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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

REVISED JOINT BOARD AND GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2026, 7:30PM

**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.

In conformity with the January 1, 2026 enactment of California Senate Bill 707 (Durazo) and LA City Council File 23-1114, the West Hills Neighborhood Council Government Relations Committee Meeting, will be conducted virtually, telephonically and in person.

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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 ___ Faye Barta ___ Brian Murray ___ Brad Vanderhoof, Secretary ___
2. Comments from the Chairs.
3. General Public Comment
4. Review and Approval of February 23, 2026 Meeting Minutes.
5. Discussion and possible action on development of a CIS to extend NC elections until 2029. Reference “City Clerk Fiscal Year 2026-27 Proposed Budget”. Committee vote.
6. Discussion and possible action on development of a CIS regarding the results of the City Council Olympic Ad Hoc Committee Meeting on April 13, 2026. Concerns were addressed regarding the ticket pricing and sales, working with local businesses, and bankrupting the city.
7. Update on Charter Reform Commission, VANC April 9, 2026 Zoom Meeting
8. Basic Review of SB707 & Brown Act changes, Council File #25-1358.

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The 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. California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(4).

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A legislative body that does not provide a time 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 paragraph (5), or otherwise to be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment. California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(6)(B).

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West Hills Neighborhood Council

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JOINT GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE/BOARD SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Chaminade High School

February 23, 2026

Revised February 24, 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 (virtual), Brenda Citrom, Glenn Jennings, Kim Koerber, Joan Trent, Brad Vanderhoof, and Joanne Yvanek-Garb

Committee Members Absent: Saif Mogri, 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 Commission meeting she, Brenda, and Joan attended. Since there were 30 speakers for public comment, the Chair limited time to one minute. There were an additional 20 speakers on Zoom.
3. General Public Comment: None
4. Approval of December Meeting Minutes: No action taken.
6. February 18-2026 Charter Reform Commission meeting and progress: Joanne proposed requesting NC's no longer be considered advisory, but participatory to all LA City, LA County, State of California, and Federal government agencies. She added a sentence to proceed the above to state that NC Board Members are elected by stakeholders.

CIS in Support if Amended of CF Previously Addressed with Added Comments Above:

Aida Abkarians – Yes, Faye Barta – Yes, Brenda Citrom – Yes, Glenn Jennings – Yes,
Kim Koerber – Yes, Saif Mogri – Absent, Brian Murray – Absent, Joan Trent – Yes,
Brad Vanderhoof – Yes, Joanne Yvanek-Garb – Yes
Yes – 8, No – 0, Abstain – 0, Absent – 2, Recusal – 0
The CIS will be sent to the WHNC Board.

5. City Clerk's wanting to extend NC elections until 2029: There is no available Council File to file a CIS. Item tabled to March.

Co-chair Joanne Yvanek-Garb adjourned the meeting at 8:45 PM.

The next meeting of this committee is scheduled for March 16, 2026, 7:30 PM, Chaminade High School.

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November 21, 2025

The Honorable Karen Bass, Mayor
City of Los Angeles
Room 303, City Hall
Attention: Elyse Matson, Budget Director

SUBJECT: CITY CLERK FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 PROPOSED BUDGET

Dear Mayor Bass:

The Office of the City Clerk (City Clerk) respectfully transmits its Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 Proposed Budget for your consideration, adhering to the guidelines set forth in the Mayor's Budget Policy letter dated October 6, 2025, and the Office of the City Administrative Officer's (CAO's) instructions. We recognize that FY 2026-27 is expected to bring similar budgetary challenges as the previous year, characterized by rising liability costs, potentially lower revenues, and the need for fiscal stability.

This year's budget request totals **\$30,996,258**. The budget prioritizes resource realignment and strategic investments necessary to maintain mandated services, ensure fiduciary oversight for elected offices, and uphold our mission of providing equitable access to City government for all Angelenos.

