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## Northridge East Neighborhood Council

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### AGENDA FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2008 GENERAL BOARD MEETING

#### ***Special Speaker – Tamar Galatzan – LAUSD Board of Education***

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Call to Order – 7:00 PM</li> <li>2. Pledge of Allegiance</li> <li>3. Roll Call – Determination of Quorum</li> <li>4. Approval of Minutes – (5 Minutes)             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. General Meeting of 08/20/2008</li> <li>b. Special Meeting – 09/02/2008                 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Approval of NENC Budget</li> <li>ii. Approval of \$1,000 Funding for Devonshire Volunteer Surveillance Team (VST)</li> <li>iii. Appointment of Representatives for Mayor's Budget Day</li> </ol> </li> </ol> </li> <li>5. Public Officials             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Tamar Galatzan – (15 Minutes)</li> <li>b. Grieg Smith, CD-12 – (10 Minutes)</li> </ol> </li> <li>6. Public Comments – (10 Minutes)</li> <li>7. Old Business             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. USTA – Presentation and proposal for community Tennis Tournament at Salute for Recreation – Jason Liss, Cindy Bertematti – (818) 883-9370 or <a href="mailto:cindy.berthematti@lacity.org">cindy.berthematti@lacity.org</a> – (5 Minutes)</li> </ol> </li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>b. Cindy Cleghorn – Plancheck website proposal (KL) – (5 Minutes)</li> <li>c. Zelzah Speed Limit, Use of Radar on Zelzah (BG) – (3 Minutes)</li> <li>8. <b>New Business</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. CSUN CERT 1 Training – (5 Minutes)</li> <li>b. Invitation to Grieg Smith to speak about Renew L.A. – Possible Action – (2 Minutes)</li> <li>c. Appointment of Youth Representative – Possible Action – (5 Minutes)</li> <li>d. "Did You Know" Program, Sidewalk, parkway, and public Access Maintenance</li> <li>e. Neighborhood Preparedness Ambassador Program (PM) – Possible Action – (5 Minutes)</li> </ol> </li> <li>9. <b>Committee Reports</b> – (10 Minutes)             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Education</li> <li>b. Public Safety/Traffic</li> <li>c. Emergency Preparedness</li> <li>d. Environment</li> <li>e. Salute to Recreation</li> <li>f. Senior</li> <li>g. Website</li> <li>h. Planning and Land Use</li> </ol> </li> <li>10. Adjournment</li> </ol> |
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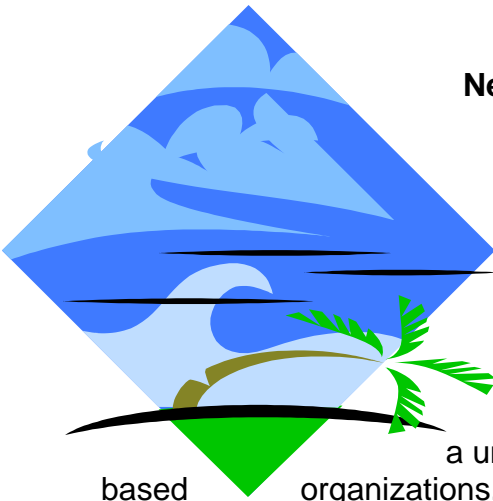
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**City of Los Angeles  
Neighborhood Preparedness Ambassador Program:  
A Train-the-Trainer Initiative coordinated by  
the Emergency Preparedness Department and  
Department of Neighborhood Empowerment**

**Neighborhood Preparedness Ambassador Program**

Preparing our neighborhoods is no longer one person's, one department's, or even one city's responsibility. It takes a united effort among government, businesses, schools, faith-based organizations, neighborhoods, neighborhood blocks and individual households. It is everyone's responsibility to prepare themselves and then take initiative to engage others around them to be prepared, too! To foster this spirit of preparedness and readiness, the City of Los Angeles Emergency Operations Organization sponsors a three-part series, train-the-trainer program for neighborhood council representatives. This series offers participants an opportunity to get involved in the City's emergency preparedness program.

