Northridge West Neighborhood Council

Public Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, July 10, 2012 at 7:00 PM

North Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce 9401 Reseda Blvd. Northridge, CA 91324

Meeting in rear Conference Room and enter from rear parking lot This is a one time change for the NWNC July meeting ONLY.

Note NWNC will be sound recording the NWNC meeting from now on as back up information for NWNC minutes.

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

Gerry Malais

President - At-Large-1 (2012)

Glen Wilson

VP Administration - Community/Faith Based (2014)

Juativa Spurlock

VP Outreach & Communication - Homeowner - 2 (2014)

Craig Michayluk

Secretary - Homeowner- 1 (2012)

Tom Johnson

Treasurer - General Business-1(2014)

Freddie Rymond

Open-At-Large (2012)

Pamela Bolin

At-Large-2 (2014)

Vacant as of June 13, 2012

Senior-1 (2012)

Ken Futernick

Senior-2 (2012)

Don Ward

At-Large-3 (2012)

Vacant

Renter (2012)

Chris Williams

General Business-2 (2012)

Vacant as of May 31, 2012

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 www.NorthridgeWest.org.

Northridge Fashion Center 9301 Tampa Ave. (Information Desk)
The Discovery Shop 9719 Reseda Blvd.
Beckford Avenue Elementary School 19130 Tulsa St.
Albertsons Market 18555 Devonshire St.
Topeka Drive Elementary School 9815 Topeka Drive
Shell Service Station 8900 Corbin Ave.
North Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce 9401 Reseda Blvd.

For more information about NWNC call (818) 886-3534 and ask for Glen.

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BASIC NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING RULES

ALL MEETINGS ARE CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RALPH M. BROWN ACT AND ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER. 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: NWNC Bylaws ARTICLE IV STAKEHOLDER - Neighborhood Council membership is open to all Stakeholders. "Stakeholders" shall be defined as those who live, work, or own property in the neighborhood and also to those who declare a stake in the neighborhood and affirm the factual basis for it. Members of the NWNC shall be referred to as "Community Stakeholders."

NWNC Bylaws ARTICLE III BOUNDARIES Section 1: Boundary Description - The boundaries abut the boundaries of adjacent Neighborhood Councils and include those areas of the City within the following lines of demarcation: North – southern side of the 118 Freeway; East – western side of Reseda Boulevard; South – northern side of Nordhoff Street and Nordhoff Way; and West – eastern side of Corbin Avenue.

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 Gerry Malais at (818) 517-5207 or via email at: gmalais@northridgewest.org.

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: Gerry Malais at (818) 517-5207 or email gmalais@northridgewest.org. Events and Calendar Postings should be sent to Glen Wilson and email to gwilson@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 and email it to gmalais@northridgewest.org, gwilson@northridgewest.org and one of NWNC Committee chairs that item are about on their committee agenda prior about two weeks or more before next month so it will be on that NWNC Committee agenda.

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 minutes)
- 2. Flag ceremony and Pledge of Allegiance Cub Scout 911 or Girl Scouts (3 minutes)
- 3. Roll call (2 minutes)
- **4.** CD12 Councilman Mitchell Englander's Representative Semee Park (3 Minutes) CD12 District Office is (818) 882-1212 and CD12 District Office address is 9207 Oakdale Ave., Chatsworth, CA.
- **5. Other Public Officials** like LAPD SLO Ken Cioffi, CSUN Brittny McCarthy and not listed Public Officials. (2 minutes each)
- 6. No Guest Speaker for July.
- **7.** Acceptance of Minutes (5 minutes)
 Motion on General Board Meeting Minutes of June 12, 2012.
- **8.** 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)
- **9.** Public Comments to agenda items. Limited to 2 minutes per speaker (Total time is 15 minutes)
- 10. President Report by Gerry Malais (4 minutes)
- Discussion and affirmation on Executive and Committee Assignments Gerry Malais (4 minutes)
- 12. Vice President of Administration Report by Glen Wilson (4 minutes)
 - a. NWNC Board Member vacant seats currently are Renter, At-Large #4 and Senior #1.
 - b. New updates on NWNC Election for 2012 and NC Election Region 2 Election on Saturday Sept. 8, 2012 with time from 1PM to 5PM and location at Northridge Fashion Center. Visit www.EmpowerLA.org, Call (818) 293-VOTE (8683) or Email Elections@EmpowerLA.org for more information on the NWNC Board Seats and to obtain a Candidate Filing Form or application for "Vote By Mail" (VBM) form between July 10, 2012 and Aug. 9, 2012. Nine NWNC board seats for NWNC Election 2012 are (2) Seniors, (3) At Large, (1) Open At Large, (1) Homeowner, (1) Renter and (1) General Business board seats.
 - c. Update on Ethics & Open Government training required of all NWNC board members every two years.
 - d. NWNC Committee chairs please read Budget Guidelines for Agenda Motions and along with NWNC Agenda Deadlines for Committee and General Meetings with how to Schedule NWNC Committee meetings that was emailed to you.
- 13. Treasurer's Report and Budget & Finance Committee Report: (Johnson)
 - a. Motion: NWNC June 2012 Budget Report for June 2012. (5 minutes)

