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## WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

### **SPECIAL BOARD MEETING AGENDA AND CANDIDATES' FORUM**

**Wednesday, May 7, 2025 @ 7:00 p.m.**

**de Toledo High School, 22622 Vanowen Street, West Hills 91307**

In conformity with the October 6, 2023, enactment of California Senate Bill 411 (Portantino) and La City Council Approval on November 1, 2023, the West Hills Neighborhood Council Board Regular Meeting will be conducted virtually, telephonically and in person. All are invited to attend and participate.

- **To attend online** via Zoom Webinar: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86151176250>
- **To call in by phone**, dial (669) 900-6833, then punch in this Webinar code when prompted: **8615 117 6250**, then press #.
- **To attend in person**, please attend de Toldeo High School location at 22662 Vanowen Street, West Hills 91307

This meeting is open to the public. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. 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.

1. **Welcome** - Ms. Charlene Rothstein, President/Co-Chair

- Call to Order - Ms. Charlene Rothstein, President/Co-Chair
- Roll Call – Mr. Brad Vanderhoof, Secretary

2. **There will be no business conducted** at this meeting of the West Hills Neighborhood Council. The sole purpose of this meeting is to hold a candidate forum for voters to learn about the choices for this year's election for 13 of the 25 seats on the board. There are 17 candidates running for the 13 seats at large with 13 candidates presenting their platforms at the forum Wednesday, May 7, 2025, at 7pm, followed by Q& A. All candidates have been invited to participate and will be given **2 minutes** to present their platforms. The Q & A to follow will allow each candidate an opportunity to answer each question for 1 minute. The time limit will be strictly adhered to.

**There will be no live questions from the audience.** All questions will be taken from the audience via Q & A and asked of the candidates by the facilitator.

**Q & A** - Ms. Prabhjot Chambers & Ms. Charlene Rothstein, President/Co-Chair

Candidates will speak in a random order determined by alphabetical, alphabetical beginning with A, Z and mid alpha order. Platform presentations given by candidates will be selected by pulling names out of a hat.

**This forum will be recorded and available at [www.westhillsnc.org](http://www.westhillsnc.org)**

3. **Public Comment** – Ms. Charlene Rothstein, President/Co-Chair

Public comment on non-agenized items will be limited to 1 minute per person with a maximum of 10 minutes for comments.

Send an email via, [www.westhillsnc.org](http://www.westhillsnc.org) (click on contact), prior to 5:00 p.m. on the meeting date; include in the email Subject line "Public Comment" and the appropriate agenda item number; such comments will be read aloud during consideration of that agenda item with a maximum of 10 minutes.

#### 4. Adjourn

**SB 411 Updates:** If a Neighborhood Council has a quorum of board members in a physical location, board members who wish to join the meeting via teleconferencing must adhere to AB 2449 rules and regulations. If a Neighborhood Council does not have a quorum of board members in a physical location, they must adhere to SB 411 rules and regulations. In the event of a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting to members of the public using the call-in option or internet-based service option, or in the event of a disruption within the eligible legislative body's control that prevents members of the public from offering public comments using the call-in option or internet-based service option, the eligible legislative body shall take no further action on items appearing on the meeting agenda until public access to the meeting via the call-in option or internet-based service option is restored. Actions taken on agenda items during a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting may be challenged pursuant to Section 54960.1. The eligible legislative body shall not require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the legislative body and offer comments in real time. Notwithstanding Section 54953.3, an individual desiring to provide public comment through the use of an internet website, or other online platform, not under the control of the eligible legislative body, that requires registration to log in to a teleconference may be required to register as required by the third-party internet website or online platform to participate. (i) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph, provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed. (ii) An eligible legislative body that does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to subparagraph (D), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment. (iii) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed general public comment period that does not correspond to a specific agenda item shall not close the public comment period or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), until the timed general public comment period has elapsed.

**Public Input:** 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, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board meeting. Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

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