**Session Goals**

- Provide an introduction and overview of the City's Emergency Preparedness Department and various partner agencies.
- Provide overview of the following topics: All Hazard Preparedness, Evacuation, Hazard Mitigation, Preparedness for Special Populations (e.g., Seniors, Persons with Disabilities, Children, Pets, etc), Community Emergency Response Team, Crisis Response Team, Utility Preparedness, etc.
- Introduce Neighborhood Councils to the Neighborhood Preparedness Ambassador Program and discuss how they may become involved.
- Explain the various types of emergencies and provide basic steps for dealing with each.
- Teach Neighborhood Councils how to produce an effective neighborhood preparedness plan.

**Main Components of the Session**

- Focus on Training the Trainer.
- Provide introduction and overview of City departments involved in the Emergency Operations Organization.
- Review the importance of being prepared for all types of emergencies.
- Discuss the steps needed to create a neighborhood preparedness plan.

- Identify and discuss the role and responsibilities of organizing the neighborhood in case of an emergency.
- Provide hands-on learning, role-play activities and safety demonstrations.
- Provide a contact list of Academy presenters.
- Provide a Neighborhood Council emergency planning guide.
- Provide handouts and reference material that reinforce workshop discussion.

## **SAMPLE AGENDA**

### **City of Los Angeles**

#### **Neighborhood Preparedness Ambassador Program**

#### ***SESSION ONE***

#### ***Emergency Preparedness – Key to Your Survival in Disaster***

<b>8:30 am - 9:00 am</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>9:00 am - 9:15 am</b>	<b>Welcome &amp; Introductions</b>
<b>9:15 am – 9:30 am</b>	<b>Neighborhood Preparedness Ambassador Program Overview</b>
<b>9:30 am – 9:45 am</b>	<b>Alternative Communications in Disaster</b>
<b>9:45 am - 12:30 pm</b>	<b>LAFD Disaster Awareness Course</b>

#### ***SESSION TWO***

#### ***What You Should Know Before Disaster Strikes***

<b>8:30 am- 9:00 am</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>9:00 am- 9:45 am</b>	<b>Panel Presentation: <i>Municipal Services and Emergency Preparedness</i></b>
<b>10:00 am-11:15 am</b>	<b>Panel Presentation: <i>Partnership in Sheltering</i></b>
<b>11:15 am-12:00 pm</b>	<b>Panel Presentation: <i>Special Needs Resources</i></b>
<b>12:00 pm-12:30 pm</b>	<b>Panel Presentation: <i>Planning for Recovery</i></b>

**SESSION THREE**  
***Taking Care is to Prepare***

<b>8:30 am - 9:00 am</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>9:00 am-10:30 am</b>	<b>Los Angeles County Resources</b> <b>Public Health- Pandemic Influenza</b> <b>Mental Health</b>
<b>10:40 am-10:55 am</b>	<b>Crisis Response Team</b>
<b>11:00 am-11:15 am</b>	<b>Faith-based Organizations Role in Disaster Preparedness</b>
<b>11:15 am:-11:45 am</b>	<b>Neighborhood Council Planning Guide</b>
<b>11:50 am-12:00 pm</b>	<b>Where Do We Go From Here</b>
<b>12:00 pm-12:30 pm</b>	<b>Conclusion and Presentations</b>

**Emergency Preparedness is critical. Learn what it takes to be prepared, to develop a personal plan, and to be aware, informed and prepared. For more information about the Neighborhood Preparedness Ambassador Program, call 213-978-2222.**



“Did you know...”

Dear Resident or Commercial Owner/Tenant:

Enclosed is a copy of the municipal code regarding residential responsibility for public access areas such as sidewalk and parkway maintenance. Realizing most people are not aware of the city ordinance in this matter, I am enclosing Section 56.08 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code which explains responsibility for these areas. Section (a) address's trees, bushes, grass or any vegetation from private property encroaching on a public right-of-way, and Section (c) specifically states:

“No person having charge or control of any lot or premises shall allow any soil, rubbish, trash, garden refuse, tree trimmings, ashes, tin cans or other waste or refuse to remain upon any sidewalk, parkway, or in or upon any street abutting on or adjacent to such lot or premises, or which will interfere with or obstruct the free passage of pedestrians or vehicles along any such street, sidewalk or parkway.”

