



March 11, 2026
Recap
Neighborhood Meeting

Attendees:

Malek Adel
Shannon Aquinas
Ed Bender
Bruce Bermudez
David Brewer
Pamela Clay-Magathan
Brandi D'Amore
Bernadette Cronley
Brandi D'Amore
Chick Dowden
Drew Finke

Stephen Folds
Gregg Fuller
Lindsay Fuller
Kristina Golt
Scott Grodner
Jan Hohenstein
Wendy Horowitz
Frank Shotwell
Alexa Iles Skarpelos
Pamela Kalmus

Kwock Koe
Mary Ledding
Kathy McCarthy
Everette Mohr
Carlos Sanchez
Merle Singer
Robbie Staenberg
Jacqui Tager
Anji Williams
Kelly Ziegler

I. Welcomes & Introductions

Alexa Iles Skarpelos, HDCA President

II. Updates from Officials & Reps

CA State Assembly Member Zbur's Office

Robbie Staenberg, Field Representative
Email: Robbie.Staenberg@asm.ca.gov

Robbie gave an update from the State Assembly. They are at the beginning of the legislative cycle so most bills are just now being heard, and can change quite a bit before they get all the way thru the process. Here are some of the new bills AM Zbur has authored:

AB2383 Large Energy Use Facilities

Will allow clear rules for a new category of energy users (peak load of 20 megawatts or more, large energy use facilities such as data centers) so that the burden of this use is carried by the user, and not regular consumer rate-payers.

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB2383

AB1609 Customer Service Support

This would require large private businesses that provide goods and services to consumers in California to provide consumers the option of speaking with human customer service support and communications during business hours (8:00 am – 6:00 pm) daily - within 5 minutes.

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1609

AB1624 Public Lands Protection Act

The State of California can declare land as conservation land even if it's Federal Land. This was in response to the Federal government moving to sell off public lands. The state can't prevent them from selling Federal property, but can prevent them from developing / altering them.

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1624

LA City Council Member Nithya Raman's Office

Bernadette Cronley, Field Representative

Email: Bernadette.cronley@lacity.org

Bernadette officially introduced herself. She has taken over for J Anderson as our area rep.

Secret Stairs Hike

March 14, 2026 (10:00 am)

Franklin Hills East Lyric Loop with Charles Fleming, author of "Secret Stairs: A Walking Guide to the Historic Staircases of Los Angeles"

Be prepared for the heat!

Speed Camera Pilot Program

<https://ladot.lacity.gov/speed-safety-system>

Each council district will get about 9 of them.

Council District 4

Street Name	To	From	Speed Limit	Equity Area	School Nearby	Speed Related Collisions
White Oak Ave	Margate St	Ventura Blvd	40	No	Yes	2
Fountain Ave	N Hoover St	Hyperion Ave	35	No	Yes	3
Burbank Blvd	Kester Ave	Sepulveda Blvd	35	No	Yes	23
Victory Blvd	Newcastle Ave	LA River	45	Yes	Yes	6
Sherman Way	Lindley Ave	Zelzah Ave	35	Yes	Yes	5
N Western Ave	Franklin Ave	Los Feliz Blvd	35	No	Yes	10
N Highland Ave	Franklin Pl	Camrose Dr	35	No	Yes	17
Franklin Ave	Cheremoya Ave	Tamarind Ave	35	No	Yes	3
Hollywood Blvd	N Vista St	Camino Palmero St	30	No	Yes	5

Q: Who has access to the data collected from these cameras?

A: In theory, it's the City of LA only...

Griffith Park Pool Open House

Thursday, March 19, 2026 (6:00 pm)

The community is invited to an open house about the Griffith Park Pool project. Explore the project designs and plans for the pool. This pool was built in 1927 (the first in the LA Park system) and has been closed since 2020 for repairs.

Q: Will the tennis courts near the pool be impacted by this project?

A: Not sure.

Misc.

Comment: There was recent work on Odin, they removed the street signs – they should be restored.

Comment: When will the Fly Away program in our area be restored?

Comment: Why are the Vintage Style Street Lamps still dark?

Hollywood United Neighborhood Council

Brandi D'Amore, HUNC President

Email: brandi@myhunc.org

April 30th there will be a candidate forum hosted by several NCs, including HUNC at Los Angeles Community College. This forum will feature candidates for CD13, which borders our district.

Home Boy Industries will be taking over the Monastery of the Angels property for a rehabilitation and bakery operation. They gave a presentation to HUNC – a video is available of the presentation.

Everett Mohr, Hollywood Dell resident has become the HUNC Youth Rep. There will be a youth conference on June 6, 2026 from 8 am – 4 pm.

