North Hills East Neighborhood Council

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Monday – February 6, 2017 – 6:30 PM

Penny Lane Center - Rainbow Room, 15314 Rayen Street, North Hills, CA 91343

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OFFICERS OF THE BOARD
President, Italia Abundez – Vice President, Tony Wilkinson – Secretary, (vacant) – Treasurer, Perla Lagunas

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS (INCLUDING OFFICERS)
Italia Abundez / Elvira Higuera Alvarado / Maricar Summer Bernardo / Christina Flores / Punam Gohel / Perla Lagunas / Joaquin Macias
Alberta Abundez Peralta / Sinue Peralta / Juana Ramirez / Regelio Soto / Bartolome Treviño / Tony Wilkinson / Antonio York - (14)
VACANCIES: Organizational - (1)

ALTERNATES: (1) Jill Akahosi, (2) David Herman, (3) Wilfred Negrete, (4) [vacant]

Public Comment Limited To 2 Minutes Per Speaker
Unless Waived Or Additionally Restricted By The Presiding Officer Of The Board

ALL AGENDA ITEMS EXCEPT PUBLIC COMMENT ARE SUBJECT TO DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION
PLEASE NOTE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MEETING MAY TAKE ITEMS OUT OF ORDER.
PLEASE SUBMIT SPEAKER CARDS SO THAT WE MAY IDENTIFY YOUR INPUT.
YOU CAN MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT WITHOUT FILLING OUT A SPEAKER CARD.
THE TIMES FOR AGENDA ITEMS ARE A GUIDELINE. THE MEETING DOES NOT HAVE A SCHEDULED ENDING
TIME. PLEASE KEEP COMMENTS BRIEF TO HAVE A QUICK MEETING.

6:30  1. Call To Order – Pledge of Allegiance – Welcome
(Italia Abundez, President) (3m)

6:33  2. Roll call of the board. The board has 15 seats. Fourteen are filled. The quorum for the board is 8.
Alternates may be seated for absent Board members and counted in the quorum. (2m)

6:35  3. Report from the Los Angeles Police Department: Senior Lead Officer Charles Chacon, Basic Car
19A61 North Hills (cell: 818-634-0545, office: 818-838-9845, email: 35441@lapd.online) (10m)

6:45  4. Reports from other government officials: (12m)
Council District 6 [south of Rayen Street] (Councilwoman Nury Martinez) / staff Sylvester Partida (818-771-0236, sylvester.partida@lacity.org)
Council District 7 [north of Rayen Street] (Councilmember to be elected, served by Council President Herb J. Wesson, Jr.) / staff Yolanda Fuentes-Miranda (818-485-0600, yolanda.fuentes@lacity.org)
Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti / staff Brian Gavidia (213-713-0960, brian.gavidia@lacity.org)
Los Angeles Unified School District, District 6 (Board Member Mónica Ratliff) / staff Julio Anleu (213-241-6388, julio.anleu@lausd.net)
6:57 5. Public comment on non-agenda subjects. Please limit comments to two minutes per speaker. Candidates for public office may speak during the public comment period. (8m)

7:05 6. Consideration and possible action to appoint candidates to the vacant Organizational seat, and to the vacant Alternate position on the Board. (5m)

7:10 7. Approve minutes of prior meetings. (4m)

7:14 8. Consideration and possible action to approve the Treasurer's financial reports as the official records of the Board, and to approve a new budget if necessary. (6m)

7:20 9. Consideration and possible action regarding committees, and committee reports. The Board may change its committees and its committee chairs to meet its needs. No committees are named in the current bylaws. The Board has a policy that all Board members and Alternates are automatically members of all committees, and that committees will be scheduled as joint meetings with the Board. People who are not on the Board are also welcome to serve on committees. (15m)

**Beautification and Community Services:** Summer Bernardo  
**Education:** Summer Bernardo  
**Executive:** Italia Abundez  
**Finance:** Tony Wilkinson (Board Vice President, required by bylaws)  
**Land Use:** Punam Gohel  
**Outreach:** Italia Abundez  
**Public Safety:** Bart Treviño  
   - **Alcohol and Drugs subcommittee** Bart Treviño  
**Rules:** Perla Lagunas

