

Special Board Meeting
DRAFT MINUTES
Submitted by Geoff Maleman

Tuesday, June 16, 2026 – 6:30 p.m.
@ CD11 Community Room
7166 Manchester Ave., Los Angeles 90045

Present: Gregg Aniolek, Steve Donell, Thomas Flintoft, Joshua Francis, Paula Gerez, Sarah Howard, Jennifer Kingshott, Jessica Lesley, Matt Lipschutz, John Logsdon, Geoff Maleman, Dennis Miller, Dan Mohler, Kevin O'Brien, Alexandra Reynolds, Garrett Smith, Theresa Torrance,

Absent: Tabitha Butler, Tracy Conyers, Al Hernandez, Casey Yeazel,

Excused: Jack Hughes, Debra Huston, Chip Mallek, Fred Puza, Julie Ross, David Voss, Julie Zaller

1. **Call to Order – President Gerez called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.**
2. **Salute the Flag – President Gerez led the flag salute**
3. **Introductions**
4. **Consent Calendar:** *(The following items will be treated as one item and enacted with one vote unless a Board member or a stakeholder requests that an item be placed on the Discussion Calendar.)*
 1. Approval of Minutes of May 5, 2026 Board meeting
 2. Motion to Approve the Neighborhood Council recognize the Volunteer Community Patrol (VCP) as the recipient of the 2026 Star of the Neighborhood Award for their outstanding service and dedication to our community. The Volunteer Community Patrol consists of community members who have completed training through the Los Angeles Police Department and volunteer countless hours to help keep our neighborhoods safe. These volunteers serve as extra eyes and ears for law enforcement by patrolling our streets, observing and reporting suspicious activity, assisting with community awareness, and helping deter crime through their visible presence. Their commitment to public safety strengthens the partnership between residents and law enforcement while fostering a greater sense of security throughout our neighborhood. The members of the VCP selflessly dedicate their personal time to protecting and serving our community without compensation, demonstrating exceptional civic engagement and neighborhood pride.
 3. Motion to approve the NCWP Budget Advocates, Budget Representatives to be Theresa Torrance and Paula Gerez.
 4. Motion to approve a CIS in support of the LANCC recommendations, which is in CF 26-0489. In the interest of efficiency, Neighborhood Councils may include consent calendars on their agendas. Items on consent calendars may include common agenda items including, but not limited to, approval of minutes and the Monthly Expenditure Report and may include agenda items voted by a committee. Any member of the board shall have the ability, at the meeting, to request an agenda item on the consent calendar be removed from consent and heard on its own. The meeting chair shall remove the requested consent agenda item if requested. Removal shall not be a topic for discussion, but the item can be. The public shall have the opportunity to make public comment on the items on the agenda items in the consent calendar.
 5. Motion to support WRAC Motion Refers to City [CF 26-0600](#) "NCWP, a member of the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC), strongly urges the City to restore and maintain full funding for Neighborhood Council elections in the Fiscal Year 2026–2027 budget. The City Clerk's proposed elimination of \$915,000 in funding, which would likely result in the postponement of the 2027 NC elections until 2029, represents a short-term budget solution with long-term democratic consequences. While fiscal responsibility is critical, the cost savings are marginal when weighed against the erosion of civic engagement, community trust, and local representation. Furthermore, many NC Bylaws do not allow board member terms to extend beyond June 2027 and therefore if NC elections do not occur during FY 2026-2027 these members would term off with no democratic process for choosing their successors.

Funding for NC elections in FY 2026-2027 is absolutely critical and cannot be eliminated.”
[WRAC history here.](#)

6. Refers to City Council file 26-0600 “NCWP, a member of the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC), supports the recommendations of the Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates on pp. 7-16 of the Budget Advocates 2026 White Paper”: [Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates 2026 White Paper](#) | [WRAC history here.](#)

Highlighted items were called Special and discussed as part of the Discussion Calendar.
~~Struck-out~~ items were removed from the Consent Calendar and tabled to a future meeting date..

M/S Kingshott/O'Brien to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion passes unanimously (14-0). (AYES: Aniolek, Donell, Flintoft, Howard, Kingshott, Lipschutz, Logsdon, Maleman, Miller, Mohler, O'Brien, Reynolds, Smith, Torrance, Francis abstaining.)

5. Announcements from Governmental Representative (limit to 3 minutes please)

1. **Trey Grogan** (Councilmember Traci Park's Office) spoke re: charter reform; 41.18 location updates; abandoned property on Ramsgate; recycling facility near Roberts Market; city budget update – cuts to coastal team to enforce homeless ordinances, cuts to vehicle dwelling operations – both will negatively impact the city's ability to deal with homeless encampments); airport overlay motion; Redtail Crossing; Gillis Tournament mural and other murals in progress; weed abatement; and a variety of community events.

6. Announcements from Board Members

1. **Mohler** (Park Advisory Board) provided an update on funding efforts for city parks happening at City Hall.
2. **Francis** (LAWA) spoke re: construction fencing near Westchester Town Center and Sepulveda Westway and provided an update on staging for on-airport construction projects; June 15-21 Century Boulevard closures; up to 54-hour closure of northbound Sepulveda Boulevard on July 18-19; Fourth of July Parade participation; and PeopleMover update.

Lesley arrived and began participating with her fellow board members.

7. Presentations

There were no presentations this evening.

8. Discussion Calendar and Related Public Comment

1. Motion to Approve, Receive and file the April 2026 Treasurer's Report and MER

M/S Torrance/Kingshott to approve the motion. Motion passes unanimously (15-0). (AYES: Aniolek, Donell, Flintoft, Howard, Kingshott, Lesley, Lipschutz, Logsdon, Maleman, Miller, Mohler, O'Brien, Reynolds, Smith, Torrance, Francis abstaining.)

2. Motion to Approve, Receive and file the May 2026 Treasurer's Report and MER

M/S Miller/Kingshott to approve the motion. Motion passes unanimously (15-0). (AYES: Aniolek, Donell, Flintoft, Howard, Kingshott, Lesley, Lipschutz, Logsdon, Maleman, Miller, Mohler, O'Brien, Reynolds, Smith, Torrance, Francis abstaining.)

3. Motion to Approve sponsorship of the 4th of July Parade NTE \$1,200.

M/S Kingshott/Torrance to approve the motion. Motion passes unanimously (15-0). (AYES: Aniolek, Donell, Flintoft, Howard, Kingshott, Lesley, Lipschutz, Logsdon, Maleman, Miller, Mohler, O'Brien, Reynolds, Smith, Torrance, Francis abstaining.)

9. **Public Comment** – non-agenda items *(limited to 1 minute per speaker unless otherwise declared by the President or presiding director. Public comment on agenda items will be called as each agenda item is brought forward.)*

Jason Christopher spoke re: his proposal for redevelopment of historic Fire Station No. 5 into a rehabilitation and physical wellness center for urban bus drivers

10. **Committee Reports**

Aniolek (Government Affairs) spoke re: request from the public for a hazardous materials audit of our community and provided an update on the Ballona Creek Interceptor project

Torrance (Budget and Finance) spoke re: budget and fiscal packet for 2026-2027

Gerez spoke re: NCWP election updates

11. **Adjourn – President Gerez adjourned the meeting at 7:37 p.m.**

Next Meeting: Tuesday, July 7, 2026 – 6:30 p.m.