

Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils

VANC

34 San Fernando Valley Neighborhood Councils
Established March 03, 2003 by Jill Banks Barad-Hopkins

Thursday, October 10, 2024 6:30-9:00p.m.

Via zoom: Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/98759241651>

Phone access 888 475 4499

Recording of this meeting can be found at www.VANC34.ORG

Note: VANC is an independent Alliance and is not required to follow the Brown Act. We are able to prevent individuals from participating in VANC meetings if they are disruptive, or sufficiently unrelated to VANC business.

Note: To be added to the email list, send your information to www.VANC34.org

Cindy Chvatal-Keane

LA Planning's HOUSING ELEMENT

URGENT - IF LOS ANGELES IS OUT OF COMPLIANCE

Builder's remedy will take over = build anything - anywhere

Reminder: VANC meetings are to discuss various topics so that you can educate your NC for further discussion and possible action.

Reminder: VANC agenda is posted at www.VANC34.ORG
Zoom attendees, please identify your NC along with your first name

AGENDA

- 1. Welcome and Introductions:** Linda Gravani, chair VANC34.chair@gmail.com
- 2. Qualified Candidates:** 2 minutes no discussion
- 3. Guest Speaker, Cindy Chvatal- Call to action re: City Planning's Plan for the valley**
 - LA City Council Planning and Land Use Committee Meets 1st & 3rd Tuesdays
 - Chair – Lee,** councilmember.lee@lacity.org
 - Vice Chair Hutt,** councilmember.hutt@lacity.org
 - Committee**
 - Councilmember.yaroslavsky@lacity.org
 - Councilmember.padilla@lacity.org
 - Councilmember.kevindeleon@lacity.org
 - How does this city plan affect our green canopy?

4. DONE/City Clerk: GM Chang -

- Email distribution System
 - a) Email test has begun
 - b) Feedback being solicited
 - c) Could be available for all NCs 15OCT
- On Boarding of NEW Board Members
 - a) Advise GM Chang who requires training (Carmen.Chang@lacity.org)
One-on-one training will be provided by NEAs
 - b) Updated training needs, got any ideas?
- Board Basics Manual
 - a) Contact your NEA for additional copies
- NC Funding Program Workgroup 2024-2025 – Two representatives and 1 alternate from the North and the South NC Commission areas – to be part of the workgroup. See hot topics #1 contact vanc34.chair@gmail.com if you are interested

5. Tess Taylor - Greater Toluca Lake – Gathering Funding Issues

6. Jennifer Clark – North Hollywood North East – discussion regarding LA28

- Council File 23-1096 - *a location in each Council District that can serve as a key tourist and cultural destination for the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games,*
- AdHoc LA28 committee CF 15-0989-S37
 - a) https://clrep.lacity.org/online/docs/2015/15-0989-S37_misc_09-20-24.pdf

7. Jeff Mausner – Tarzana - Crucial City Funding: Spay and Neuter Saves Money and Lives

[Crucial City Funding: Spay and Neuter Saves Money and Lives \(citywatchla.com\)](http://citywatchla.com)

8. BONC Commissioners –

South Valley – Len Shaffer, commissionerlenshaffer@gmail.com

Canoga Park, Encino, Greater Toluca Lake, Greater Valley Glen, Lake Balboa, NoHo, North Hollywood North East, North Hollywood West, Reseda, Sherman Oaks, Studio City, Tarzana, Valley Village, Van Nuys, West Hills, Winnetka, Woodland Hills-Warner Center

North Valley - Keren Waters, keren.waters@lacity.org

Arleta, Chatsworth, Foothill Trails District, Granada Hills North, Granada Hills South, Mission Hills, North Hills East, North Hills West, Northridge East, Northridge South, Northridge West, Pacoima, Panorama City, Porter Ranch, Sun Valley Area, Sunland-Tujunga, Sylmar

9. Update: CONGRESS of NEIGHBORHOODS –Comments on “how was it”?

- Why did the congress have a survey for CF24-0867
 - a) Term limits for board members
 - b) Mandatory youth participation
 - c) Need a voting voice vs advisory

10. Howard Jarvis Tax Association has an explanation for ballot measures www.hjta.org

11. Budget Advocates – update: www.budgetadvocates.org

12. Items from the floor:

- City Ordinance 184243 – Public Comment vs NC Position on Council File
- Where do you purchase your promotional items, we're compiling a list.

