NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL OF WESTCHESTER / PLAYA

Working together to improve our communities!

"If you do not take an interest in the affairs of your government, then you are doomed to live under the rule of fools."

CWP~ Plato



Public Safey Committee to Get Crime Update

The Neighborhood Council of Westchester Playa's **Public Safety Committee** will meet virtually at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, March 16. The meeting will include a crime update from Los Angeles Police Department Senior Lead Officers. For the complete agenda and Zoom login information, please visit www.ncwpdr.org. Agendas are posted no later than 72 hours prior to the meeting.



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NCWP Election: Candidate Filing Period Closes March 23

The Neighborhood Council of Westchester/Playa (NCWP) is one of Los Angeles' 99 Neighborhood Councils, the grassroots arm of city government. Our board is comprised of 31 Director Seats representing stakeholders that include residents, businesses, and other community organizations. Board members are elected by stakeholders and serve as volunteers. This voting cycle half of the seats are up for election. The specific qualifications for each of those 15 Board seats can be found on our website.

As an official advisory body to Los Angeles City government, our mission is to increase civic engagement and make the city more responsive to local needs. We monitor the city budget, the delivery of city services, and generally, act as a liaison between the community and city elected officials and departments. Attend some of our board and committee meetings to learn more about issues we are tackling.

Candidate Information

The **Candidate Filing Period** for our Neighborhood Council closes March 23. Candidates must complete an application and verify their eligibility. This can be done via the on-line The NC Candidate Filing Portal or by completing a paper application. The on-line portal includes useful reference resources found by visiting: https://clerk.lacity.org/candidate-filing

The paper 2021 Candidate Filing Application can be found on our website. If using the paper application, submit it via mail, email or fax with the required supporting documentation. To learn more about running for a board seat, attend a Candidate Info Session hosted by the City of Los Angeles Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, and the City Clerk's Elections team. To view a list of dates and RSVP for a session visit: www.NCevents.Eventbrite.com

Sessions are held via Zoom. Details to join online or by phone are shared in your RSVP confirmation. You'll learn about:

- campaigning safely and successfully during a pandemic
- connecting with voters in this year's Vote-By-Mail elections
- · advocating for issues you're passionate about
- writing your personal statement & developing talking points
- · filling out your candidate application



Everyone who RSVPs will receive a copy of the slideshow; a link to the session recording; and other important election resources, so sign up to join the mailing list, even if you aren't sure you can attend.

The 2021 NCWP Election is Vote-by-Mail Only

Election Day is June 8th and all ballots must be postmarked by Election Day. Stakeholders must APPLY to VOTE and to receive a ballot.

Stakeholder Voter Information

Because of COVID-19 and public health and safety concerns, the City Clerk is implementing an all Vote-By-Mail model for all Neighborhood Councils for 2021.

The stakeholder **Vote-by-Mail Ballot Request Period** for our Neighborhood Council will open April 9th and close June 1st. Voters must apply for a ballot and provide documentation of stakeholder eligibility. This can be done on-line or via a paper application once the Ballot Request Period opens. Please visit our website for details about this process at that time

Next Neighborhood Council of Westchester/Playa Monthly Board Meeting:

6:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 6, 2021

via Zoom