The Bureau of Street Services, Street Use Division, has the ability to cite residents to keep these areas clean. After a second notice, the resident may be required to appear at a hearing to explain non-compliance.

Homeowners Associations should notify their gardeners that these areas should also be included in weekly maintenance. The areas on the **outside** of a common wall are also part of the adjacent property's responsibility.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact my deputy, Sandy Clydesdale at 818-886-5210.

Sincerely,

GREIG SMITH  
Councilman 12<sup>th</sup> District

**SEC. 56.08. SIDEWALKS – STREETS – OBSTRUCTIONS.**

(a) No person owning, leasing, occupying, having charge or control of any lot or premises, shall allow, keep or maintain any tree, bush or vegetation growing upon any lot or premises abutting any street or sidewalk or upon any street or sidewalk so that the limbs, twigs, leaves or parts of such tree, bush or vegetation interfere with or obstruct the free passage of pedestrians or vehicles along or upon said streets or sidewalks.

(b) Trees or bushes greater than fifteen feet in height growing in or upon any premises or sidewalk shall be deemed to interfere with and obstruct the free passage of pedestrians or vehicles upon said streets and sidewalks within the meaning of this section unless the lower limbs, twigs or leaves of such trees or bushes are kept removed at all times so as to have a minimum clearance of:

1. 13 feet 6 inches over that portion of State highways and major streets improved, designed or ordinarily used for vehicular traffic;
2. 11 feet over that portion of local streets improved, designed, or ordinarily used for vehicular traffic;
3. 9 feet over the sidewalk and parkway area of all streets.

(Amended by Ord. No. 106,987, Eff. 3/24/56.)

(c) No person having charge or control of any lot or premises shall allow any soil, rubbish, trash, garden refuse, tree trimmings, ashes, tin cans or other waste or refuse to remain upon any sidewalk, parkway, or in or upon any street abutting on or adjacent to such lot or premises, or which will interfere with or obstruct the free passage of pedestrians or vehicles along any such street, sidewalk or parkway. (Amended by Ord. No. 123,979, Eff. 4/20/63.)

(d) No person having charge or control of any lot, building, or premises, shall clean or sweep any dirt, rubbish or refuse from any sidewalk into the street; provided that nothing contained in this section shall prevent such person from cleaning or sweeping any dirt, rubbish, or refuse from any sidewalk and disposing of the same on or in said lot, building or premises, where such disposition does not create a nuisance and is not prohibited by any other ordinance. (Amended by Ord. No. 148,466, Eff. 7/29/76.)

(e) (Amended by Ord. No. 128,577, Eff. 11/14/64.)

1. No person having charge or control of any lot or premises, either as owner, lessee, tenant, builder, contractor, housemover, or otherwise, shall construct, deposit or maintain any structure, building, rock, brick, broken concrete, stepping stones, sprinkler heads or any obstacle of any nature whatsoever in or upon any street, sidewalk or parkway abutting on or adjacent to such lot or premises or which will interfere with the free passage of pedestrians or vehicles along such street, sidewalk or parkway.

2. The provisions of this section shall not apply to sprinkler heads or bricks in tree wells which are properly maintained on grade with the surface of the sidewalk or parkway in which they are located.

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### Official Minutes of the **NORTHRIDGE EAST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (NENC)** **General Board Meeting** **Wednesday, August 20, 2008**

at Andasol Elementary School Auditorium, 10126 Encino Ave., Northridge, CA

#### **Call to Order**

Steve Patel, President, called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Peter McCarty.

#### **Roll Call**

Board Members present:

Steve Patel, President	Thomas Baker, 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice-President
Peter McCarty, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice-President	Kelly Lord, Treasurer
Barry Greenberg, Secretary	Pam Butts, Renter Rep. Dir. of Public Relations
Don Dwiggins, At-large Rep.	Nestor Fantini, Resident Prop/Bus Owner Rep.
Conner Lansdale, CSUN Appointed Student Rep.	Alice McCain, At-large Rep.
Lucille Meehan, Resident Property Owner	Carol Moore, Resident Property Owner
Judith Nutter, CSUN Appointed Rep.	

