



Northridge West Neighborhood Council
Public Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, May 10, 2011 at 7:00 PM
Beckford Elementary School
19130 Tulsa Street, Northridge, CA 91326

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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 Outreach & Communication</i> – Homeowner - 2 (2014)</p> <p>Craig Michayluk <i>Secretary</i> - Homeowner– 1 (2012)</p> <p>Pamela Bolin <i>Treasurer</i> - At-Large-2 (2014)</p> <p>Freddie Rymond Open-At-Large (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>Don Ward At-Large-3 (2012)</p> <p>Vacant Renter (2012)</p> <p>Chris Williams General Business-2 (2012)</p> <p>Robert Graf At-Large-4 (2012)</p>
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Northridge Fashion Center (Information Desk)
The Discovery Shop 9719 Reseda Blvd.
Beckford Avenue Elementary School 19130 Tulsa St.
Albertsons Market 18555 Devonshire St.
Gelson’s Market 19500 Plummer St.
Alliance Service Station 8900 Corbin Ave.
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.

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.

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.

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1. **Call to order** (2 minutes)
2. **Flag ceremony and Pledge of Allegiance** - Cub Scout 911 (3 minutes)
3. **Roll call** (2 minutes)
4. **Acceptance of Minutes** – General Board Meeting of April 12, 2011 and joint NWNC & PRNC meeting of March 15, 2011 on LADOT Wilbur Ave. Plan (5 minutes)
5. **Senior Lead Officer, LAPD Devonshire Division** – Interim Senior Lead Officer Ignacio Morillo (2 minutes)
6. **NWNC boards speak on community items:**
 - a. Juativa Spurlock will speak about having CSUN Brittney McCarthy Director, Government & Community Relations have NWNC "Focus Group for CSUN" and about CSUN Survey to start at 5:30 PM and go to about 6:45PM before regular NWNC June 14, 2011 meeting at Beckford Elementary School for one time meeting. Will have handouts about Letter to Neighbors Survey Focus Groups to be on NWNC "Focus Group for CSUN". (2 Minutes)
 - b. Gerry Malais have update on the Fire Dept. resource closures. (2 Minutes)
7. **CD12 Councilman Grieg Smith's Representative** – Semee Park (3 Minutes)
8. **Guest Speakers**
 - a. L. A. City Attorney - Carmen Trutanich (Total 30 minutes includes 20 minutes for speaker and 10 minutes questions & answers)
 - b. L. A. City Bureau of Sanitation will speak regarding Clean Water (Waste Water) program (Total of 20 Minutes including Q/A)
9. **Treasurer's Report: Motion to vote on Jan. to March 2011 NWNC budget report including March 2011 & April 2011 meeting budgets not voted on, May 2011 report and NWNC 3th Quarter audit.** Plus **Budget & Finance Committee Report** on review of NWNC budget and breakdown of expenditures - Bolin to offer resignation as NWNC Treasurer. (5 Minutes)
10. **President's Report and Executive Meeting Report** – Johnson (3 minutes)
11. **VP of Administration Report** – Wilson (7 minutes)
 - a. Can use board members and stakeholders for NWNC Budget & Finance Committee meetings in May & June for NWNC 2011/2012 budget and for Outreach NWNC Committee for now.

- b. Other Public Officials not listed and Public Comments should be on agenda before NWNC discussion and possible action items.
- c. Update on revised NWNC Bylaws with the BONC Bylaws Template Mandatory Bylaws Table of Contents that PASSED at NWNC April 12, 2011 meeting which has been send to be approved by DONE. Plus at BONC Meeting April 5, 2011 BONC approve the extension of time on NC's DONE Bylaws changes from April 5, 2011 to June 6, 2011 for all NC's.
- d. Update to secure a date/time/location for an official NWNC Board Member Re-Treat. In addition, coordinate the date and time of training with DONE subject to change. Note for NWNC Board Member Re-Treat at this time will be Sunday May 15, 2011 from 1:30PM to 5:30PM at Coco's Northridge. Note waiting for DONE to confirm date and time for NWNC Board Re-Treat can do it.
- e. Note do the time on this agenda 4 of agenda items tabled from NWNC April 12, 2011 meeting will be tabled to next NWNC Ex meeting or/& to NWNC June 14, 2011 agenda and with other new agenda items too.