Addressing Fiscal Constraints and Mandatory Reductions

Departments were tasked with submitting a five percent reduction proposal as part of the FY 2026-27 budget. The City Clerk's General Fund target was set at \$873,888. The City Clerk respectfully requests that this target be reduced to \$640,508 as the original target included \$4,667,598 in one-time Municipal Election costs, which should have been excluded from the calculation.

To meet the mandatory reduction target, the City Clerk proposes not conducting the Hybrid Neighborhood Council (NC) Elections in 2026-27, which would achieve \$915,000 in savings. With no available vacancies, any alternative salary cuts would necessitate layoffs and inevitably impact the City Clerk's core functions. Furthermore, mandated contractual services—such as the operation of the Council File Management System and interpretation costs for City Council Committee Meetings—cannot be reduced without severely hindering critical services and public access to government.

* Proceeding with the \$915,000 reduction from NC Elections will prevent the City Clerk from staffing polling places and processing Vote-By-Mail (VBM) ballots. If NC Elections are

postponed, this delay will need to be extended for two fiscal years, as the permanent and seasonal staff who execute the NC Elections also perform all Municipal Election duties, including petition review for candidate certification, ballot initiatives, and referendums. This postponement would also likely result in current Board Members having to extend their terms from two years to four years, which violates NC bylaws.

Historically, NC Boards have experienced high turnover. The City Clerk anticipates that forcing volunteers who agreed to a two-year term to serve four years will result in a higher degree of turnover for the majority of NCs. Additionally, all 99 NCs include one or two Youth Board members. Postponement will disqualify most, if not all, of these youth, as they will become adults during the extended period.

FY 2026-27 Key Priorities and Strategic Resource Requests

To mitigate the impact of the necessary reductions, the City Clerk is focusing its strategic planning on core objectives for the upcoming fiscal year.

The department's budget proposal is guided by the City Clerk's long-term objectives of Online Service Expansion, an Informed Public, Administrative Efficiency, and Workforce Sustainability. We are prioritizing resource realignment and strategic investments necessary to maintain mandated services, ensure administrative support for elected offices, and uphold our mission of providing equitable access to City government.

1. Ensuring Workforce Sustainability and Administrative Efficiency

To mitigate staff retention issues and the need to build institutional knowledge, the City Clerk is making the following requests:

- **Management Analyst – Fiscal Support (Mayor and City Council Administrative Support Program 1407):** A Management Analyst is urgently requested to assume responsibilities in fiscal contracting. This is necessary because a 120-day appointee currently managing the high demands of processing accounting documents and contracts monthly for elected offices will not be extending their term. This request ensures service continuity, and that contracts are processed in a timely and accurate manner.
 - **Resource Repurposing Offset:** This position is fully offset by the deletion of a vacant Executive Administrative Assistant II, resulting in a net cost of \$3,091. The existing duties of the deleted position will be absorbed internally.
- **Management Analyst – HR Support (General Administration and Support Program 1450):** A Management Analyst is requested to assist the Human Resource Services Section (HRSS) management team, resulting in a net cost of \$10,619. This position is vital for managing the anticipated workload associated with the cyclical rollover of Council Offices and the imminent adoption of the Council Aide classification Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). The Management Analyst will also help implement new procedures to mitigate risk in Employee Relations and oversee the newly developed Mentorship Program.

- o **Resource Repurposing Offset:** This request is offset by the deletion of a Senior Administrative Clerk. Efficiencies gained through the WorkDay system allow existing staff to absorb the deleted position's duties, enabling the department to pursue higher priority services like managerial development and program implementation.

2. Workforce Regularization to Preserve Institutional Knowledge (No added cost)

As part of the continuous effort to enhance staff retention and preserve institutional knowledge, the City Clerk proposes the regularization of eight (8) resolution authorities across various programs (at no added cost):

Division/Program	Positions to be Regularized	Authority Type
General Administration and Support (1450)	One (1) Accounting Records Supervisor I One (1) Personnel Records Supervisor One (1) Accountant One (1) Accounting Clerk	Resolution
Mayor and Council Support (1407)	Two (2) Accounting Clerks	Resolution
Records Management (1405)	One (1) Administrative Clerk	Resolution
Technology and Support (1449)	One (1) Information Systems Manager I	Resolution

The regularization of these positions is instrumental in providing continuity for human resources, fiscal, and accounting services to the elected offices and smaller departments.

