

# **CSUN Focus Group at Beckford Elementary before the Public Northridge West Neighborhood Council meeting.**

Northridge West Neighborhood Council would like to invite you to sign up for CSUN's Focus Group on June 14th @ 5:30pm at Beckford Elementary School. 19130 Tulsa Street, Northridge, CA

Please call <u>818-677-2123</u> or email <u>communityrelations@csun.edu</u> with your name and date of June 14th to register. Limited to first 12 people who RSVP. Please see <u>this letter from CSUN's Brittny McCarthy</u> on NWNC website, Director of Government and Community Relations inviting you to participate in this unique opportunity.

# Northridge West Neighborhood Council Public Meeting Agenda Tuesday, June 14, 2011 at 7:00 PM Beckford Elementary School 19130 Tulsa Street, Northridge, CA 91326

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

Tom Johnson

President – General Business-1(2014)

Glen Wilson

VP Administration - Community/Faith Based (2014)

Juativa Spurlock

VP Outreach & Communication - Homeowner - 2 (2014)

Craig Michayluk

Secretary - Homeowner- 1 (2012)

Pamela Bolin

Treasurer - At-Large-2 (2014)

Freddie Rymond

Open-At-Large (2012)

**Gerry Malais** 

At-Large-1 (2012)

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)

**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 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.** 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 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:** 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: <a href="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.

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.

Before regular NWNC June 14, 2011 meeting CSUN Brittny McCarthy Director, Government & Community Relations will have NWNC "Focus Group for CSUN" and CSUN Survey meeting here at Beckford Elementary School from 5:30 PM to about 6:45PM.

# Northridge West Neighborhood Council

Public Meeting Agenda Tuesday, June 14, 2011 at 7:00 PM Beckford Elementary School 19130 Tulsa Street, Northridge, CA 91326

- 1. Call to order
- 2. Flag ceremony and Pledge of Allegiance Cub Scout 911
- 3. Roll call
- **4. Acceptance of Minutes** General Board Meeting of May 10, 2011 and May 25, 2011 Special Meeting. May have Joint Meeting Minutes with PRNC for March 15, 2011 on LADOT Wilbur Ave. Plan which was tabled from NWNC May 10, 2011 meeting.
- 5. Senior Lead Officer, LAPD Devonshire Division Interim Senior Lead Officer Ignacio Morillo
- 6. CD12 Councilman Grieg Smith's Representative Semee Park
- 7. CSUN Brittny McCarthy Director, Government & Community Relations Report on NWNC "Focus Group for CSUN" and about CSUN Survey from earlier tonight. (3 Minutes)
- 8. Guest Speakers
  - a.L. A. County Health Dept. will speak on Mental Health (20 minutes)
  - **b.Watch the Road Presentation by LADOT** (15 minutes)
  - **c."MTA Valley-Westside Transit Project" by Faramarz Nabavi** will show up about 8:30PM to speak on it. (5 minutes)
- **9. Treasurer's Report:** Motion to vote on June 2011 NWNC budget report. Plus Budget & Finance Committee Report on review of NWNC budget and breakdown of expenditures. Plus look at NWNC 2011/2012 Budget. (Bolin)
  - A: **Motion**: Board review and vote on \$797.30 invoice from Kelly Services Inc for meeting minute Writer David Levin See attached "Notice of Deduction from Neighborhood Council Funding Account". (Johnson)
  - B: **Motion**: Review and discussion of May 25<sup>th</sup> 2011Special NWNC Board meeting expenditures (Futernick)
- 10. President's Report and Executive Meeting Report New and existing NWNC Board members who have not yet taken or renewed their ethics training is requested to complete it either on line or by attending the NC Ethics Training slated for June 18, 2011. RSVP by contacting the Department's Help Line at (213) 485-1360 or register online at <a href="http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/JQS3YWP">http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/JQS3YWP</a> Valley Region NC Training:

Saturday, June 18, 8am to 1pm

Marvin Braude Constituent Center 6262 Van Nuys Blvd., Van Nuys, CA 91401 Neighborhood Council Support Help Line (213) 485-1360 or <a href="https://www.EmpowerLA.org">www.EmpowerLA.org</a>

Any Board Member wishing to complete the training on line can do so by visiting DONE's website <a href="https://www.empowerla.org">www.empowerla.org</a> then clicking on "NC Ethics Training." or RSVP for the training by contacting the Department's Help Line at (213) 485-1360 or register online at <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/JQS3YWP">https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/JQS3YWP</a>

# **11. VP of Administration Report** – Wilson (5 minutes)

- **a.** Need input from stakeholders and board members for NWNC Budget & Finance Committee in June or/and early July for NWNC 2011/2012 budget before NWNC July 12, 2011 meeting to vote on the NWNC 2011/2012 budget.
- **b.** 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 is approved or not.
- c. Report or update to secure a date/time/location for an official NWNC Board Member Re-Treat. In addition, coordinate the date and time of training with DONE subject to change. NWNC Board Member Re-Treat for Sunday June 12, 2011 is canceled and may or may not have it in July.
- 12. Other Public Officials not listed (3 minutes each)
- **13. 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)
- 14. Discussion and possible action items. (2 minutes)
  - **a)** Motion: To nominate and appoint a new NWNC President by majority vote of the NWNC board to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Tom Johnson (Wilson)
  - **b)** Motion: To nominate and appoint a new NWNC Treasurer by majority vote of the NWNC board to fill the vacancy created by the resignation Pam Bolin (Wilson)
  - **c)** Motion: To add Juativa Spurlock and Glen Wilson as contacts to NWNC Web Master. Remove Pam Bolin as contact to Web Master (Wilson)
  - **d)** Motion: To allocate up to \$2,500 (year) for Bookkeeping services to help create monthly NWNC Income and Expense reports necessary for the NWNC board to track and monitor monthly expenses (Spurlock)
  - **e)** Motion: Mandatory that NWNC board members are to write their own Board Resolutions whether the motion they propose passes or fails. (Johnson) (1 minute) (Tabled from May 10, 2011 meeting)
  - f) Motion: Endorse "Life Before License" Campaign

