

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL OF WESTCHESTER / PLAYA



Attend NCWP Committee Meetings

The Neighborhood Council of Westchester/Playa has eight standing committees that discuss various topics of interest to our community. To learn about these issues in more depth, please take the time to attend our committee meetings and let your voice be heard.

Airport Relations

Third Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.
Clifton Moore Administration Building, LAX

Budget and Finance

First Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.
7166 W Manchester Ave., Community Room

Education

Fourth Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.
Westchester Loyola Village Library

Government Affairs/City Services

Meets as needed
Please check website for time and location

Homelessness & Vehicular Living

Meets as needed
Please check website for time and location

Outreach

Meets as needed
Please check website for time and location

Planning & Land Use

Third Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.
Westchester Loyola Village Library

Public Safety

Meets as needed
Please check website for time and location

BOARD MEETING

First Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.
Community Room @ Westchester Municipal Building

Neighborhood Council Hears From Mayoral Candidate, Supports Dr. Pride

At its January 3 board meeting, the Neighborhood Council of Westchester Playa heard from Los Angeles Mayoral candidate Kevin James about his plans for the future of the city. The February meeting will include a presentation from another mayoral candidate – Councilwoman Jan Perry.

The Neighborhood Council also voted unanimously to support ousted Orville Wright Principal Dr. Curtis Pride. In a letter to LAUSD Board Member Steven Zimmer, the NCWP wrote, "Dr. Pride was hired for Orville Wright following a thorough vetting with the school's stakeholders. This comprehensive process resulted in buy-in and support for his vision, goals and strategic direction. The community has been very pleased with the results to date; through Dr. Pride's leadership, we are finally seeing a transformation in culture and a steady improvement in performance at the school ... we ask that you conduct a direct and thorough investigation into the process that resulted in Dr. Pride's reassignment and report back urgently and candidly to our community."

The Neighborhood Council also approved the appointment of two new board members: former Del Rey Neighborhood Council President and Playa del Rey resident Mark Redick will take over the At-Large Affirmation seat, and Westchester resident David Hoisman will take over the Residential District 10 seat.



Neighborhood Council Budget Constraints Mean New Process for Grant Requests

By Alex Eychis, NCWP Treasurer

The Neighborhood Council of Westchester/Playa – along with every other Neighborhood Council in Los Angeles – have taken a 10% cut for its 2011/2012 fiscal year. This cut was due to budgetary constraints within the city.

Furthermore, the city no longer allows Neighborhood Councils to rollover leftover funds from previous fiscal year budgets into current budgets. These cuts have had huge implications in the way we conduct business. As a response to these measures, the Budget and Finance Committee of the NCWP has decided to place a cap of \$1,500 on all requests for Neighborhood Purposes Grants and Community Improvement Projects. The Committee also decided to set a February 1, 2012 deadline for all

organizations to submit their completed applications to the Budget and Finance Committee for consideration of funding before the end of our fiscal year on June 30, 2012.

Applications are accepted and reviewed on a first-come, first-served basis. Please go to the NCWP website at www.ncwpdr.org to download the funding application and to read filing instructions.

The Budget and Finance Committee meets at 5:30 pm on the first Tuesday of every month at the Westchester Community Room at 7166 Manchester Ave. (at Lincoln) in Westchester.

For more information or questions about applying for grants, please contact NCWP Treasurer Alex Eychis at aeychis@gmail.com or (310) 930-8535.



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