

# CITY OF LOS ANGELES

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## GREATER CYPRESS PARK NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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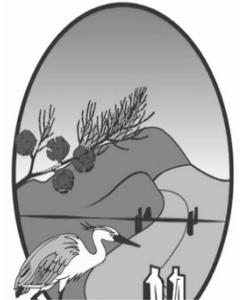
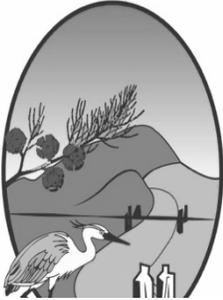
Vote in members to fill

vacant seats

ASH KRAMER  
GLADIS ASCENCIO

## GREATER CYPRESS PARK NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, August 12, 2025 – 7:00 PM  
In Person Meeting



### DRAFT MINUTES

Board Members	Roll Call
Ash Kramer	Present
Bryan Kramer	Present
Carmen Morales	Present
Dolores Bernal	Absent
Teresa Roman	Absent
Mayra Duque	Present
Gladis Ascencio	Absent
Janae Hubbard	Present
Julio Galvez	Present

### Call to Order

**1.1 Roll Call.** The meeting was called to order at 7:07 PM by Carmen Morales. Five (5) board members were present at roll call: Carmen Morales, Mayra Duque, Janae Hubbard, Bryan Kramer, and Julio Galvez.

Gladis Ascencio, Dolores Bernal and Teresa Roman were absent.

Quorum was met.

### **2.0 Comments from Public Officials**

## **2.1 Public Safety**

**No Public Safety Officials Present.**

## **2.6 100-Acre Partnership**

**Update was given recapping the past year's worth of activities with construction beginning in September 2024, the completion of environmental remediation, as well as opportunities for the community to visit the Bow Tie Project with the next event occurring on August 23; space is limited and the community was encouraged to attend.**

**Miguel Paredes mentioned the formal design phase for the Paseo de Rio had begun; mentioned a soccer tournament that was being held with awards, free food; a development deadline for the Bow Tie project as on August 10<sup>th</sup>; also mentioned that signage, locks, fencing had been checked and in place.**

## **2.7 Other Public Officials**

**Haydee Torres from LA County Supervisor's Office of Hilda Solis, gave information on their office as well as community engagement such as workshops held every Wednesday regarding the immigrant community and current political situation; those interested but too afraid to come out could text and information could be given that way; she also mentioned a community meeting being held at L.A. General Hospital on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of August where residents could share about things they want to see in their community; she also mentioned the opportunity to become certified in emergency training in Spanish.**

**Representative for Senator Maria Elena Durazo;**

**She mentioned that the senator introduced 18 Bills; 707 Brown Act as a way to modernize opportunities for community engagement, improve remote access; she also mentioned the summer recess was ending and representatives would be returning to Sacramento next week; also mentioned a series of backpack giveaways; mentioned the August 5<sup>th</sup> National Night Out.**

## **3.0 Public Comments**

**No Public Comments.**

## **4.0 Community Outreach Discussion**

**4.1 Carmen Morales reminded attendees to check out the council website at <https://cypressparknc.com> for the latest on current and upcoming events in the area.**

**4.2 Carmen Morales also reminded attendees to check out Rec Center's website for upcoming sports and classes at Cypress Park Rec Center <https://www.laparks.org/recenter/cypress>**

## **5.0 Special Action**

**5.1 Vote to fill Vacant GCPNC Board Seats including one vacant seat and one youth seat.**

**5.2 Carmen Morales nominated Ash Kramer; Seconded by Mayra Duque.**

**Roll Call:**

**Yes - Carmen Morales, Mayra Duque, Bryan Kramer, Janae Hubbard, Julio Galvez.**

**5 Yes, 0 No.**

**Ash Kramer joined the meeting at 7:23 PM.**

**Carmen Morales self nominated for Chair; Seconded by Bryan Kramer.**

**Bryan Kramer mentioned that Carmen Morales should try to respond more frequent to emails but otherwise had been a great chair.**

**Yes - Carmen Morales, Mayra Duque, Bryan Kramer, Ash Kramer, Janae Hubbard, Julio Galvez.**

**6 Yes, 0 No. Carmen Morales nominated Chair.**

**Carmen Morales nominated Bryan Kramer for Vice Chair; Seconded by Ash Kramer.**

**Roll Call:**

**Yes - Carmen Morales, Mayra Duque, Bryan Kramer, Janae Hubbard, Julio Galvez, Ash Kramer.**

**6 Yes, 0 No. Bryan Kramer nominated Vice Chair.**

**Carmen Morales nominated Ash Kramer as Treasurer; Seconded by Bryan Kramer.**

**Roll Call:**

**Yes - Carmen Morales, Mayra Duque, Bryan Kramer, Ash Kramer, Janae Hubbard, Julio Galvez.**

**6 Yes, 0 No. Ash Kramer nominated Treasurer.**

## **6.0 Treasurer's Report**

**Ash Kramer mentioned the budget was approved in her absence; however she added that the board needed a second signer and an alternate signer whenever voting on money matters in which it is sent to the City Clerk's desk, in that case a second singer and in that person's absence an alternate signer would be needed in case something needs to be signed off on.**