12. Discussion and possible action items. (most agenda items are 2 minutes long)

- a. **Motion:** Need NWNC fund up to \$300 for booth space or/and NWNC booth supplies from NWNC Outreach funds for booth or share booth with NENC or/& NSNC at Valley Heritage Festival (formerly referred to as the Northridge Community Hawaiian Festival) to be on Sat. June 4 & Sunday 5, 2011 at Northridge Park. Will need volunteers from NWNC board and stakeholders for NWNC booth on both days.(Wilson) (2 minutes)
- b. **Motion:** To share booth with NENC at Valley Greek Festival on Memorial Day Weekend May Sat. 28th, Sunday 29th and Monday 30th 2011 from 1PM to 9PM at St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church 9501 Balboa Blvd. Northridge, CA (Wilson) (2 minutes)
- c. **Motion:** To increase the allotted funds in the amount of \$500.00 for the use of Beckford Elementary Auditorium, for our monthly board meetings, and for an early meeting on June 14, 2011 starting at 5:30PM. The funding deadline for the meetings which are to be held in July, Aug. and Sept 2011 is due May 2011(July, Aug and Sept. falls into the next fiscal year which has not been approved for the annual budget dated September 5, 2010. (Bolin) (2 minutes)
- d. **Motion:** Juativa Spurlock will speak about having CSUN Brittney McCarthy Director, Government & Community Relations have NWNC "Focus Group for CSUN" and about CSUN Survey to start at 5:30 PM and to go to about 6:45PM before regular NWNC June 14, 2011 meeting at Beckford Elementary School for one time meeting. Note CSUN will have food and drinks for NWNC "Focus Group for CSUN" and NWNC may need extra funding for extra time on NWNC May 10, 2011 agenda motion #12d using Beckford Elementary Auditorium. (Spurlock) (2 minutes)
- e. **Motion:** Mandatory that NWNC board members are to write their own Board Resolutions whether the motion they propose passes or fails. (Johnson) (1 minutes)
- f. **Motion:** Fund a storage unit to hold all NWNC equipment up to \$1,000. So Cal Self Storage at 9000 Corbin Ave. has 5"x 5' for \$59 a month and 5'x 10' for \$79 a month (the size of a walk-in closet). So Cal is offering the first two months at 60% off. The storage area will be accessible to all board members at all times. It will hold the tent, chairs, Operation Clean Sweep equipment, water, amps and microphones, etc. which are currently being held at Beckford Elementary

School. Note NWNC has already approved funding at the April 12, 2011, for a covered utility trailer to house all power garden equipment up to \$2,500. The trailer must be kept at a board members house and might require being registered at the DMV. (Bolin) (2 minutes)

g. **Motion:** Endorse "Life Before License" Campaign

WHEREAS 32% of all collisions in Los Angeles are hit and run, AND

WHEREAS leaving the scene of a collision is a failure to take responsibility for one's actions and the safety of others, and therefore demonstrates a tendency to drive unsafely, AND

WHEREAS currently there is not a mandated loss of driving privileges for those convicted of hit and run, AND WHEREAS judges sentencing convicted hit and runners rarely take away the perpetrator's driving privileges, Northridge West Neighborhood Council hereby endorses the Life Before License campaign to change California law so that once convicted of a hit and run, perpetrators will automatically lose all driving privileges, and that the duration of the loss will correspond to the severity of the impact of the hit and run as follows:

1. A hit and run which results in fatality will result in the loss of driving privileges for 10 years.
2. A hit and run which results in permanent disability, or causes a life threatening injury will result in the loss of driving privileges for 5 years.
3. A hit and run which results in injury, but which does not lead to permanent disability or a life threatening injury, will result in the loss of driving privileges for 2 years.
4. A hit and run which results in the damage of property only will result in the loss of driving privileges for 1 year.

In LA, 32% of all collisions are hit and run [2008 SWITRS data, California Highway Patrol.] In other words, Los Angelinos involved in a collision have a nearly 2 in 5 chance of being left to fend for themselves. Worse, in those cases where a hit and run perpetrator is caught and convicted, judges rarely take away the convicts driving privileges. Life Before License, a campaign started by the cycling advocacy organization Bikeside, will seek mandatory loss of driving privileges for convicted hit and run perpetrators.

Hit and run is a problem for everyone on our streets.

It's a problem by definition. A hit and run perpetrator leaves the scene, and continues to drive. In leaving the scene they send a signal - they will not take responsibility for their actions, they will not take care of another person in need. In continuing to drive, they put us all at risk. Of all the people who we can issue drivers licenses to, aren't these the worst candidates? And yet prosecutors have refused to ask for revocation of driving privileges on the basis that they will have difficulty getting to their job, and therefore difficulty paying restitution. Similarly, judges in the same breath have given the convicted a litany of treatments for driving under the influence, and then done nothing to address the convicted drivers driving privileges. This is not sane - to put drivers who have demonstrated their lack of respect for life and property behind the wheel again.

So, Life Before License seeks mandatory loss of driving privileges for those convicted of hit and run, to commence at the termination of any related period of incarceration, with the length of loss directly tied to the impact of the convicts hit and run:

1. - Fatality --> 10 years
2. - Permanent disability or life threatening injury --> 5 years
3. - Other injury --> 2 years
4. - Property damage only --> 1 year

(Don Ward) (2 minutes)

h. **Discussion:** Update on proposed T-Mobile Cell Tower at 19650 Vintage St. and Corbin Ave.!

