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WESTLAKE NORTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

AGENDA

WNNC Special Meeting
6:00 PM

Thursday, November 12, 2026

WNNC Board Meeting

LAPD Rampart Community Police Station
Community Room
1401 West 6th Street
Los Angeles, CA 90017

"When Every Second Counts: Community Safety, Reporting & Recovery"

Presentations conclude by 8:05 p.m.; meeting ends by 9:00 p.m.

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1. WELCOME, PURPOSE, AND SURVEY INTRODUCTION (6:00 p.m. - 6:10 p.m.)

Elaine Alaniz, President of the Westlake North Neighborhood Council, will welcome participants, provide brief context about recent neighborhood fires, explain the town hall purpose, and introduce the voluntary reporting-barriers survey.

Survey topics:

- Uncertainty about when or how to report.
- Language, technology, accessibility, and document-completion needs.
- Fear, discomfort, cost concerns, and previous experiences seeking assistance.
- Tools or support that would make reporting easier. The survey is not an emergency-reporting channel or a substitute for an official report.

2. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL (6:10 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.)

3. FIRST ACTIONS: SAFE ESCAPE AND CALLING 911 (6:15 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.)

Invited: LAFD Battalion 11, Chief Kenneth Cook; a 911 communications representative.

- Immediate actions during a fire and safe evacuation.
- Planning for household members who need assistance and for pets.
- Getting help before recording video or calling family, friends, or neighbors.
- Information dispatchers need and how to handle multiple calls about the same event (call overload and response time).
- Understanding the different purposes of 211, 311, 711, and 911, and requesting language assistance.
- A brief fictional emergency-call demonstration. Ready, Set, Go! preparedness materials may also be shared.

4. REPORTING CRIME AND FOLLOWING THROUGH (6:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.)

Invited: LAPD Rampart.

- Emergency, nonemergency, and eligible online reporting, including the importance of maintaining a documented reporting history.
- Calls for service, formal reports, and reference numbers.
- Documenting recurring incidents and submitting information safely.
- Assistance for residents who have difficulty completing reports.
- A brief visual walk-through of eligible online reporting.

5. COUNCIL DISTRICT 1: 311, CITY SERVICES, AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES (6:45 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.)

Invited: Council District 1, Gabriela Agarie, Field Deputy.

- How Council District 1 can help residents navigate City services and connect with the appropriate department.
- Using MyLA311 to submit nonemergency service requests, track reports, and follow up on unresolved issues.
- An overview of City services and how budget decisions can affect their delivery.
- District resources and referral pathways, including housing referrals in coordination with LAHD and community partners.
- Reporting dumped trash, bulky items, and other service needs.
- A brief MyLA311 demonstration using a sample issue.
- Tracking requests and following up on unresolved conditions.
- Reporting recurring property hazards to the correct department.
- How service data informs operations and requests for resources.
- Coordinating neighborhood reporting and follow-up.
- Available English and Spanish materials and how residents can request language assistance.

6. AFTER THE EMERGENCY: FAMILY SUPPORT, PETS, AND HOUSING (7:00 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.)

Invited: MySafeLA; LA Animal Services, North Central (pending), for lost-pet resources. If LA Animal Services is unavailable, MySafeLA can also share information on lost-pet resources.

- Immediate family support and assistance referrals.
- Understanding eligibility and reconnecting after an incident.
- Temporary displacement, repairs, temporary housing vouchers or other assistance where available, and proposed housing transfers.
- What to document and where to seek individual guidance.
- Reporting and searching for missing pets; identification, shelter searches, and reunification; temporary-care resources and reclaim questions.
- MySafeLA may share FireSmartLA prevention and home-and-pet preparedness resources.

7. FINANCIAL RECOVERY: SBA ECONOMIC INJURY DISASTER LOANS (7:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.)

Presenter: Public Affairs Specialist Juan Lezama. Invited: U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Disaster Recovery.

- An overview of Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL) for eligible small businesses and nonprofit organizations affected by a declared disaster.
- Economic injury and operating needs, including circumstances where physical damage is not required.
- Applicable disaster declarations, geographic eligibility, application deadlines, documentation, and where to obtain help.
- Clarifying that EIDL assistance is a loan, not a grant. SBA will confirm applicable eligibility and program details.

8. PRACTICAL TOOLS AND REPORTING ASSISTANCE (7:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.)

Presenter: Friends of the Pico Union Library Chair Aurora Corona, with input from participating agencies.

- Household communication plans and verified information.
- Library computers, Wi-Fi, printing, Cybernauts technology help, and device-lending options, subject to availability.
- Available literacy and appropriate form-completion support, referrals, and how residents can access these services.
- Feasibility of scheduled reporting assistance, a staffed laptop station, or other accessible support. Any reporting-assistance service is a proposal for discussion, not a confirmed service.

9. FINANCIAL PROTECTION: THE IMPORTANCE OF RENTERS INSURANCE (7:45 p.m. - 8:05 p.m.)

Suggested participant: a qualified renters-insurance consumer-education representative, subject to availability. Educational materials and a brief personal example from Elaine Alaniz may supplement the presentation.

- How planning ahead with renters insurance may help households manage the financial impact of a covered loss.
- The distinction between a property owner's building insurance and a resident's renters insurance.
- Questions about coverage for personal belongings and additional living expenses.
- Understanding deductibles, coverage limits, exclusions, and documentation; keeping photographs, a belongings inventory, and accessible policy information.
- A brief personal example from Elaine Alaniz about assistance her policy provided after the fire. Coverage and premiums vary by policy.

10. MONTHLY EXPENDITURE REPORTS & FINANCIALS (8:05 p.m. - 8:20 p.m.)

a. Discussion and possible action to approve the September 2026 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER).

b. Discussion and possible action to approve the October 2026 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER).

c. Discussion and possible action to approve a $109.27 purchase consisting of WNNC-branded outreach materials distributed to members of the public while tabling and engaging with the community at the Doggy Waste Station event on September 12, 2026.

d. Discussion and possible action to approve the $25.19 Dollar Big Bargain missing-receipt expense for outreach materials purchased for the WNNC Fall Festival on October 16, 2026.

Public comment will be taken on this item before Board action.

11. MODERATED QUESTIONS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA TOPICS (8:20 p.m. - 8:35 p.m.)

Pre-submitted and live questions will be grouped by topic to use time effectively. Individual cases will be referred for private follow-up. Public comment is subject to the meeting procedures and time limits stated in the notice.

12. SURVEY COLLECTION, KEY CONTACTS, AND NEXT STEPS (8:35 p.m. - 8:40 p.m.)

Explain how survey findings will be summarized and used to identify practical improvements. Review unresolved questions, agency contacts, and follow-up responsibilities.

13. ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION AND RESOURCE CONVERSATIONS (8:40 p.m. - 8:59 p.m.)

Time is reserved for interpretation, brief presentation extensions, questions, and individual resource conversations. No additional speeches are scheduled during this buffer.

14. ADJOURNMENT (no later than 9:00 p.m.)

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