

Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC)

APRIL 3, 2021 NOTES - DRAFT

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Motion

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NOTES

Call to Order: 10:02 a.m.

Empower LA Website:

Bonnie Wolfe, Hack for LA - Julien Antelin, Empower LA

Presentation of the Neighborhood Council Website project led by Hack for LA, a non-profit gathering civic-minded volunteers to build digital products, programs and services with community partners and local government to address issues in our LA region. This project will review the existing features on current websites and will conduct surveys to identify the needs of the community.

Bonnie Wolfe, Phoebe Ng – Hack for LA – they are auditing each NC website to develop a comparative analysis of the 99 NC's to identify what features they contain and creating a spreadsheet and this group will eventually publish the data. Comparison criteria, newsletter, blog, agenda notification systems, what FAQ's there, the host of the website and how many on word press or other platforms are just a few examples of data collection. The purpose of the report will be open source to help.

Question: Richard Hopp – the biggest problem that I see is the open hyperlinks and vulnerability. Outside developers are used in correcting hyperlinks. The biggest problem I see is the management of the website. Contact management, NC volunteers need to focus on the content at the NC website level. The grammar and other non-safe plug ins and the web-corner is not responsive. In addition to Empower LA, gave them broken hyperlinks to correct these. Accountability and follow through in correcting this regarding resource problems is a higher priority for website upkeep. I am a backend coder and I know what I feel is needed, I do not want to see this fail.

Bonnie: Please everyone cue up your comments and questions before continuing questions.

Glenn: Please use the chat function to capture questions to the presenters.

Bonnie: We have a lot of professionals involved in this process. About a year ago we launched the largest food pantry site had 35 listings and now we have listed 400 + food pantries on our website. Process is methodical and first will be a survey to understand their features. After that another survey will be launched with the NC's to

current and former board members as well as stakeholders to determine after deep analysis to determine what changes are needed. Our project will not take the place of your respective web developers, this will help NC's to determine collectively what may be needed based on the needs of each NC once they can view what the comprehensive survey results are.

Question from Chat:

Bonnie: We expect to publish the survey relatively quickly once we get the complete information. We hope to do that in the next month, there are 50 analysis of websites of the 99 thus far. We will be also analyzing on demographic information as well. Would like to have neighborhood council volunteers to help with the analysis. The new budget happens in July and we would not have recommendations from the constituents by that time.

- Questions that are added will be captured in the Chat and posted in a separate attachment on the LANCC website.

Q: Lou Caravella – I am glad that there is interest in this and considering we are volunteers at the NC level, in Central San Pedro we do hire developers for our website. There are lots of broken links that can be checked with a “broken link checker” software application. I identify issues with Security and Transparency. We do have vendors that have issues in respect to this. I would hope we could work on publishing agendas ahead of time. Please add these two topics to your analysis.

Bonnie: I welcome that suggestion, some of the analysis that requires us to liaison with all the NC's is a challenge. I would like to get further down the road with the project before reaching out to the NC's prior to the survey launch. We did have at LACEY center in person meetings for NC leadership to help us determine the needs based on this in-person feedback which occurred prior to the pandemic. We also send out an email survey and we did not get a considerable response. As a result, we are creating this analysis and then will relaunch the feedback survey.

Q: Richard Hopp – I understand what Empower LA wants to do. My concern is that the broken hyperlinks to be corrected and months later are still an issue. I ask Julien to look into this, despite there being reduces staffed. My google engineers of mine helped identify this. LAPD corrected their issues.

Bonnie: Hack LA is encouraging this, but they are not responsible for NC sites, each NC is responsible for their own. It is also the responsibility of the Empower LA to give support the NC's.

Q: Cindy Cleghorn – We link to documents to the city sites at Sunland Tujunga and the older sites are linked on the New website to maintain the legacy and work. Is there a recommendation, that anything from this older site may eventually not be accessible? It would be difficult to keep up with this. Records maintenance for this purpose. How long do these need to be maintained. Should there be a disclaimer for NC's regarding broken links. We created a survey at our NC in the thousands, and these things are great to maintain. If there could be something as a guide so as not to lose past work that the councils have done would be a valuable resource to not lose this for prosperity. I would also like further consideration regarding future HACK LA Survey to the NC's and what questions are asked in this as the needs are subjective. The Empower LA website contains documents of history and are these maintained for a specific document request.

