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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

JOINT BOARD AND GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2026 @ 7:30 p.m.

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

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1. Call to Order/ Establish Quorum: Joanne Yvanek-Garb, Co-Chair, Brenda Citrom, Co-Chair, Kim Koerber, Co-Chair, Aida Abkarians, Saif Mogri, Joan Trent, Brad Vanderhoof, Secretary.
2. Comments from the Chairs.
3. General Public Comment Review and Approval of April 20, 2026 Meeting Minutes.
4. Discussion and possible action on Council File 15-0989-S66 - CIS supporting a Motion referred to the Ad Hoc Committee on the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games on April 14, 2026. Concerns expressed are that the Enhanced City Resources Master Agreement (ECRMA) is still too vague. It needs greater clarification on what counts as a “surplus”, which City expenses LA28 must reimburse, and whether emergency overruns are covered. The motion seeks to request ironclad guarantees that the City will get fully repaid before any discussion about leftover Olympic profits or legacy projects take place. See attachment of two articles from the Daily News.
5. Budget request of \$400 for Congress of Neighborhood Councils.

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JOINT GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE/BOARD SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Chaminade High School

April 20, 2026

Revised April 22, 2026

The Committee shall take official action by a simple majority of yes and no votes cast by the committee members present at a duly noticed regular or special Government Relations Committee meeting, not to include abstentions. There shall be no proxy voting.

Attendance: Aida Abkarians, Faye Barta, Brenda Citrom, Glenn Jennings, Kim Koerber, Saif Mogri, Joan Trent, Brad Vanderhoof, and Joanne Yvanek-Garb

Committee Members Absent: Faye Bartai, and Brian Murray

Other Board Members Present: None

Numbers refer to agenda items.

1. Call to Order / Establish a Quorum: Co-chair Joanne Yvanek-Garb called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM. A quorum was established.
2. Comments from the Co-Chairs: Joanne discussed the Charter Reform Proposal.
3. General Public Comment: Online Comments: Shirley B., a student at CSULB, said she is writing a report on NC meetings and how NCs function. Lionel Mares shared information on charter reform and the public comment schedule for the budget. First meeting is May 5, 1-4 PM.
4. Approval of February Meeting Minutes: No action taken.
5. CIS to extend NC elections until 2029. Reference "City Clerk Fiscal Year 2026-27 Proposed Budget". Committee vote: Brad said he thinks if terms are extended two years, it should apply to all NC members to preserve staggered terms. There is no Council File on this so no action was taken.
6. CIS regarding the results of the City Council Olympic Ad Hoc Committee Meeting on April 13, 2026: Joanne brought up concerns from a newspaper story regarding the ticket pricing and sales, working with local businesses, and bankrupting the city. Transportation issues were added to the list. Joanne proposed two CISs. Saif pointed out the council motion attached to the agenda does not mention most of these topics, and most are outside City Council control or purview anyway. He asked for more information before this item is considered. Item tabled until the next meeting.
7. Update on Charter Reform Commission, VANC April 9, 2026 Zoom Meeting: No action taken.
8. Basic Review of SB707 & Brown Act changes, Council File #25-1358: No action taken.

Co-chair Joanne Yvanek-Garb adjourned the meeting at 8:38 PM.

The next meeting of this committee is scheduled for May 18, 2026, 7:30 PM, Chaminade High School.

MOTION

The City of Los Angeles is currently negotiating an Enhanced City Resources Master Agreement (ECRMA) with the Los Angeles Organizing Committee for the Olympic and Paralympic Games 2028 (LA28). While the ECRMA was anticipated to be finalized in October 2025, several critical issues remain unresolved, including the establishment of an LA28 Legacy Fund and the definition and allocation of any potential surplus funds.

The City is seeking clear and enforceable language within the ECRMA that would prohibit LA28 from utilizing surplus funds to establish a Legacy Fund unless and until there is full alignment regarding the scope of enhanced City services required for the Games, the total associated costs, and the guaranteed reimbursement of those costs to the City.

Preliminary estimates indicate that security costs alone may exceed \$1 billion, exclusive of additional expenses resulting from extraordinary circumstances such as weather-related events, emergencies, or other unforeseen impacts. Notably, LA28 has presented a \$7.15 billion budget that does not include security costs, raising significant concerns regarding how “surplus funds” will be defined and whether the City will be fully reimbursed for essential services, including public safety.

