



Northridge West Neighborhood Council

Public Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, August 10, 2010 at 7:00 PM
Beckford Elementary School
19130 Tulsa Street • Northridge, CA 91324

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<p>Tom Johnson <i>President</i> – General Business-1(2014)</p> <p>Glen Wilson <i>VP Administration</i> - Community/Faith Based (2014)</p> <p>Juativa Spurlock <i>VP Communication & Outreach</i> – Homeowner - 2 (2014)</p> <p>Pamela Bolin <i>Treasurer</i> – At-Large-2 (2014)</p> <p>JoAnn Phillips Open-At-Large (2012)</p> <p>Craig Michayluk Homeowner – 2 (2012)</p>	<p>Gerry Malais At-Large-1 (2012)</p> <p>Jerry Bloom Senior-1 (2012)</p> <p>Ken Futernick Senior-2 (2012)</p> <p>Vacant Northridge Fashion Center (2012)</p> <p>Vacant Renter (2012)</p> <p>Vacant General Business-2 (2012)</p> <p>Vacant Education (2012)</p>
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PUBLIC INPUT AT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETINGS: The public is requested to fill out a “Speaker Card” to address the Board on any item of the agenda prior to the Board taking action on an item. Comments from the public on Agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the Agenda that is within the Board’s subject matter jurisdiction will be heard during the Public Comment period. Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker, unless waived or additionally restricted by the presiding officer of the Board.

The Agenda is posted for public review at the following Northridge locations: Northridge Fashion Center (Information Desk); The Discovery Shop, 9719 Reseda Blvd.; Beckford Avenue Elementary School, 19130 Tulsa Ave.; Albertsons Market, 18555 Devonshire St.; Gelson’s Market, 19500 Plummer St.; and the North Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce, 9401 Reseda Blvd.

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BASIC NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING RULES

ALL MEETINGS ARE CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RALPH M. BROWN ACT. The basic council rules listed here are contained either in that act, the governing bylaws of this Council or in rules adopted by the Governing Board.

All Neighborhood Council meeting locations shall be compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

DEFINITION OF STAKEHOLDER: [Bylaws Article 3 (G)] STAKEHOLDER shall mean all persons who live, work, or own property in the neighborhood and also those who declare a stake in the neighborhood and affirm the factual basis for it. The affirmation may require verification of said stake. Furthermore, each stakeholder class within the NWNC's boundaries has the ability to vote and run for office on the board. The geographic area of this council is from the 118 - Simi Valley Freeway south to Nordhoff and Reseda west to Corbin with the centerline of each street as the boundary. (Bylaws Article 5)

AGENDAS – Unless otherwise posted, the Northridge West Neighborhood Council meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7:00 PM at the Beckford Avenue Elementary School Auditorium. The agendas for Neighborhood Council meetings contain a brief general description of those items to be considered at the meetings.

Items on the "Consent Agenda" may be voted on as a group unless a councilmember or stakeholder wishes to be heard on that item. In the event a councilmember or stakeholder wishes to be heard on an item, it will be called special and heard under the "Public Hearing" section of the agenda.

The presence of at least seven Council members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The Council may consider an item not on the agenda only if it is determined by a two-thirds vote of the existing council that the need for action arose after the posting of an Agenda.

In compliance with Government Code section 54957.5, non-exempt writings that are distributed to a majority or all of the board in advance of a meeting may be viewed at: 9401 Reseda Blvd. Ste. 100, Northridge, CA 91324, at our website by clicking on the following link: www.northridgewest.org, or at the scheduled meeting. In addition, if you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda, please contact Thomas Johnson at (818) 599-3435 or via email at: johnsonsconstruct@hotmail.com

COUNCIL DISCUSSION AND TIME LIMITS – Council members requesting to address the Council will be recognized by the Council President in the order requested. A motion calling the "previous question" may be introduced by any member during a Council debate. If adopted, this motion will terminate debate and the Chair will instruct the Secretary to call the roll on the matter.

Other Board Rules will be put in place and this section will be updated as necessary.

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Alliance Service Station 8900 Corbin Ave.
North Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce 9401 Reseda Blvd.

The Council is always looking for volunteers to organize speakers, educate our stakeholders on new property developments, and discuss community issues. If you are interested in volunteering on a Committee, please contact: Tom Johnson (818) 599-3435 **OR email us at:** johnsonsconstruct@hotmail.com. Events and Calendar Postings should be sent to johnsonsconstruct@hotmail.com. **For information about the Council, and Your Community see our website:** www.NorthridgeWest.org. If you want something put on the agenda, make sure the request is submitted in writing to the board prior to the first of the month.

