



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 Thursday at 6:30 p.m.
Del Rey Hills Church, 8505 Saran Dr., in Playa del Rey

Budget and Finance

First Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.
Community Room @ Westchester Municipal Building
7166 W Manchester Ave.

Community Services

Meets as needed
Please check website for time and location

Education

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

Government Affairs

Third Monday at 6:30 p.m.
Del Rey Hills Church, 8505 Saran Dr., in Playa del Rey

Outreach

Meets as needed
Please check website for time and location

Planning & Land Use

Third Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.
Community Room @ Westchester Municipal Building
7166 W Manchester Ave.

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
7166 W Manchester Ave.

NCWP Committees Ready for A Great 2013

Message from the President

In 1999, the voters approved a new City Charter which declared, "We the people of the City of Los Angeles, in order to establish a responsive, effective and accountable government through which all voices in our diverse society can be heard; to provide fair representation and distribution of government resources and a safe, harmonious environment based on principles of liberty and equality, do enact this Charter." The new City Charter's Article IX provided for the creation of the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment and a citywide system of neighborhood councils in order to "promote more citizen participation in government and make government more responsive to local needs." The purpose of the Citywide System of Neighborhood Councils in the City of Los Angeles is to promote more citizen participation in government and make government more responsive to local needs. Neighborhood Councils include and represent the many diverse interests of its community and shall have an advisory role on issues of concern to their neighborhood. The Neighborhood Council of Westchester/Playa is YOUR Neighborhood Council and your participation is important to make it as effective as it can be. Come join us at our monthly committee meetings and NCWP Board meetings. Neighborhood Council of Westchester Playa is the voice of the community. Let's work together to improve our community. Happy New Year!

~~ Cyndi Hench, President

Airport Relations

On Tuesday, January 8, Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) will host an Open House from 4:30-6:30 p.m. followed by a public hearing at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the environmental impact report for the airport's Specific Plan Amendment Study (SPAS) at the Proud Bird Restaurant, 11022 Aviation Boulevard in Westchester. The NCWP position on this remains steadfast: the NCWP supports Alts 2 & 9. We want LAWA to focus on modernization and ground transportation infrastructure improvements. We want an airport we can be proud of calling our neighbor. Alas, as in many dealings with LAWA, we have short notice and a meeting scheduled that challenges public convenience. So once again, we need to mobilize our best effort to have a strong community showing. By now you should have received a flyer reminding you to please plan on attending. Along the way we ask you to reach every possible friend, relative, and neighbor calling for their attendance at this hearing too. We have other talking points that we will gladly send upon request. Please direct your interest to: integritysearch@ca.rr.com

~~ Craig Eggers, Airport Relations Committee Chair

Government Affairs Committee

The Government Affairs Committee of the NCWP meets the third Monday of each month, with the exception of federal or state holidays. The meeting time and place is 6:30 p.m., at the Del Rey Hills Church, 8505 Saran Drive in Playa del Rey. The GAC's mission is to serve as a practical and direct resource for stakeholders needing the services of local government and to work with city services to resolve quality of life issues. Additionally, the goals for this committee include identifying the issues of concern to the community and then developing, in a timely manner, information and guidelines that will provide our stakeholders the resources that are needed to resolve these matters. This committee's stated goal is to be proactive in resolving the concerns brought before it. 2013 promises to be a busy year for the GAC, with several items already being proposed for upcoming meetings in the New Year. We encourage all stakeholders to take part in future upcoming meetings and events held by this very important committee.

~~ Mark Redick, Government Affairs Committee Chair

Community Services Committee

The Community Services Committee (CSC) is the Neighborhood Council's newest committee. Its purpose is to link local volunteers with Neighborhood Council committees, non-profits and schools who need experience, enthusiasm and sweat-equity to support their efforts. Westchester/Playa is a community of wonderful, giving people – but oftentimes, they do not know how or where they can help. The CSC will provide the link to volunteer opportunities in our local area, as well as ensure that region-wide events (e.g. Mayor's Day of Service) have an active presence in Westchester/Playa. The CSC will support the invaluable work of local schools and organizations, which are making a difference in the quality-of-life in our community. Meeting schedule is being determined. Check www.ncwpdr.org for more information or contact Cheryl Burnett at cburnettNC1@gmail.com.

~~ Cheryl Burnett, Community Services Committee Chair