This lack of clarity exposes the City to substantial financial risk and undermines the long-standing “zero-cost” principle under which the Games were approved. Given the magnitude and evolving nature of these negotiations, it is imperative that the City Council pursue all available measures to safeguard the City’s fiscal stability and ensure the uninterrupted delivery of core services to residents before, during, and after the Games.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the Chief Legislative Analyst, in coordination with the City Administrative Officer and the City Attorney, to prepare language for establishing a new section within the City Charter through the ongoing Charter reform process that codifies a “Zero-Cost Principle for the LA28 Games,” ensuring that the City shall not incur unreimbursed costs associated with hosting the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games and no Legacy Fund shall be established until the City is reimbursed .

PRESENTED BY:



MONICA RODRIGUEZ
Councilwoman, 7th District

SECONDED BY:



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COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Contact Information:

Neighborhood Council: West Hills

Council File: 15-0989-S66 Los Angeles Olympics

Date of Board Meeting: April 14, 2026

Action Taken: The West Hills Neighborhood Council Board to (Accept as is or Accept if Amended)

Vote Count: Accept as is _____ Yea _____ Nay _____ Abstain

Accept if Amended _____ Yea _____ Nay _____ Abstain

1. Discussion and Possible Action regarding the results of the City Council Olympic Ad Hoc Committee Meeting on April 14, 2026. Concerns expressed were that the Enhanced City Resources Master Agreement (ECRMA) is still too vague. It needs greater clarification on what counts as a “surplus”, which City expenses LA28 must reimburse, and whether emergency overruns are covered. The City Council’s motion seeks to request ironclad guarantees that the City will get fully repaid before any discussion about leftover Olympic profits or legacy projects take place.

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LA City Council: LA28 misled the city on Olympics tickets, other issues

Council members raise a wide range of concerns with LA28 during committee meeting



Reynold Hoover, LA28 chief executive officer, talks about Los Angeles Olympic venues during a LA28 Coordination Commission news conference in Los Angeles, Thursday, June 5, 2025. Hoover addressed the Los Angeles City City Council on Tuesday and faced several concerns. (AP Photo/Damian Dovarganes)



By **SCOTT M. REID** | sreid@scng.com | Orange County Register

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LOS ANGELES — Months of the Los Angeles City Council’s frustration with LA28 boiled over during a committee meeting Tuesday morning, with one council member saying he doesn’t trust the local organizing committee for the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games and its board of directors. And council members maintained they had been misled on ticketing and accused LA28 of trying to make an “end run” around city requirements for hiring local businesses for the Games.

Council members directed pointed criticism toward LA28 officials for a lack of transparency on the organization’s finances, its failure to reach an enhanced services agreement with the city, repeatedly disregarding to city council members’ concerns about the funding, planning and implementation of the Games and their security, and a ticket surcharge during the nearly two-hour meeting of the council’s ad hoc committee on the Olympic and Paralympic Games.

“You don’t understand you’re not a nonprofit,” council member Hugo Soto-Martínez, referring to the LA28’s status as a tax-exempt organization, told LA28 CEO Reynold Hoover. “We are. The city of LA is the financial backstop to everything that you are doing, and I don’t think that has resonated or permeated to you or to this whole board that I just frankly don’t trust. When we have all these MAGA Republicans sitting on that board, you’re not coming here, giving us confidence that you’re doing the right thing for the city of LA.”

Hoover did not respond.

Councilmember Katy Young Yaroslavsky grilled Hoover on ticketing, saying that LA28 had previously misled the council and pressing him on how much of a 24% surcharge on tickets is going back to LA28.

“We had a lot of conversation about putting \$1 a ticket tax on the ballot this June, and we declined to do that after having a conversation with you all about how important it was that you keep the tickets affordable,” Young Yaroslavsky said. “The tickets are not affordable. The 24 percent surcharge is not affordable, and \$1 which would have actually helped us do some of the things that we know we need to do to get ourselves ready in the city the Olympics feels like a drop in the bucket compared to 24 percent surcharge when we’re talking even about a \$28 ticket, of which there were hardly any left when it was when I got lucky enough to get in there, there was hardly anything that was affordable, and then you had the 24 percent surcharge. I’m thinking, why didn’t we do the dollar tax? And it’s not too late, colleagues, for us to do that, because there’s going to be a secondary market for all of these tickets. And so I want to know what percentage of that 24 percent is coming back to LA28 because I feel like we were misled when we were having conversations about that ticket tax.”

“I don’t know,” Hoover said, adding that he would have to get back to the council member.

But much of the meeting centered on council members’ criticism of LA28 for what the council described as a lack of guarantees that businesses in the city will receive contracts with LA28 for Games-related services.

“What’s materializing this plan is it feels like a lack of honest commitment with measurable goals, with dollars,” council member Monica Rodriguez said.