Julien: Thank you Bonnie Wolfe and Phoebe NG from HackLA for their volunteer efforts. Regarding the Department website, there are broken links and we are currently working on a new website redesign then trouble shooting on a soon to be archived website. We are still trying to facilitate the needs of NC's; however it was determined rather than restructure, we have dedicated time and staff for the launch of a new and innovate website. I appreciate the broken hyperlinks as Richard mentioned. I hope that you can be patient and understand that this will soon be implemented.

Data Literacy Program – this is program directs information as to where you can find – the second part is data Liaisons which are invited once a month to a workshop which

trains how to use city web apps that can display data via map creations with each of their respective NC, stakeholders are welcome to be a liaison. Eventual creation of data and the training is free. This liaison is a to develop a close relationship with the data they receive to go back to the NC.

April 27th at 5:30 p.m. The guest speaker "Data for Progress" will make a presentation of surveys and polls.

I did hear about the crash of a department server where there was some information was lost. We are using now the Google suite of the city for backup information. We try to keep everything we have but cannot display anything on the website to keep it from being cumbersome. We are redesigning the department website, if you feel at your NC level you want something to be considered in the redesign of the website, I encourage you to contact me so we can help facilitate that request under your NC page. We want the new website to answer the most important needs. This is an ongoing process and even after relaunch there will be more edits as we move forward in the process. The intent will not be to remain static, there will be updates in the maintenance of the new site.

Rachael Rose Luckey: Would like a simple hyperlink to their sign up for the distribution list, if you could please reference each NC in a summary page in addition to the supported NC page by page.

Julien Antelin: The new redesign will hopefully send each individual searching for a particular NC will enable search engines to transfer each browser directly to the particular NC.

Ro Hensley: Information that may be archived pages that NC's felt it important should go to a WIKI page that they can access. Which would help for transparency and accessibility. If a roadmap could be captured for our feedback to be returned to us, the issue is the implementation of any concerns that are listed in the survey requests. Whatever solution you determine should be easy for those that access the website. I

also would like to note any timelines and target dates of delivery so we can know what is expected.

Julien A: I agree and would like to deliver what is requests, we have projects that have been postponed due to the department staff reductions. Certainly these ideas and comments shared today I will go back to the department working group for consideration and determination how best to work with IT on how we can implement some right away if possible.

Terrence: I would ask that the number system identification be reconsidered on the website.

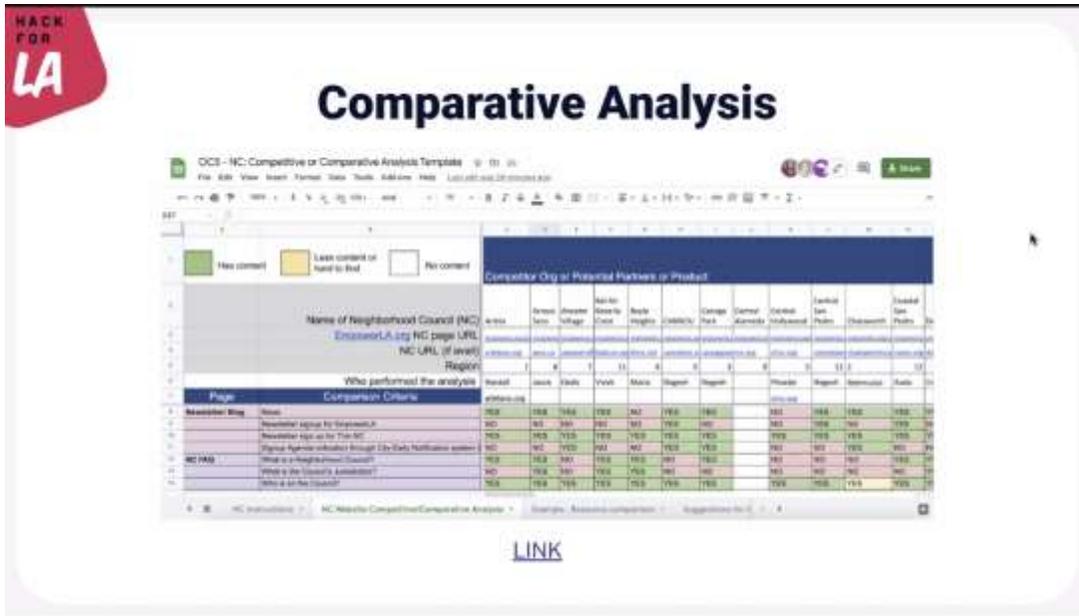
Julien: Agreed, already have asked the IT team to remove this as it is not something feasible or necessarily applicable for viewers to consider or track an NC by.

Shared links:

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1uSwxKUUQfydQ1BKai77Z1srBZIJOb06Y8YqCA9bke5g/edit#slide=id.gc7e5777f9a_0_496

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1V5cOCwABGNsvp715EL-SIRklcknEJB-hj4Mtjl8zMpw/edit#gid=1687401058>

<https://311-data.org>



LADWP:

Steven Kuo, Civil Engineering Associate, from LADWP’s Water Resources Division to present Operation NEXT

Operation NEXT and Hyperion 2035 program

Steven Kuo from the LADWP presents. We have storm water and ground water management to create a more reliable and resilient water supply. There are graphs and charts that are shared.

Our goal is to increase local water supply from 10 to 70 percent. We wish to recycle 100 percent of the water for beneficial use for the city. 80 billion gallons per year. Overview of the city Hyperion which is point A of the initial recycle of the water. We also will need to store the treated water once recycled. Injection of the water into the central basin for storage. The strategic priority would be to replenish groundwater using existing spreading grounds to route this with other systems and put the water after regulations to share the water tied into the MDW programs by tying into the system to increase regional reliability. Current water quality concerns are that

Hyperion currently treats water for a secondary standard which allows treated water to return to the ocean. Now with implementation of new processes such as reverse osmosis and UV advanced chemical treatment to eradicate any remaining pathogens for beneficial reuse, including water stabilizers to avoid corrosive elements for additional reuse. These are just a few examples of how best to recycle water for the benefit of the community. We are currently in the development phase. The target date completion is 2043. The cumulative impact of the project scope will be identified. The EIR adopted by the City in the Spring of 2022 will advance this forward, which is also available on our website. The water taken want to bring it up to advanced treatment, not necessarily it is not potable water that is why its pumped back into the ground. The regulation from the state will depend how we can plan on what to do.

Rafael Villegas: Regulations do exist on how to place water into the ground and how to pump these back out. The advanced treated water is along the lines that Orange County has already been doing. The state water board is working on reuse regulations and have yet to approve any until they are assured, they are safe. The department will help to champion these safe regulations and will look at an all of the above approach. In the next two years or so should be published.

Rachael Rose: Are there any treatments to filter out pharmaceuticals that end up at the plant for treatment?

Steve Kuo: There is a retention time for this water to go through the mother earth process and sample and test the water for any elements including pharmaceuticals.

Rafael Villegas: the reverse osmosis also filters out more than 90 percent of contaminants. About ten days ago there were robust standards at the state level water division which were published to update water quality standards.

Sylvia Beltran: the scoping period launched on March 15th.

Conrad Starr: past question – what about microplastics

Steve Kuo: the majority is about more than 99 percent of this collection. The utilization of treatment process is sampled, tested, monitored to determine if the water that comes out of this will be safe.

Rafael Villegas: microplastics at on average 2.5 millimeters and the reverse osmosis will capture at the microgram level.

Terrence: what about the pipes in the valley wouldn't that be more feasible from Tillman.

Rafael: yes there is the rest of the city water sent to Hyperion, the Sepulveda basin and Tillman are certainly important as well.

Question chat: 30 days may not be feasible to be able to reply back in the comment period. NC's are excluded because on average are needed about 60 days.

Steve: the scoping period is what is this in what you think we should be studying regarding potential impact.

Rafael: we will go back to the team to see if we can accommodate.

Kay Hartman: what about water conservancy for use at times of drought?

Steve/Rafael: the resiliency factor, most of the water will end up in the San Fernando valley, there are 550 thousand acres available to store at ground water levels without building a dam. So this will be available for this. We cannot use the existing wells due to contamination. We hope to have this ready for events of drought which is a large part of the need.

Q: will this be presented at other meetings?

Steve: Right now I have noted that you want an extension beyond the 30 days to reply to the scoping questions. If any NC would like a presentation, please let us know for

this. We have presented at the Valley alliance already. Please give us as much input as possible.

Sylvia Beltran: we have presented to all the alliances at this point so that they can take back to their respective NC's. *SYLVIA.BELTRAN@LADWP.COM*

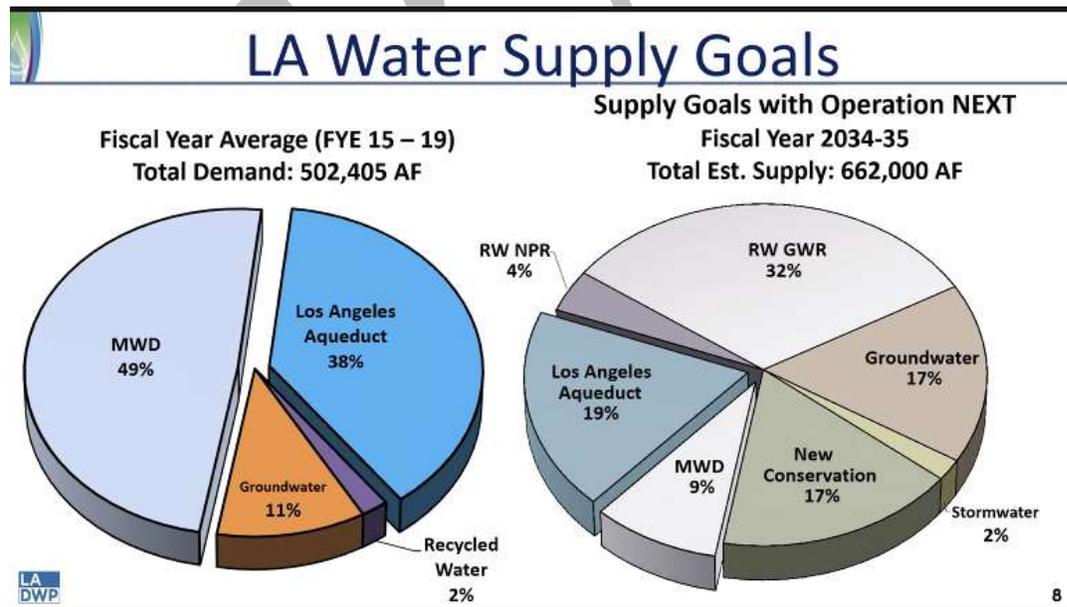
Glenn: the comment period opened on March 15th, but the email came out on March 23rd. I would say you missed half the NC's if you keep to the deadline of April 14th. So, yes, an extension is in order. I ask that the department keep this in mind, in additionally to sending out email's multiple times.

Sylvia: the email went to the President and Vice President.

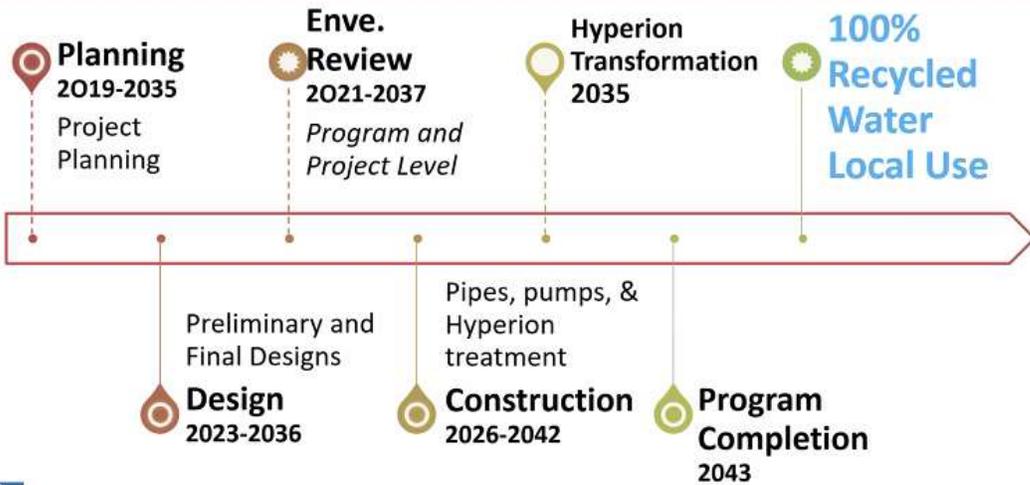
Glenn: there are distribution lists that allow Empower LA that can blind copy each Board Member to help facilitate this.

