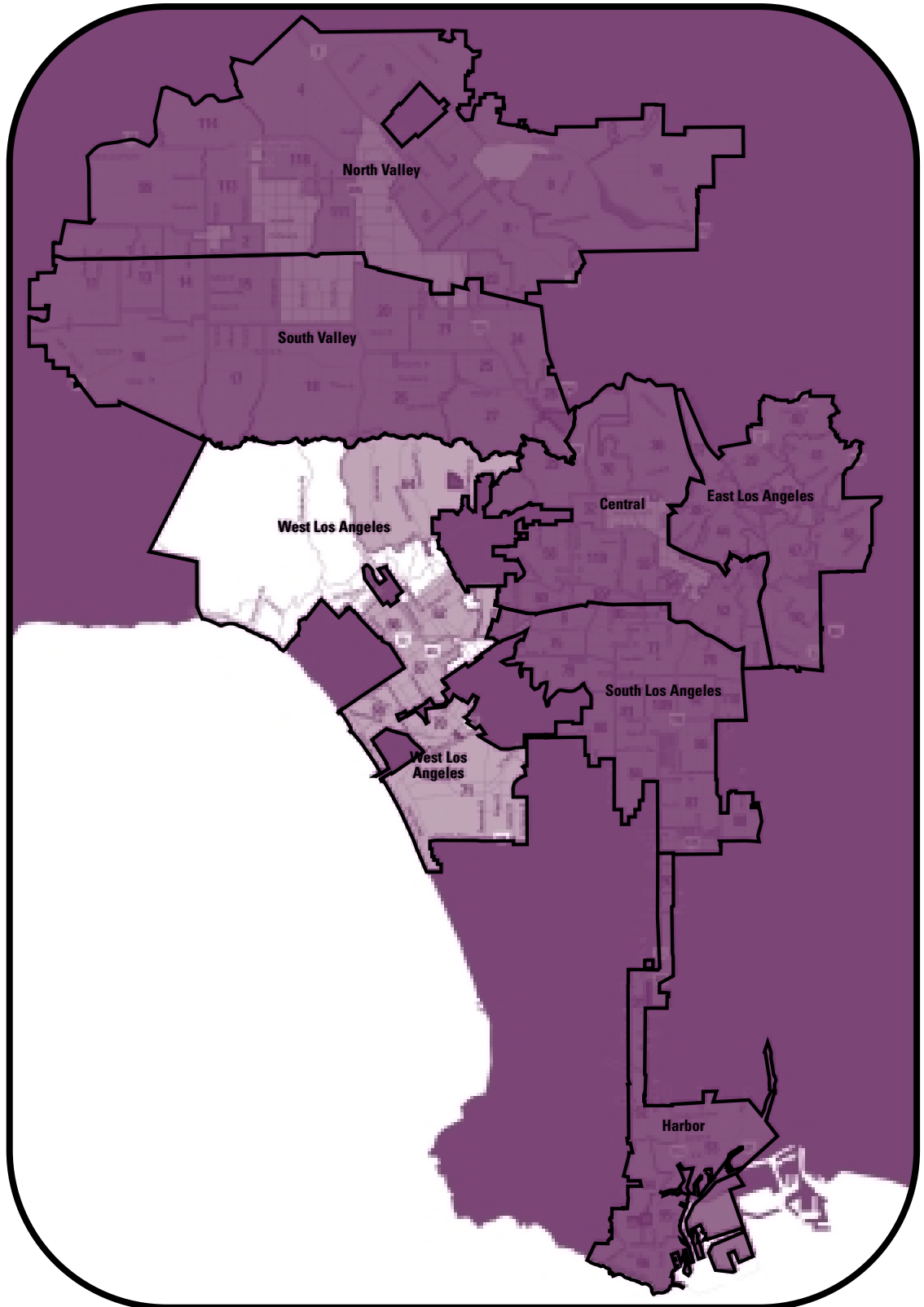