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1. **Call to order**
2. **Pack 911 local Cub Scout does a flag ceremony (pledge of allegiance)**
3. **Roll call and do we have a quorum for this meeting.**
4. **Acceptance of minutes** - Meeting held July 13, 2010.
5. **Senior Lead Officer, LAPD Devonshire Division** - Officer Kathy Bennett
6. **Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE)** - Thomas Soong
7. **CD12 Councilman Greig Smith's Representative** - Seme Park
8. **Guest Speakers** -
 - a. **Mark Reed (R) candidate for U.S. Congress District 27; Brad Sherman also invited.** <http://www.markreedforcongress.com/>
 - b. **Debra Scott from Street Services Investigation & Enforcement**
 - c. **Mr. Winger, the President of the Oakridge Estate Park Advisory Board and will update on the Oakridge Estate Project.**
9. **Treasurer's Report** - Bolin
10. **Committee Reports**
 - a. Budget / Finance - Bolin
 - b. Bylaws - Glen Wilson
 - c. Education - Ken Futernick
 - d. Elections - No report
 - e. Grievance - No grievances to report
 - f. Planning / Land Use / Zoning - Johnson
 - g. Community Outreach - Spurlock
 - h. *ad hoc* Neighborhood Enhancement Committee/Beautification - Phillips
11. **Public Comments-Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's jurisdiction.**
12. **Discussion and possible action items.**
 - a. Chris Williams requested to be considered for the open General Business Rep seat. This seat will be up for reelection 2012. Her notary license is within the NWNC area.
 - b. Johnson to present a commendation to Chris Williams for her service to the Northridge area. NWNC thanks Chris Williams for exceptional volunteerism. She expends much of her own time and resources clearing weeds and trash along Tampa, Devonshire, Chatsworth, Corbin, Merridy, etc. Chris sets a great example for all of Northridge residents. She also organizes teams of volunteers.
 - c. Need a volunteer to be NWNC Secretary to prepare agendas, bylaw revisions, resolutions, community impact studies, letters, etc.! Currently minute taker is doing the NWNC minutes.
 - d. NWNC must decide how to budget an increase of ~\$8,950 extra rollover funds from 2009/2010 FY. This is \$10k minus \$1,050 for past webmaster. Suggestions are: \$800 for new item 6-hour weekend NWNC retreat; add \$800 to Minute Taker fund (\$25/month more than \$100 which is in the budget) plus two possible special meetings; and the remaining about \$7,350 for open discussion on NWNC funding use.

Also: Modify Outreach and Emergency Preparedness budgets to reflect annual budgets, not quarterly budgets, so we have more flexibility. Delete \$2,450 from #400 NPG budget and increase #200 Outreach budget due to Northridge Theatre Workshop funding approved at July 13, 2010 meeting.

- e. Johnson - Motion to allocate approximately \$500 to purchase Northridge West NC Tee Shirts for NWNC Outreach.
- f. Bolin - *Boy Scouts Troop 911 funding request and presentation by Joel Lipin.*
- g. Wilson - Create Neighborhood Council Ambassadors with Northridge East NC and Northridge South NC for all of Northridge.
- h. Request by Phillips for someone to volunteer to pick up 400 trash bags from Gerry Valido at LA's Office of Beautification in downtown Los Angeles.
- i. Chris Williams and Tom Johnson provide status of permissions and permits for installing faux grass on a parkway at Tampa east side at Superior. Gerry Malais provide status of obtaining a quote for the installation work. If contractor labor is too expensive, this labor might need to be done by NWNC volunteers due to inadequate NWNC budget allocated for this extremely important project.
- j. Johnson - Status of weekly clean-up days every Saturday 7-10 am.
- k. Johnson - Adoption of median (Adopt-A-Median) along Reseda Blvd just south of Lassen St. to include paying for water and repair to irrigation system.
- l. Phillips - Status of By Laws revisions so we can get more members.
- m. Status of Motion presented by Spurlock last month to write letters to the bench companies.
- n. Johnson - Amend last month's resolution to beautify Tampa Ave to reflect the changing of hours and committee to as deemed necessary by the event planners
- o. Bolin - Status of sending an opinion to Krekorian regarding July 13, 2010 NWNC meeting motion by Wilson re: Funding Program by Adrienne O'Niell.
- p. Requests for volunteers to fill vacancies on the board
 - i. The following positions are currently vacant: 1) Renters Representative, 2) Education Representative, and 3) Northridge Fashion Center Representative. All of these seats will be up for election in 2012. We are processing a request to convert some of these to At Large and Homeowner Reps, but in the mean time if there are volunteers, consider filling any of these vacancies. To do so, send your request to the NWNC Secretary at secretary@northridgewest.org and copy to the President at president@northridgewest.org.
 - ii. To be appointed you must be able to prove that you are qualified for that seat on the board. The documents that are acceptable as proofs of eligibility for a specific seat on the board are listed on http://www.northridgewest.org/wp-content/uploads/2009/11/NWNC-Final_Approved_Bylaws_3-6-08.pdf or NWNC Bylaws on NWNC website.
- q. Motion by Wilson: Need volunteers for 1) LANCC alternate rep., 2) LA DWP MOU & DWP Committee alternate rep. and 3) Plancheck NC alternate representative.
- r. Wilson's update on Street Resurfacing for Wilbur Ave. between Lassen St. & Nordhoff St. and changes 1) Now one lane south & one lane north with painted bike path lanes & parking on both sides of street 2) New type of crosswalks at Wilbur Ave. & Superior St. and Wilbur Ave. & Praire St. and 3) Now have space in center to make left turns for side streets.
- s. Johnson - Update on the 3rd Annual Emergency Preparedness Fair October 2, 2010 Fire Station 87.
- t. Johnson - Establish a date within the next 3 weeks to hold an executive committee meeting for charting a direction and schedule for the various committees on Northridge West Neighborhood Council.
- u. Johnson - Ethics Training - Inform all board members of the need to complete ethic training ASAP (Gerry and Juativa to take Ethics course) and new board members.
- v. Johnson - For September monthly meeting agenda Ana Haase Reed will be scheduled to present information on the proposed CA High Speed Train project to the stakeholders