Board Members absent: Yeprem Davoodian, Business Owner/Employee Rep. (excused).

Thirteen of the 14 Board Members were present at the beginning of the Meeting, which is a quorum, and the business of the Council could be conducted. Also attending were 12 Stakeholders and Guests.

#### **1. Approval of Minutes**

a. Meeting of 07/16/2008 and Special Board Meeting – 08/11/2008

**MOTION** (by Mr. Lord, seconded by Ms. McCain): to accept the Minutes of the July 16, 2008 General Board Meeting and of the August 11, 2008 Special Board Meeting, as written.



**MOTION PASSED** by a unanimous voice vote.

**2. Announcement of New Executive Board**

Outgoing President Mr. Lord announced the new Board of Directors and that the August 11<sup>th</sup> Special Board Meeting discussed the Executive Board and speed control on Zelzah Avenue.

**3. Public Comments/Official Comments**

[The following comments were made after Item #6 had begun.]

Melvin Canas, Neighborhood Empowerment Analyst, Los Angeles Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) (818-374-9953; [melvin.canas@lacity.org](mailto:melvin.canas@lacity.org)), announced the October 11<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Citywide Congress of Neighborhoods & Mayor's Budget Day at City Hall. Anyone can register to attend and there'll be networking, breakfast, and lunch; it's an opportunity for community input.

Stakeholder Anita Santospirito is against the proposed Zelzah Ave. speed increase (see attached). LAPD (Los Angeles Police Dept.) Sergeant Graham wants to participate with the NC on education issues.

**4. Old Business**

a. Budget: review proposed budget and approve

Mr. Lord reported that he's reconciling the DONE website information with the NC budget.

**MOTION** (by Mr. Lord, seconded by Mr. McCarty): to **TABLE** this Item until the Special Board Meeting on September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2008.

**MOTION PASSED** by a unanimous voice vote.

b. Update from Web-site committee: Vendor and funding recommendations

Mr. Greenberg is consulting with two companies to get proposals to vote on next month.

c. U.S.T.A. – Tennis partnership for Salute to Recreation 2009 update

Mr. Patel recommended and it was agreed to **TABLE** this Item because the USTA indicated that they're not ready to present.

d. Northridge Park Summer Theater Program update

Mr. Baker reported that the NC has supported this for two years and that this is a good youth program, and recommended keeping this Item in the budget at \$2,500; funding is needed by early September and would support lighting and sound equipment. It was agreed to **TABLE** this Item.

e. White Oak Development status update



Mr. Fantini reported that this development, at 9750-9810 White Oak Ave., between Kinzie St. and Superior St., is moving forward; Mr. Patel said that the neighbors don't want it, but the City wants to allow it.

f. Zelzah Speed Limit Increase: Public notification and status

Mr. Greenberg stated that this was the only one taken out of a City list of scheduled speed limit increases, and that Sgt. Don Graham added that certain other factors, including "environmental factors," can be used to reduce speed increases.

**5. New Business**

a. Motion: – Possible Action

[Items i – iv are included in the below Resolution.]

**RESOLUTION** (by Mr. Greenberg, seconded by Ms. McCain):

The Northridge East Neighborhood Council hereby submits the following Resolution to Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, Councilperson Greig Smith, the Los Angeles City Council, the Los Angeles Transportation Commission, the Los Angeles City Council Transportation Committee, and BongHwan Kim, General Manager, Los Angeles Department of Neighborhood Empowerment,

RESOLVED:

- i. Any Speed Limit increase within or adjoining Northridge East Neighborhood Council boundaries must be presented to the Northridge East Neighborhood Council and its Stakeholders prior to presentation to Transportation Commission and City Council Transportation Committee
- ii. Any street widening project within or adjoining Northridge East Neighborhood Council boundaries must be presented to the Northridge East Neighborhood Council and its Stakeholders prior to presentation to Transportation Commission and City Council Transportation Committee
- iii. ALL Los Angeles Department of Transportation street projects within or adjoining Northridge East Neighborhood Council boundaries must be presented to Northridge East Neighborhood Council and its Stakeholders in advance of scheduling or funding commitments, even when said project is mandated, already funded, or otherwise underway. In the event that a project is not presented as above, the Northridge East Neighborhood Council will and does without further need for a vote, takes a position opposing the project and hereby authorizes the Northridge East Neighborhood Council to post said opposition as a Community Impact Statement.