- b. Motion to discuss and approve NWNC 2012/2013 Budget (5 minutes)
- 14. Old Business (2 minutes each) none
- 15. New Business (2 minutes each item)
 - a. Motion: Outreach proposes to spend up to \$2,000 for improvements to be made to NWNC web site. Funding from NWNC 2012/2013 Outreach Budget. Outreach (Spurlock)
 - b. Motion: Election Budget for printing of NWNC promotional material for "Call to candidates" not to exceed \$1,250 and deduct funds from NWNC Election Encumbered Funds of \$2,544. Outreach/Election (Spurlock)
 - c. Motion: Election Post Cards to be printed and mailed for "Call for Candidates" amount not to exceed \$5,000 and deduct funds from Outreach 2012-2013 Budget. Outreach/Election (Spurlock)
 - d. Motion: Election NWNC for Election "Get Out and Vote" with Region 2 (4 NC's to participate) in an ad in the Daily News @ \$750 per each NC (NWNC cost \$750) and deduct funds from Encumbered Funds. Outreach/Election (Spurlock)
 - e. Motion: Purchase tri-folds brochures to promote NWNC Election with amount not to exceed \$600 and deduct funds from Outreach 2012-2013 Budget. Outreach/Election (Spurlock)
 - f. Outreach proposes to Reaffirm, Reiterate and Restate the NWNC's support of the Community Care Facility Ordinance (CCFO).

NWNC wishes to restate with more detail support of the Community Care Facility Ordinance to protect our neighborhoods and quality of life. (Original Motion was dated April 12, 2011 with a vote of Yea-8, No-0, and Abtain-1).

"Whereas, NWNC voted Yea-8, No-0, Abtain-1 to support CCFO in the past, it is imperative to reiterate this support and include more details now that the ordinance will soon be considered by LA City Council.

Whereas, the Community Care Facilities Ordinance is common-sense legislation that has been developed to address the proliferation of unlicensed nuisance group homes and boarding facilities that have had a huge negative impact on single family neighborhoods in Council Member Mitch Englander's District in the Northwest San Fernando Valley and in neighborhoods all across the City of Los Angeles. There are a great number of these unlicensed, unregulated facilities, most of which are for-profit businesses operating in residential areas.

Whereas, this ordinance is in response to families and neighborhoods in crisis who have been terrorized and unable to enjoy the peace and quiet of their own homes. Many of them will not even allow their children to play outside on their street because there are large groups of rowdy people loitering, drinking and smoking, using vulgar language, and harassing neighbors who dare to ask them to be respectful.

Whereas, these facilities generate frequent complaints, often over a period of years, of loud parties, drug and alcohol use, fights, excessive trash, public urination, heavy traffic and cars parked illegally. The illegal and unlicensed facilities often lack any kind of security, supportive services, and have unsanitary and crowded conditions, with up to 40 people in one home.

Whereas, the Ordinance is very carefully and specifically crafted so that it does not single out or discriminate against any groups, and it will not ban licensed group homes. In fact, with this new ordinance and updated definitions, people with disabilities, veterans, those living in poverty, and people afflicted by substance addiction and mental illness, will have better opportunities for housing in safe, protected and healthy living conditions. The Ordinance will help ensure that they can seek the services and support that they need without being exposed to squalid living conditions.

Whereas, the restrictions in the Ordinance are based on already existing Los Angeles zoning rules, and include requiring licensed facilities to have adequate parking, security, programs and supervision in place and limits on numbers of residents. Legitimate, licensed, well-run facilities should be able to meet these requirements, which are meant to ensure that the neighbors' quality of life is protected.

Whereas, LAPD's crime statistics show increased crime levels near these houses.

Whereas, many other cities have this type of ordinance.

Whereas, definitions in the Ordinance will ensure that unlicensed and unregulated group homes will not be allowed in low-density, single-family home areas. See the Call to Action Letter to All Neighborhood Councils drafted by Councilman Mitch Englander on the table in this room.

Now, therefore, NWNC resolves to support the Community Care Facility Ordinance to help retain quality of life in our neighborhoods." Outreach (Spurlock)

16. Discuss only items:

a. Discussion to have NWNC Candidates Form at NWNC Aug. 14, 2012 meeting from 6PM to 7PM. Government Affairs (Wilson)

17. Committee Reports: (2 minutes each)

NWNC Committee Chairperson's will select the committee members and went to have their NWNC Committee meetings. Items for NWNC Agendas now come from NWNC Committee Chairs.

