support with recommendations for the Figueroa and	
		Slauson Park Not available to present; RAP not ready to present designs yet; will be moved to	
		our August meeting - either Arts Parks & Rec or PLUM committee meeting. No Action Taken.	
6.	0721-06	Meeting Minutes	5 min.
		Review and discussion of minutes from the May (5/11/21) and June (6/8/21) Meetings.	
		Member/Committee: K. Benoit	
		Proposed Action: Motion to APPROVE the minutes for the May and June 2021 General Board	
		Meeting. MOTION to approve the May minutes: J. RABB, 2ND: S.NIETO, MOTION CARRIES; June	
		minutes not available, postponed to August meeting.	
7.	0721-07	Mural Project at Vermont Square Branch Library	10 min.
		Board Member: J. Rabb, Outreach and Arts, Parks & Recreation Committee	
		<u>Proposed Action:</u> Motion to APPROVE the mural artwork MOTION: E. GARREN 2nd: J. SANDERS,	
		MOTION CARRIES and cost not to exceed \$3,500 by Jayson Valencia for the building (Cooling	
		Tower) next to Vermont Square Branch Library. MOTION: M. CRAWFORD 2nd: S. NIETO, 9 YES, 1	
		ABSTAIN, MOTION CARRIES; Motion to APPROVE application fee of not to exceed \$80 for mural	
		project to Dept. of Cultural Affairs. 1st: J. RABB 2nd: M. CRAWFORD, 9 YES, 1 ABSTAIN, MOTION	
		CARRIES.	
8.	0721-08	First Annual Summer Saturday Extravaganza	15 min.
		In collaboration with Councilmember Price's office we are co-sponsoring an event at Vermont	
		Square Park every Saturday in August. Discussion of details.	

		Board Member: A. Farias  Proposed Action: Mation to APPROVE events and the cost not to exceed \$2,000 for	
		<u>Proposed Action:</u> Motion to APPROVE events and the cost not to exceed \$2,000 for food/items/art for outreach at the 4 summer events hosted by CD9 in August 2021 at Vermont	
		Square Park. MOTION: J. RABB, E.GARREN, 9 YES, 1 ABSTAIN, MOTION CARRIES	
9.	0721-09	2021 Civic University for Neighborhood Councils	10 min.
	0,22 03	Discussion and possible action to appoint board members to attend on 9/9, 9/23, 9/30/21	20
		Board Member: A. Farias & J. Rabb	
		Proposed Action: Appoint 2 board members to attend Civic University Nomination: M.	
		Crawford, E. Garren, J. Sanders, E. Mazariegos; Motion: J. RABB 2nd: S. KEATON, MOTION	
		CARRIES	
10.	0721-10	Voices Vacancies	15 min.
		Review and discussion of vacant council seat, unassigned committees, liaisons, liaison	
		alternates, and recruitment of community stakeholders for committee assignment. Discuss	
		council member absences. Invite all committee members to be sworn in during the February	
		meeting.  Presentation by Area 3 Representative candidate Abasi Patton and Area 4 Representative	
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		Edward Garren. Proposed Action: Motion to appoint Area 3 Representative and Area 4	
		Representative. MOTION to appoint Abasi Patton as Area 3 Representative MOTION: S. NIETO, 2ND: S. KEATON, 9 YES, MOTION CARRIES	
		MOTION to appoint Edward Garren as Area 4 Representative MOTION: M. CRAWFORD, 2ND: J. SANDERS, 10 YES, MOTION CARRIES	
		Member/Committee: A. Farias	
11.		Proposed Action: 1) Council to appoint vacant board seats.  Committee & Liaison Reports and Updates	15 min.
11.	0721-11	Council to report on committee and liaison activities and invite interested stakeholders to	15 111111.
		participate in scheduled meetings.	
		Outreach Committee (Jaime Rabb)	
		Planning & Land Use Committee (Parker Rand)	
		Arts, Parks & Recreation Committee (Sara Zurita)	
		Health and Safety Committee (Steven Nieto)	
		Budget & Finance Committee (Steven Nieto)	
		Ad hoc Sustainability Committee (Kaamil Benoit)	
		Ad hoc Business Committee (Vacant)	
		• LA LGBTQ+ Alliance of Neighborhood Councils Liaison (Sally Embrey/Kaamil Benoit)	
		CPAB - 77th Liaison (Steven Nieto) & Southwest Liaison (Sally Embrey)	
		Homeless Liaison (Albert Farias) Emergency Housing Vouchers submitted by LAHAS	
		• SLAANC Liaison (Albert Farias)	
		Area Representatives (1, 2, 3, 4 and At-Large) John Muir Science Magnet Middle School	
		apply now	
12		Proposed Action: No Proposed Action - Will review and appoint in August meeting	2
12.	0721-12	General Board Announcements on Non-Agenda Items (Not for Discussion)  ◆ Voices NC Board Member Training Updates	3 min.
		Community Refrigerator at United Market on 51st Place & Vermont Sign Up	
		• Community hemigerator at officed Market on 31st Flace & Vermont Sign op	