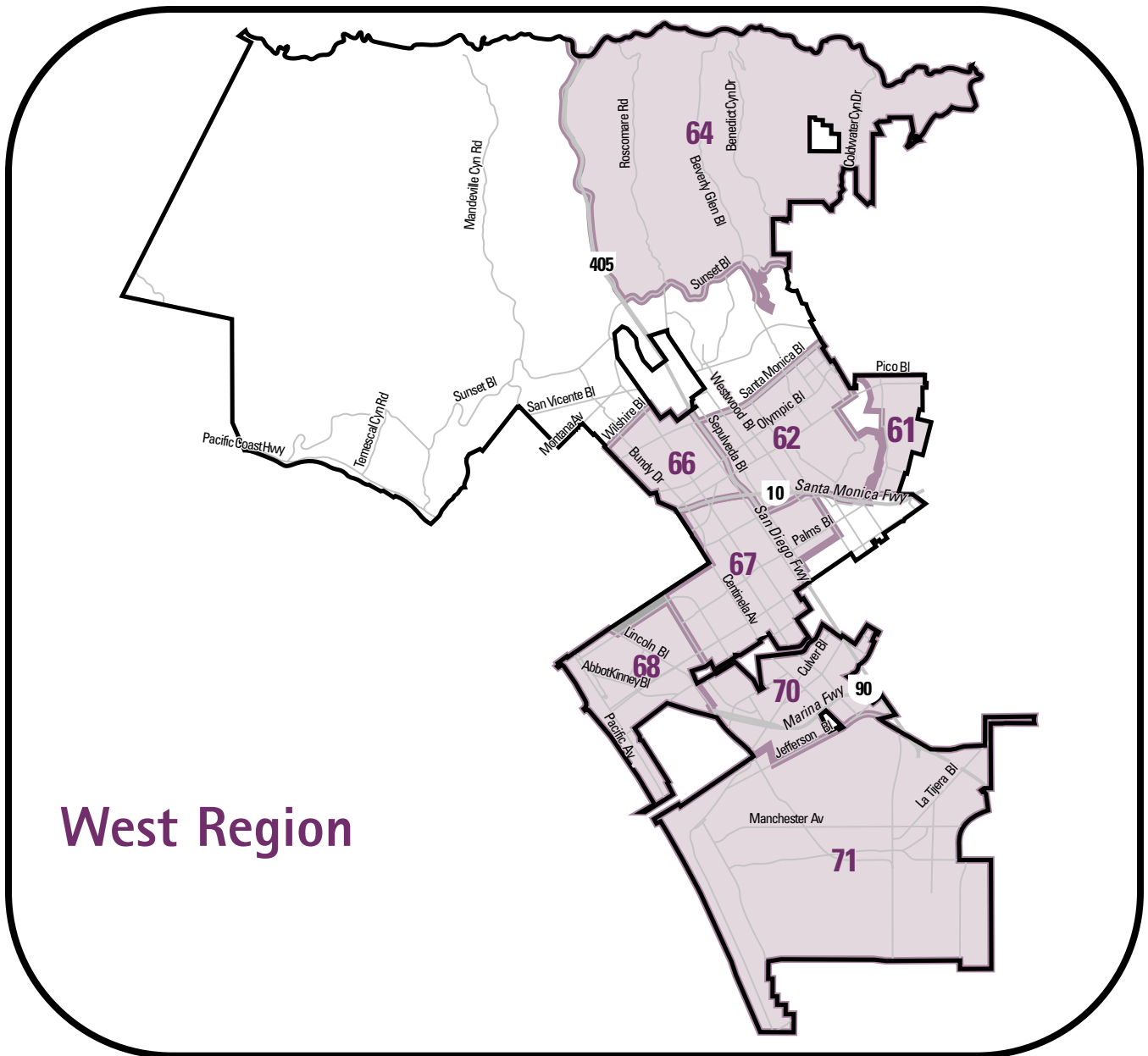


