Northridge West Neighborhood Council
Public Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, April 12, 2011 at 7:00 PM
Beckford Elementary School
19130 Tulsa Street, Northridge, CA 91326

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The NWNC Agenda is posted for public review at the following Northridge locations below and posted on NWNC website www.NorthridgeWest.org

- 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: tjohnson@northridgewest.org. Events and Calendar Postings should be sent to tjohnson@northridgewest.org 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. Flag ceremony and Pledge of Allegiance - Cub Scout 911  
3. Roll call  
5. Senior Lead Officer, LAPD Devonshire Division – Interim Senior Lead Officer Ignacio Morillo  
6. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) - Amelia Herrera-Robles  
7. CD12 Councilman Greig Smith’s Representative – Semee Park (3 Minutes)  
8. Guest Speakers  
  a. CSUN Brittny McCarthy Director, Government & Community Relations on ”Focus Group for CSUN” (3 Minutes)  
9. Treasurer's Report (plus need to approve the NWNC budget from March 2011 meeting) and Budget & Finance Committee Report plus Report on NC's Regional Budget Day – Bolin - Review of NWNC budget and breakdown of expenditures  
10. President’s Report (including NWNC & PRNC Joint meeting March 15, 2011 about Wilbur Ave. and NWNC 1st. Aid/CPR March 26, 2011 event) and Executive Meeting Report – Johnson  
11. Other Public Officials not listed  
12. Public Comments - Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board’s jurisdiction * Limited to 2 minutes per speaker* (Total time is 15 minutes)  
13. Discussion and possible action items. (21 items x 5 minutes = 105 minutes)  
   a. Motion: Nominate Craig Michayluk as Secretary for NWNC (Johnson)  
   b. Motion: I am requesting at least 2 estimates be obtained from companies who offer the same product. This only applies to a single item over $500.00.(Bolin)  
   c. Motion: Discussion and update on low bidder for mowing Tampa from Plummer to Lassen was about $400 per month for once a month service, and the council approved that funding a couple of months ago. Note for analysis at the general meeting from original 3-bids or if Bailey’s give permission to mow there so we if want to expand the area to Devonshire on west side. (Bolin)  

In addition, I would like to discuss alternative ideas such as more long-term goals. It would cost the stakeholders $400.00 once a month to fund cleaning Tampa, to equal $4800.00 a year. After 5 years this would total $24,000.00. I would like to invest in long-term projects, such as pavers. Invest $7,000 to $10,000 a year, after 5 years we could fund another project. We would not have to continue investing
$400.00 a month for an endless project. The mowing of Tampa could be a temporary fix until we fund a long-term fix. (Bolin)

d. I am proposing each board member be assigned to doing the board resolutions past and present. The board resolutions will be assigned in alphabetical order and rotated amongst the board members starting with Robert Graf, Gerry Malais, Craig Michayluk, Freddie Rymond, Don Ward and Chris Williams. With six (6) board members doing the board resolutions, this would calculate to about twice a calendar year per board member. A template will be sent out for everyone’s convenience. Plus rotating the same persons above writing up the NWNC Agenda for one month at time on it. (Bolin)

e. Motion and discussion: Fund up to $6,000 to purchase, secure permits, install, service (including first month service of $500 per month – serviced once a week) up to 10 new galvanized trash cans to replace broken cans first. The new trash cans will be installed along Tampa Ave south of the #118 Freeway to Plummer Street plus one new trash can to be installed along Devonshire Street at Vanalden Street NE corner (Johnson)

f. Motion to approve the proposed revised NWNC Bylaws in accordance with the BONC Bylaws Template (Mandatory Bylaws Table of Contents). (Wilson/Spurlock) Plus updates on BONC Meeting April 5, 2011 for extension of time to June 5, 2011 or not for all NC’s.

g. Secure a date/time/location for an official NWNC Board Member Re-Treat. In addition, coordinate the date and time of training with DONE.

Note: The Board has already approved in its 2010/2011 budget, $800 at the September 5, 2010 Special Meeting for the Retreat-Training.