#### **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 inappropriate 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.

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Government code Section 54957.9

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<u>Voices NC Council Liaisons</u>			
Council Liaison	Meeting Time	Assigned Member	Alternate Member
1. SLAANC	Third Thursday of the month (6:30pm)		
2. LAPD 77 <sup>th</sup> C-PAB	Second Thursday of the month (6:00pm)		
3. LAPD Southwest C-PAB	First Monday of the month (6:30pm)		
4. Homelessness	Every Other Month (TBD) (6:30pm)		
5. Resilience/Disaster	TBD		
Preparedness			
6. Budget Advocate	First Monday of the month (7:00pm)		
7. Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance	TBD		

Voices NC Council Financial Responsibilities	

Primary Signer	2 <sup>nd</sup> Signer	Alternate Signer	1 <sup>st</sup> Bankcard holder	2 <sup>nd</sup> Bankcard holder
S. Nieto (Treasurer)	A. Farias	J. Rabb	A. Farias	J. Rabb

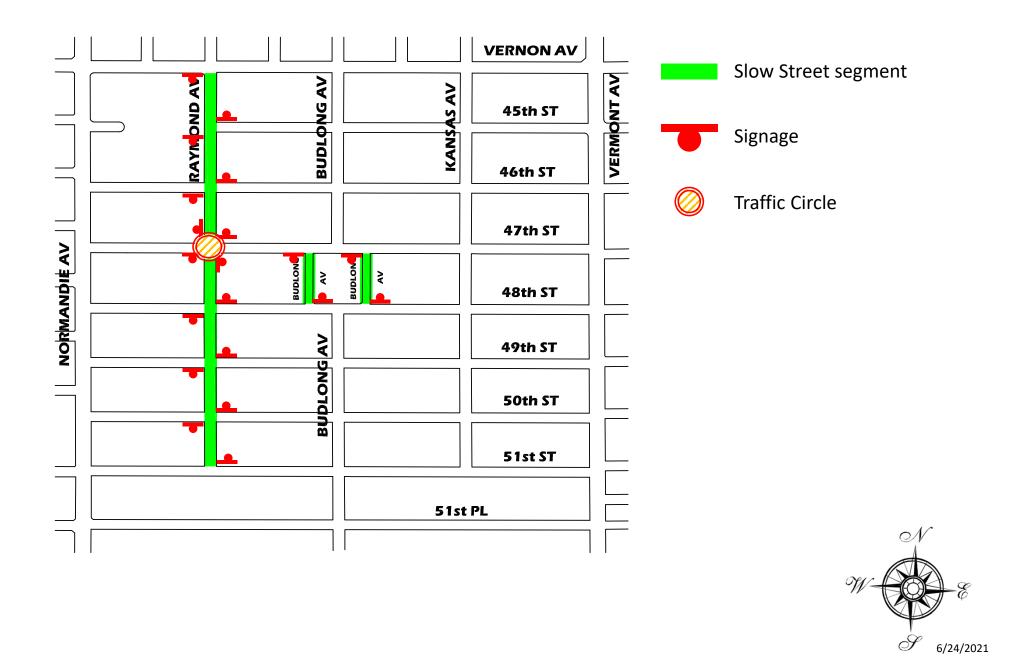
Voices NC Standing Committees
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All meetings are open to the public and will be posted on <u>www.empowerla.org</u>. All meetings will be held at Vermont Square Library unless otherwise posted. For more about Voices NC Standing Committees refer to Bylaws, Article VI, and Section 1.