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Regional Budget Representatives:

Neighborhood councils chose two individuals to represent their entire region throughout the budget process. These representatives coordinated the formulation and submission of the regional budget requests and attended the Mayoral Budget Hearings.

- **Barbara Corry, Mar Vista Community Council**
- **Denny Schneider, Mar Vista Community Council**

Participating Neighborhood Councils:

Participating neighborhood councils chose two individuals to represent their neighborhood council throughout the budget process. These representatives coordinated the formulation and submission of their neighborhood council budget requests.

Neighborhood Council	NC Budget Representatives	Council President	Title
Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council	Steve Twining	Steve Twining	NC President
Mar Vista Community Council	Barbara Corry Christine Taylor	Tom Ponton	NC President
Neighborhood Council of Westchester-Playa Del Rey	Denny Schneider Steve Santos	Gwen Vuchsas	NC President

Non-Participating Neighborhood Councils:

Due to the timing of the budget process those neighborhood councils that did not have an elected board by September 30, 2003, were not able to participate. Some neighborhood councils, while having elected boards, decided not to take part in this year's budget process.

Del Rey Neighborhood Council

Westside Neighborhood Council

South Robertson Neighborhood Council

Grass Roots Venice Neighborhood Council

West Los Angeles Neighborhood Council

Mayor's Response

to the West Region's Budget Requests

PRIORITY RANKING	PRIORITY NAME	MAYOR'S RESPONSE
1	Police	<p>To address the west region's request, public safety continues to be the top budgetary priority this year as it has been for the last three years. The Proposed Budget provides more police officers to patrol neighborhood streets, more paramedics to respond to medical emergencies, expanded after-school and crime-diversion programs for youth, and additional programs to better prepare Los Angeles for a major disaster. Despite tough economic conditions, the Proposed Budget will result in an investment in these and other public safety services that contribute to achieving the common goal of making the west region and all of Los Angeles a safer place for all residents, businesses, and visitors. Los Angeles Police Department initiatives to move officers from desk jobs to the field and enhance police reserve forces equates to more than 100 additional officers patrolling City streets and performing higher priority crime prevention functions.</p>
2	Street Repair	<p>Streets are the backbone of any city, and maintaining their good condition is essential for public safety and quality of life. To address the west region's concerns regarding street repair, the Proposed Budget provides a record 435 miles of street resurfacing and slurry sealing across Los Angeles.</p> <p>Specifically, regarding the region's concerns about alley cleaning, street cleaning, and sidewalk repair, the Bureau of Street Services has been forwarded these requests and will place a priority on addressing these concerns this fiscal year.</p>
3	Fire Department	<p>Public safety remains a top priority in this budget. This means dedicating resources to the Fire Department in order to provide the highest level of life and property protection possible in the west region and across Los Angeles. The 2004-05 budget funds an additional 13 ambulances to be purchased and deployed so that every fire station has at least one ambulance. The budget also designates 24 additional paramedic personnel to be deployed on a citywide basis, and funding for the training of 40 more paramedics. Additionally, in the Mayor's Proposed Budget, there is funding for 9 additional 9-1-1 operators, in order to reduce the burden on the current system.</p>

PRIORITY RANKING	PRIORITY NAME	MAYOR'S RESPONSE
4	Transportation	<p>With 6,500 miles of streets within the City of Los Angeles, the efficient movement of traffic and the prevention of gridlock is a critical service provided by City government. Proper transportation planning and traffic mitigation affects the quality of life within neighborhoods and is vital to growing our local economy by allowing goods and services to be distributed quickly.</p> <p>The Proposed Budget addresses the region's priority by investing in street improvements and in public transportation to supplement what is provided county-wide by the County Metropolitan Transportation Agency. The fiscal year 2004-05 Proposed Budget reflects investments in those priority services and functions—street surface maintenance at record levels, quality public transportation for commuters, and proper traffic signage—that enhance the west region and the City's ability to prevent gridlock and move people and goods throughout Los Angeles reliably and safely. In addition, significant funding is provided through the Physical Plant component of the Capital Improvement Expenditure Plan for street improvement projects, including street widening, curb and gutter repairs, street lighting, bridge reconstruction, traffic signals and bikeways.</p> <p>Specifically, regarding the west region's request to create alternative rapid-transit in the north and south areas, the Department of Transportation has been forwarded your concerns and will begin to examine ways to address the request this fiscal year.</p>
5	Recreation and Parks	<p>The Proposed Budget recognizes that an investment in parks leads to stronger neighborhoods. Furnishing neighborhoods with beautiful parks instills community pride and a positive perception of the surrounding neighborhood. To address the west region's concerns, over \$46 million of the total Proposed Budget will be funded for park maintenance projects, preserving park property, and promoting the public use of all park property. Basic grounds maintenance including mowing, trimming, irrigation repair, trash pickup, play pit cleanup, vandalism abatement, and tree care, will be provided at all 387 parks across the City including the west region. Funding will also continue for the award-winning Clean And Safe Spaces (CLASS) Parks program, which works to refurbish dilapidated community parks, implement community policing, and provide at-risk youth with healthy alternatives to juvenile crime. In addition, funding is provided for the repair and construction of new swimming pools and recreation centers in the Capital Improvement Expenditure Plan.</p>

For immediate access to all City provided services, call 3-1-1.

Detail of Regional Budget Request:

