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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

JOINT BOARD AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA TUESDAY, AUGUST 29, 2023 @ 6:00 P.M.

**Chaminade College Preparatory – Condon Center 2nd Floor
23241 W. Cohasset Street, West Hills, CA 91304**

Enter Chaminade through the Cohasset Street entrance between Woodlake and Platt Avenues. Drive through the parking lot, bear left and continue over the hill until you see the Condon Family Technology Center on the left. Park in the nearest lot.

This meeting is open to the public. Doors open 10 minutes before the meeting starts. Those who wish to speak during the meeting may be asked to complete a Speaker Card. Comments on matters not on the agenda will be heard during the Public Comment period. Those who wish to speak on an agenda item will be heard when the item is considered.

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| 1. | Call to Order | 1 Minute |
| 2. | Establish a Quorum | 1 Minute |
| 3. | Review and Approval of Minutes postponed to next month | 5 Minutes |
| 4. | Comments from the Co-Chairs | 10 Minutes |
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| 5. | Public Comments | 10 Minutes |
| 6. | Discussion and possible action on pursuing different solutions to help our unhoused population. (This would be an ongoing discussion). | 15 Minutes |
| 7. | Mayor Bass’s monthly report on LAHSA’s Homeless Count and solution to help resolve the issue. | 10 Minutes |
| 8. | Meeting Adjournment – Next meeting will be August 21, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. | 1 Minute |

Public Input: Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board’s jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, an issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board meeting. Public comment is limited to two minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the committee.

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Mayor's Area Monthly Report

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KAREN BASS
MAYOR OF LOS ANGELES

Hello West Valley stakeholders from the Office of LA Mayor Karen Bass!

It is a privilege to work alongside you and be your connection to City Hall. As always, please don't hesitate to reach out for assistance, with partnership opportunities, invitations to Mayor Bass or to just say hi!

This Month's Highlights



On June 29th, LAHSA released the results of the 2023 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count, showing a 10% increase in people experiencing homelessness in LA City from January 2022 and a 9% increase in LA County. In response, the Mayor stated "we will continue to work with urgency to bring Angelenos inside but also to protect Angelenos from falling into homelessness." View the Mayor's full response [here](#). You can also view the presentation of the results [here](#) and find more information [here](#).

Los Angeles City Council supports Increased Investments in Violence

Reduction and Substance Abuse Treatment Programs: On June 27, City Council voted in favor of supporting the Mayor's request to increase the budget for the Mayor's Office of Community Safety's Gang Reduction and Youth Development ([GRYD](#)) Program to \$41 million to support livable wages for staff, juvenile diversion and reentry program, 44 Summer Night Lights [sites](#), and gun buyback programs. View the Mayor's response and additional information [here](#). Additionally, on June 28, City Council approved 7.8 million in funding for lifesaving in-patient substance abuse treatment.



Los Angeles City Council moves to accelerate and reduce cost of building affordable housing: On June 27, LA City Council approved a motion to codify the Mayor's First Executive Directive to expedite and decrease the cost of building zoning-compliant affordable and temporary housing projects. Mayor Bass signed the ordinance on July 6, view more information [here](#).

LADWP, Cool LA Beat the Heat & Stay

Safe: Cool LA includes increased rebates on various types of cooling units to help LADWP customers overcome the health risks associated with extreme heat. Click [here](#) for more information.

Public Safety Updates

MySafe:LA Fireworks: Click [here](#) to learn more about firework safety and how you can report illegal fireworks. Download the [F/X Reporter app](#) (only available for iPhone users) to report and record the use of illegal fireworks. View informational flyers regarding fireworks [here](#).

LAPD: Click [here](#) to find your local police station. You can file a police report online by clicking [here](#)

COVID-19 & Health Updates

Los Angeles Public Library (LAPL): The LAPL has partnered with the LA County Department of Public Health to provide all 73 public library locations with free Covid-19 test kits. Click [here](#) to learn how you can pick up yours.

LA County Department of Public Health, Stay Healthy in the Heath: Heat causes more deaths in the U.S. each year than floods, storms, and lightning

tenants; and (5) landlords must also provide this [Notice of Renters' Protections](#) (available in [multiple languages](#)) to new and renewing tenants and post the notice in an accessible common area of the property.

LA City Attorney's Tenant Protections

Brochure: Click [here](#) to view the brochure in English, Spanish, Korean, Armenian, Simplified and Traditional Chinese.

StayHousedLA offers information on renter's rights, virtual tenant workshops, & free legal assistance. Visit [StayHousedLA.org](#) or call 1-888-694-0040 for more information.

Housing/Homelessness Updates

LAHD, New ED1 Guidelines for

Affordable Housing Streamlining: The Mayor's Executive Directive 1 directs City departments to accelerate timelines and streamline processes for approving, permitting, and issuing clearances for affordable housing projects. Click [here](#) to view the implementation guidelines.

Mayor Bass releases city-owned land

report back: On May 16, the Mayor released a letter detailing the interdepartmental work completed to identify public lands suitable for interim and permanent housing development. Click

combined. Click [here](#) to learn how to prepare yourself and your loved ones.

Check the Ocean Water Quality Before

Visiting: Click [here](#) to check for any beach water quality advisories and click [here](#) to view the list of LA County beach area warnings.

COVID Boosters and Treatment Widely Available to Maintain Reduced Risk:

Find [vaccination](#) sites (Pfizer, Moderna, Johnson & Johnson, and Novavax offered). Click [here](#) to find out which vaccine is best for you. Click [here](#) for information on what to do if you test positive.

Business News & Updates

LA Regional Small Business Legal Aid

Program: Provides free legal education and representation to qualified small businesses negatively impacted by COVID-19. The program is administered by EWDD in partnership with the County of Los Angeles Department of Economic Opportunity, Bet Tzedek Legal Services, Public Counsel and the Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles. Click [here](#) for more information on eligibility and how to apply.

Event Updates

[here](#) for more information.

Landlord/Homeowner Resources:

The County Department of Consumer and Business Affairs' Foreclosure Prevention unit provides free services for homeowners and landlords with 15 or fewer units in Los Angeles County. Click [here](#) for more information. You can view state resources at [CA Mortgage Relief Program](#) and Federal protections at the [Consumer Financial Protection Bureau](#).

Youth Resources

GRYD Summer Night Lights (SNL):

SNL creates safe environments during the peak times for gang related violence. SNL sites provide free meals, extended programming and sports leagues, along with a safe space for recreation, community engagement, employment opportunities, and linkages to local resources. View the list of SNL [sites](#).

Transportation Updates

Metro Fare Changes:

Starting Saturday, July 1, Metro is introducing fare capping, a new way to pay for your fare that makes riding more convenient and less expensive. Frequent riders can take advantage of fare capping and start saving with a Metro TAP card. Click [here](#) to learn more.

Please note these are not City-sponsored events & thus not overseen by the City

Find job opportunities [here](#).

Find other community or resource flyers [here](#)

Metro Service Updates: 65 weekday, 43 Saturday, 42 Sunday bus schedules have been updated to improve reliability. Click [here](#) to view which lines have been updated.



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