



**Northridge West Neighborhood Council
Beautification Committee Agenda
Wednesday Oct 5th, 2011 at 6:30 pm
California Pizza Kitchen
NWNC not paying for Dinner
9301 Tampa Ave. Northridge, CA 91324
*North End, Next to Macy's in Northridge Fashion Center***

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Public Meeting Agenda

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Gelson's Market, 19500 Plummer St.;
Shell (was Alliance) Service Station 8900 Corbin Ave.;
and the North Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce, 9401 Reseda Blvd.

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1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4. OLD BUSINESS:

A) Report of last few weeks' volunteer clean up accomplishments including requests to LA City, delivery of Did You Know letters, custom letters, etc.

B) NWNC approved 6 month contract ending Dec 16, 2011 for SK Landscape maintenance contract in last fiscal year. Scope: Tampa Ave. from Plummer to Lassen both sides Work commenced early July 2011. Discussion to renew contract.

C) Discuss possible project at the NW corner of Plummer and Wilbur, now that permission has been given from the homeowner.

D) Status of Baton Rouge Estates sign SE corner of Vanalden and Chatsworth.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

A) Jo- Describe Future Clean Ups / Plantings

B) Develop Fall Tree Planting Dates and Location Recommendations for Reseda Blvd. Put anticipated dates and locations on agenda so the public can anticipate this big event. Make flyers and put on tree

well/planters using plastic cord like they did south of Nordhoff as outreach to public. Will need soil amendment in time for the Fall tree planting.

C) Request for Clean Up Supplies. See Attachment #2 list of supplies. Put request on the Oct agenda for full board vote to support the volunteers.

Who will obtain written pledges from Reseda Blvd tree adoptees? Need many volunteers who do not need to be on this committee. Jo will present signed pledges to Steven Bailey and get his tree donation commitment. Request Mr. Bailey's guidance and help with the planting; ask his preferred date.

D) Determine approximate remaining funds available for beautifying Northridge and brainstorm ideas such as replacing benches and trash containers with nice ones like in Chatsworth, a big monument sign for Tampa median near 118 south exit (perhaps Nobel adult students can make this?). Other ideas? Make assignments to take necessary steps to possibly agendize most popular projects. New ideas and suggestions. Discuss Reseda median status of maintenance.

E) \$1158 to G&G Landscape to convert Reseda Blvd / Lassen median into drought tolerant, DG garden with drip system like the "Porter Ranch Corner" to make this median almost maintenance free. This saves NWNC \$180 per month that would otherwise be paid forever into the future Add NTE \$1,000 for plants. G&G removes all plants except trees. Approval will be contingent upon LA City NOT adding this median to LA City's maintenance contract that expires April 26, 2012. If the City DOES add our median, we will NOT issue this contract. Jo will get another quote; if it is lower, NWNC would use the other contractor. Purpose of this item is to reserve funds for this project so we can immediately proceed if the City does not add our median to their contract.

F) \$1,000 to G&G Landscape to install 3 Semi Large boulders approx. 200 lbs each at the base of 8 tree wells. This is what Chatsworth NC did along Devonshire Street and it improves the look of plain DG. Suggest Lassen Street between Vanalden & Wilbur where 18 tree wells have been completed with DG.

G) From Carr Landscape. \$280 + \$1400. Excavate west side of Tampa so volunteers can lay DG in the parkways. Then, NWNC stops paying SK for maintaining half the parkways at a recurring cost of \$200 per month. Work would start after SK contract expires in December. Here are the two projects that would excavate west side of Tampa from Plummer to Lassen.

i) Two small sections on Tampa west side near Plummer (near the mall). They are 22 1/2' x 4 1/2' feet (101.25 sq. feet) and 12' x 4 1/2' (54 sq. feet). So the total area is 155.25 square feet. At a depth of 4" volunteers will need 1.9 yards of DG to fill in. FYI. Back of a standard sized pick up truck holds about 2 yards. For Carr Landscape Management to excavate those two areas to a depth of 4" and to dispose of the soil, would cost \$280.00

ii) The rest of that west side parkway going north, to the pedestrian passageway in the block wall is 160' x 4 1 1/2' (720 sq. ft). That requires about 9 yards of DG to fill in (4 1/2 pick-up truck full). For Carr Landscape to remove the soil from that area would cost about \$1400 +/-.

6. COMMENTS FROM THE COMMITTEE

7. NEXT MEETING DATE: TBD

8. ADJOURNMENT