LA28 has committed to awarding 75% of Games-related contracts to local businesses and 25% to small businesses. But “local” includes a five-county area in Southern California, while the council wants LA28 to prioritize businesses within the city.

“Basically, what she laid out and defended is a system where no LA, you could have a scenario where no LA business does any business with LA28 out of the over \$4 billion, not in a verifiable way,” council president Marqueece Harris-Dawson told Hoover and LA28 chief operating officer John Harper. “I mean, you just said, ‘Well, I don’t want to have a tier, because I want competition, and then I don’t even want them to be required to have certification, because that might be difficult.’ What that can add up to, to someone just reading the plan, is you don’t do any business with anybody in LA. And I know that’s not your intent, but that’s what you have written down. That’s what you’ve defended this morning.”

Hoover, in an opening statement, stressed what he called the ability of the Olympics to bring people together and the success of LA28's ticket sales so far. But he spent most of the meeting defending LA28's proposals regarding hiring local and small businesses, saying the organization has a responsibility to deliver fiscally responsible Games.

"Here's the thing," he said. "One of our responsibilities is to deliver a fiscally responsible Games for the city of Los Angeles and for us as an organization. In order to do that, I need to have competition in pricing.

"If I focus solely, first and foremost, on the city of LA, for city small business, then I am artificially reducing the pool of competition, placing greater risk on the city taxpayers and placing greater risk on the backstop of the city of LA, because prices will go up when there's no competition."

Councilmember Bob Blumenfield pushed back.

"You're talking about the logical extreme of that. And I don't think that (a city official) was saying focus solely on LA businesses. We all know that that's a ridiculous extreme. The question is whether or not there is a, you know, a priority, an extra point, or some, some form you there are ways to do that without, without jumping to that extreme of we're losing our competition."

"LA is a big city. It's not, it's not like we're talking about Santa Monica or something, you know, or single district, and LA is a country state that's right, right? "

Harris-Dawson said the lack of specificity in the term "local" struck him recently as his wife was ordering Olympic tickets.

“And we realize, even though, as I’ve told both of you, I live a mile from SoFi (Stadium), another about three and a half miles from Exposition Park. I was in line with somebody from Barstow, California,” Harris Dawson said.

“Someone was very little at risk. They’re not within 100 miles of any of the activities, their city, their county. They’re not putting anything on the line, and so I’m just, I just want to communicate to you all that five-county thing hit differently and just over the process of buying tickets, I can’t imagine how it would feel if I were a business owner and I’m competing to do business down the street or around the corner with somebody in Barstow There are people included in the five-county area that have a lot less at stake than LA City. And I won’t even go further, I don’t even work for these people. But those people are even different than Long Beach and Inglewood and Pasadena, because at least they’re hosting events.

“So the idea that we lump all those together, and as the procurement plan that we have in front of us now does without special attention to the city of LA, and I would even argue, again, special attention for venue cities or people who live near venues, which I’ve heard LA mentioned, I think this is the mark. And then again, not ever knowing. You know, we’ve been at this for nine months or so, at least, not knowing what the spend is, or what the range of the spend is, or, you know, what a minimum spend might be, at least as a starting place. ...

“But my point is, you know, the reason the Olympics are in LA is because people of LA have invested to build a city up so that it is at a stage where you could come and have a living and not have to build a single building. The people of Los Angeles did that, and in order to do that, we have a greater tax burden, we have a greater regulatory burden, and we have greater property costs. So businesses might charge a little bit more. So if you just go for a straight, ‘We want the cheapest person in the five-county area,’ I can tell you already, you’re going to be using a bunch of businesses where the land is cheap and there’s no regulation, because the county, the counties that you didn’t go all the way to the Nevada border.”

Monday’s meeting came more than six months after an Enhanced City Resources Master Agreement was supposed to be completed. LA28 officials remain in negotiations with city officials over which expenses beyond “normal and customary” city services LA28 will compensate the city for.

Rodriguez, in a letter to Hoover last week, [first reported by the Southern California News Group](#), criticized LA28 for what she described as a lack of “financial transparency” and its failure to reach an agreement with the city that protects hundreds of millions of dollars in city funds used for Games-related services.

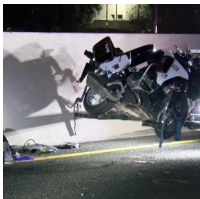
“With just 830 days remaining until the 2028 Summer Olympics and Paralympics, the City of Los Angeles still lacks clear, enforceable protections over hundreds of millions of dollars in public exposure,” Rodriguez wrote to Hoover in a letter obtained by the Southern California News Group. “This is not a minor gap; it is a critical failure that must be fixed now.”