**Ash Kramer nominated Mayra Duque for Second Signer and Julio Galvan as alternate signer.**

## **6.1 Vote on Administrative Package/Proposed Budget for the Fiscal Year ending in June 2026.**

**Ash Kramer broke done the budget accordingly; \$11, 500 for Office Expenses, \$7,000 for Outreach, \$0 for Elections, and \$6,500 for NPG's; the total budget with the city wide budget cuts she said was \$25,000.**

**Ash Kramer motioned to approve the administrative packet; Seconded by Mayra Duque.**

**Roll Call:**

**Yes - Carmen Morales, Mayra Duque, Bryan Kramer, Ash Kramer, Janae Hubbard.**

**Abstain- Julio Galvez.**

**5 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstain. Motion Passes.**

- 6.2 Review and approve Monthly Expenditure Reports for April, May, June, and July 2025.**  
**Ash Kramer motioned to approve April, May, June, July expenditure reports; Seconded by Carmen Morales.**  
**Roll Call:**  
**Yes - Carmen Morales, Mayra Duque, Bryan Kramer, Janae Hubbard, Julio Galvez, Ash Kramer.**  
**6 Yes, 0 No. Motion Passes.**
- 7.0 Consent Calendar**  
**Ash Kramer motioned to approve April, May, June and July minutes; Bryan Kramer seconded.**  
**Roll Call:**  
**Yes - Carmen Morales, Mayra Duque, Bryan Kramer, Janae Hubbard, Julio Galvez, Ash Kramer.**  
**6 Yes, 0 No. Motioned Approved.**
- 8.0 Action Items
- 8.1 Discussion and Possible Action: Write a letter thanking CD1 and City Services for trimming trees on Cypress Ave.**  
  
**Ash Kramer motions to approve; Seconded by Carmen Morales.**  
**Roll Call:**  
**Yes - Carmen Morales, Mayra Duque, Bryan Kramer, Janae Hubbard, Julio Galvez, Ash Kramer.**  
**6 Yes, 0 No. Motioned Approved.**
- 8.2 Discussion and Possible Action: Approve Co-Sponsorship for up to \$6,000 to Cypress Park which will be used to fund park events: Halloween, Winter, and Spring.**  
**Ash Kramer mentioned GCPNC usually helps out with food, decorations and jumper houses.**  
**Ash Kramer Motioned to Approve; Seconded by Julio Galvan**  
**Roll Call:**  
**Yes - Mayra Duque, Bryan Kramer, Janae Hubbard, Julio Galvez, Ash Kramer.**  
**Abstain- Carmen Morales.**  
**5 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstain. Motioned Approved.**
- 8.3 Discussion and Possible Action: Allocate up to \$7,000 for community tabling items (such as snacks, water, notebooks, pens and education materials and organization T-Shirts) and shelving racks to organize the storage unit.**  
  
**Ash Kramer recommended to split Items; Carmen Morales tabled items until next month.**
- 8.4 Discussion and Possible Action: Neighborhood Purpose Grant for up to \$2,500 to Avenue 50**

**Studio, Inc. which will be used for Dia de Los Muertos event.  
Carmen Morales tabled the item until next month.**

**8.5 Discussion and Possible Action: Neighborhood Purpose Grant for up to \$4,950 to Beautify LA which will support unhoused people with shelter, hygiene kits, and food through available programs. Eight trash and graffiti cleanups will take place from August 2025 to June 2026. Carmen Morales tabled the item until next month.**

**8.6 Discussion and Possible Action: Olympic Exemption Ordinance (Motion 15-0989-S47)  
Carmen Morales tabled the item until next month.**

**8.7 Discussion and Possible Action: Sidewalk Improvement and Accessibility-Write Letters to Councilmember Hernandez and Natalie Sparrow, LA City's DA Coordinator for Pedestrian Rights of Way.**

**Bryan Kramer said he was going to write a draft letter but after some communication there was no new news about funding; especially since the city is broke.**

**Carmen Morales said this issue 8.7 would be dropped.**

**8.8 Discussion and Possible Action: Enforcing ICE agents to Use Due Process and Identification Standards.**

**Bryan Kramer stated that our representatives need to thwart ICE activities in our community; another letter should be written describing how other cities across the country are taking action.**

**Public Comment 1-  
Public Comment 2-**

**Mayra Duque suggested tying the letter to how our community specifically is being impacted.**

**Bryan Kramer suggested writing a letter every month.**

**Ash Kramer recapped saying the letter would propose encouraging the city council to support this process; reiterating that LAPD is not doing anything; mentioning all 4 Home Depot raids in the community; issues of racial profiling and in the final paragraph adding that they should do everything they can to come up with ordinances that protect our community members.**

**Public Comment 3-**

**Ash Kramer motioned to approve letter with changes; Seconded by Bryan Kramer.**

**Roll Call:**

**Yes - Carmen Morales, Mayra Duque, Bryan Kramer, Janae Hubbard, Julio Galvez, Ash Kramer.**

**6 Yes, 0 No. Motion Passes**

**11. Adjournment**

**Carmen Morales adjourned the meeting at 8:23 PM.**