Hyperlink to the project:

WWW.LADWP.COM/OperationNext



Schedule



Environmental

- Notice of Preparation of Programmatic Environmental Impact Report : **3/15/21**
- Public Comments: **3/15 – 4/14, 2021**
 - Mail
 - Email
 - Virtual Comment Card
 - www.ladwp.com/OperationNEXT/ceqa
- PEIR covers all Program Components
 - Umbrella CEQA Document
 - Project-specific EIRs will be developed later dependent upon level of project detail known at time of PEIR
- PEIR Adoption Date: **Spring 2022**





Operation NEXT & Hyperion 2035

CEQA Process and Schedule
The purpose of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) is to inform the public and decision makers about potential significant impacts of a project, and ways impacts can be mitigated or avoided, before the project is considered for approval.

- The City of Los Angeles is the CEQA lead agency represented by the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) and Los Angeles Sanitation and Environment (LASAN) as joint partners.
- The Notice of Preparation (NOP) notifies interested parties that the City is preparing a Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) to evaluate environmental impacts of the Program.
- Subsequent Project-level CEQA will be conducted as needed as designs are finalized and individual components are considered for approval.
- The purpose of this NOP scoping period is to obtain input from the public and agencies on the environmental issues to be evaluated in the PEIR.

NOP Scoping Period
March 15 to April 14, 2021

Prepare Draft PEIR
Summer 2021 to Fall 2021

Issue Notice of Availability of Draft PEIR
Fall 2021

Draft PEIR Public Review and Comment Period
Fall 2021

Prepare Final PEIR
Winter 2021 to Spring 2022

Release Final PEIR
Spring 2022

Consider Program and PEIR Approval
Spring 2022



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Thank You

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MOTION Development:

1. Discussion and possible action for the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (XXXXXX Neighborhood Council) to support the idea of the renaming the Youth Council to the Olivia Mitchell Youth Council CF 21-0182.

(Proposed Motion):

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- Mover: Conrad Starr Second: Terrence Gomes

- *Discussion:*

Jennifer Goodie: leaves out non-binary youth which may be problematic. I think we also need to address the gender requirement, but any language I draft for that would probably be outdated and clunky and I don't want to offend by using the wrong terms.

Rachael Rose: the gender binary should be changed and not identified here for equitability in the language. It is my understanding that the Mayor has just put in 1.1 million to create a youth department. I would say that if we could reallocate a miniscule amount for the police department to be used for this would be great way to uplift our youth. Change the language of the Martinez motion to eliminate gender binary language.

Miho Murai, HCN NC – question on what the request is. To me if the funding is tied for the department to be in charge and there is that infusion of funds to reach out to youth, I don't see the issue if the funding goes to the department.

Terrence: Monica Rodriguez the maker of the motion to direct Empower LA to oversee the program . The motion does not mention the funding. The department usually doesn't get increase of funding which will also guarantee increased staffing, most likely not.

Lou Caravella: I would not extend their responsibilities, where is the Empower LA representative for them to advocate this. I would ask if the department speak to it to determine the plan first. Do they want his project or no?

Conrad: I would move that the Department identify how they plan to implement this. Speaking on my own behalf, I feel there is fatigue at the NC level with programs that the department shepherd these program in. This seems like this would be a bad fit right now and the city council should be informed.

Glenn: This item was on the agenda for the city committee on March 23rd and there is nothing in the council file if there was action on this committee further. Theoretically, if there was assignment the department would show up. Other than the motion itself, it was considered but there is no action (approve or postpone).

Cindy Cleghorn: Sunland Tujunga has had programs to promote youth in participation to listen in on our meetings and take notes to gain experience. I identify the leadership and stakeholders to continue with younger stakeholder involvement. I don't believe that there would be sufficiently implemented by the department.

Terrence: the Mayor's office created a Youth Council. Council person Rodriguez wanted to create an Olivia Mitchell Youth Council to have Empower LA create it.

AMENDMENTS

Add the following Amendment:

1.

First: Rachael Rose

“or a separate city department for the Youth Council and to sufficiently fund such a department.”

Second: Jennifer Goodie

Motion Passes

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2.

First: Jennifer Goodie

“The Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (XXXXXX Neighborhood Council) demands that the City Council eliminate gender binary language and to include language that recognizes that gender is a spectrum.”

