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NORTHRIDGE WEST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

General Board Meeting

Tuesday, July 14th, 2026

at 6:15 PM

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IN CONFORMITY WITH THE JANUARY 1, 2026 ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 707 (DURAZO) AND LA CITY COUNCIL FILE 23-1114, THE NORTHRIDGE WEST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY.

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Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board meeting. Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

In the event of a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting to members of the public using the call-in option or internet-based service option, or in the event of a disruption within the eligible legislative body's control that prevents members of the public from offering public comments using the call-in option or internet-based service option, the eligible legislative body shall take no further action on items appearing on the meeting agenda until public access to the meeting via the call-in option or internet-based service option is restored. Actions taken on agenda items during a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting may be challenged pursuant to Section 54960.1. **California Government Code Section 54953.8(b(3).**

The legislative body shall not require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the legislative body and offer comments in real time. **California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(4).**

Notwithstanding Section 54953.3, an individual desiring to provide public comment through the use of an internet website, or other online platform, not under the control of the eligible legislative body, that requires registration to log in to a teleconference may be required to register as required by the third-party internet website or online platform to participate. **California Government Code Section 54953.8(b(5),**

A legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to paragraph (5), to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed. **California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(6(A),**

A legislative body that does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to paragraph (5), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment. **California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(6)(B).**

I. CALL TO ORDER

a) Call to Order by Presiding Officer
b) Roll Call
c) Pledge of Allegiance

II. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Speakers will be allowed up to 2 minutes to speak and there will not be any Q&A

III. Nominations and selection of NWNC Executive Officers-President, Vice President of Administration, Vice President of Outreach, Secretary, Treasurer, 2nd signer, alternate signer, 1st. card holder and 2nd card holder.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE MOTIONS –

a) Approval of June 14, 2026 General Board meeting minutes
b) Approval of June 2026 MER

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

a) New online funding training started 6/1/26. All board members are required to take the training which is 6 segments, YouTube link below. Training must be

completed by August 31, 2026. https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLB8K7Sssr3cRGgAsrp91T7gcPXXRwXKZd

b) 2027 election information-Saturday, 7/18 in-person at Van Nuys Library 10am to 12noon, Wednesday, 7/29 6pm to 8pm virtual. For more planning information please refer to Paola Posada's email.

c) The 2026 Los Angeles Congress of Neighborhoods, the annual conference for the Neighborhood Council system, will take place on Saturday, September 26 from 8am-5pm at City Hall. The event is free and open to the public. Registration opens August 28.

d) Prop K Oakridge Estate Park Improvements-$460,000 from a 2021 bond issue was earmarked for park improvements. CD12 is looking for stakeholders to join this committee to give Rec and Park Commissioners recommendations for their consideration and vote for these improvements. If interested please email Myrka Martinez-myrka.martinez@lacity.org

VI. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

a) All board members please work on ideas to fill vacant seats

VII. GOVERNMENT REPORTS

a) Public Safety LAPD Devonshire Division. (non-emergency number 1 877-ASK LAPD)

b) CD 12 City Council Representative

c) Other Government Departments/Agencies

d) Department of Neighborhood Empowerment

e) Budget Advocate, www.budgetadvocates.org

VIII. FUNDING MOTIONS

a) Review, discuss and vote to approve 2026 YMCA NPG for Thanksgiving baskets for up to $5,000. Funding will be used to support the annual YMCA Thanksgiving Basket's Program. Funds are used to purchase needed food items to distribute meals to low-income families and individuals in the NWNC community through Nobel, Calahan and Darby schools. Each meal provided to families contains a Happy Thanksgiving flyer listing generous supporters who make this program possible. The NWNC funded a $2500 NPG in 2025. Speaking on behalf of the North Valley YMCA is Interim Executive Director Junaid Rasul.

b) Discussion, motion and vote to approve up to $2500 in CIP account for deadwood and brush removal at Limekiln Canyon. Funds must be kept in CF account established by CD12 for matching purposes.

c) Discussion, motion and vote to approve up to $300 for paper, and printing flyers for the 9/29 Alzheimer's Community Forum.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

a) Update- Save the Date: 9/29 @ 7pm via zoom, VANC and National Alzheimer's Assn. will host an Alzheimer's Community Forum for Valley NCs and stakeholders. Department of Aging and DONE will also be partners. We are looking to put a

Save the Date on our NWNC website and our social media platforms.

b) Extreme Heat Grant from Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation. Meeting for Neighborhoods in the Aliso Canyon Disaster area regarding extreme heat. July 15th 5pm.
https://opr-ca.zoom.us/j/88094780195?pwd=pXG0Flwzcaq7ELnmfbFEH0OCkQsKCC.1
c) Discussion to recruit more volunteers at National Night Out on 8/4/26. Set-up is 4pm to 5:30pm. Event is 6pm to 8pm.
d) Discussion, motion and possible vote to nominate the NWNC for the Joy P. Atkinson NC Excellence Awards. The Board of Neighborhood Commissioners will consider nominations that highlight our Neighborhood Council's projects, events, Neighborhood Purpose Grants, Community Impact Statements, and the vital resources our Neighborhood Council has provided to our community. In addition to the required written testimony, this year's nomination form will also accept **images, presentations,** and **videos** to support your nomination. Nominations must be submitted by **11:59 p.m. Friday, July 31, 2026.**
e) Discussion and updates on damage to Topiaries on Tampa and what we will do next.
f) Discussion and selection of NWNC Committee Members and Committee Chairs

X. NWNC Committee Reports

a) Executive Committee (Janis Kraft)
b) Public Safety (Jeff Diamond)
c) Government Affairs ()
d) Planning and Land Use (Sam Dulys)
e) Elections (Janis Kraft).
f) Homelessness (Nathan Lichtman)
g) Beautification (Sam Dulys)
h) Budget (Sam Dulys)
i) Outreach (Nathan Lichtman)
j) Education (Krystal Sims)

X!. ADJOURNMENT (End time is 9:15PM or shortly thereafter)

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