

# Northridge West Neighborhood Council

## Public Meeting Agenda Tuesday, July 12, 2011 at 7:00 PM Beckford Elementary School 19130 Tulsa Street, Northridge, CA 91326

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**Gerry Malais** 

President - At-Large-1 (2012)

Glen Wilson

**VP Administration** - Community/Faith Based (2014)

Juativa Spurlock

VP Outreach & Communication – Homeowner - 2 (2014)

Craig Michayluk

Secretary - Homeowner- 1 (2012)

**Tom Johnson** 

**Treasurer -** General Business-1(2014)

Freddie Rymond

Open-At-Large (2012)

Pamela Bolin

At-Large-2 (2014)

Jerry Bloom

Senior-1 (2012)

**Ken Futernick** 

Senior-2 (2012)

**Don Ward** 

At-Large-3 (2012)

Vacant

Renter (2012)

**Chris Williams** 

General Business-2 (2012)

**Robert Graf** 

At-Large-4 (2012)

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The NWNC Agenda is posted for public review at the following Northridge locations below and posted on NWNC website <a href="https://www.NorthridgeWest.org">www.NorthridgeWest.org</a>

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 AND ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER. 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: <a href="www.northridgewest.org">www.northridgewest.org</a>, 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 Gerry Malais at (702) 285-9353 or via email at: <a href="mailto:gmalais@northridgewest.org">gmalais@northridgewest.org</a>.

**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: Gerry Malais at (702) 285-9353 or email <a href="mailto:gmalais@northridgewest.org">gmalais@northridgewest.org</a>. Events and Calendar Postings should be sent to Glen Wilson and email to <a href="mailto:vpadmin@northridgewest.org">vpadmin@northridgewest.org</a>. For information about the Council, and Your Community see our website: <a href="mailto:www.NorthridgeWest.org">www.NorthridgeWest.org</a>. 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 or to one of NWNC Committee chairs that item is about on their committee.

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 –** (5 minutes)
  Motion on General Board Meeting of June 14, 2011 and Special Meeting June 27, 2011.
- Senior Lead Officer, LAPD Devonshire Division Interim Senior Lead Officer Ignacio Morillo (2 minutes)
- 6. CD12 Councilman Grieg Smith's Representative Semee Park (3 Minutes)
- 7. CSUN Daren Hause filling in for Brittny McCarthy Director, Government & Community Relations will talk about CSUN (3 Minutes)
- 8. Guest Speakers
  - a. Captain Ryan of Devonshire Police Station will give updates on crime (15 minutes)
  - b. Steve Harris will share an update on the Oakridge Estates and display the proposed improvement boards. (15 minutes)
  - c. Jennifer Brent from Humane Society (External Relations Manager for Found Animals Foundation, Inc. www.foundanimals.org ) (10 Minutes)
- 9. President's Report and Special Meeting June 27, 2011 Report Gerry Malais (10 minutes)
- **10. VP of Administration Report –** Wilson (10 minutes)
  - **a.** 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.
  - **b.** Update on coordinate a date/time/location for an official NWNC Board Member Re-Treat training in July 2011 or not with DONE subject to change.
  - c. Ethics & Open Government training required of all board members every two years. You can do it online at DONE website <a href="www.empowerla.org">www.empowerla.org</a> then click on "NC Ethics Training.", wait for the next NC Ethics Training or contact the Department's Help Line at (213) 485-1360 for hard copy of NC Ethics Training with quiz send by mail.
  - d. From NC News email about Neighborhood Council Permits for FY 2011-2012 to City Hall Downtown this time is allocated two (2) parking permits per Neighborhood Council for only total of two persons for NWNC.
  - e. Report about LADWP Special Neighborhood Council 2011 Rates Workshop July 6, 2011 at LADWP main office downtown and at Sat. July 2, 2011 meeting of DWP Committee and LANCC.

- 11. Treasurer's Report and Budget & Finance Committee Report: (Johnson)

  Motion to vote on NWNC 4th Quarter Audit Report 2010/2011 with presentation by Bolin.
- 12. Other Public Officials not listed (3 minutes each)
- 13. Discussion and possible action items on old business (Most are 2 minutes long.)
  - a. Motion and resolution: The Northridge West Neighborhood Council endorses the following resolution that was unanimously approved by the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) on July 2, 2011.

"The Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition strongly urges that the Board of Water and Power Commissioners and the City Council not consider or act upon the proposed water and power rate increases until the Ratepayers Advocate is established and has thoroughly reviewed and analyzed the proposed rate increases and presented such review and analysis to the Ratepayers and the public for their careful consideration.

LANCC cannot support any rate increases until the Ratepayers Advocate has reviewed and analyzed these rate increases and discussed the review and analysis with the Ratepayers and the public."