h. Motion: NWNC to fund up to $800 for R. Kellogg so she may provide extra services (outreach articles) that might be needed through the fiscal year June 2011. In addition, fund up to $200 for an article on the town hall joint Wilbur Road Diet meeting between NWNC & PRNC, which took place on March 15, 2011. This is in addition to the board’s approval of $130.00 for a monthly article written for outreach in the North Valley Community News. (Spurlock)

i. Motion: NWNC to fund up to $2,500 for an upcoming Operation Clean Sweep Outreach event that would include food, restrooms, flyers, equipment, gloves, etc. within either month May or June 2011. (Johnson)

j. Motion: NWNC to fund up to $2000 for a First Aid/CPR training class to be held @ Beckford Elementary School in either the month of May or June 2011 (Johnson)

k. Motion: to fund up to $2,300 for CERT training classes to be held on three Saturdays (about 6 hours each Saturday) at a facility and dates to be determined. (Wilson)

l. Motion: Allocate up to $2,500.00 for the purchase of a covered utility trailer to house all the power garden equipment approved and being purchased by the NWNC for NWNC OPERATION CLEAN SWEEP. (Wilson/Ron Wengler)

m. Motion: Allocate up to $500.00 to have the NWNC logo and any sponsor logos affixed to the trailer used by the NWNC for NWNC OPERATION CLEAN SWEEP. (Wilson/Ron Wengler)

n. Motion: NWNC to fund up to $6,000 on Outreach supplies (T-shirts, Magnets, Bag Clips, Pens, Bumper Stickers, etc.) including Outreach tools, other items not listed on this motion or other motions and etc. for NWNC needs. (Bolin)

o. Motion: NWNC to fund up to $1,500 for office supplies (Business Cards, Ink Cartridges, Reams of Paper, etc.) for NWNC needs. (Bolin)

p. Motion: NWNC to fund up to $2,600 for a Laser Printer and Computer for NWNC (Bolin/Johnson)
q. Motion: Discussion and 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

r. Motion: Discuss and update on the proposed cell tower at the church on Wilbur & Chatsworth. To on NWNC April 12, 2011 agenda or not?

s. Who to nominate for (Name) to be the NWNC Senior of the Year whose formal recognition will be at the June 3, 2011 Senior Diner Dance? (Wilson)

t. Motion: NWNC Outreach to co-sponsor funding up to $_____ on X Prize for plan for update store fronts on Reseda Blvd. under Northridge Vision with presentation by Kelly Lord. (Wilson)

u. Motion: NWNC supports the new proposed city ordinance governing Community Care Facilities. (Spurlock)

v. Motion: NWNC Requests LA City to Encourage Bicycle Violator Citations and Reinstitute Bicycle Licensing (Bicycle license fees must be at least $150 per year to reflect their shared responsibility for the cost of maintaining the roads and their safe use). (Ron Wengler)

w. Motion: To Issue a one year contract to SK Landscape for weekly mowing and edging on Tampa Ave from Plummer to Lassen Street not to exceed $6000 annually which breaks down to $500 a month. (Williams)

x. Motion: Tampa median south of Plummer, east side of Tampa, not to exceed $1,200 for dumpster rental cost, weed barrier material to beautify the median and have mulch/wood chips or stabilized decomposed granite added. (Williams)

y. Motion: Superior Street center median, east of Corbin, West of Tampa not to exceed $700 to fix sprinklers and replace Ivy plants where it is needed. (Williams)

z. Motion: Limekiln Trail signs replaced on Chatsworth Street, west of Tampa, not to exceed $1,500. (Williams)

aa. Motion: Neighborhood signs, Devonshire/Sylvia, Scottish Terrace, Chateau Highlands, Baton Rouge not to exceed $5,000. (Williams)

bb. Motion: Garden at NW corner of Wilbur & Lassen and Superior & Tampa corners, east side of Tampa at a cost not to exceed $800. (Williams)

c. Motion: Install rubber tree well mats on Lassen Street trees $400 (Williams)

dd. Motion: Install stabilized decomposed granite in tree wells on Devonshire $400. (Williams)

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

   Committee Reports:
   a. Ad hoc Wilbur Avenue Committee – Phillips/Ward
   b. Planning / Land Use / Zoning – Johnson
   c. Education – Ken Futernick – Update on Invent for Life
   d. Elections – No report
   e. Grievance – No Report
   f. Community Outreach – Spurlock
g. Beautification – Williams

h. Bylaws – Wilson – see motion on NWNC Bylaws changes

**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 the fourth Thursday of every odd numbered month. Most meetings are at 3PM at Fire Station #87 at 10124 Balboa Boulevard, Granada Hills, CA (March, 24, 2011 meeting was canceled but instead meet Thursday, April 7th, 2011 at 3PM)

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.

d. 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 – Glen Wilson
   Meets the third Wednesday each month at 4PM at Fire Station #87

15. **Board Member Comments - Comments from the Board on subject matters within the Board’s jurisdiction.**

16. 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.

17. **Adjournment**

18. **Upcoming Events**

   a. 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 from 2010/2011 NWNC Budget fund up to $750.

   b. Valley Heritage Festival (formerly referred to as the Northridge Community Hawaiian Festival) on Fireworks will be on Sat. June 4, 2011 at Northridge Park and co-sponsored by NWNC from 2010/2011 NWNC Budget fund up to $2,000.

   “Unity in Our Community”

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