



MINUTES ENCINO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING THURSDAY DECEMBER 18, 2025 @7:00 PM

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IN CONFORMITY WITH THE OCTOBER 6, 2023 ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 411 (PORTANTINO) AND LA CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL ON NOVEMBER 1, 2023, THE ENCINO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY.

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Voting Committee Members: *Roy Nwaisser (Chair), *Josh Sautter, *Kelvin Tolbert, *Jennifer Luce, *Adam Wright

Alternate Voting Committee Members: *Diane Rosen, *Anita Kamjoo, *Jennifer Novian

***Indicates ENC Board Member or Alternate; no more than five (5) ENC Board Members and/or Alternates may be seated at one time during any ENC Committee Meeting**

1. Call to Order. Roll call. Determination of quorum.

Present: Jennifer, Adam, Roy, Kelvin

2. Comments from chair

3. Report from Los Angeles Department of Water and Power regarding intent to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Encino Reservoir Floating Solar Pilot Project

LA DWP plans to install a floating solar panel on the Encino Reservoir. They propose to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration in lieu of an Environmental Impact Report.

Presentation will be made by LA DWP followed by an opportunity for public comment and questions.

Official public comment can be submitted until January 13, 2026, to the email address below and will be included in the final package that is provided to the City of Los Angeles Board of Water and Power Commissioners for final consideration and approval at a future date.

RELATED DOCUMENTS

- [Encino Reservoir Floating Solar Project - LADWP Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration](#)
- [Encino Reservoir Floating Solar Project - Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration](#)
- [Encino Reservoir Floating Solar Project - Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration Appendices](#)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Proposed Project constructs a 5-megawatt (MW), 10-acre floating solar panel array that would be located on the southwest portion of Encino Reservoir. An approximately 4,000 square-foot 30-kilowatt (kW), ground-mount photovoltaic system would also be installed in the southwest area of the reservoir property. All associated electrical components including inverters, transformers, and switchgear would be located adjacent to the ground-mount system. All electrical equipment would interconnect to the existing 34.5- kilovolt (kV) above ground distribution line within the Encino Reservoir property. In addition to the solar components as discussed above, a 5-MW, 20-megawatt hours (MWh) iron-flow battery energy storage system would be installed on an approximately 6,500 square-foot area north of the reservoir.

The Proposed Project is to help meet renewable energy goals set by the State of California and the City of Los Angeles (City) to reduce reliance on carbon-based energy sources. The Proposed Project is estimated to generate approximately 10,280 MWh of clean, renewable energy annually. The energy produced would be enough to serve approximately 2,677 homes per year, thereby offsetting 2,854 metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent per year, the equivalent of eliminating 671 cars from the road per year. The primary purpose of the Proposed Project is to determine the viability of floating solar as a technology that can provide opportunities for additional renewable energy generation within the LADWP system, especially within the in-basin area. Project construction is anticipated to start in Summer 2026 and is anticipated to

conclude in Summer 2027.

Please direct your comments or questions to the following:

Mr. David Norris **Phone:** (213) 367-3509 **Email:** David.Norris@ladwp.com (LADWP's practice is to make the entirety of comments received a part of the public record. Therefore names, home addresses, home phone numbers, and email addresses of commenters, if included in the response, will be made part of the record available for public review. Individual commenters may request that LADWP withhold their name and/or home addresses, etc., but if you wish LADWP to consider withholding this information you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comments.)

4. Discussion and possible motion to support or oppose a Mitigated Negative Declaration in lieu of an Environmental Impact Report for the Encino Reservoir Floating Solar Pilot Project

Tabled until January Public Safety Committee meeting.

Announcements:

Committee Member Announcements about items not on this agenda

The Encino Neighborhood Council (ENC), is a Certified Neighborhood Council of the City of Los Angeles which ADVISES City, other Governmental Officials' and the Community on issues or concerns that are affecting the community of ENCINO. The ENC is made up of volunteers who are ELECTED by the community who live, work or otherwise are involved in the community of ENCINO. The ENC also makes appropriations of City Funds for Community Projects and needs as requested and approved by various committees and the general board.

Out of an abundance of caution due to the possible attendance and participation of a majority of Encino Neighborhood Council Board Members at this Committee meeting, this meeting is noticed as a Joint Meeting of the Committee and the Board, in adherence with the State's Brown Act. No action will be taken on behalf of the Board at this meeting of the Committee. Only Committee Members are allowed to vote.

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(C) The eligible legislative body shall not require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the legislative body and offer comments in real time.

(D) Notwithstanding Section 54953.3, an individual desiring to provide public comment through the use of an internet website, or other online platform, not under the control of the eligible legislative body, that requires registration to log in to a teleconference may be required to register as required by the third-party internet website or online platform to participate.

(E) (i) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph

(D), to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed.

(ii) An eligible legislative body that does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to subparagraph (D), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment.

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