West Region Budget Priority Requests

Priority Ranking	Priority Name	Priority Detail Request
1	Police	Increase presence to address traffic law enforcement, Increase staffing to gang and homicide units, Add more patrol cars and increase police
2	Street Repair	General request for new paving of streets, General sidewalk repair, General alley repair, Overall street cleaning. General request for street repair, Specific requests for street repair: Pothole repair and resurface Wilmington Blvd. between Lomita Blvd. & Harry Bridges Blvd., Resurface 1000 block of McDonough, Pothole repair in 600 block of N. Avalon Blvd., Repair potholes in alley between Banning Blvd. and Carey Ave., Resurface 1500 block of Banning Blvd. between Sandison and "Q" St., Install speed bumps on Colon Street between Sanford and Alameda. Specific request for sidewalk repair: Repair curb on corner of Cruces and Watson, Repair sidewalk from tree root damage on 1700 block of Ravena between PCH & Lomita Blvd., Repair sidewalk on Gulf Ave. north of "C" St. Repair sidewalk on King Ave. between "G" and "F" streets. Repair sidewalk on Hawaiian Ave. between "F" St. and Anaheim, Repair sidewalk on Bay View Ave. between Anaheim and "D" St., Repair sidewalk on 1000 block of McFarland between Young St. and Anaheim, Repair sidewalk on 1100 block of Avalon Blvd. between Denni and PCH. (in front of Senior Adult day care center), Install sidewalks on both sides of street on Sandison between Island Ave. and Wilmington Blvd., Repair sidewalks on both sides of street on Wilmington Blvd. between Lomita Blvd. and Anaheim Repair sidewalks on Colon St. between Sanford and Alameda.
3	Fire Department	Better response time for fire code enforcement, Increase number of paramedics in area
4	Transportation	Create rapid alternative transit on the North/South corridors on Westside, Mitigate traffic on major corridors
5	Recreation and Parks	Request the creation of more green space, Partnership with LAUSD to make school grounds available after school. Create additional green space at: 7th and La Tijera along Kenwood Bluffs, Saran Dr. at 82nd and 83rd, Manchester and Belford, Near the Lagoon in Westchester/Playa del Rey, Manchester Square.

Detail of Neighborhood Council Budget Requests:

Bel Air Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council

Priority Ranking	Priority Name	Priority Detail Request
1	Street Repair	Meaning New paving
2	Police	Additional police officers required with emphasis for our community on traffic law enforcement and city wide dealing with gangs and homicides
3	Building & Safety	Inspect buildings for code compliance - lots of illegal building going on in our neighborhood
4	Fire Department	Fire Code compliance, paramedics increase response time in the hills
5	Planning & Transportation	Ensure proper land use and zoning compliance and provide rapid and alternative transit on the North South Corridors on the Westside

Mar Vista Community Council

Priority Ranking	Priority Name	Priority Detail Request
1	Traffic Mitigation and Public Transportation	Some of our residential streets have become alternative routes for the highways and secondary highways in our areas, which are at overcapacity for the traffic for which they have been built.
2	Parks, After School Programs and other Community Programs	The Mar Vista area has very little open space and green space. Request to mitigate the lack in park space, the city should enter into a partnership with LA unified to make school grounds available after school for children and youth of the community. This partnership could create after school sports and after school programs in conjunction with community/parent volunteers. The long term health and educational benefits would by far outweigh the cost.
3	Street Services	Many of our sidewalks are in ill repair, due to tree roots cracking the sidewalks and general damage. The majority of our alleyways are in great disrepair. Many streets in our neighborhood are cleaned infrequently. Many streets are in ill repair.
4	Capital Improvements and Beautification of Commercial Corridors	As an example Venice Blvd. between Beethoven and Sepulveda is in a general state of neglect. A lot of our commercial corridors are in similar disrepair. We need to look at cleaning, re-landscaping.
5	Public Safety/Traffic Enforcement	Provide more law enforcement on the city streets to enforce such issues as traffic laws.

Neighborhood Council of Westchester/ Playa Del Rey

Priority Ranking	Priority Name	Priority Detail Request
1	Add more patrol Cars	We are experiencing increased crime rates and people in the community are becoming very alarmed. W-PdR has substantial pass through traffic and has a much higher population during the day than the size of our bedroom community has far less than the nationally recommended number of officers.
2	Construction of Parks & Recreation Centers	W-PdR has one of the lowest amounts of useable recreation/open space per capita in this city, which itself is deficient in these areas. Suggested sites include 74th 7 Latijera along Kentwood bluffs, Saran Dr. @ 83rd and 82nd, Manchester and Belford, and near the lagoon. also Manchester Square per the community Plan may be available . Allocated unused publicly owned facilities as youth and senior centers
3	Street Improvements	Curb ramps, bus pads, Landscaping, sidewalks Fix the maze of broken, protruding sidewalks, remove graffiti, weeds and trash along streets and add uniform walls along major highways. W-OdR is the gateway for most Los Angeles visitor, yet remains unattractive and unkempt- a port representation for our City ty. We are an upscale community that is not portrayed well.
4	Develop the City's General Plan including all policies and program	Westchester Streetscape Association is a citizen committee tasked by the Council Office oversees the mitigation and development of Sepulveda blvd. through our community and to revitalize the business district, It was recently incorporated it extend its longevity. It is currently coordination community design processes which require more, adequate funding to complete its task.
5	Paramedic Service	Westchester/ Playa del Rey has substantial pass through traffic and has a much higher population during the day than the size of our bedroom community. According to or recent Community Plan Update EIR this community has far less than the nationally recommended fire and paramedic support, We are experiencing rapid housing growth in the area without service increases. Only one paramedic unit is stationed in W-PdR for an aging population and we understand that the unit is frequently being diverted to support surrounding areas