



Los Angeles Area
Chamber of Commerce

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LA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE STORMS CITY HALL

Over 400 Southern California business leaders to meet with City lawmakers during annual advocacy event

- WHO:** More than 400 Southern California business leaders and public officials
- WHAT:** Annual Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce *Access L.A. City Hall*
- WHEN:** October 7, 2004
8:00am – 1:00pm
- WHERE:** Los Angeles City Hall
200 North Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012
- WHY:** At the Los Angeles Area Chamber's annual advocacy event, over 400 business leaders will meet with City lawmakers about critical issues that impact the business environment of Southern California.

Breakout sessions include timely topics such as: LAX Master Plan, housing, public transportation, business tax reform, and workforce development

Mayor James Hahn and City Controller Laura Chick will address participants, and City Councilmembers Eric Garcetti, Dennis Zine, and Ed Reyes are scheduled to participate in breakout sessions

See Attached Agenda

Please contact Nikky Canter (310) 226-3037 to arrange interviews with Chamber Chair George Kieffer or other Chamber members over the course of *Access L.A. City Hall*.

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Access City Hall Agenda

8:30-9:15am – General Session with addresses by Mayor Hahn and Laura Chick (Council Chambers)

9:30-10:40am – Breakout Session Round One (Rooms TBD)

- LAX Modernization
- Housing (with Councilmen Reyes and Garcetti)
- State-Local Budget Issues (Council President Padilla)
- Workforce Development
- Public Transportation (Councilman Zine)
- Contracting with the City (workshop)

10:50-Noon – Breakout Session Round Two (Rooms TBD)

- Goods Movement/International Trade
- Downtown Redevelopment
- Business Tax Reform (Councilman Garcetti)
- Energy & Water
- City Contracting Reforms

Noon – 1pm - Luncheon/Small Business Expo (City Hall Forecourt)

* The following Chamber Members will be available for interviews on the following topics:

George Kieffer (Chair): Transportation, LAX, Budget, Housing

Chris Martin (vice-chair): LAX, Transportation, Business Tax, Housing, Downtown Redevelopment

David Abel (Transportation Committee Chair): LAX, Transportation, Water, Housing

Joe Czyzyk (Aviation Task Force Chair): LAX

Jack Walker (BTAC co-chair): Business Tax

Moises Cisneros (International Trade Manager): International Trade

Fran Inman (vice-chair Business Legislation Committee): Goods Movement

Brendan Huffman: Business Tax, Budget

Charlie Woo (past chair): Workforce Development, Downtown Redevelopment