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Happy Earth Day!!!!

The City of Los Angeles portion of the planet has had a lot going on lately...former Councilmember **Mark Ridley Thomas** was convicted of fraud and will need to be replaced, the Kevin de León recall effort failed, and a special election was held for Council District 6's seat. Read on!

Council District 6 elections

The NCSA hosted a candidate forum with six of the seven **City Council District 6 candidates**. (We were expecting all seven!) You can check out the recording from the event page (ncsa.la/cd 6 03-12 2023) or on our YouTube channel (here). The election turnout was very low, and the results are trickling in (why????). A run-off (scheduled for June 27) will likely be necessary.

The Future of the Sepulveda Basin Sunday, April 16

A **vision plan** for the **Sepulveda Basin** (which happens to be in Council District 6!) is under development, and we have ideas! Please join us Sunday, April 16 at 6:30 to hear more and to weigh in. You can learn more about the meeting and RSVP at ncsa.la/sepulveda basin 04-16 2023.

Sepulveda Basin Vision Plan survey

Please share <u>this survey</u> about the Sepulveda Basin from the City of LA with your networks—and consider including it in your neighborhood council's newsletter! The survey will likely close late April.

LA28 sustainability working group

<u>LA28's sustainability working group has launched!</u> To learn more, join our <u>advocacy committee</u> or contact NCSA board member and working-group member Lisa Hart at lisahart@ncsa.la.

Charter Reform Survey

Charter reform is coming, and we want to make sure that your thoughts are taken into account! Please take <u>this survey</u> from the O.U.R. LA Coalition and share with your networks—consider including it in your neighborhood council's newsletter!

Exchange your commercial gas or diesel leaf-blowers!

The South Coast Air Quality Management District's commercial electric lawn & garden **exchange program** has launched!

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 agmd.gov/LawnGarden.

Another option to help professionals make the transition to electric is the <u>California CORE</u> program.

Pando Days Awards April 16

Looking for inspiration and networking? Attend the <u>Pando Days Awards</u> Sunday, April 16.

Greenwashing webinar April 19

Are you confused by all the messaging from companies about how good for the environment their various products and services are? Check out <u>this webinar</u> to get savvier!

Community-driven climate resilience Thursday, April 27

Join us for the first community workshop in the **Climate Emergency Mobilization Office**'s second annual Climate Equity LA series. The focus will be

on community-driven ways to address extreme heat. Learn more and register at climate4la.org/updates-info/#cemo-events.

Tour of Vista Hermosa oil-drilling sites May 20

Our tour of oil-drilling sites in the Vista Hermosa neighborhood of Echo Park will take place Saturday, May 20 from 9 to 11. Details TBD! If you are interested, email NCSA board member and energy committee member Lisa Hart at lisahart@ncsa.la.

Marilouise Morgan Square

We recently learned that Marilouise Morgan, **P.I.C.O. NC** board member and former representative to the NCSA, had an <u>intersection named after her</u>. Congratulations!

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