

I. CALL TO ORDER AND BOARD ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order at 7:08 pm

Samuel Bark	present
Sally Boldt	present
Jessica Celious	present
Carlo De La Cruz	absent
Nathan Freeman	present
Anaïs Frey	present
Mateo Frey	present
Josh Gordon	present
Ramsay Goyal	present
Karen Hadley	absent
Mark Hadley	absent
Sheila Hill	absent
Elle Johnson	present
Kate Kunzman Chan	present
Sue McCullough	present
Judy Reidel	present
Bev Rowe	present
Aaron Stark	present
Jeff Vanhoy	present

II. PRESENTATION FROM GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND REPRESENTATIVES

a. Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD)

Olympic Division Senior Lead Officer, Officer Cho

Officer Cho gave an update on crime trends in his area of patrol (Normandie to Crenshaw between Pico & Olympic), and gave tips on theft prevention and personal safety. He also fielded questions about crime related to catalytic converters, and about how a fist fight might be charged.

b. Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD)

Oscar Cesperes from Firestation 13 gave an update on prevalent safety issues, regarding lithium ion batteries, kids and pets in hot cars, and smoke detectors. He also announced that LAFD is looking for new recruits. The requirements are 18 years or older, have a high school diploma, and a driver's license. The training is 4 months.

c. Office of Assemblymember Isaac Bryan

Karen Calderon (karen.calderon@asm.ca.gov)

Ms. Calderon gave an update on the progress of legislation through the State Assembly, and an update on events Mr. Bryan's office is hosting or participating in.

Fielding questions, Ms. Calderon said that Mr. Bryan would be happy to meet constituents to discuss issues, but could not hold an official town hall on a bill that he didn't author or vote for. In response to questions, Ms. Calderon said she would look

into the issue of permitting autonomous vehicles, and into providing the board with information on small business grants.

d. LA City Mayors Office

Allen Moret, CD 10 Representative (Allen.Moret@lacity.org)

Mr. Moret gave an update on the Department of Animal Services, and on the activities of SHINE LA. In response to questions, Mr. Moret said he's waiting for more information to be able to provide statistics on the hotel voucher program, and encouraged everyone in attendance to let him know if they have issues with the 311 system.

e. Office of Councilmember Heather Hutt (CD 10)

Alan Antonio (alan.antonio@lacity.org)

Mr. Antonio gave updates on recent activities of the CD 10 office. Responding to a question about repairing street lights, Mr. Antonio said that there is a backlog, with repairs going in order of when the outages were reported. Regarding the issue of insects and a report of 5 cases of typhus in CD 1, he said that this is a district matter, each district has its own policy, but that CD 10 prioritizes the rapid response removal of bulky items. A resident complained about the poor service provided by Guzman Construction.

f. Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD)

Wilshire Division Senior Lead Officers Officer Hebel Rodriguez

Officer Rodriguez gave an update on crime trends in his area (Venice to Wilshire, between Redondo and Bronson), gave tips on theft prevention and personal safety, and announced some LAPD events. Officer Rodriguez also answered a question about devices to secure your car, and a question about the "cat lady" by the Starbucks, who Homeless Services is aware of.

g. LA City Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE)

Prabhjot Chamber (prabhjot.chamber@lacity.org)

Ms. Chamber announced an upcoming event regarding increasing awareness through the use of city PSA's. She also reminded the board that members must complete the new NC funding training by August 31, and emphasized that even if all your other training is current, you must complete the new funding training, or you will not be able to vote on anything (i.e. even non-finance related matters).

III. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Constituent and PLUM Committee member Barbara Calloway informed the board that she had just learned that the 7-story storage building on San Vicente had been approved. She expressed strong disappointment that no one from the OPNC board had attended the July 9 hearing on the matter, which she had informed the board about at the July 6 meeting.

IV. BOARD BUSINESS

a. Wendy Moore of Moore Business Results.

Wendy Moore greeted the board. Ms. Moore is responsible for the OPNC website, social media and e-blasts, greeted the board. She clarified the services she makes available to the board, such as posting about any events that the board sends her information for. She runs the OPNC Facebook page and posts to it regularly, but emphasized that people need to visit it and share, if it is to gain any traction.

V. NEW BUSINESS

a. Appointment of Anais Frey as an OPNC Student Representative

Approved – 13 in favor, none opposed, none abstaining

b. Recommend to the board for letter of support for approval of case: VTT-85045-CC

This planning case regarding a requested entitlement of preexisting and conversion of apartments to condominiums would provide 5 low-income units in a 30-unit building, with current residents getting priority for buying the condominiums.

Approved – 14 in favor, none opposed, none abstaining

c. Approval of up to \$200 for annual Canva account subscription (an online graphic design platform)

Approved – 13 in favor, none opposed, none abstaining

d. Nomination and election of OPNC Outreach Committee and members

By unanimous voice vote: Kate Kunzman Chan will continue to chair. Nathan Freeman, Anaïs Frey, Mateo Frey and Sue McCullough will serve as committee members.

e. Nomination and election of OPNC Planning and Land Use (PLUM) Committee and members.

Tabled until next month. Jessica Celious will continue to chair.

f. Nomination and election of OPNC Transportation and Public Safety Committee and members.

By unanimous voice vote: Jeff Vanhoy will chair, with Jessica Celious, Mateo Frey, Elle Johnson and Clem Wright serving as committee members.

VI. FINANCES (click for MERs)

a. Monthly treasurer's Report and possible nomination of new treasurer

Treasurer Ramsay Goyal reported that he will send in our admin packet once he receives from the city the official rollover figure. Broadly speaking, we have roughly \$2,000/month available to spend.

b. Approval of June 2026 Monthly Expenditure Reports (MER)

Approved – 13 in favor, none opposed, none abstaining

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR:

a. Approval of June 2026 Board Meeting Minutes
Approved by unanimous voice vote

b. Approval of July 2026 Board Meeting Minutes
Approved by unanimous voice vote

VII. BOARD BUSINESS continued

a. Updates from Committees

With OPNC board seat election season approaching, the board is forming an Ad-hoc Election Committee.

By unanimous voice vote, Ramsay Goyal will chair, and Sally Boldt and Sue McCulloch will serve as committee members.

b. Miscellaneous board member announcements

i. Sue McCulloch reminded the board of the August 31 deadline for the new NC funding training.

ii. The September and October OPNC meetings will be held entirely on Zoom. It is not required to have cameras on at these all-virtual meetings. The September meeting will begin at 7 pm.

c. Clarification of hybrid board meeting policies

Only in-person attendance counts toward meeting quorum. Members must provide “just cause” for absences from in-person meetings, with their excuse being recorded in the minutes.

d. Departing board member

Samuel Bark will step down from his position as a board member, but will continue to serve as a committee member of the PLUM committee.

e. Constituent introduction

Sylvia Franklin introduced herself. Ms. Franklin would like to be on the board, and there will be a vacancy due to Samuel Bark’s departure. A vote on her potential appointment will be on the agenda next month.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. The next 2 OPNC board meetings will be entirely virtual due to room availability, starting at 7 PM on Zoom.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:54 pm