- w. Motion by Glen Wilson and Chair of NWNC Bylaws Committee: Need volunteers for NWNC Bylaws Committee for August & September 2010 (current cut off date by DONE is Sept. 30 for NC's Bylaws changes) and in the future.

13. Report on Meetings – Each month the Rep summarizes the meeting they attend and provides it to Johnson and Bolin for posting on the NWNC website.

- a. NE/W Vision Committee – Steve Harris/Glen Wilson
Meets the third Wednesday of each month at 2:00PM maybe at the NWNC Office
- b. LA DWP MOU or DWP Committee – Glen Wilson
Meets the first Saturday of month at 8:45AM with location TBD
- c. Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (VANC) – Glen Wilson
Meets the second Thursday of each month at 6:30PM at the Sherman Oaks Hospital. There will be no VANC September meeting.
- d. Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) – Glen Wilson
Meets the first Saturday of month at 10:00AM with location TBD
- e. Valley Vote – Jerry (Glen Wilson was not at July meeting)
Meets the third Monday of each month at 6:30PM at Galpin Ford
No August meeting for Valley Vote.
- f. BONC meetings - Glen Wilson
About Neighborhood Councils and about future DONE NC Bylaws changes
- g. Oakridge Estate Park Advisory Board - Steve Harris
Meets the fourth Thursday of month at 3PM at Fire Station #87 at 10124 Balboa Blvd., Granada Hills in the Community Room
- h. North Valley Disaster Preparedness Team – Tom Johnson
Meets the third Wednesday of each month at 3:30PM at the Northridge CD 12 Office.
- i. PlanCheckNC
Meets the second Saturday of the month at Historic Downtown Outreach Center, 114 W. 5th Street Los Angeles, CA 90013

14. Board Member Comments - Comments from the Board on subject matters within the Board's jurisdiction.

- a. Request for items to be placed on the agenda must be made in writing to the Secretary (secretary@northridgewest.org) no later than September 1, 2010.

15. Adjournment

16. Take new photo of NWNC members for website

Process for Reconsideration – The Board may reconsider and amend actions listed on the agenda if that reconsideration takes place immediately following the original action or at the next regular meeting. The Board, on either of these two days, shall: 1) make a Motion to Reconsider and, if approved, 2) hear the matter and take an action. If the Motion to Reconsider is to be scheduled at the next meeting following the original action, then two items shall be placed on the agenda for that meeting: 1) a Motion to Reconsider on the described matter and, 2) a Proposed] Action should the Motion to Reconsider be approved. A Motion-to-Reconsider can only be made by a Board Member who has previously voted on the prevailing side of the original action. If a Motion-to-Reconsider is not made on the date the action was taken, then a Board Member on the prevailing side of the action must submit a memorandum to the Secretary identifying the matter to be reconsidered and a brief description of the reason(s) for requesting reconsideration at the next regular meeting. The aforesaid shall be in compliance with the Brown Act.

