



Northridge West Neighborhood Council

Public Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, July 13, 2010 at 7:00 PM

Beckford Elementary School

19130 Tulsa Street • Northridge, CA 91324

LEGALLY REQUIRED OFFICIAL POSTING: Please do not remove until AFTER above date and time.

<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 <i>Secretary</i> – 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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Gelson's Market 19500 Plummer St.
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**
4. **Acceptance of minutes** - Meeting held June 15, 2010.
5. **a. Senior Lead Officer, LAPD Devonshire Division** - Officer Kathy Bennett
b. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) - Thomas Soong
6. **Introducing of David Levin as new Minutes Taker for NWNC.**
7. **CD12 Councilman Greig Smith's Representative** - Seme Park
8. **Guest Speakers – Debra Scott from Street Services Investigation & Enforcement**
9. **Treasurer's Report** – Bolin
10. **Committee Reports**
 - a. Budget / Finance – Bolin
 - b. Bylaws - Phillips
 - 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. Phillips served two years as NWNC Secretary, and she is stepping down. Will anyone volunteer to be Secretary? Prepare agendas, minutes, bylaw revisions, resolutions, community impact studies, letters, etc. If not, consider AppleOne or other contractor at \$125 per month. New Minutes Taker is David Levin.
 - b. 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.
 - c. 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.
 - d. Motion by Wilson: Scott Spooner and Ron Smith will do presentation about the \$500 for Northridge Park security. Northridge Kiwanis and the NCs had to provide security for the park this years' Hawaiian festival instead of Los Angeles City who normally pays for security. This is to reimburse Kiwanis. **This item was postponed from June so that Wilson can bring the information that was requested last month.**
 - e. Update on Street Resurfacing for Wilbur Ave. between Lassen St. and Nordhoff St. Temporary NO Parking signs are on Wilbur Ave. between Lassen St. and Nordhoff St. as of July 7, 2010 but no work on the Street as of July 8, 2010
 - f. Motion by Phillips to expend NTE \$70 on 6 rubberized Signature Tree Rings from Lowes at \$9.99 each plus tax. Volunteers will prune suckers and remove weeds from 6 tree wells along Corbin east side and install the rings. We will review several months later to see if this is a cost effective means to maintain the tree wells in an attractive state.

- g. Motion by Johnson to require two signatures on purchase documents when expenditures are being made.
- h. Motion by Johnson to start having clean up days every Saturday and/or Sunday 8-11 am as deemed necessary by the beatification committee to remove the unsightly weeds, bush, dirt, debris along Tampa, Devonshire, Chatsworth, Corbin, Merridy, and various other streets within the boundaries of the Northridge West Neighborhood Council.
- i. Motion by Phillips to expend NTE \$1,500 for faux grass/installation materials to cover approximately 25 lineal feet of Tampa parkways. This purchase will be made only upon receipt of an "A" permit from the city for this work. Volunteers will remove weeds from a parkway on Tampa east side at Superior and then install the faux grass. We will review later to see if this is a cost effective means to maintain the parkways. This item is materials only. Labor must be done entirely by volunteers because NWNC did not budget enough funds to pay a contractor to do this work; advise Phillips if you will help.
- j. Motion by Wilson: Revise By Laws so the resulting membership would be as listed below. Note: changing Education to as Homeowner #3 term 2012, Northridge Fashion Center to as At Large #3 term 2014 and Renter to as At Large #4 term 2014. Note 2012/2014 will be on the NWNC Elections for both 2012 and 2014 elections because of the NWNC appointees.
 - 2 General Business (Johnson 2014 and Williams 2012/2014 if appointed)
 - 1 Community/Faith (Wilson 2014)
 - 3 Homeowners (Spurlock 2014, Michayluk 2012 + 1 new open seat expiring 2012)
 - 1 Open-At-Large (Phillips 2012)
 - 2 Seniors (Futernick 2012 and Bloom 2012)
 - 4 At Large (Bolin 2014, Malais 2012 + 2 new open seats expiring 2012/2014)
- k. Motion by Phillips to fund Northridge Park Theatre Workshop's sound and lighting systems at NTE \$2,450 and presentation by Mary Coyle-Engstorm.
- l. Motion presented by Spurlock: Write the bench companies and that we propose all NCs to do so. They earn lots of cash for no up keep. NWNC propose writing a letter to the bench companies signed by our president CC other NCs to do the same and notifying CD12 as well. We need all the help we can get to keep the streets, sidewalks, benches and the like clean.
- m. Motion by Wilson: NC Funding Program by Adrienne O'Niell. NWNC to review and provide critique to other NCs and/or Paul Krekorian.
- n. 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 proof of eligibility for a specific seat on the board are listed on pages 8-18 of the [Candidate Filling Form](http://www.northridgewest.org/wp-content/uploads/ANWNC_CANDIDATE-FILING-PACKET_FINAL.pdf) [http://www.northridgewest.org/wp-content/uploads/ANWNC_CANDIDATE-FILING-PACKET_FINAL.pdf] or http://cityclerk.lacity.org/election/ncdocs/ANWNC_CANDIDATE%20FILING%20PACKET_FINAL.pdf
- o. Motion by Johnson: Consideration that all Northridge Neighborhood Council Members be considered active members and be allotted 250 Business Cards in lieu of 100 for a cost not to exceed the original \$250.00.
- p. Motion by Wilson: Need volunteers for 1) LANCC alternate rep., 2) LA DWP MOU & DWP Committee alternate rep., 3) Valley Vote alternate rep., 4) Plancheck NC alternate rep. and for 5) North Valley Emer. Prep. Team a) Drop Glen Wilson as the Rep. b) Change Tom Johnson to as the Rep. c) need new alternate rep.!

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 – Glen Wilson and Steve Harris
Meets the third Wednesday of each month at 2:00PM with location TBD
- b. LA DWP MOU and 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
- d. Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) – Glen Wilson
Meets the first Saturday of month at 10:00AM with location TBD
- e. Valley Vote – Glen Wilson
Meets the third Monday of each month at 6:30PM at Galpin Ford
- f. North Valley Disaster Preparedness Team – Tom
Meets the third Wednesday of each month at 3:30PM at the Northridge CD 12 Office.
- g. PlanCheckNC - Tom
Meets the second Saturday of the month at Historic Downtown Outreach Center, 114 W. 5th Street Los Angeles, CA 90013
- h. 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

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 1 August 2010.

15. Adjournment

16. 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.

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