3. Charter-Mandated Election Administration and Business Improvement Districts

This budget includes mandatory requests to meet election obligations and for the Business Improvement Districts (BIDs) for FY 2026-27:

- **November 2026 General Election County Costs:** The City Clerk projects that it will need \$11,000,000 to pay the County of Los Angeles for conducting the November 2026 General Election. This is a mandatory expense and falls under the 1402-City Elections and Business Improvement Districts program, aligning with the Mayor's priority to "Make LA Shine."
- **Ballot Measure Voter Information Pamphlets (VIPs):** Anticipated costs for salaries, overtime, and expenses totaling \$4,284,136 are requested for preparing VIPs for various ballot measures in 2026-27.
- **November 2026 General Election City Clerk Costs:** Funds amounting to \$181,692 are required for the City Clerk's direct responsibilities related to the Election, including performing outreach, translating ballot measures, and printing voter information guides and postcards.

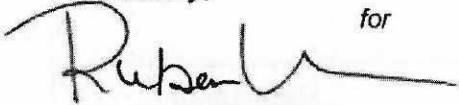
- **BIDs Trust Fund Obligations:** Due to a legally mandated obligation to pay assessments for City-owned parcels, general benefit obligations, public works, and CRA/LA costs, the City Clerk requests \$5,322,197 for the BID Trust Fund.
- **As-Need Funding Restoration:** The City Clerk requests \$292,213 to restore the Elections As-Needed (1070) base budget to prior year levels, necessary to avoid service impacts to the City's Municipal Elections.

4. Online Service Expansion and Transparency

The City Clerk continues its commitment to enhanced transparency and access to City governance. We plan to continue improving public-facing portals for better tracking of contracts and more efficient processing of payments. Furthermore, this budget sustains necessary funding for Spanish interpretation services for Council and Committee meetings to maintain transparency and address equity for mono-lingual Spanish stakeholders.

The City Clerk appreciates your commitment to developing a budget focused on positive outcomes and results. The proposals herein effectively leverage existing resources and address critical needs to ensure the continuity and effectiveness of the City Clerk's services as we strive to meet the demands of FY 2026-27.

Sincerely,



for

Patrice Y. Lattimore
City Clerk

PYL/RV/EM/BS:ih
EXE-051-25

COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Contact Information:

Neighborhood Council: West Hills

Action Taken: The West Hills Neighborhood Council Board to

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

Accept if Amended _____ Yea _____ Nay _____ Abstain

Discussion and possible action on drafting a letter to the City Clerk and a copy to LA City Council Members regarding the Neighborhood Council member term limits being extended to the year 2029.

MOTION

PUBLIC WORKS

Mayor Bass’s “Games for All” vision names accessibility as the foundation of an inclusive Games legacy, noting that 2028 will mark the first time Los Angeles hosts the Paralympic Games alongside the Olympic Games. In anticipation of enhanced services needed to make major corridors ready for the world stage, the adopted Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget dedicated an initial \$5.3 million for proactive infrastructure repairs near 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games venues, fan zones, and key access routes. The Bureau of Engineering, in close collaboration with the Department of Transportation, Bureau of Street Services, and Bureau of Street Lighting has since conducted a comprehensive infrastructure inventory and assessment near Games venues that identifies sidewalk repairs and related infrastructure improvements needed to ensure corridor safety and accessibility (C.F. 25-1142). To meet the accelerated timelines, Departments need access to the funding to accelerate repairs and project delivery in time for this year’s World Cup.