Note LADWP wants the rate increases to start as of Nov. 2011. (Wilson)

- c. Motion: The NWNC President will appoint the NWNC Committee Chairpersons and be confirmed by a board majority at this meeting. Then NWNC Committee Chairperson's will select the committee members and went will they have their NWNC Committee meetings. (Malais)
- d. Future Agenda Items for August 9, 2011 and on will be by NWNC Committee Chairs. (Malais)
- e. Motion: NWNC letter of support for CD12 on Safe Routes to School on "Cycle 3 of the Federal Safe Routes to School Program" grant application that CD12 has done for a coordinated multi-school effort for Calahan Street & Topeka Drive elementary schools and Nobel Middle School in NWNC area. (Malais)

In NWNC letter should include that the projects would benefit walking and/or bicycling for children around schools. For Nobel Middle School to help stop double car parking on Lassen Street for dropping off and picking up children from school plus stop having children crossing to and from school on north side in middle of street on Lassen Street to there a "No Parking" signs are on south side street of Lassen Street. (Wilson)

- **f. Motion to vote on June 2011 NWNC budget report which was tabled from June 14, 2011.** Plus Budget & Finance Committee Report on review of NWNC budget and breakdown of expenditures.
- **g. Motion**: Review and discussion of May 25th 2011Special NWNC Board meeting expenditures. This was tabled from NWNC June 14, 2011 meeting.
- 14. Discussion and possible action items on new business (Most are 2 minutes long.)
  - a. Discussion of new budget and to approve 2011/2012NWNC Budget. (Johnson)
  - b. Motion: NWNC to do support letter and fund up to \$\_\_\_\_ for Liability insurance to save and keep the Adult Class in Woodworking at Nobel Middle School with presentation by Amos Schwarz, Bob Ulrich and Teacher teaching the class. (10 minutes) (Wilson)
  - c. Motion: Discuss assignment of left over unfunded commitment to Beautification committee for John Doyle labor on community signs that were not paid in 2010/2011 because it needed a demand warrant but was vote on after April 15, 2011 DONE deadline for 2010/2011 for \$1,050. (Wilson)

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

### **Committee Reports:**

- a) Beautification Williams
  - Motion: NWNC to fund up to \$100 for Decomposed Granite (DG) for filling tree wells. (Wilson)
- **b)** Bylaws Wilson
- c) Community Outreach Spurlock
- d) Education Ken Futernick
- e) Elections No NWNC NC Election for 2012.
- f) Government Affairs -

Motions: Paul Krekorian's four Motions about Neighborhood Councils which NWNC may make approve(s) or/and not approve(s) as resolutions to Paul Krekorian's and City Council. (Wilson)

Motion #1 is about training for Neighborhood Councils board members to be required to take Funding Program for all board members and adding the following are Workplace Violence & Sexual Harassment, City Government Basics, Parliamentary Process and Community Leadership.

Motion #2 is about changing Neighborhood Council Funding Program.

Motion #3 is about reform and streamlines the Neighborhood Council system and governance structure with more control by Neighborhood Councils.

Motion #4 is about regional complaint panels composed of board members of various Neighborhood Councils from similar regions that will convene to address stakeholders and board member grievances as-needed, and at the request of the General Manager for the DONE.

- g) Grievance -
- h) Planning / Land Use / Zoning -

**Motion or/and Discussion** with update on master land use permit application on conditional use for Sale of alcoholic beverages for offsite consumption at ARCO Gas Station 18855 Nordhoff St. Northridge, CA 91324 at NE corner of Nordhoff St. and Wilbur Ave.! Note change of owner only.

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

- Oakridge Estate Park Advisory Board (Oakie House) Steve Harris
   Meets the fourth Thursday of every odd numbered month at 4PM at Fire Station #87
   10124 Balboa Blvd., Granada Hills, CA. Next meeting is July 28, 2011.
- b. Northridge Vision Steve Harris
- c. LA DWP MOU and/or DWP Committee Glen Wilson
- d. Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) Glen Wilson
- e. Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (VANC) Glen Wilson Meets the second Thursday each month at 6:30 p.m. at Sherman Oaks Hospital.
- d. Valley Vote Glen Wilson
  - Meets the third Monday each month at 6:30 p.m. at Galpin Ford.
- f. North Valley Disaster Preparedness Fair Committee –
   Meets the third Wednesday each month at 4PM at Fire Station #87

- **16.** 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)
- 17. Board Member Comments Comments from the Board on subject matters within the Board's jurisdiction. \*Limited to 2 minutes per board member.\*
- 18. Request for items to be placed on the agenda must be made in writing to the NWNC President <a href="mailto:gmalais@northridgewest.org">gmalais@northridgewest.org</a> and a copy to NWNC VP of Administration <a href="mailto:ypadmin@northridgewest.org">ypadmin@northridgewest.org</a> prior to the first of the month of next NWNC meeting plus to NWNC Committee chair that the item is about.

## 19. Adjournment

## 20. Upcoming Events

a) Los Angeles Citywide Neighborhood Council Congress 2011 "Increasing Public Participation in Government" Saturday, September 24, 2011 at City Hall Downtown starting at 7:45AM and ending at 4PM.