Second: Terrence Gomes

Motion Passes

FINAL MOTION

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Empower LA – Dept of Neighborhood Empowerment:

Update by Julien Antelin

If your Neighborhood council still has not appointed a future panelist, please do so. The funding trainings are still available and there are two programs, one for financial officers and another with special themes such as an annual budget. Look at the city website for those dates. Regarding elections, region 5 results are available, and each NC results are published after the date of the vote. Contact your NC liaison regarding the transition of officers and seating policy post-election. There have been a change in staff regarding your NEA and who is the supervisor for that region in addition to the funding rep for your NC. See link of the Dashboard including the department webpage.

<https://lahub.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opstdashboard/index.html#/a0531c554ea44241adb4eee0c5275bca>

<https://empowerla.org/department/>

The department created a voter guide as well.

https://clerk.lacity.org/sites/g/files/wph606/f/2011_NC_Voting_Information_for_Unhoused_Voters.pdf

The seating policy for NC's

<https://empowerla.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/Neighborhood-Council-Board-Seating-Policy-April-2021.pdf>

Questions:

Miho – grievance panel for Sunland should have been extended rather than 15 minutes be cancelled. Also not clear how these grievance panelists are selected. I would also ask there be a link published in the chat of these panelist to view the link to the grievance. Also there is some ADA accommodations that there be share screen to allow there be subtitles and visual documents shared as opposed to just talking aloud at these meetings. If the agenda is available three days in advance and the request for ADA requires the same times fails that this be scheduled. I am an attorney and the grievance should be publicized and links added to the chat so we can reference the documents that are being discussed.

Julien: How to become a panelist, put the information as an email invite to all board members. Original grievance panelist is appointed by the board and it may be a board member from another NC or stakeholder. Let your NEA know if you are interested in volunteering and be added to this panelist list. In regards as how each is selected for a grievance, we try to get from the same region but not the same NC. We select them by their availability to one and for practical reasons such as knowledge of the NC system. If there is requirement of need for ADA accommodations, just a simple request for a 72-hours in advance. We are learning how to manage the grievance panel procedure, as the last one was enacted in 2016. The operation aspect is ongoing in development. We will add supporting documents to the website of upcoming grievances. Regarding ADA we have the obligation to provide this accommodation. We will do our best to

make it possible. We can try once alerted as best we can to make that happen. About the zoom transcription, the quality of the transcription doesn't necessarily always work for example such as my French accent and may not always be reliable.

Question: Glenn Bailey, I don't feel we should wait, each election results should include the vote tally, ballots cast and distinguish the number of voters to the number of ballots. I understand the city elections clerk should oversee and I request this going forward.

Julien: the number of voters and ballots mailed and cast – self affirmation of ballots or request for information – yes, we will build a dashboard of these data sets. This may be uploaded on the Empower LA website, I cannot speak for the city clerk about this. This meeting was not called by the Mar Vista NC, the grievance body is calling this meeting. We can construct an ENS for Grievance Panel so that alerts go out more accurately.

Question : Glenn Bailey, the grievance panel notification that should have been alerted via the city notification system and it did not appear on the city council meeting. Notice of past grievances was on the empower LA calendar with a link to the meeting but not agenda was there. The agenda needs to go out via ENS and be linked on the Empower LA calendar. Short notice but the Sunland Tujunga needs to be done right away for that NC. The regional panels can sign up by region. I feel the specific neighborhood council should also be alerted as well.

Question: Conrad Starr – thank to LANCC and Empower LA and Julien (for data training). I would stay for data trainings to add 30 minutes to these sessions as they go overlong. Regarding the board seating policy, there should be no secret ballot cast for officer selections post elections upon the first meeting of the new board. The 2019 policy states the current board is in place until the seating of the new board, following the election certification.

Question: Lou Caravella – concerned over the NC paying for an AD on Facebook even to promote your election or mail in ballot. If the department is going to advocate a

political Advertisement, they need to be look at this post, should there be posted any disinformation which may lead to ethical issues. Is the department encouraging this and are they disclaimers about this.

Julien: the department has paid Ads to promote the NC elections. If a given NC wishes to do so to promote the elections but no specific candidates, it is specifically banned, and the department does not have specific guidelines.

Rachael Rose – the Mayors executive order regarding the ability for NC’s to meet on line. My feeling is that the NC’s are independent deliberative bodies. I appreciate some NC’s want seating after July 1st to seat their board. To mandate it across the whole NC implement the seating by this date as suggested by the Department is not acceptable for many NC’s. I disagree that this change be made across the line at each NC level without any input to the contrary. To say that to wait until July 1st when the current bylaws says something different is a challenge to our independence. If the department wants to share guidance that is better than a mandate. These actions take power away from us. This policy will take place in the next election cycles in the future. In the LA City charter is says “...independent deliberative bodies...”