The Office of Major Events is leading a coordinated, multi-departmental strategy to ensure key corridors and event sites are safe, accessible, and supportive of multiple modes of transportation. This coordinated approach to infrastructure planning, project delivery, and maintenance is essential to delivering comprehensive mobility improvements and long-term improvements beyond 2028. To maximize the benefits of these mobility improvements and ensure the efficient use of limited City resources, the City should prioritize investments in community-based partners such as the Los Angeles Neighborhood Initiative (LANI) and the Los Angeles Conservation Corps (LACC). LANI has demonstrated success in delivering projects in the public right-of-way, while LACC has piloted a successful Youth Sidewalk Repair program that can be scaled to support these efforts.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council declare the repair of pedestrian facilities (sidewalks, curb ramps, crosswalks, etc.) for the LA28 Games a matter of urgent necessity for the reasons stated above and authorize the Department of Public Works and/or the City Engineer, or designee, to utilize existing and future contracts as appropriate, including emergency pre-qualified on-call contracts, to accelerate repairs.

I FURTHER MOVE to authorize the Controller to appropriate \$5,281,686 from the Unappropriated Balance Fund No. 100, Dept. No. 58, Account No. 580442, entitled “2028 Games Project Public Right of Way Improvements” to the Bureau of Engineering (BOE), Board of Public Work Office of Community Beautification (OCB), and Department of Transportation (LADOT) for pedestrian facility repair, construction management, engineering support and consultant services to achieve public-right-of-way and mobility readiness for the 2028 Games as follows:

BOE: Fund No. 100, Dept. No. 78, Account No. 001010	165,000
BOE: Fund No. 682, Dept. No. 50, Account No. TBD	700,000
OCB: Fund No. 100, Dept. No. 74, Account No. 003040	3,986,868
LADOT: Fund No. 59C, Dept. No. 94, Account No. TBD	
<u>titled “2028 Games Mobility Capital Projects”</u>	<u>430,000</u>
	\$ 5,281,868

I FURTHER MOVE to instruct BOE to utilize the \$165,000 for staff costs related to accelerated repairs and the \$700,000 appropriated into the new account entitled “2028 Games Mobility Capital Projects” for construction contracts costs and consultant services contracts costs to oversee and implement the pedestrian facility repair construction work.

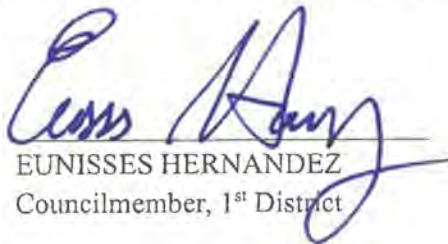
I FURTHER MOVE that the Council instruct the Board of Public Works Office of Community Beautification to to utilize \$3,986,868 with the Los Angeles Neighborhood Initiative and the Los Angeles Conservation Corps to repair sidewalks near 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games venues, fan zones and key access routes. The funding allocated to LACC should go to its Youth Sidewalk Repair Program to provide paid on-the-job training to local youth between the ages of 18-26.

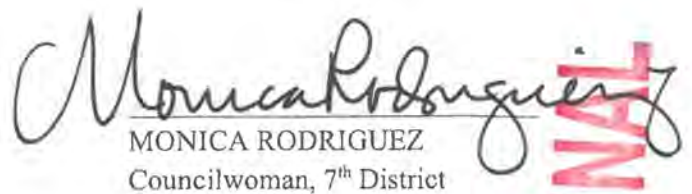
I FURTHER MOVE to instruct LADOT to utilize the \$430,000 appropriated into the new account entitled "2028 Games Mobility Capital Projects" for capital planning and engineering support services costs to coordinate public right-of-way and mobility capital projects necessary for the 2028 Games.

I FURTHER MOVE to authorize the Controller to appropriate \$20,000 from Fund No. 59V, Dept No, 94, Account No 50AZBQ, entitled "Vision Zero - Projects" to the Bureau of Street Lighting (BSL) Fund No. 100, Dept. No. 84, Account No. 001090, Salaries, Overtime, for costs related to street lighting design of safety and mobility projects in support of the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games and City-wide FIFA Activations:

I FURTHER MOVE to authorize the City Engineer, or designee, to make any technical and/or accounting corrections, clarifications, or revisions to the above instructions, including any new instructions, in order to effectuate the intent of this Motion, and including any corrections and changes to fund or account numbers; said corrections/ clarifications/ changes may be made orally, electronically or by any other means.

