

North Westwood Neighborhood Council
Special Joint Meeting of the Land Use Committee and Full Board
June 8th, 2020 from 7:00 to 8:30pm
Zoom Meeting Online or By Telephone
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AGENDA

(Parenthetical Times Are Just Estimates: Items May be Taken out-of-order without objection)

VIRTUAL MEETING TELECONFERENCING NUMBER FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

In conformity with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 (MARCH 17, 2020) and due to concerns over COVID-19, the North Westwood Neighborhood Council meeting will be conducted entirely telephonically.

Every person wishing to address the Neighborhood Council must dial (669) 900-6833, and enter 925 6031 1391and then press # to join the meeting. Instructions on how to sign up for public comment will be given to listeners at the start of the meeting

Joint meeting

Out of an abundance of caution due to the possible attendance and participation of a majority of Neighborhood Council Board Members at this Joint Committee meeting, this meeting is noticed as a Special Joint Meeting of the Committees and the Board, in adherence with the State's Brown Act. No action will be taken on behalf of the Board at this meeting of the Committees. Only Committee Members are allowed to vote.

Public Speakers

The public is requested to dial *9, when prompted by the presiding officer, to address the Board on any agenda item before the Board takes an action on an item. The Council shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the Council on each agenda item before or during the Council's consideration of the item. A member of the public wishing to speak on only one agenda item that is eligible for public comment shall be given an opportunity to speak for up to one minute when that item is considered by Council, or, at the discretion of the Presiding Officer, before consideration of the item.

Members of the public wishing to speak on more than one agenda item at a single meeting shall combine and present their comments addressing the agenda items at or near the beginning of the meeting during a segment called "Multiple Agenda Item Comment." A member of the public speaking on more than one agenda item shall be allowed to speak for up to one minute per item up to a total of three minutes per meeting. This will be the only opportunity to speak, other than during General Public Comment, for those members of the public who have submitted speaker cards on more than one agenda item. Comments from the public on other matters, not appearing on the agenda but within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction, will be heard during the General Public Comment period and shall be limited to 2 minutes.

Americans with Disabilities Act

As covered under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Los Angeles does not discriminate on the basis of disability and, upon request, will provide reasonable accommodation to ensure equal access to its programs, services and activities. Sign language interpreters, assisted listening devices, or other auxiliary aids and/or services may be provided upon request. To ensure availability of services, please make your request 3 business days prior to the meeting you wish to attend by contacting Michael Skiles at northwestwoodcouncil@gmail.com.

Public Access of Records

In compliance with Government Code section 54957.5, non-exempt writings that are distributed to a majority or all of the board in advance of a meeting may be viewed at 1424 Westwood Blvd, at our website, <http://northwestwoodneighborhoodcouncil.org> or at the scheduled meeting. In addition, if you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda, please contact northwestwoodcouncil@gmail.com

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1. Call-to-order and roll call (2 minutes)
2. Multiple Agenda Item Comment Period. (Up to 3 minutes per speaker)
3. General Public Comment (Up to 2 minutes per speaker)
4. Discussion and possible resolution that while Covid mitigation is taking place, restaurants in North Westwood should be allowed to set up tables and chairs outside their spaces to offset expected indoor occupancy loss and to ensure customers feel safe while dining. Possible further resolution that if sidewalks are not wide enough for tables and chairs and pedestrian access, then parklets should be created on the street in front of the businesses. Possible further resolution that bike lanes in Westwood Village should be piloted to encourage people to visit the district. (15 minutes)
5. Discussion and possible resolution that due to all of the businesses lost due to the Covid shutdown and the already excessive vacancy rates in Westwood Village that some or all requirements of the Westwood Village Specific Plan, excluding historic preservation requirements, be suspended for a 36 month period. (20 minutes)
6. Discussion and possible resolution and Community Impact Statement concerning the March 27, 2020 Los Angeles City Council Planning and Land Use Management Committee motion to extend all Conditional Use Permits for a period of 12 months after the expiration of the COVID-19 Emergency Declaration, to suspend any requirement that a property owner or business provide additional parking in connection with a change of use where such change of use occurs during the 12 months after the expiration of the Emergency Declaration, to suspend requirements for off-site or valet parking for a period of 6 months after the expiration of the Emergency Declaration, and to implement an amended Restaurant Beverage Program to be made retroactive to include pending applications to include in commercial districts recent changes implemented by the City of Santa Monica to reduce the need for Conditional Use Permits, streamlining the permitting process and providing greater flexibility for both restaurants and nightlife establishments. (20 minutes)
7. Adjournment