



Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates 2024-25 - Meeting #16 AGENDA
Monday, May 5, 2025 - 7:00 p.m.

Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89318608922>

Meeting ID: 893 1860 8922

(Zoom phone numbers at bottom of agenda)

- I. Call to Order and Welcome**
- II. Roll Call of Budget Advocates**
 - A. Resignation: Region 3 - Andres Perkins
- III. Minutes:** meeting #3 held on October 7, 2024 (pending); [meeting #13 \(special\) held March 22, 2025](#); [meeting #14 held April 7, 2025](#); [meeting #15 held April 19, 2025](#) - MOTION to approve (if distributed in advance of the meeting)
- IV. Public Comment on non-agenda items within subject matter jurisdiction (5 minutes)**
- V. Announcements**
 - A. Announcements from DONE (John Darnell)
 - B. Announcements from City Controller Kenneth Mejia
 1. KNX News: "[\\$225M needed to avoid L.A. layoffs: City Controller](#)"
 - B. Announcements from Mayor Karen Bass
 1. [State of the City Address](#) 4/21/2025 was live streamed
 - C. Announcements from Councilmember (and Budget and Finance Committee Chair) Katy Yaroslavsky
 1. Community Conversations on the City Budget (April) report
 - D. Announcements from Councilmember (and Budget and Finance Committee Vice-Chair) Bob Blumenfield
 1. Budget Priorities [Survey](#) 2025-26
- VI. Old Business**
 - A. Budget Advocates vacancies (Regions 3, 5, 6, 8 and 10 with one or more) - Kay
 - B. Meeting with Mayor Bass in May (date TBA). 12:30 - 2 p.m. - Mihran
 - C. Budget Advocate business cards update - Alena and Jay
 - D. Town Hall: "Thoughts on the Mayor's Proposed Budget" - Jack

1. Link to recording posted on [Town Halls webpage](#)

VII. Special Items - Proposed Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget - [CF 25-0600](#)

- A. Mayor released proposed Budget on April 21 - [Budget and related documents](#)
- B. City Council Budget and Finance Committee sessions continue May 5 with department presentations with Department memos beginning May 8
- C. Full City Council public hearing scheduled for Wednesday, May 21 at 10:00 a.m.
- D. NC Budget Advocacy/ Budget Advocates presentation made on April 28 (after Civilian Labor Partners) - report and comments
- E. Discussion compiling what each department spends on homeless services (including items not a line item on its budget) in order to access how much the City actually spends. This could include paramedic calls, LAPD intra-encampment assault calls, etc. - Jay

VIII. New Business

- A. Recent wildfires budget impacts - any new updates?
- B. Impact of any reduction of federal funding to Los Angeles - any updates?
- C. Other City Budget and Fiscal Updates
 1. "[Defunding of Recreation & Parks Continues](#)" - Jack
- D. Two Motions related to [Council File 19-0229-S2](#) Los Angeles Fair Work Week Ordinance / Protections Expansion / Fast Food Business Employees / In-Person Training / Paid Time Off
 1. Proposed MOTION: The Budget Advocates recognize the need for a livable minimum wage and worker protections. We are concerned that any new ordinance that would have a further negative effect on the \$1 billion deficit budget, would only exasperate the current situation and cause additional cuts and layoffs due to additional deficit spending, or in such a case as the city being unable to hire more staff to enforce the new ordinance, it would render that protections to be moot. We would request that no new ordinances be put into place that cannot be fully funded by the department mandated to enact the ordinance. - Jay
 2. Proposed MOTION: As the city Council has refused to do a fiscal analysis of the new restaurant ordinance the budget advocates would request that a fiscal analysis be done prior to any action being taken that would further cause a negative effect on staff and the City Budget. - Jay

IX. Committee Reports

- A. Executive Committee (Glenn Bailey/Jay Handal) - next meeting 5/10/2025, 1 pm (rescheduled due to Mother's Day)
- B. Finance Committee (Brian Allen)
 1. Monthly financial reports posted on [Financials webpage](#)
 2. Approve any outstanding monthly financial reports.
 3. Paid and pending invoices update, including Budget Day 2024
 4. Approve Budget Advocates Budget for 2024-2025 (or revision thereof)
 5. Finalize DONE/NCBA MOU/Standard Operating Procedures for financials update - possible MOTION
 6. Contributions from NCs - report

- C. Outreach Committee (Mihran Kalaydjian)
 - 1. Social media postings and possible outreach video clips
 - 2. Regional Town Hall(s) update
- D. Training and Education (Barbara Ringuette)
- E. Bylaws Committee (Kay Hartman) (on hold)
- F. Ad Hoc Budget Day Planning Committee (Kay Hartman) - next meeting 5/9/2025, 4 pm
 - 1. Review of NC Budget Day [budget](#) (as updated or revised)
 - 2. Add line item for Outreach for \$1,000 - MOTION
- G. Ad Hoc Overview of City Budget Committee (Jack Humphreville)
- H. Ad Hoc Olympics Committee (Barbara Ringuette)

X. Informational Items

- A. Council File [24-0600](#) for FY 2024-2025 Budget and related documents
- B. Council File [24-0890](#) LAPD sworn and civilian hiring process
- C. Council File [24-0600-S37](#) Fiscal Year 2024-25 Budget / Reserve Fund Restoration / Budgetary Concerns; link to [CAO presentation](#)
- D. Mayor's [FY 2025-26 Budget Policy Letter](#) to Departments dated September 25, 2024
- E. Council File [24-0600-S111](#) - First Financial Status Report (FSR) FY 2024-2025
- F. Council File [24-1368](#) : Personnel-Focused Budget Reduction Exercise / City Debt Programs / Pension Obligation Bonds / Fees For Service / Quarterly Reports
- G. Council File [24-0600-S113](#) - Second Financial Status Report (FSR) FY 2024-2025
- H. Council File [CF 25-0046](#) - City Council [Motion](#) proposing a Fire Department bond measure for June 2026 Election
- I. Council File [CF 25-0243](#) Controller Revenue Forecast for Fiscal Years 2024-25 and 2025-26 (released 3/3/2025)
- J. Council File [Council File 23-1027-S3](#) Charter Reform / Biennial Budget Cycle / Public Participation / Engagement Strategies
- K. Council File [24-0600-S114](#) Third Financial Status Report FY 2024-2025
- L. Any new Council Files? Please submit to Co-Chairs in advance of meeting

XI. Upcoming Meetings and Events

- A. Budget Advocates, Monday, May 5, 2025, 7:00 p.m.
- B. BONC, Tuesday, May 6, 2025, 6:00 p.m., City Hall
- C. Budget Advocates, Saturday, May 17, 2025, 9:30 a.m.
- D. BONC, Monday, May 19, 2025 1:00 p.m., City Hall
- E. NC Budget Day, Saturday, June 21, 2025, 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. - [Save The Date](#)

XII. Announcements and Items for Future Meeting Agendas

- A. Email items to LABudgetAdvocates@gmail.com

XIII. Adjournment

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