PRESENTED BY:


EUNISSES HERNANDEZ
Councilmember, 1st District


MONICA RODRIGUEZ
Councilwoman, 7th District

SECONDED BY:




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COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Contact Information:

Neighborhood Council: West Hills

Council File: 15-0989-S64 Los Angeles Olympics

Date of Board Meeting: May 7, 2025

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

Discussion and Possible Action regarding the results of the City Council Olympic Ad Hoc Committee Meeting on April 13, 2026. Concerns were addressed regarding the ticket pricing and sales, working with local businesses, and bankrupting the city.

COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Contact Information:

Neighborhood Council: West Hills

Council File: 15-0989-S65 Los Angeles Olympics

Date of Board Meeting: May 7, 2025

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Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils

VANC

34 San Fernando Valley Neighborhood Councils

Established March 03, 2003 by Jill Banks Barad-Hopkins

Thursday, April 9, 2026 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

Mayor Karen Bass

We are powerful together

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

From the Ralph M. Brown Act, 1953

"The people of this State do not yield their sovereignty to the agencies which serve them.

The people, in delegating authority, do not give their public servants the right to decide what is good for the people to know and what is not good for them to know.

The people insist on remaining informed so that they may retain control over the instruments they have created."

1. Welcome and Introductions: Linda Gravani, chair
VANC34.chair@gmail.com

2. Guest Speaker: Mayor Karen Bass

Topics

- A. High housing Density in high fire zone
- B. Street Vendors – Nuisance
- C. City Clerk postponed NC elections

- D. MyLA311 not improved
- E. R&P Tiny homes – Emergency over
- F. Animal Shelters budget
- G. CF25-0193 Dog/Cat meat
- H. LAHSA FUNDS
- I. Senior Services
- J. Traffic Study denied
- K. No responses to NCs
- L. Charter Commission – Increase City Council
- M. LA100/SB100
- N. Van Nuys airport continues temporary flight path
- O. Budget Advocates

3. The Charter Reform Commission CF26-0489 referred to Rules, Elections and Intergovernmental Relations Committee on Apr 2, 2026

https://cityclerk.lacity.org/online/docs/2026/26-0489_misc_CRC_4-2-26.pdf

- A. NCs CIS shall be in a **separate queue** from public comment
- B. NCs **may deliver to any governmental agency a statement** past in a Brown Act public meeting at which there is a quorum. The City shall create/require language to indicate the NC is speaking for itself and not the City
- C. NCs may **include consent calendars** on their agendas.
- D. When selecting a new DONE GM, provide NCs the opportunity to **submit questions to ask GM candidates** during the employment interview
- E. **Increase the number of BONC commissioners** from seven to nine with the two additional being **at-large and appointed by NCs**
- F. **NCs shall submit their budget request at the same time as departments.** BONC president shall be a single point-of-contact and shall organize the requests into a single request for Mayor's consideration
- G. **Require** City Council, City Council committees, and city commissioners make **provision for NCs to comment via telephone or telephonic conferencing at all meetings** of these bodies
- H. Capitalize **Neighborhood Councils** throughout the Charter

4. DONE/ Carmen Chang Department of Neighborhood Empowerment
Bylaws update
Risk Management- facilities private/public

5. 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

6. Budget Advocates –update: www.budgetadvocates.org Budget day is **27JUN2026 at City Hall**

7. Items from the floor:

- **Mayoral Candidate Forum planned for 3MAY2026 330pm** Sally Field Performing Arts building at Birmingham Community Charter High School, **THE VALLEY IS INVITED**.....Please outreach to your stakeholders. This is an important election.

