



## Reports and Updates September 21st, 2018

### Meeting with the Mayor has been set

The Budget Advocates (BAs) have scheduled their fall meeting with The Mayor for **September 28<sup>th</sup>**.

Specifically, the BAs will request that he instruct each Department to establish objective performance metrics, relative to their operations, that can be published for the public to review each year. The BAs will also discuss how he plans to approach the FY19/20 budgeting process.

Will he want cuts across the board? Which of our City's underfunded services will be further restored? Will we begin to fully address our homelessness epidemic?

### Fall Department and Committee Meetings

The BAs have begun scheduling meetings with City Departments kicking off in early October. On **October 4<sup>th</sup>**, the BA team will meet with the Controller to further discuss his report regarding the City's idle funds, new special projects and where we stand on measuring the equitable distribution of our City's Services.

### The Bank of Los Angeles

The Budget Advocates are discussing possible themes for their White Paper this fiscal year. One of the most critical decisions in front of us, is our City's exploration of creating a Bank of Los Angeles. The BAs are eager to analyze the pros and cons of the endeavor and could use their findings as the subject of their White Paper.

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## City Wide Report Card

The BAs are drafting a game changing form of measuring our City's performance. Annual **Report Cards**. Every Angeleno will be asked to grade not only our City Services, but your Elected Officials and overall quality of life. The report cards will be distributed city-wide in the upcoming weeks.

## Neighborhood Council Outreach

As always, the BAs are out in force, visiting NCs and keeping them in the loop as to what's really going on with our City's financial issues and our lacking City Services.

Has your NC had a visit yet? If not, contact our Outreach team to ensure your questions are answered.

## Regional Workshops and Forums

The BA Outreach committee is working on developing a series of workshops and forums to offer on a rotating basis, in each Neighborhood Council District. Topics of interest so far include; Financial Literacy, City Services, Parks and Recreation facility development and potential uses for the City's Idle Special Funds.

## Involvement and Impact

Every BA committee, from the Department of Aging, to the LA Zoo is open to all Stakeholders, NC Board Members and Budget Representatives. If there's a department, or an issue you'd like to work on, contact our Outreach team and share your passion!