“Bankruptcy cannot be the legacy of these Games,” Rodriguez wrote later in the letter.

Rodriguez on Tuesday introduced a motion that would establish a “Zero-Cost Principle” Olympic and Paralympic Games, “ensuring the City is fully reimbursed for all costs associated with hosting the Games.”

“Los Angeles taxpayers should not be asked to subsidize the Games,” Rodriguez said. “With major financial questions still unresolved, we must put enforceable safeguards in place to ensure the City is fully reimbursed for every enhanced resource cost before any surplus funds are declared and used elsewhere, including the establishment of a Legacy Fund. By codifying a Zero-Cost Principle into the City Charter, we are making clear that protecting taxpayers and preserving core City services must come first.”

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LA City Council pushes LA28 agreement on Olympic cost reimbursements

City Council approved a motion directing negotiators to finalize within 14 days an agreement requiring LA28 to reimburse LA for Games-related services and infrastructure costs.



An LA 2028 sign is seen in front of the Olympic cauldron at the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum on Sept. 13, 2017. (AP Photo/Richard Vogel, File)



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Los Angeles city leaders moved Tuesday to strengthen financial protections ahead of [the 2028 Olympics](#), directing staff to finalize within 14 days an agreement that would require Games organizers to reimburse the city for public safety, services and infrastructure costs.

The motion, approved on a 14-0 vote without discussion, comes after [months of concern from city officials](#) that Los Angeles could be left covering significant costs if negotiations with the private LA28 organizing committee fail to fully protect taxpayers.

“This motion is about capturing our shared commitment to a no-cost Olympics in a way that protects the people of Los Angeles, and I’m proud to work alongside LA28 as partners in getting there,” Council President Marqueece Harris-Dawson, who introduced the motion, said in a statement provided to the Southern California News Group Tuesday.

The proposed agreement, known as an Enhanced City Resources Master Agreement, or ECRMA, outlines how Los Angeles will be repaid for services tied to hosting the Games.

Under the proposal, the Los Angeles Organizing Committee for the Olympic and Paralympic Games 2028, known as LA28, would be required to cover costs that exceed the city’s normal operations, including public safety, transportation and sanitation services.

The motion also calls for reimbursement at the time services are delivered and for LA28 to pay for infrastructure improvements requested specifically for the Games. LA28 would also be required to meet all its financial obligations to the city before any surplus funds from the Games are distributed.

A spokesperson for Councilmember Monica Rodriguez said Tuesday the plan aligns with her push to codify a [“zero-cost principle,”](#) into the City Charter, aimed at ensuring taxpayers are not left covering Games-related expenses.

Rodriguez and other city officials have also raised concerns about how any surplus funds from the Games would be used, including whether money could be directed toward a proposed “Legacy Fund” to support youth sports programs and related projects before the city is fully reimbursed.

Mayor Karen Bass supports Harris-Dawson’s motion, her office said, noting that it “furthers the fiscal responsibility Mayor Bass has been calling for and protects Los Angeles taxpayers.”

While negotiations have been ongoing, Tuesday’s action marks a more formal push to lock financial protections into a binding agreement and sets a two-week timeline for staff to deliver it.

The ECRMA was originally expected in October 2025 but has yet to be finalized, raising concerns among city leaders about the scope of LA28’s financial responsibilities, the timing of reimbursements and the potential impact on the city’s budget.

In [a previous letter to LA28 CEO Reynold Hoover](#), Rodriguez warned that the city lacks “clear, enforceable protections over hundreds of millions of dollars in public exposure” tied to Games-related services.

City officials have [also raised concerns about uncertainty surrounding federal security funding for the Games](#), which could exceed \$1 billion. While Congress has allocated funding for Olympic security, officials have said it remains unclear how much Los Angeles and other host jurisdictions will ultimately receive and when those funds would become available.

LA28 earlier this year increased its overall Games budget from \$6.9 billion to \$7.2 billion, though that figure does not include security costs.

The uncertainty has added pressure on city leaders to secure clear reimbursement terms before the Games.

In a statement provided to the Southern California News Group, LA28 Vice President of Communications Jacie Prieto Lopez said the organization is continuing to work with the city to finalize the agreement.

“LA28 has been working actively alongside City leadership to finalize the Enhanced City Resources Master Agreement, which will establish the framework for reimbursing the City for services above normal and customary levels in direct support of the Games,” Prieto Lopez said.

“LA28 remains committed to delivering the safest, most secure, and fiscally responsible Games that will benefit Angelenos for decades to come,” Prieto Lopez added. “We remain engaged in good faith negotiations and look forward to our continued partnership with the City of Los Angeles.”

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