Update as of March 29, 2011 is: "Your appeal of the above T-Mobile cell site is being continued until Friday, April 15, 2011 at 9:30 am. T-Mobile needs more time to complete their analysis of the alternate site. Please let everyone else know." The alternate site they are looking at now is on Corbin, at the house behind 9925 Bothwell Road. They have not ruled out 19650 Vintage St.

APPEAL E/S CORBIN AV 70' S/O VINTAGE ST CITY LOG NO. 2010008122 Notice was delayed now for about 1 to 2 months on cell tower. (Williams) (2 minutes)

- i. **Discussion:** All board members should have completed the DONE Ethics Exam Training Completion of this exam is due by June 14, 2011. Hand out of an "Affidavit of Completion" for all board members to complete after taking the ethics training exam. (Bolin) (2 minutes)

13. Other Public Officials not listed (3 minutes each)

14. Public Comments: Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's jurisdiction and this is a "NO Discussion Period". *Limited to 2 minutes per speaker* (Total time is 15 minutes)

15. Committee Reports and Report on Meetings * Limited to 2 minutes per report*
Committee Reports:

- a) Education – Ken Futernick (1 minutes)
- b) Elections – need chair for this for July 2011 or later
- c) Grievance –
- d) Community Outreach – Spurlock
- e) Beautification – Williams
- f) Bylaws – Wilson – see under VP of Administration Report for update
- g) Planning / Land Use / Zoning – Johnson

Report on Meetings: Most are listed on NWNC website with date and time of the meetings.

- a. Oakridge Estate Park Advisory Board (Oakie House) - Steve Harris
Meets fourth Thursday of every odd numbered month 3PM at Fire Station #87 at 10124 Balboa Boulevard, Granada Hills, CA
- b. Northridge Vision - Steve Harris
Most meetings are third Wednesday each month 2PM at Fire Station #87 at 10124 Balboa Boulevard, Granada Hills, CA
- c. LA DWP MOU and/or DWP Committee – Glen Wilson
Meets the first Saturday of month at 8:45 a.m. at Hollywood Community Center 6501 Fountain Avenue, Los Angeles, 90028
- d. Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) – Glen Wilson
Meets the first Saturday of month at 10:00 a.m. at Hollywood Community Center 6501 Fountain Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90028
- e. Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (VANC) – Glen Wilson
Meets the second Thursday each month at 6:30 p.m. at Sherman Oaks Hospital.
- f. Valley Vote – Glen Wilson
Meets the third Monday each month at 6:30 p.m. at Galpin Ford.
- g. Valley Heritage Festival (was Northridge Hawaiian Festival) Outreach meetings with updates for Valley Heritage Festival on June 4 & 5, 2011. - Glen Wilson
- h. North Valley Disaster Preparedness Fair Committee –
Meets the third Wednesday each month at 4PM at Fire Station #87
- i. NC Budget LA – Website is www.budgetla.org Next meeting Sat. May 28, 2011 from 10AM to 1PM at Hollywood Presbyterian Church "The Cellar" (enter on Carlos, parking lot #2) 1760 N. Grower Street, Hollywood, CA 90028

- 16. Board Member Comments** - Comments from the Board on subject matters within the Board's jurisdiction. *Limited to 2 minutes per board member.*
- 17. Request for items to be placed on the agenda** must be made in writing to the NWNC President president@northridgewest.org and a copy to NWNC VP of Admin. vpadmin@northridgewest.org prior to the first of the month of next NWNC meeting.
- 18. Next month's NWNC agenda items** for June 14, 2011 are:
a) L. A. County Health Dept. will speak on Mental Health (20 minutes)
- 19. Adjournment**
- 20. Upcoming Events**
- a) **Citrus Sunday** is May 15, 2011 from 8:30 AM to 1PM for NWNC pickup location is at L. A. City Fire Station #70 on corner of Lassen St. and Reseda Blvd. which is 9861 Reseda Blvd., Northridge, CA 91324
- b) **Valley Greek Festival** on Memorial Day Weekend May Sat. 28th, Sunday 29th and Monday 30th 2011 from 1PM to 9PM at St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church 9501 Balboa Blvd. Northridge, CA 91325 and enter from Balboa Blvd. then park on Plummer Street going west. NWNC may share booth with NENC?
- c) **North Valley's 2011 Senior Dinner/Dance** on June 3, 2011 from 5PM to 9:30PM at Northridge Park Gymnasium on 18300 Lemarsh St., Northridge and co-sponsored by NWNC and others
- d) **Valley Heritage Festival** (formerly referred to as the Northridge Community Hawaiian Festival) on **Fireworks Display** will be **on Sat. night June 4, 2011 after 8PM at Northridge Park** and co-sponsored by NWNC and others
- e) **Valley Heritage Festival** (formerly Northridge Community Hawaiian Festival) **on Sat. June 4, 2011 and Sunday June 5, 2011 at Northridge Park** plus NWNC may have a booth at Valley Heritage Festival on both dates. **Hours are Saturday 10AM to 8PM and Sunday 10AM to 6PM.**

"Unity in Our Community"