WHEREAS 32% of all collisions in Los Angeles are hit and run, AND

WHEREAS leaving the scene of a collision is a failure to take responsibility for one's actions and the safety of others, and therefore demonstrates a tendency to drive unsafely, AND

WHEREAS currently there is not a mandated loss of driving privileges for those convicted of hit and run, AND WHEREAS judges sentencing convicted hit and runners rarely take away the perpetrator's driving privileges, Northridge West Neighborhood Council hereby endorses the Life Before License campaign to change California law so that once convicted of a hit and run, perpetrators will automatically lose all driving privileges, and that the duration of the loss will correspond to the severity of the impact of the hit and run as follows:

- 1. A hit and run which results in fatality will result in the loss of driving privileges for 10 years.
- 2. A hit and run which results in permanent disability, or causes a life threatening injury will result in the loss of driving privileges for 5 years.
- 3. A hit and run which results in injury, but which does not lead to permanent disability or a life threatening injury, will result in the loss of driving privileges for 2 years.
- 4. A hit and run which results in the damage of property only will result in the loss of driving privileges for 1 year.

In LA, 32% of all collisions are hit and run [2008 SWITRS data, California Highway Patrol.] In other words, Los Angelinos involved in a collision have a nearly 2 in 5 chance of being left to fend for themselves. Worse, in those cases where a hit and run perpetrator is caught and convicted, judges rarely take away the convicts driving privileges. Life Before License, a campaign started by the cycling advocacy organization Bikeside, will seek mandatory loss of driving privileges for convicted hit and run perpetrators.

Hit and run is a problem for everyone on our streets.

It's a problem by definition. A hit and run perpetrator leaves the scene, and continues to drive. In leaving the scene they send a signal - they will not take responsibility for their actions, they will not take care of another person in need. In continuing to drive, they put us all at risk. Of all the people who we can issue drivers licenses to, aren't these the worst candidates? And yet prosecutors have refused to ask for revocation of driving privileges on the basis that they will have difficulty getting to their job, and therefore difficulty paying restitution. Similarly, judges in the same breath have given the convicted a litany of treatments for driving under the influence, and then done nothing to address the convicted drivers driving privileges. This is not sane - to put drivers who have demonstrated their lack of respect for life and property behind the wheel again.

So, Life Before License seeks mandatory loss of driving privileges for those convicted of hit and run, to commence at the termination of any related period of incarceration, with the length of loss directly tied to the impact of the convicts hit and run:

- 1. Fatality --> 10 years
- 2. Permanent disability or life threatening injury --> 5 years
- 3. Other injury --> 2 years
- 4. Property damage only --> 1 year (Don Ward) (5 minutes) (Tabled from May 10, 2011 meeting)
- **a.Motion:** To allocate up to \$250 for the Los Angeles Citywide Neighborhood Council Congress 2011 "Increasing Public Participation in Government" Saturday, September 24, 2011 at City Hall Downtown starting at 8AM. (Wilson) (2 minutes)
- **b.** 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.! (Wilson) (2 minutes)
- c. Discussion on limiting funding expenditures of NWNC to three areas:
  - a. Fixed overhead and NWNC expenses to operation NWNC,
  - b. Beautification
  - c. Outreach
  - d. Community Disaster (CERT training, First Aid/CPR training, Disaster Fair, etc.). (Bloom)
- 15. Committee Reports and Report on Meetings \*Limited to 2 minutes per report\*

### **Committee Reports:**

- **a)** Education Ken Futernick
- **b)** Elections No NWNC NC Election for 2012 because of no funding to City Clerk for 2012 but next NWNC NC Election will be in 2014.
- **c)** Grievance –
- **d)** Community Outreach Spurlock

- **e)** Beautification Williams
- **f)** Bylaws Wilson
- **g)** Planning / Land Use / Zoning Johnson

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

- a. Oakridge Estate Park Advisory Board (Oakie House) Steve Harris
- 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. Board Member Comments -** Comments from the Board on subject matters within the Board's jurisdiction. \*Limited to 2 minutes per board member.\*
- 17. Request for items to be placed on the agenda must be made in writing to the NWNC President <a href="mailto:president@northridgewest.org">president@northridgewest.org</a> and a copy to NWNC VP of Administration <a href="mailto:vpadmin@northridgewest.org">vpadmin@northridgewest.org</a> prior to the first of the month of next NWNC meeting.
- **18.** Next month's NWNC agenda items for July 12, 2011 meeting are:
  - a. NWNC 2011/2012 budget to be voted on and due by July 15, 2011 to DONE.
- 19. Adjournment
- 20. Upcoming Events