7:35 10. **Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates report.** This Neighborhood Council program offers opportunities for public participation in developing the city's budget for the next Fiscal Year. The council's Board has authorized **Punam Gohel** (punam.nhenc@gmail.com) and **Antonio York** (ayorkii@aol.com) as its Budget Representatives. **Ann Job** of the Sylmar Neighborhood Council (818-364-9318, Ann.Job@sylmarnc.org) is an elected Budget Advocate for the North Valley area. (5m)

7:40 11. Consideration and possible action on the recommendation of the Beautification and Community Services committee that the Meet and Eat Event that was approved for the Sepulveda Recreation Center on Friday, February 3 be instead be rescheduled at North Hills Community Park, 8756 Parthenia Place, North Hills, CA 91343 on Saturday, Feb. 11, from 10:00 am to Noon, along with the $250 in outreach funds that was approved for the event on its originally scheduled date. The new proposed date conflicts with the date and time of the Council District 7 Candidates Forum in Lake View Terrace that was approved by the Board on January 9. (10m)
7:50  12. Consideration and possible action on the recommendation of the Beautification and Community Services committee that the Board support the renaming of the Mid Valley Intergenerational Multipurpose Center at 9540 Van Nuys Boulevard, Panorama City, CA 91402 to the "Albert Piantanida Intergenerational Center". The recommendation refers to a recommendation "drafted by the Office of Nury Martinez". However, it contains only a letter drafted by committee chair Summer Bernardo and no documentation of a renaming proposal by the Councilwoman to which it refers. The park lies within the Panorama City Neighborhood Council. The late Mr. Piantanida was a resident of Arleta. (10m)

8:00  13. Consideration and possible action on the recommendation of the Public Safety committee that the Board support the request of a member of the Council District 6 staff for a cash contribution of $500 directly to the organizations Journey Out and Saving Innocence, for the purchase of toiletries and hygiene products, in support of Human Trafficking Awareness Month. The council may be prohibited from this use of funds. It appears to be a "charitable" use of public funds for the benefit of a select group of private persons. The council may contribute to the work of a 501(c)(3) organization if it fills out a Neighborhood Purposes Grant in which it spells how how the funds will be used to benefit the general public. (10m)

8:10  14. Consideration and possible action on the recommendation of the Vice President that the Board authorize the city to negotiate and execute an office lease at the Premiere Business Systems executive suite at 14500 Roscoe Boulevard, Panorama City, CA 91402, for a term extending to the end of the current Fiscal Year on June 30, for an inclusive monthly amount not to exceed $1200 which will include parking, janitorial service, telephone service, telephone answering service, Internet service, and the use of executive suite conference rooms and copier. The Panorama City Neighborhood Council currently occupies a prime office location in this facility, and may not be able to continue its use unless it provides certain documents to the city immediately. If the Board authorizes execution of this lease, this council may be able to take over the office, which otherwise would be lost to another tenant. This authorization may or may not be used, depending upon availability of an office space. (10m)

8:20  15. Consideration and possible action on the request of the Treasurer that the Board determine how the council's tables and chairs will be used, considering that another organization has received exclusive use of the North Hills Community Park office where they are stored and the NHENC appears unable to use that facility frequently for its functions. (10m)

8:30  16. Comments by Board members and seated Alternates on matters within the jurisdiction of the Neighborhood Council. (5m)

8:35  17. Adjournment. (The times in this agenda are estimates. The meeting is not scheduled to adjourn at a particular time.)

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THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT - As a covered entity under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Los Angeles does not discriminate on the basis of disability and, upon request, will provide reasonable accommodation to ensure equal access to its programs, services and activities. Sign language interpreters, assistive listening devices and other auxiliary aids and/or services, may be provided upon request. To ensure availability of services, please make your request at least 3 business days (72 hours) prior to the meeting you wish to attend by contacting any Board officer or by contacting the Board by email at info@northhillseastnc.org.

RECONSIDERATION PROCESS - Reconsideration of a vote by the Board may be called as a motion by a Board member that voted on the prevailing side of the decision.

GRIEVANCE PROCESS - If you believe that the Board is not following its own rules or any of the other rules by which it must operate, you may file a Grievance in writing with the Secretary. The Grievance will be placed on the agenda for the next Board meeting. If the Board cannot easily resolve the Grievance with you, it shall refer it to a Grievance Panel, as described in the Council’s Bylaws. The report of the Grievance Panel will be considered at the following Board meeting. Board members may not file a Grievance.

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