

**Ron Galperin**  
**Los Angeles City Controller**

Ron Galperin was sworn in as Controller of the City of Los Angeles on July 1, 2013. He is the first Neighborhood Council member elected to citywide office in Los Angeles.

As City Controller, Ron oversees a team responsible for conducting independent audits of city departments, managing payroll for more than 42,000 city employees, disbursing 290,000 payments to outside vendors, and preparing comprehensive reports on the City's finances, including its \$49 billion in assets and \$28 billion in liabilities.

Prior to his election, Ron spent twenty years as a transactional and litigation attorney and small business owner. During that time, he built a reputation as a leading voice for government reform. He has long advocated cutting waste and developing programs to help businesses create jobs. As chair of the Los Angeles City Commission on Revenue Efficiency (CORE), Ron found new revenue sources and budget savings, both of which could be used to deliver more city services to residents.

As an officer of his neighborhood council, Ron advocated for quality of life improvements and more responsible neighborhood planning. He also developed and taught "L.A. City Government 101" to new neighborhood council members throughout the city and served as a budget advocate for the councils.

Ron has committed the Office of Controller to achieving a better return on investment for taxpayers. Through programs like his "Open Data Initiative," Ron has helped increase public awareness of the workings of government and enlisted constituent support to make City government more efficient and responsive.

Ron has long been active in Jewish life in Los Angeles. He served as Chair of the L.A. Jewish Federation's Fed Up With Hunger initiative and he is active and involved in various Jewish communal organizations, including AIPAC, JPAC and Democrats for Israel. For twenty years, Ron served as a cantor at Temple B'nai Emet in Montebello and as a guest cantor throughout the U.S. and abroad. He has also taught classes in Hebrew, the Holocaust and other topics.

Ron received his J.D. from Loyola Law School in Los Angeles and his undergraduate degree from Washington University in St. Louis. He lives in West Los Angeles with his husband, Rabbi Zachary Shapiro.