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It's been a while since we've reached out to the group at large—we've been busy! Read on for updates.

Mayor Garcetti to join us Saturday, August 29

Mayor Garcetti will be joining us Saturday morning, August 29, to discuss LA's Green New Deal, what it looks like in the time of the coronavirus, and the need to keep equity front and center when we work to advance sustainability. RSVP at nca.la/garcetti_lagnd_equity.

Climate Emergency Mobilization Office update

The Mayor's April budget eliminated the Office of Climate Emergency Mobilization, which was designed by community-based organizations that represent frontline communities of color to ensure that they have a voice in the solutions to the climate crisis, as those communities often bear the brunt of the impacts. Due in part to the hard work of our advocacy committee and many of you, the funding for the office has been restored, but funding for the accompanying Climate Emergency Commission, which was designed to amplify the voices of those frontline communities, has not. More information is at nca.la/advocacy_city_budget.

Wildlife Pilot Study update

Funding for the [Wildlife Pilot Study](#), which was designed to help conserve and protect existing natural areas and wildlife habitats in the city and which was also cut from the Mayor's April budget, has also been partially restored. Thank you to those of you who chimed in and supported it.

ADAPT

The Bureau of Street Services (StreetsLA) repaves streets, and the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) stripes them. ADAPT is an effort by StreetsLA to repave major streets while we have less traffic due to the pandemic. Sounds like a good idea, right? The problem is that LADOT can't move quickly enough to do the necessary community outreach and get the necessary political will to implement the [Mobility Plan 2035](#). This means that streets on the mobility plan with bus and bike lanes are getting repaved and striped the same way they are now, the result being that although we will have smoother streets for cars, we are missing out on bike and bus lanes, and the City probably won't repave the streets again for another 25 years or so. This could set us back decades. Learn how you can help at nca.la/transportation and streetsforall.org/adapt.

US Green Building Council-LA (USGBC-LA) Municipal Green Building Conference & Expo August 21 and 22

Join us virtually at the USGBC-LA's Municipal Green Building Conference & Expo 2020! This year, the community and conference are coming together online to build a greener future for all through virtual tours, interactive expos, workshops, and more. Learn more and register at mgbce.online.

The NCSA will have a virtual booth on the community day, August 22 (Saturday), which is free for everyone. We will be showcasing our [sustainability guidelines for developers](#), discussing [building decarbonization](#), and talking about EV charging in apartment buildings. **And if you want to help staff the booth, please email lisahart@nca.la.** For the first day, you will pay \$25 to register if you use code #TAKE25.

Energy Committee

We have a new energy committee that is addressing issues like the 100% Renewables study for LA, building decarbonization, divesting City pension funds from fossil fuels, and more. Email dank@kegel.com if you're interested in joining.

Reuse your PPE!

You have probably noticed that a lot of personal protective equipment (PPE) is being discarded on the streets. We all need to do what we can to reduce single-use products. And you can safely reuse your PPE! Learn more at breakfreefromplastic.org/reusable-ppe.

New members

Lastly, we are happy to welcome new member neighborhood councils Hollywood United and Olympic Park!

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