8. Anniversaries: CONGRATULATIONS!

24 Years	Sun Valley Area - Support CF26-0263-honoring Michael L. O’Gara
23 Years	Sylmar Sunland-Tujunga
16 Years	Northridge South

THANK YOU Valley Leaders for **ALL you do** for your communities, the city of Los Angeles, and I appreciate your VANC participation.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR
VANC VIRTUAL Meeting Thursday May 14, 2026

Important meetings

1st Saturday of the month

*LADWP MOU 8:30-10A (1ST Saturday of the month), details at:

<https://www.ladwpnews.com/dwp-nc-mou-and-advocacy-committee-meetings/>

2nd Friday of the month

Dept of Public Works comes to Van Nuys City Hall- in person

2nd Saturday of the month

PlanCheck zoom 10AM details www.plancheckncla.com

Educate yourself on City Planning and Land Use issues

Last Friday of the month IF **-voted on by City Council-**

City Council comes to Van Nuys City Hall – IN PERSON

MOTION

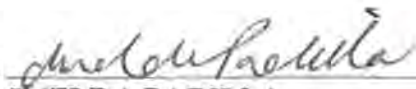
Governor Newsom signed Senate Bill (SB) 707 into law on October 3, 2025. This bill makes significant changes to the Brown Act, intending to increase public participation and expand remote access to public meetings. As the City meets the definition of an eligible legislative body (a city council with a population of 30,000 or more), current policies and procedures must be updated to comply with the new requirements.

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I THEREFORE MOVE that Council request the City Attorney and instruct the City Clerk to report on the impacts Senate Bill 707 will have on current City procedures and the necessary changes the City would be required to complete to be in compliance with the new adaptations to the Brown Act.

I FURTHER MOVE that Council instruct the Information Technology Agency to report on the costs for necessary software and installation to be in compliance with Senate Bill 707, a strategic plan for build-out, and the estimated time required to update current systems.

PRESENTED BY:



IMELDA PADILLA
Councilmember, 6th District

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**SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO COUNCIL FILE NO. 25-1358 MOTION (PADILLA -RODRIGUEZ)
REGARDING SENATE BILL 707 IMPACTS AND READINESS**

Honorable Members:

The Office of the City Clerk (City Clerk) submits its response to Council File No. 25-1358 Motion regarding Senate Bill (SB) 707 Impacts and Readiness.

RECOMMENDATION

NOTE and FILE the City Clerk report dated February 24, 2026, inasmuch as the report is for informational purposes only.

BACKGROUND

On December 10, 2025, the City Council adopted Motion (Padilla-Rodriguez) instructing the City Clerk to report on the impacts SB 707 will have on City procedures and the changes necessary for compliance with the Bill.

SB 707, signed into law by Governor Newsom on October 3, 2025, significantly expands the Ralph M. Brown Act. The key mandates of this legislation include requiring a two-way telephonic option for public comment, providing Spanish translations for agendas, offering interpretive services during Council meetings, and updating the legislative body's dedicated webpage.

IMPACTS ON CITY PROCEDURES AND NECESSARY CHANGES

The City Clerk has identified specific changes necessary to comply with SB 707. These changes are primarily administrative and focus on improving the accessibility and translation of meeting and public comment information on the legislative body's main webpage. The required updates are:

- Providing a direct link to the online Council meeting agendas.
- Electronically and physically posting translated Council agendas in all applicable languages for each meeting.
- Offering a general explanation of the public meeting process, including procedures for both in-person and remote public comment.
- Implementing functionality to translate the public meeting webpage into all applicable languages.
- Ensuring closed captioning for the broadcasted Council meeting.
- Providing interpretive and translation services for the Council meeting.

AN EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

The City Clerk already provides many of the services required by SB 707 as standard practice.

The only remaining requirements to implement are:

1. Electronic and physical posting of translated Council agendas.
2. Publication of a general explanation of the public meeting process and procedures for public comment on the legislative body's main webpage.

These two changes are expected to be completed and rolled out by the July 1, 2026 deadline. All other requirements are already routinely met.

