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Angelenos continue to work to build a new city council following the [leaked recordings](#) of then-City Council President Nury Martinez talking with her colleagues. Read on to learn more.

CD 6 Candidate Forum Sunday, March 12

Please join us for a conversation with all seven certified **candidates** vying for Martinez's seat this **Sunday, March 12** from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Submit your questions and RSVP at ncsa.la/cd_6_03-12_2023.

Food waste and Yaroslavsky

Last month, we learned a lot about the new [food-waste program](#) (thank you, [LA SAN!](#)) and a lot about what is happening on the commercial/multifamily side (typically businesses and **condos/apartments** with five or more units). The short version is—the building owner will need to get a **green bin**, so it might cost more, but owners will be fined beginning in 2024 if they are out of compliance. And requests from **renters to their landlords** might help encourage them to comply now!

We also had a really inspiring conversation with newly-seated **Councilwoman Katy Yaroslavsky**.

To view a recording of the meeting, you can go to our event page (ncsa.la/2023_02-26_food_waste_yaroslavsky) or our YouTube channel (youtube.com/@ncsa-la).

Looking for a demonstration multi-family lawn to convert!

We are about to host a series of water workshops, and we are looking for a multi-family residence (aka **apartment building** or **condo**) in the city of LA that has a lawn or other high-water-use landscaping with an owner or management who would welcome our

help **converting** it to California **native plants** and rain-capture features for a demonstration project. Maybe you can engage your building management!? Interested? Contact board member Charles Miller at CharlesAllenMiller@gmail.com.

Exchange your commercial gas or diesel leaf-blowers!

The **South Coast Air Quality Management District's** commercial electric lawn & garden **exchange program** is opening up **at the end of this month!** Commercial gardeners and landscapers, local governments, school districts, colleges, and nonprofits (if they have full-time gardening staff) are eligible and will be able to replace their working commercial gas or diesel lawn and garden equipment with electric versions. Visit aqmd.gov/LawnGarden.

Tour of Vista Hermosa oil-drilling sites

The NCSA energy committee wants to thank [Sunrise Movement LA](#) for introducing us to the Vista Hermosa community (in Echo Park) and their work to get oil wells in their neighborhood capped. They will lead a tour of the **oil-drilling sites** and **uncapped oil wells** for us, so we can better understand the situation, and they will schedule it around us! We are looking at a Saturday or Sunday morning. **If you are interested in taking the tour**, please contact energy committee board liaison Lisa Hart at 323.660.2780 (cell) or lisahart@ncsa.la.

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