

September 10, 2025 Agenda Virtual Neighborhood Meeting

Attendees:

Tifanie Acosta Malek Adel Angela Bellias David Brewer Deborah Brosseau Jason Cottis Brandi D'Amore Chick Dowden Jodi Ehrlich Jan Hohenstein Schelley Kiah Walker King Heather Mata Robert Sexton Alexa Iles Skarpelos Kwock Koe Cynthia Martinez Namita Rathi Todd Regenbogen Merle Singer Anji WIlliams Kelly Ziegler

I. Welcomes & Introductions

Alexa Iles Skarpelos, HDCA President

We took a moment to acknowledge the one-year anniversary of the passing of two important, longtime residents of the Hollywood Dell, Linda Deutsch (September 1st) and Nathan Singer (September 11th).

II. Updates From Local Officials

LA City

Walker King, Deputy District Director, CD4

Email: walker.king@lacity.org

New Field Rep for Our Area Selected?

Walker said that he and J are interviewing people now so they are still in the process of finding a replacement.

J was promoted at the end of July to District Director. Walker has been covering, on top of his own job as Deputy District Director, so they are very motivated to get this done.

Illegal Parking / Missing Signage

We discussed the ongoing issues with missing "NO PARKING – TOW AWAY" signs from the 6200 block of Ivarene Avenue. This short segment of Ivarene is a key access point and evacuation route for the neighborhood. The street is substandard width and there should be no parking on either side, ever. There are legal, nearby public street parking spots on Vine and the 6300 block of Ivarene.

Some residents repeatedly park and allow visitors and workers to park on this stretch. They ignore requests to move their vehicles. They leave the vehicles illegally parked for hours, which causes a choke point for traffic.

LADOT parking enforcement will not currently tow because the no parking signs have been removed (which often happens during construction). We have asked for the signs to be restored so that enforcement can happen.

Walker will reach out to request the signage be restored. If the signs get repeatedly removed, they may decide to paint the curbs red.

Q: Is there a "master" map of LADOT street parking restrictions in Los Angeles?

A: Walker wasn't sure, he only knows about Preferential Parking Districts and Street Sweeping...he suggested we look online: https://navigatela.lacity.org/navigatela/

This site is also helpful in general with knowing about parking in LA: https://www.spotangels.com/blog/complete-guide-to-la-street-parking-rules-and-tickets/

LAPD Hollywood

Heather Mata, LAPD Senior Lead Officer

Email: 40988@lapd.online

Crime Stats for Area 6A15

Area 6A15 covers 101 Freeway (Cahuenga) to Western, Franklin to Barham. Violent Crime is ↓down 7% Property Crime is ↓down 22%

For Hollywood Division as a Whole Violent Crime is ↓down 13% Property Crime is ↓down 20%

Heather also thanked all of the Hollywood Dell volunteers who helped with National Night Out event in August.

Upcoming LAPD / Community Events:

Coffee with a Cop

Capital One Café 6801 Hollywood Blvd (Hollywood & Highland) Suite #155 September 17, 2025 (11:30 am)

Hollywood Street Vending Town Hall

Businesses on Hollywood Blvd between Orange and Argyle are invited to attend 6501 Fountain Avenue - Hollywood Community Room September 24, 2025 (5:00 pm)

Coffee with a Cop

Madame Tussauds 6933 Hollywood Blvd September 25, 2025 (10:00 am)

Blood Drive

6501 Fountain Avenue - Hollywood Community Room September 26, 2025

Faith & Blue Community Festival (FREE)

Hollywood First Presbyterian Church 6003 Carlos Avenue (at La Baig Avenue) October 11, 2025 (12:00 pm – 5:00 pm)

Contact: SLO Mika Gonzalez, email: 41018@lapd.online

New SLO for Our Area

After 5 years as our SLO, Officer Mata will be taking a new assignment in Central Hollywood. She will be the SLO for Area 6A63 that has been vacant since Officer Paul Jordan passed away in January. That area includes Hollywood Blvd. south to Willoughby from Seward (just west of the Hollywood Station) to La Brea.

We will be getting a new SLO. His name is John Negrete and he comes from outside of Hollywood Division. He will start on September 21st. We hope to introduce him at October meeting.

John Negrete, LAPD Senior Lead Officer

Email: 35133@lapd.online

Alexa thanked Heather for all she has done as our SLO. When she first joined us (March 2020) it was the week before the pandemic shut down everything, and just before the entire City of LA erupted in protests after George Floyd was killed. That was a challenging start! Over the years we have built a strong partnership and worked together and we wish her success as she takes on this new role.

III. HDCA Business

Street Closure for Hollyween In the Dell Neighborhood Event

We would like to close the small segment of Willetta at Primrose as we have the past couple of years for pedestrian safety during the Hollyween in the Dell event on Halloween.

We have asked CD4 to assist with this.

Kelly has set up the street closure request portal.

We are in the process of getting the impacted residents signatures for the closure petition.

Walker said the auto alert system has been glitchy ever since the re-districting so he will look for it CD4 policy will cover 100% of the City Fees if it's a block party.