- **a.** Beautification Chris Williams
- **b.** Bylaws Vacant now
- c. Community Outreach Juativa Spurlock
- **d.** Education Ken Futernick
- e. Elections Juativa Spurlock
- **f**. Executive Gerry Malais
- g. Government Affairs Glen Wilson
- **h**. Grievance Craig Michayluk
- i. Planning / Land Use / Zoning Don Ward
 - 1) Update from NVAP Commission the final determination (Public hearing was on May 17, 2012) on proposed 43 units 4 story condos on 9554 Reseda Blvd. and Halsted which is north of main Northridge Post Office. One NWNC stakeholder will do update tonight and may have the developer to come & make a 5 to 7 minute presentation at this meeting OR at next NWNC Land Use Committee meeting.
 - 2) Update on Shell Gas Station at 8900 Corbin Ave and Nordhoff Way is approved for LA City CUP on beer & wine. Posted ABC application permit June 1, 2012 to sell beer & wine and was posted for 30 days.
 - 3) Update on Yard House Restaurant (was "Cost Plus World Market") in Northridge Fashion Center.
 - 4) Buffalo Wild Wings restaurant 19500-19544 Plummer St. and Case # ZA 2011-3289(CUB) (CU) (ZV) was not approved from Public Hearing Tuesday April 3, 2012. May have updates later.
 - 5) Update on Elephant Bar Restaurant at 9301 Tampa Ave, Unit 210 (was "On the Border Mexican Grill & Cantina") in Northridge Fashion Center. Elephant Bar application dated 5/17/2012 Case # ENV-2012-1317-CE on plan approval for the continued use of an existing full-time of alcohol for on-site consumption for a full-service restaurant with two outdoor patios.
 - 6) CUP permit application only for 76 Station Center at Nordhoff St. and Tampa Ave. for beer and wine but already has ABC license in 2009. Last update from NWNC Land Use committee meeting on April 19, 2012 about possible changes to CUP permit on beer and wine.
 - 7) If you see public hearing posted for about alcohol or/& any other land use items please email Don and/or email or call Glen about it.
 - 8) At next NWNC Land Use meeting and will include "Great Streets, Great Neighborhood" at NWNC Land Use meeting so NWNC stakeholders can do Activity Kit which is 'Share your vision", "Rank your priorities" and "Community mapping" so "City's Mobility Element" can be updated and mail in by Sept. 1, 2012. The website for this project is on www.LA2B.org.

18. Report on Meetings: Most meetings are listed on NWNC website with date and time of the meetings. (2 minutes each)

- a. Oakridge Estate Park Advisory Board (Oakie House) Steve Harris
 Next meeting is for Thursday, Sept. 27, 2012 at L.A. City Fire Station #87 from 3PM to 5PM.
- **b.** Northridge Vision Glen Wilson

 Meets the three Wednesday of month at 2PM at Fire Station #87 at 10124 Balboa Blvd., Granada Hills, CA

- c. Valley Emergency Preparedness team meeting for Valley Disaster Preparedness Fair Oct. 6, 2012 event will be from 11AM to 3PM. Meets the three Wednesday of month at 4PM at Fire Station #87 at 10124 Balboa Blvd., Granada Hills, CA Glen Wilson
- d. LA DWP MOU or DWP Committee Glen Wilson
- e. Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) Glen Wilson
- **f.** Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (VANC) Glen Wilson or/and Juativa Spurlock Meetings are the second Thursday each month at 6:30 p.m. at Sherman Oaks Hospital.
- g. Report only on Senior Dance / Dinner night Friday June 1, 2012 was from 5PM to 9:30PM Glen Wilson
- h. Report only on Valley Family Festival Sat. June 2, 2012 was from 3PM to 9PM Pam Bolin and Glen Wilson
- i. Valley Vote Meets the third Monday each month at 6:30PM at Galpin Ford Glen Wilson
- 17. Board Member Comments Comments from the Board on subject matters within the Board's jurisdiction. *Limited to 2 minutes per board member.*
- 18. Request for items to be placed on the agenda must be made in writing and emailed to the NWNC Committee chair that the item is about, with copy to NWNC President gmalais@northridgewest.org and a copy to NWNC VP of Administration gwilson@northridgewest.org about two weeks or more prior to the first of the month of next NWNC general meeting so the NWNC Committee chair can put your agenda item on their NWNC Committee's agenda.
- 19. Adjournment
- 20. Up Coming Events
 - a. NWNC Election on Saturday September 8, 2012 from 1PM to 5PM and at Northridge Fashion Center with where at Mall later.
 - b. LA Congress of Neighborhoods Saturday September 22, 2012 at City Hall.
 - c. Citrus Sunday September 23, 2012 with time and NWNC location later.
 - d. Valley Disaster Preparedness Fair (new name) Saturday Oct. 6, 2012 from 11AM to 3 PM at LAFD #87 Fire Station 10124 Balboa Blvd., Granada Hills, CA.
- 21. NWNC Guest Speakers No speaker for NWNC Aug. 14, 2012 meeting at this time.