Julien: I appreciate the comments; the City Charter regulates the NC system and the department does have obligations to follow existing policies. The board of neighborhood commissioners create policy and the department does implement enforce the policies in place. I would encourage you to attend the next BONC meeting to address concerns regarding digital media policy that gathers input for this policy prior to any decision to policy changes. Just as this applies to the

Kathryn Wheeler – our board ends June 20th and ends in July. April being the last NPG or other expenditure, no real new policy can be implemented until September. The elections in Mar Vista ends in June and board seated in July, and the committees appointed in August. So I recommend that the previous board stay in power until the seating of the board takes place following the elections. The swearing in of the new members would take place.

Julien: the first meeting will be in July anyway so the board seating policy will not apply as much. Shortly after the election results are made official shortly after the board right now needs to be seated. NPG can be submitted until June 1st and the P-card also in June you can do business.

Gary Fordyce: I would move that all mandates bylaw changes by the department be color coded in the bylaws so that everyone can see how much or how little can be seen at a glance. My request requires going back not just for future changes but a complete going back in history to indicate how little of our bylaws have been left remaining.

Julien: The people working with me, when there is a new bylaw changes, we send the redline version to identify all the changes are clearly identifies. In full transparency we give you that full knowledge. Your request is that we not only provide this but the redline version as well which we can do this.

Terrence: Please email me this discussion and motion for the May meeting Gary, if we cannot address this today.

Lydia Grant: the process doesn't work when there are three months of idleness for the initial regions to delay seating of the board and it should not be the department to decide this the NC councils are.

Rudy Melendez: as a stakeholder how are the NC's going in regard to the request of ballots, any problems in the vote by mail process.

Julien: the election cycle is going and the information on the vote tally will be posted soon. The participatory numbers are better than 2019. I cannot speak for the city clerk regarding ballots. I invite you to go to the BONC meeting where the election clerk will report on this to ask a public comment regarding this.

Glenn: Recommend that the Empower LA please schedule a wrap up meeting following elections

Terrence: please have a city clerk attend our next meeting to address elections in the regions.

Budget Advocates:

Liz Amsden:

We are close to finishing the white paper to deliver to the mayor by next week. Budget day has been scheduled in September. The white paper will be sent to the mayor sometimes next week and after April 17th when the advocates meet should then be sent out to the NC's.

Jack Humphreville:

The city has been bailed out by the Federal Government and will be soon receiving these relief funds. The recommendation is to restore the reserves, balance this budget, restore last year's budget and the rest be put in the reserve fund. Next year the city is expected to receive more funds for the next fiscal year. The city's budget next year can be nearing a billion dollars. The biggest concern I have is the CAO are one-time funds and not starting new programs and any allocations of these funds follow the city budget process. Going to get a lot of money to balance the budget yet will not have a lot left over for this.

Congress of Neighborhoods Updates:

Cindy Cleghorn – I am hosting a meeting today that will take place at 1:30 p.m. today (zoom details in the chat).

Heather Michaels – The Department of Neighborhood Empowerment is moderating the official Congress of Neighborhoods meeting on Saturday, April 10th at 1 p.m.

Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (BONC):

Terrence – Inquired if Leonard Shaffer was still present for the BONC report, but Len was no longer on the Zoom call. The next BONC meeting to take place of Tuesday, April 6th at 6 pm.

Digital Media Policy <https://empowerla.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Draft-Digital-Media-Policy-for-BONC-on-9.29.2020.pdf>

Grievance panel process was discussed earlier in the meeting by Julien Antelin.

Announcements

Glenn Bailey announced that General Manager, Brenda Barnette, of LA City Animal Services, has submitted for retirement effective as of May. Meanwhile, the West Valley Animal Shelter re-opened on March 15th.

Glenn also encouraged attendees to go to a future Plan Check meeting.

Barbara Broide – The business should be maintaining their own properties, in regard to posting ads. *(Please contact Barbara for more information on this announcement).*

Meeting adjourned:

1:28 p.m.

Note: Please email the LANCC President for agenda requests

<http://www.lancc.org>