Hollywood Dell Civic Association, P.O. Box 93094 Hollywood, CA 90093-0122

III. **HDCA Business** HDCA Committees & Reps Updates

Note: because we cancelled the February meeting, our meeting schedule has changed so that we could meet in person this month for elections. Therefore the April meeting will now be virtual and subsequent meetings will alternate virtual and in-person to keep to our goal of having both each year.

Hollywood Bowl (Lindsay Fuller, Community Advisory Group Rep)

2026 Season Calendar will be mailed out in March

New Artist Pavilion Project (expected to be completed by June 15th)

As the season begins, there are ways to report issues with sound or traffic.

Visit the community page: <https://www.hollywoodbowl.com/about/neighbors>

The next meeting of the Community Advisory Group is June 15th (now meeting quarterly)

Fire Safety (Frank Shotwell, Fire Safety Committee)

Anyone who is interested in participating or learning about the Fire Safety Committee please reach out via email: firesafety@hollywoodell.com They meet monthly.

Our Hollywood Dell neighborhood has been certified as “Firewise” (<https://www.nfpa.org/education-and-research/wildfire/firewise-usa>) which should get people a discount on their home insurance.

Frank also asked that anyone who has done work to harden their home to fire, send him the receipts for the work, so he can compile the total spent in the Dell (which is part of the program requirement).

They also are required to host a fire education event each year. Our committee is partnering with the Hollywood Hills Fire Safety Council (May 23rd) event. Location and details TBD.

2026 Summer Block Party

We have set the date! Saturday, June 6, 2026.

Planning is underway.

This year is the 20th Anniversary!

We have been approved by HUNC for a NPG (Neighborhood Purposes Grant) in support of the event

Trespass Arrest Authorization Forms

These forms now require a notarized signature (CA State Law). It must be submitted every 12 months.

We were hoping for a Notary Public to be at this meeting, however that was not possible.

We are trying to arrange for one to be at the next CPAB meeting. *(update, we were not able to confirm the notary)*

Hillside Federation (Malek Adel, HDCA Rep)

Be aware that there is a misleading mailer to homeowners about Zone Zero requirements (which is still being debated).

Vine Overlook Committee (Kelly Ziegler, Committee Co-Chair)

We were awarded a grant to improve the area (1901 Vine). We ran into roadblocks because the property is actual CAL TRANS not LACITY. We need special permits and there are some hurdles to get them.

New Website for Hollywood Dell this year!

We were awarded a grant to apply to a new website. Anyone who would like to help with this project please reach out.

IV. HDCA Recap of 2025

2025 Recap (Kelly Ziegler, HDCA Treasurer)

HDCA has been in existence since 1956 and was a civic organization (501c4) until we became a full 501c3 non-profit in 2020. Being a 501c3 allows us to qualify for programs and grants and makes dues donations tax deductible. In addition to membership dues, we do get donations from film production companies when they film in the Dell. And, we have rec'd grant money for specific projects.

Membership in 2025

227 Households (increase over previous year and a new record)

19 paid more than the basic membership dues rate, 25 paid the reduced senior/student dues rate

Financial Overview

2025 Income: \$14,068 (excluding grants)

2025 Expenses: \$12,253

Net Surplus: \$ 1,815

V. HDCA Board Election

According to the HDCA By-Laws, the Executive Board is comprised of a president, vice president, treasurer and secretary. Voting members of the association will nominate and elect the board each year to serve a one-year term. We traditionally do this at the February meeting, but had to delay until this month this year.

HDCA Annual Board Elections

<u>Position</u>	<u>Candidate</u>
President	Alexa Iles Skarpelos
Vice President	David Brewer
Treasurer	Kelly Ziegler
Secretary	Jan Hohenstein

Merle Singer made a Motion to elect the slate of officers for re-election.

Pamela Kalmus seconded the Motion.

The vote was taken and the board was re-elected unanimously.

VI. Misc. Upcoming Events & Announcements

Saturday, March 14, 2026: Secret Stairs Hike (10:00 am) CD4 & Franklin Hills Association

Tuesday, March 17, 2026: Hillside Federation Virtual Meeting (7:00 pm)

Thursday March 19, 2026: Griffith Park Pool open house (6:00 pm)

Tuesday, March 24, 2026: Hollywood CPAB Meeting (5:00 pm)

Wednesday, April 8, 2026: Hollywood Dell Neighborhood Meeting (7:00 pm – 8:30 pm)

Saturday, April 18, 2026: Neighborhood Clean Up Day (9:00 am)

Save the Date! Saturday, June 6, 2026: Annual Summer Block Party & Pet Parade

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm

