Pacific Palisades Community Recovery Coordination Council (CRCC)

About

The Pacific Palisades Community Recovery Coordination Council (CRCC) was established by community leaders and volunteers to facilitate coordinated action, community collaboration and consistent communication in the aftermath of the fire. Its core purpose is to ensure that community priorities are clearly communicated, integrated into official recovery planning and reflected in funding and implementation decisions.

To support a community-led recovery, the CRCC developed and manages the Pacific Palisades Recovery & Rebuild Framework ("Framework"), which organizes community engagement through Advisory Task Forces (ATFs). These ATFs are structured to align with FEMA and California Office of Emergency Services (OES) Recovery Support Functions (RSFs), as well as other locally identified needs, ensuring effective coordination between the community and public agencies.

The ATFs are volunteer working groups focused on specific recovery areas. They develop subject-matter expertise, gather in-depth community input, and help ensure that local priorities are incorporated into the Long-Term Recovery Plan and its implementation. The ATFs work in tandem with PPCC's established committees — Infrastructure and Land Use — and in partnership with City, County, State and Federal agencies to identify and address critical needs and opportunities throughout the recovery process.

The CRCC oversees and guides the ATFs and, based on their work, makes recommendations to Pacific Palisades Community Council (PPCC)—the recognized "voice of the community" for over 53 years. Through the Framework, community input is translated into coordinated recommendations, PPCC policy positions and advocacy to decision-makers and government partners in support of the community's immediate needs, priorities and long-term vision. More information about the CRCC, the Framework and ATFs, and a volunteer interest form, are available at: www.pali411.com.

The ATFs are advisory to PPCC and the CRCC, which in turn manages the ATFs and is itself advisory to PPCC. As such, the CRCC and ATFs functionally operate as PPCC committees. This structure, and the formation and appointment of CRCC and ATF members, have been approved by PPCC's President. Under PPCC's bylaws, the President has discretion to appoint all PPCC committees other than the Executive Committee (Bylaws, Art. V.4). The President is not restricted for the most part as to the focus, subject matter, membership or names of PPCC committees. In this case, the CRCC and ATFs were formed and appointed to guide PPCC and provide an opportunity for more voices, discussion, coordination and collaboration as we navigate the community's recovery in this unprecedented time.

Membership

The CRCC is intentionally composed of representatives from a broad cross-section of Pacific Palisades stakeholders impacted by the fire, including residents (single-family, multi-family, condominiums, apartments and mobile homes), businesses, property owners, schools (LAUSD), faith-based organizations and other active community groups (such as PPCC, Palisades Recovery Coalition, Team Palisades, Palisades Americanism Parade Association, Fire Safe Palisades, Pali Builds and others). The CRCC members are as follows:

1. Alex Bush, Finance, Wealth Management, One Digital
2. Allison Holdorff-Polhill, PPCC President, LAUSD, Palisades Recovery Coalition, Team Palisades, Advocacy ATF
3. Ann Banning, Management Consultant, Bright Operations, Economic & Business Recovery Co-Lead, Recovery Financing ATF

4. Ben Einbinder, Team Palisades
5. Beth Preminger, Fire Safe Palisades, Wildfire Resilience & Natural Resources ATF Co-Lead, Evacuation Capabilities ATF
6. Caroline Nick, PPCC Secretary, Friends of the Palisades Library
7. Chris Feil, Real Estate, the Feil Group/Berkshire Hathaway
8. Chris Spitz, PPCC At-Large Rep, PPCC Land Use Committee Chair, Advocacy ATF Interim Co-Lead, WRAC Vice-Chair
9. Daniel Sher, Rabbi, Kehillat Israel
10. Daphne Gronich, PPCC Treasurer, Palisades Americanism Parade Association, Team Palisades, Community Connections ATF Co-Lead, Recovery Financing ATF
11. Darin Chidsey, Chief Operating Officer, Southern California Association of Governments
12. Darragh Danton, PPCC Alternate Rep/Residents Advocates, Team Palisades, Community Connections ATF Co-Lead, Recovery Financing ATF
13. Elissa Ashwood, PPCC Area Three Rep, Marquez Knolls Property Owners Assoc., Standing Homes ATF Co-Lead, Advocacy ATF, Recovery Financing ATF
14. Jenny Rogers, Tahitian Terrace Mobile Homes, Housing ATF Co-Lead, Evacuation Capabilities ATF, Recovery Financing ATF
15. Jim Cragg, American Legion
16. Joe Iacopino, Marquez Knolls Property Owners Assoc., Palisades Recovery Coalition, Palisades Forestry Committee, Evacuation Capabilities ATF Co-Lead, Recovery Financing ATF
17. Kambiz Kamdar, PPCC Area Two Rep, PPCC Infrastructure Committee, Pali Builds, PPBA
18. Kathrin Werner, Miramar Homeowners Assoc. Co-Chair, Palisades Recovery Coalition, PaliTV, Evacuation Capabilities ATF Co-Lead
19. Kim Kedeshian, Small Business Owner, K Bakery
20. Lexi Montée, PPCC Area Six 2nd Alternate, Marketing & Communications, Communications ATF Co-Lead, Recovery Financing ATF
21. Lou Kamer, PPCC Transportation Advisor, Evacuation Capabilities ATF
22. May Sung, PPCC Area Five Rep, PPCC Infrastructure Committee, Team Palisades, Recovery Financing ATF
23. Monica Loya-Clarke, Recovery Financing ATF Co-Lead
24. Nancy Sussman, Fire Safe Palisades, Wildfire Resilience & Natural Resources ATF Co-Lead
25. Nick Geller, Steadfast LA
26. Nina Madok, PPCC Ethics & Transparency Advisor, Palisades Recovery Coalition, Communications ATF Co-Lead, Advocacy ATF, Recovery Financing ATF
27. Peter Partain, Palisades LTRG, Logistics & Traffic Management ATF Co-Lead
28. Reza Akef, PPCC Vice-President, PPCC Infrastructure Committee Chair, Palisades builder, Palibu Chamber
29. Rich Ford, Commercial Real Estate Owner, 6th Generation Palisadian
30. Rob Lempert, Palisades Recovery Coalition, Resilient Palisades, Recovery Financing ATF Co-Lead
31. Robert Gold, Marquez Knolls Property Owners Assoc. Co-President, Standing Homes ATF Co-Lead
32. Ross Greenberg, Entrepreneur, Alphabet Streets early rebuild
33. Sue Kohl, PPCC Chair Emeritus
34. Tony Hocking, PPCC Technology Advisor, Team Palisades, Recovery Financing ATF Co-Lead, Advocacy ATF

CRCC Support: Katie Swenson, Department of Angels, Community Partnerships - Pacific Palisades

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