CITY OF LOS ANGELES
CUIDAD DE LOS ANGELES

WESTLAKE NORTH
NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

AGENDA

Special General Board Meeting
Board Retreat / Training
Wednesday, July 31, 2019
6:30 p.m.

CENTRAL CITY NEIGHBORHOOD PARTNERS
Conference Room
501 S. BIXEL STREET
LOS ANGELES, CA 90017

The City’s Neighborhood Council system enables civic participation for all Angelenos and serves as a voice for improving government responsiveness to local communities and their needs. We are an advisory body to the City of Los Angeles, comprised of volunteer stakeholders who are devoted to the mission of improving our communities and bringing government closer to us.

1. Call to Order and Commission roll call (1 minute)

2. Retreat Overview Board Member Training
   a. Agenda
      i. Ralph M Brown Act Compliant
      ii. Transparency
      iii. Regular Meeting vs Special Meeting
         1. Minimum posting requirement
         2. General public comment
         3. Public comment
      iv. Agenda Item
      v. Public review of agenda & documents
   b. Required ADA language
   c. Posting Requirements
      i. Brown Act
      ii. Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (BONC)
      iii. Early Notification System (ENS)
3. Board Official Action  
   a. Quorum - 13  
      i. What does this mean?  
   b. How?  
      i. Simple Majority  
   c. What does my vote mean?  
      i. Yes  
      ii. No  
      iii. Abstain  
      iv. Recuse  

4. Data  
   a. Introduction to open data, opportunities and pit falls  
      vi. Demographics  
      vii. 311 data  
   b. How does data affect my Neighborhood Council  
   c. What use of data do I have for my Neighborhood Council  

5. Standing Committees vs Ad Hoc  

6. PRAs  
   a. CA Public Records Act  
   b. Email, phone, text, electronic communication  

7. Funding  
   a. Budgets  
   b. MERs  
   c. Treasurer’s Report  

8. Community Impact Statements (CIS)  
   a. What is a CIS?  
      i. CIS  
      ii. Call to Action  
   b. How does LHNC file a CIS?  
      viii. Appoint up to 5 filers  
      ix. CIS must be Board approved  

9. Liaison Appointment  
   a. Homelessness  
   b. Emergency Preparedness
10. Bylaws
   a. Understanding

11. Strategic Planning 2019-2020
   a. Standing Committees

12. Email Etiquette
   a. cc vs bcc
   b. Why bcc?

13. Board Member Comments / Comentarios de los miembros del Consejo
   a. Introduce new issues or agenda items for consideration by the Board at its next meeting and request for items on future agenda.
      
      Introducir nuevos temas o puntos del orden del día para su consideración por la Junta en su próxima reunión y solicitar los puntos del programa futuro.

14. Adjournment / Cierre
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