- iv. The Northridge East Neighborhood Council further Encourages all Neighborhood Councils citywide to follow Northridge East Neighborhood Council's lead in enacting this resolution.

**DISCUSSION:** If this Resolution is passed, Mr. Greenberg will distribute it for other NCs to see and use. Mr. Dwiggins would like to recognize the Woodland Hills-Warner Center NC for providing the language upon which this Resolution is based. (Not added to the Resolution.)

**RESOLUTION PASSED** by a unanimous voice vote.

- b. Sponsorship of Youth Representative at the "Peace Jam" Conference on Sept 17th. – Possible Action

Mr. Dwiggins described that on September 11-13 in Los Angeles, 'the PeaceJam Global Call to Action Conference will bring together national and international youth ages 14-18 in a global call to action to take on some of the toughest challenges facing our planet. The cost is \$345/youth, which includes meals and access to the conference for 3 days.' He would like the NC to sponsor three youths from the Northridge area to attend the Conference, and there will be one adult chaperone. There was discussion regarding how to select the youths and allocate the money, especially in the short time before the Conference.

**MOTION** (by Mr. Dwiggins, seconded by Mr. Lord): to support the Peace Jam Conference by sponsoring up to four students and one adult chaperone from the Northridge East Neighborhood Council area, at \$345 each, subject to passing the Northridge East Neighborhood Council budget.

**MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote, with three opposed.

- c. Support for new DWP Oversight Committee who will represent NCs interest. Motion to appoint a representative – Possible Action

Mr. Dwiggins explained that the DWP (Los Angeles Department of Water and Power) has taken action outside the previous MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) and has "ignored recommendations."

**MOTION** (by Mr. Dwiggins, seconded by Mr. Lord): to support the following DWP Oversight Committee Motion:

"WHEREAS the NC/LADWP Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Oversight Committee (OSC) agreement between the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power and the Neighborhood Councils can only advocate on matters regarding compliance with the existing MOU, and

WHEREAS there is a need for advocacy on matters outside of the MOU, particularly with regard to protecting the financial interests of rate payers and ensuring water and power reliability,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Northridge East Neighborhood Council supports the formation of the new “DWP Committee,” and will appoint a representative to that committee.”

**MOTION to CALL FOR THE QUESTION** (by Mr. Greenberg).

There were no objections to the **CALL FOR THE QUESTION**.

**MOTION PASSED** by a unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Dwiggin asked to and it was agreed that he will be the representative, and he asked for an alternate for times when he can't attend.

d. Committee Appointments

i. Appointment of new Planning and Land Use Committee (PLUM) Chairperson:

Nester Fantini – Action

Mr. Patel explained this and Mr. Fantini agreed to be the Chairperson.

ii. Appointment of Northridge East Neighborhood Council Retreat Chairperson:

Open – Possible Action

Mr. Patel explained this and that Yeprem Davoodian (absent) had agreed to be the Chairperson.

iii. Appointment of Director of Public Relations Pamela Butts

Mr. Patel explained this and Ms. Butts agreed to be the Director of Public Relations.

**MOTION** (by Mr. Greenberg, seconded by Mr. McCarty): that the above appointments made by the President are confirmed.

**MOTION PASSED** by a unanimous voice vote.

e. Question to the City Attorney: Is it a conflict of interest issue re: req. to repave Board Member's street? – Possible Action

Ms. Meehan explained and let it be known that she was open and fully disclosed that she lives on one of the streets in question. Mr. Greenberg, the NC City Attorney Liaison, opined that as long as Ms. Meehan has been open about this, there should be no conflict of interest.

f. Request for funding from Devonshire Volunteer Surveillance Team [DVST] Stakeholder Wendell Durrant, DVST President (818-832-0992, [wduarrant@socall.rr.com](mailto:wduarrant@socall.rr.com)), distributed copies of his business card, “We’re Watching” signs, and a funding request letter. He described that the DVST supplements the LAPD and fifty volunteers work with two assigned Officers. Their help has resulted in many arrests, including for serious crimes. They

usually patrol two and sometimes three times per week. He's asking for funding for two new cameras. Other NCs are funding this.

