

Santa Monicans for Renters' Rights

Annual Membership Convention

August 9, 2026

Agenda

1:15PM

Call to Order – SMRR Co-Chairs

Adopt the Agenda and the Rules of the Day

City Council

Candidate Presentations (2 minutes each)

Vote on City Council Candidates

Rent Control Board

Candidate Presentations (2 minutes each)

Vote on Rent Board Candidates

School Board

Candidate Presentations (2 minutes each)

Vote on School Board Candidate

College Board

Candidate Presentations (2 minutes each)

Vote on College Board Candidates

Local Initiatives Part 1

Parcel Tax (2 / 1 minutes each side)

Senate District 24 (5 minutes each, 5 minutes questions each)

Vote on SD24 Candidates

Local Initiatives Part 2

Administrative Rent Control (2 / 1 minutes each side)

Threshold Rent (2 / 1 minutes each side)

Just Cause Non-Rent Control (2 / 1 minutes each side)

Transit Occupancy Tax (2 / 1 minutes each side)

Vote on All Local Initiatives Part 1 and Part 2

Closing Remarks /Adjournment

Rules of the Day

1. The meeting will be conducted by parliamentary procedure.
2. Only SMRR members and guests invited by Co-chairs will be recognized to speak.
3. Only SMRR members who joined prior to May 12, 2026 and are in good standing will be allowed to vote.
4. Debate on a subject shall be limited to 2 persons speaking in favor of a motion and 2 persons speaking against a motion. Debate on any question shall not exceed 6 minutes, but may be extended at the discretion of the Chair. A maximum of 2 amendments will be permitted on any resolution; debate on an amendment will be limited to one person on each side.
5. No person can speak more than once on the same issue.
6. The Chairperson with the advice of the parliamentarian will decide all questions of procedure. A decision of the Chair may be over-ruled by a two-thirds majority of those voting.

Standing Rules

1. Endorsement requires a 55% majority.
2. If subsequent ballots after the first are necessary, any candidate receiving less than 20% of the vote on the previous ballot shall be dropped from consideration. There may be up to 3 rounds of voting for any office.
3. For local races, only SMRR members who have gone through the SMRR interview process are eligible for the SMRR endorsement and be listed on the ballot.
4. **Voting for Candidates**
Each member must cast his/her/their own ballot. One's signed voting card must be presented to the ballot checker when casting each ballot. No ballots shall be cast before the Call for Ballots for that office.