13. NC Anniversaries: CONGRATULATIONS!

22 Years **Encino**
 Reseda
 Arleta
 Studio City
 Sherman Oaks

20 Years **Northridge West**

14. THANK YOU for all **you do** for your communities and the city of Los Angeles and I appreciate your participation in VANC!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR
VANC VIRTUAL Meeting [Thursday October 10, 2024](#)

*PlanCheck 10AM 2nd Saturday of the month, details www.plancheckncla.com
Educate yourself on City Planning and Land Use issues

*LADWP MOU 1ST Saturday of the month, details at:
<https://www.ladwpnews.com/dwp-nc-mou-and-advocacy-committee-meetings/>

new ... Community Forest Advisory Committee 2nd Thurs of the month 1p-3p
CD6 has a Vacancy Contact cfac.cd01@gmail.com

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HOT TOPICS For October 10, 2024

#1 OPPORTUNITY FOR NC FUNDING PROGRAM WORKGROUP 2024-2025
(melvin.canas@lacity.org)

Objective:

Create a workgroup of NC members representative of the 7 NC Areas that will assist in **the review, discussion, and revision of current NC Funding Program policies** to be more inclusive and responsive to concerns and needs regarding the use of NC funds. The workgroup (NCFunding Program Workgroup) will be made up of two representatives from each of the Areas, totaling 14 active members, with one additional alternative per Area to attend meetings in case of an active member not being able to attend, for a total of 21 members. Program staff will hold meetings with the active workgroup on a regular scheduled basis to review current Program policies and propose revisions to the policies. Proposed revisions/updates from the Workgroup will be considered and discussed, but where necessary, final revisions may be determined by Program and Department management according to applicable, standing City and government regulations impacting the use of public funds.

Workgroup Selection:

Regional NC alliances are asked to appoint the three NC board members (two active workgroup members plus an alternative member), representative of their respective Areas to be part of the Workgroup, considering diversity and inclusiveness in the selection of the members.

VANC - North and South Valley Areas (2 each plus each has an alternate)
If you are interested contact VANC34.CHAIR@GMAIL.COM (Gravani)

SLAANC - South L.A. Area,
WRAC - West L. A. Area,
HANC - Harbor Area , (LANCC)
ARC - East Area (LANCC),
LANCC - for the Central Area

The alliances will have October and November to announce the opportunity for interested NC board members and make the **appointment by November 30, 2024** and communicate it to the NC Funding Program.

Meeting Schedule:

Meetings of the Workgroup, 6 projected, will begin in January, **online via Zoom or Google Meet, 6pm to 8pm, every other Thursday starting, January 9, 2025**. This would allow for members to review documents and prepare in between meetings. This schedule may change as needed.

Breakdown of Meeting Topics:

- 1st Meeting** Policy 1.0 NC Boards and Financial Officers
(1/9/25) Policy 1/1 Annual Budget and Administrative Packet
- 2nd Meeting** Policy 2.0 Expenditures
(1/23/25) Policy 2.1 Office/Operational Expenditures
- 3rd Meeting** Policy 2.2 Outreach & Events
(2/6/25) Policy 2.3 Election Expenditures
- 4th Meeting** Policy 2.4 NPGs
(2/20/25) Policy 2.5 CIPs
- 5th Meeting** Policy 3.0 Board Member Reimbursement
(3/6/25) Policy 4.0 Contracts and Leases
- 6th Meeting** Policy 5.0 Expenditures During Declared Emergencies
(3/20/25) Policy 6.0 Corrective Measures