Standing	Assigned Council	Description
Committees	Member	·
1. Arts, Parks, & Recreation		The Arts, Parks and Recreation Committee will have the responsibility to discuss issues, promote partnerships on projects and brainstorm ideas to encourage greater community involvement and support. The Arts, parks and Recreation Committee will explore issues and ideas in order to define community identity and values by giving voice to its citizens and providing a form for group action and expression. The committee submits reports of meetings in written form and makes recommendations to the Board for action. The Chair selects meeting site, date and time and meets as directed in these Bylaws.
2. Budget & Finance		The Budget and Finance Committee Investigate and pursue sources of income and funding. Make an initial review of project proposals and provide a report to the VNC board with recommendations. Generate a budget for each fiscal year, showing planned income and expenditures. And, maintain the Council budget current and report any issues to the Board.
3. Outreach		The Outreach Committee shall be charged with continuing to outreach to the VNC stakeholders by utilizing any acceptable and Board approved forms of media (e.g. flyers, newsletters, print, television/electronic media, signs, banners, website, etc.) to inform stakeholders regarding projects and events. The content and method of distribution must be pre-approved by the Board.
4. Planning & Land Use		The Planning & Land Use Committee shall review, take public input, report on and make recommendations of actions to the Board on any land use, beautification, and planning issues affecting the community in order to improve the health and quality of life of its citizens. The committee also reviews and recommends action regarding building development projects requiring land use permits within the VNC boundaries; advocates positions on land use and building design for the betterment of the community; and considers and provides recommendations to Council on other topics, such as rezoning, applications, development permits, and any subdivision that require council approval.
5. Senior Services		The Senior Services Committee addresses the needs of senior citizens in the community and provides an environment where seniors can discuss current issues, share ideas and voice their concerns. The committee will be supportive of programs and services that provide seniors with maximum vitality and independence. It will identify, monitor and address issues that have impact upon seniors' quality of life. The committee will promote "Healthy Aging" by creating an environment where individual differences and needs are recognized; by promoting multicultural awareness, understanding and interaction; and by serving as a bridge to access government information and resources.
6. Youth & Education		The Youth & Education Committee addresses the issues, concerns, programs and services related to the education of children, youth and

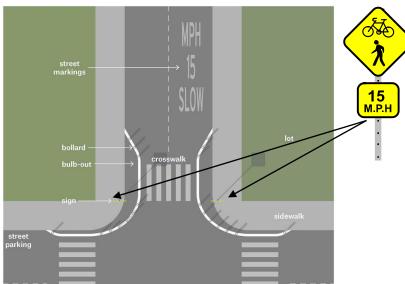
	adults and developing specific strategies and policies for influencing and achieving constructive outcomes within schools, classrooms, and other education/learning centers that serve the Voices community. Additionally, this committee has the general responsibility to discuss issues, foster collaboration on projects, and brainstorm ideas to encourage greater community involvement/support and participation.
7. Health & Safety	The Health & Safety Committee seeks opportunities to organize and forums to mobilize the community in seeking safety practices. This includes partnering with Neighborhood Watch, Volunteer Safety Task Force (to enhance the Services provided by the School Crossing Guards), School Crossing Guards, Los Angeles Police Department Senior Lead Officers and Traffic Division and the Los Angeles Fire Department. Representatives of VNC will work to formalize a relationship with these City agencies and other entities responsible for "safety issues" in our community.

### **Vermont Square Slow Streets – Voices Neighborhood Council**

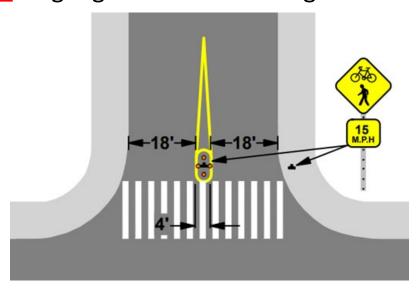




# Intersection Tightening, Signage & Street Markings









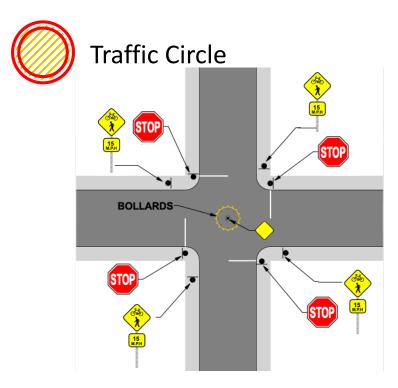
# Signal Gateway Treatment, Signage & Street Markings





Signage





Painted Median

