



Northridge West Neighborhood Council

General Board Meeting

6:15 pm

Tuesday, June 9, 2020



Executive Officers

Rana Sharif, President
Abigail Bailes, VP of Administration
Kelly Sooter, VP of Outreach and Communication
Yi Ding, Secretary
Joel Lowell, Treasurer

Board Members

Pamela Bolin, Kathleen Edwards,
Bill Fox, Jennifer Krowne,
Gail Lapaz, Peter Lasky,
Josue Toscano, Glen Wilson

AGENDA VIRTUAL MEETING

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- I. Meeting call to order; Pledge of Allegiance; roll call and determination of quorum (3 mins)
- II. Comments by **Congressman Brad Sherman**
- III. Comments by **Public Officials**
- IV. Comment by **Senior Lead Officers**
- V. Comments by **Stakeholders**
- VI. Presidential Comments
- VII. Update from the **Devonshire Area Community-Police Advisory Board** (5 mins, Mikkie Loi)

Non-Business Items (non-voting):

- VIII. Discussion and presentation regarding the proposed development of **Porto's Bakery** (City Planning Case: [ZA-2019-5427-CU-ZV-WDI](#)) at 19467 W. Nordhoff Street, 91324 (Stacey Brenner, Brenner Consulting Group, Inc., 10 mins).
- IX. Discussion and presentation regarding the conversion of a portion of the vacant Sears building into a **Gold's Gym** (City Planning Case: [ZA-2020-1841-ZV-CU-WDI](#)). Hearing is scheduled for July 13, 2020. (Chris Robertson, Robertson Planning, 10 mins). The applicant is requesting the following entitlements:
 - A. A Variance pursuant to LAMC Section 12.27 to provide relief from LAMC Section 12.16 A.2(p) to allow a gym use in the C4 zone;
 - B. A Variance pursuant to LAMC Section 12.27 to waive additional parking otherwise required per 12.21 A.4(c)(2);
 - C. A Conditional Use Permit pursuant to LAMC 12.24 W.27 to allow the gym to operate between the hours of 4:30 a.m. to midnight Monday through Friday and 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. on weekends.
- X. Discussion and presentation regarding **SoCal Gas'** upcoming **pipeline maintenance project**. The project's location is on Chatsworth Street, between Wilbur Avenue and Reseda Avenue ([David Meza](#), SoCal Gas, 10 mins)
- XI. Discussion and presentation regarding **SoCal Gas'** proposed **Above Ground Facility (AGF)** located adjacent to Wilbur Ave. and Chatsworth St. The proposed facilities consist of linebreak cabinet, SCADA cabinet, antenna pole, Vault Vent, and electrical meter cabinet ([Lisa Paillet](#), SoCal Gas, 10 mins)
 - A. [Introduction Letter](#)
 - B. [Photo Rendering, Site Plan](#)
- XII. Discussion and presentation regarding the **Census 2020 Initiative** from the Office of Mayor Garcetti ([Alfonso Ruis-Delgado](#), Mayor's Office of Budget and Innovation, 10 mins).
- XIII. Discussion and review of **NWNC Reference Handbook**.
 - A. Recommendations to Committees on [NPG Review Process](#)
- XIV. Discussion and recommendation for COVID-19 Support
 - A. Local and Small Business Project
- XV. Discussion and update regarding the [Utility Box Project](#)
- XVI. Update from **Andrew Krowne**, NWNC liaison to the Aliso Canyon Disaster Health Study, **Community Advisory Group (CAG)**.
- XVII. Update regarding NWNC's request for City Clerk's **review and oversight** regarding previously submitted NPGs by Northridge Beautification Foundation. ([Letter submitted to City Attorney and City Clerk](#)).

Business Items (voting):

- XVIII. Discussion and approval of [Committee Assignments](#).
- XIX. Discussion and motion to approve **Gail Lapaz** as NWNC liaison for the [West Valley Alliance on Homelessness](#).
- XX. Discussion and motion to approve **Peter Lasky** as [Budget Advocate Representative](#).
- XXI. Discussion and motion to approve **Kelly Sooter** as NWNC liaison for [Northridge Vision](#).
- XXII. Discussion and motion to approve **Glen Wilson** as NWNC liaison for the [Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils \(VANC\)](#).
- XXIII. Discussion and motion to approve **Joel Lowell** as first signer and **Rana Sharif** as second signer.



- XXIV. Discussion and motion to approve **Joel Lowell** as first cardholder and **Kelly Sooter** as second cardholder.
- XXV. Discussion and motion to approve the [2020-2021 Budget](#).
- XXVI. Discussion and motion to approve new mailbox assignment to **Mail and Ship Hub** (18017 Chatsworth St, Granada Hills, CA 91344) due to closure of current mailbox as of May 23, 2020.
- XXVII. Discussion and motion to approve an expenditure of **\$1000** to **San Fernando Rescue Mission** (501c3) towards the organization's ongoing food bank and pop-up food pantry efforts operating out of the Northridge Fashion Center. This would come out of Outreach expenses.
- XXVIII. Discussion and motion to approve funding of **\$250 per month** for **The Mailroom** as NWNC's Webmaster.
- XXIX. Discussion and motion to approve a funding expenditure of up to **\$2,700** for office supplies and incidentals.
- A. [2019-2020 Budget](#)
- XXX. Discussion and motion to approve the [May 12, 2020 GBM Minutes](#).
- XXXI. Discussion and motion to approve the **May 2020 Monthly Expense Report**
- XXXII. Discussion and motion to request from the **Los Angeles County** and **the City of Los Angeles** that they use any and all methods at their disposal to obtain from SoCal Gas the full list of chemicals, emitted from the Aliso Canyon Gas Storage Facility during the SS-25 blowout, well kill attempts, ongoing operation and from subsequent leaks. NWNC requests that the list be made available and accessible to community and stakeholders. NWNC believes this information is critical and needs to be provided to all parties of the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health Aliso Canyon Health Study to ensure a thorough, accurate and science-based health study is conducted and so that our stakeholders have every chance to learn what health issues they may be faced with surrounding this historic disaster.
- A. Letter of support signed by members of the **Community Advisory Group**.
- XXXIII. Discussion and motion to support [Council File 17-0046-S2](#), **The Los Angeles Justice Fund 2020** with attached [Community Impact Statement](#).
- XXXIV. Discussion and motion to approve [Standing Rules](#).

Reports and Announcements:

- XXXV. Report by Budget Advocate (5 mins)
- XXXVI. Report by Committees (10 mins)
- XXXVII. Announcements by Board members (10 mins)
- XXXVIII. Adjournment