Holly Drive

2048 Holly Drive is currently vacant and has been for over a year. There is planned development for multiple, 3-story townhomes (at least 4). There have been issues with break-ins, squatters and other nuisance activity. It is boarded up. That section of Holly (North of the Tunnel to Primrose) is Zoned R2. There have been several projects in recent years, taking down single-family bungalow houses and replacing them with multiple units.

To look up any address to see the permit activity / plans for construction: https://www.ladbsservices2.lacity.org/OnlineServices/?service=plr

Some notes:

They currently are asking to build "by right" but we should stay on top of any changes. Also, there are waivers for off street parking near transit. We should check the measurement.

Illegal Dumping

This past week the house next door, 2102 Holly Drive, dumped the contents of the house on the sidewalk in front, including in front of 2048. Reportedly these were abandoned belongings of an evicted tenant. Several neighbors reported it. The owner of the house claimed she had hired movers and arranged for a junk removal for Saturday, but nothing was cleared until...

On Sunday, September 7th someone lit the pile of dumped belongings on fire. LAFD responded. The next day the remains were cleared. LAFD currently has it recorded as a rubbish fire. SLO Mata asked that any witnesses who saw it set, contact her so she can work with the Fire Dept. on investigating it. Her email: 40988@lapd.online

There was video taken during the fire. This was sent to Officer Mata.

Bulking Item Service thru LASAN

Residents can arrange for (limited) bulky item collection thru the LA Dept. of Sanitation.

You can place a service request for a bulky item pickup by visiting: https://myla311.lacity.gov/s/ or call I(800) 773-2489. You must make your request at least I business day in advance of regular collection day (Friday is trash day in the Dell).

Note: The amount that was dumped on Holly was beyond what LASAN would collect as a "bulky item." Anytime you have that much stuff, you need to hire private junk removal / or a dumpster to properly dispose of it. It's NOT okay to just put it on the sidewalk and expect someone else to deal with it. The property owner is responsible for proper disposal.

Lights Out in the Holly Tunnel

Neighbors have reported that ALL of the lights inside the Holly Tunnel are out.

We discussed who is responsible (CAL TRANS because it's under the 101 freeway, or LA City). A neighbor on Holly was told the soonest the lights in the Holly tunnel would be fixed would be December.

Walker said he was pretty sure that this would fall under the responsibility of Bureau of Street Lighting. He did also note that they are very overwhelmed with requests about streetlights being out because of the rash of copper wire thefts.

Alexa also mentioned that the **Odin tunnel lights are all out as well**, and that is a highly used pedestrian route to the Hollywood Bowl and very dangerous to be totally dark after events let out.

Q: What's happening with regards to the encampments springing up again in the Cahuenga Underpass and on Franklin across from the park?

A: Walker will check in with their homelessness team. Both areas fall under the Mayor's "Inside Safe" program.

2084 Mound Project

There is major construction happening at 2084 Mound.

This is a street-to-street property (Address is Mound backs up to Ivar) built in 1926

They have been granted permits to build a 1-story addition, new swimming pool and retaining walls.

There was some chatter from neighbors about the removal of a large tree near lvar because it was interfering with the retaining wall project.

So far it seems to be improvements by the homeowner and all permitted.

Zone Zero Hearing September 18, 2025 (10:30 am - 5:00 pm)

Frank Shotwell forwarded info from Joanne D'Antonio and the LA Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance

There is a PDF "Speaker Prep" Package (see attached) that outlines grassroots citizen arguments against Zone Zero.

- Cost of compliance
- Impact on Property Values
- Arbitrary Classification
- Bureaucratic Overreach
- Failure to Address Core Issues
- Lack of Public Input and Transparency
- Misinformation and Fear

Location:

Altadena Community Center 30 E Altadena Dr. Altadena, CA

To register: https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=oEx6RAVUTUWtaMmKUgJh-N-0vZxCq5VDIq9ek45R5LhUQVVCV1EyRkhZWjIGVFBNRzdRWIIENFBETCQIQCN0PWcu

Hollywood United Neighborhood Council (HUNC)

Brandi D'Amore, HUNC President

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Planned AT&T Cell Phone Tower on Argyle

HUNC is looking at this. While not technically in the Dell, it does fall within 1,000 ft.

The HUNC Board still has an open seat for our area (Geographic Area I). If anyone is interested they should reach out to Brandi.

The HUNC Board meeting in October will take place on the 20th because of the holiday the previous week.

Follow Up to Last Month's Topic "SCAMS"

We discussed some updates on scams and outcomes.

Cynthia shared some good news that she had been able to recover the funds that had been illegally accessed from her account.

IV. Misc. Upcoming Events & Announcements (8:15 pm - 8:30 pm)

Hollywood Community-Police Advisory Board (CPAB)

Tuesday, September 16, 2025 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Ford Theatre Backstage Tour

Saturday, September 20, 2025 II:00 am

Hollyween in the Dell Committee Meeting

Monday, September 22, 2025 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Please RSVP to david@hollywooddell.com to let us know if you are coming

Hollywood Dell Neighborhood Meeting - IN PERSON

Wednesday, October 8, 2025 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Hollyween in the Dell Event

Friday, October 31, 2025 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Meeting Adjourned at 8:10 pm