SB 707 requires Council meeting agendas to be translated into all "applicable languages." An "applicable language" is defined as one "spoken jointly by 20 percent or more of the applicable population, according to data from the most recent American Community Survey, provided that 20 percent or more of the population that speaks that language in that city or county speaks English less than 'very well.'"



Based on the 2024 American Community Survey data for the City of Los Angeles, Spanish is the only language that meets this threshold, as it is spoken at home by 39 percent of the population. Consequently, the City Clerk will proceed with translating and posting Council meeting agendas in Spanish, both electronically and physically.

Further, a general explanation of the public meeting process and procedures for public comment is currently provided in all City Council meeting agendas. This information will be expanded and made available on the legislative body's main webpage as well.

FISCAL IMPACT

The recommendation to note and file this report will have no fiscal impact.

Respectfully submitted,

Signed with ClerkSign

Feb 24, 2026 1:41PM 

Patrice Y. Lattimore
City Clerk

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GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the impacts of Senate Bill 707 will have on current City procedures and the necessary changes the City would be required to complete to be in compliance with the new adaptations to the Brown Act.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. AUTHORIZE the purchase and annual renewal of the necessary Zoom licenses, in the estimated amount of \$30,000 to ensure City Council will meet Senate Bill 707 requirements for remote access (voice-only) for the public for full session meetings in City Hall Council Chambers and committee meetings in the 4th floor committee room.
2. INSTRUCT the City Clerk, Information Technology Agency, and Department of General Services to analyze and report back on the specific engineering, construction, labor, and equipment costs from this substantial upgrade of the Van Nuys Council Chambers.
3. NOTE and FILE the February 24, 2026 City Clerk report.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The ITA reports that the recommendations contained in the January 20, 2026 ITA report, attached to the Council File, will have an annual General Fund impact estimated at \$30,000 in software licensing costs.

Community Impact Statement: Yes

For:
Pacoima Neighborhood Council
Reseda Neighborhood Council

For, If Amended:
North Hollywood Neighborhood Council

Summary:

On March 27, 2026, your Committee considered January 20, 2026 ITA and February 24, 2026 City Clerk reports relative to the impacts of Senate Bill 707 will have on current City procedures and the necessary changes the City would be required to complete to be in compliance with the new adaptations to the Brown Act.

According to the ITA, Governor Newsom signed Senate Bill (SB) 707 into law on October 3, 2025. This bill makes significant changes to the Brown Act, intending to increase public participation and expand remote access to public meetings. As the City meets the definition of an eligible legislative body (a city council with a population of 30,000 or more), current policies and procedures must be updated to comply with the new requirements.

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According to the City Clerk, it has identified specific changes necessary to comply with SB 707. These changes are primarily administrative and focus on improving the accessibility and translation of meeting and public comment information on the legislative body's main webpage. The required updates are:

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The City Clerk already provides many of the services required by SB 707 as standard practice. The only remaining requirements to implement are: 1) Electronic and physical posting of translated Council agendas. 2) Publication of a general explanation of the public meeting process and procedures for public comment on the legislative body's main webpage. These two changes are expected to be completed and rolled out by the July 1, 2026 deadline. All other requirements are already routinely met. SB 707 requires Council meeting agendas to be translated into all "applicable languages." An "applicable language" is defined as one "spoken jointly by 20 percent or more of the applicable population, according to data from the most recent American Community Survey, provided that 20 percent or more of the population that speaks that language in that city or county speaks English less than 'very well.'" Based on the 2024 American Community Survey data for the City of Los Angeles, Spanish is the only language that meets this threshold, as it is spoken at home by 39 percent of the population. Consequently, the City Clerk will proceed with translating and posting Council meeting agendas in Spanish, both electronically and physically. Further, a general explanation of the public meeting process and procedures for public comment is currently provided in all City Council meeting

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After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the recommendations contained in each report. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Government Operations Committee

COUNCILMEMBER VOTE

PADILLA: YES

LEE: YES

JURADO: YES

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3/27/26

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