**MOTION** (by Mr. Lord, seconded by Mr. Baker): to **TABLE** this discussion until the September 2<sup>nd</sup> Special Board Meeting.

**MOTION PASSED** by a unanimous voice vote.

At this time of 8:35 p.m., Mr. Baker left the Meeting.

- g. Request for funding up to \$2000 for creation of "plan check website" – Possible Action  
Mr. Lord recommended and it was agreed to **TABLE** this Item.

## 6. Committee Reports

Mr. Patel described that the NE/W Vision Committee did a survey for needed maintenance on Reseda Blvd. from Lassen St. to Roscoe Blvd. A new watering system is needed for the median plants. On Sunday, August 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. at the North Valley Chamber of Commerce office, NC members will meet on their bicycles and feet to talk with business owners about helping with the maintenance. The NE/W Vision Committee is taking up where the BID [Business Improvement District] left off. Also on the 24<sup>th</sup>, Congressman Sherman is sponsoring a Town Hall Meeting. There'll be a clean-up day in September sponsored by the Councilman's Office.

[At this time, reports for Item #3 were made.]

Mr. Greenberg noted that the NC is looking for volunteers from the community to serve on the various Committees. Contact the NC at 1-800-772-9132 or e-mail [[info@nenc-la.org](mailto:info@nenc-la.org)]. Mr. McCarty announced that the Environmental Committee is forming a Master Gardening group.

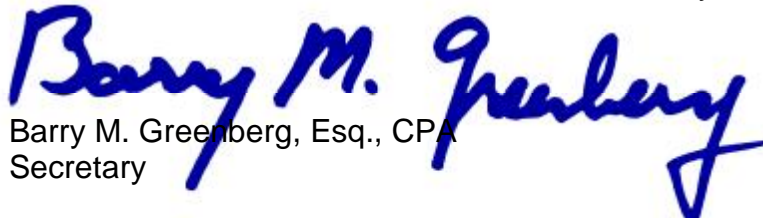
## 7. Adjournment

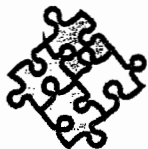
**MOTION** (by Mr. Greenberg): to **ADJOURN** the Meeting.

It was agreed to **ADJOURN** the Meeting.

The Meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 8:57 p.m.

Certified as true and correct, this                      day of September, 2008

  
Barry M. Greenberg, Esq., CPA  
Secretary



## NORTHRIDGE EAST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL SPEAKER CARD

I wish to speak before the NORTHRIDGE EAST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL.

I wish to make a General Comment on \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to comment regarding AGENDA ITEM IDENTIFY TOPIC ZELZAH Ave. SPEED INCREASE

For Proposal

Against Proposal

NAME: ANITA SANTOSPIRITO

EMAIL: SPIRITENG2@EARTHLINK.NET

ADDRESS: 9408 ZELZAH Ave.

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## Zelzah Avenue Proposed Speed Limit Report

I am a member of the Northridge East Neighborhood Council area and a twenty-four Year resident on Zelzah Avenue across the street from Cal State Northridge and wish to express my vehement disapproval of the proposal to extend the speed limit on Zelzah Avenue between Rinaldi Street Street and Nordhoff Streets. I think when all facts are looked at and taken into consideration; it will be obvious this is a bad idea.

As the speed limit stands now in the past five years, three Northridge Academy High School students have been hit, one hit in the flashing crosswalk lights across from the student housing. There are currently 980 students at the Academy High School. Published lists from CSUN list 35,000 students at full semester. There is also a Child Guidance Center on this street as well. Granada Hills Charter High School has approximately 4,000 students. Being a long term, full time resident on Zelzah Avenue, I see at any given time a great number of students crossing the street during the day and evening, both at crosswalks and NOT at crosswalks. It is also a fact that the students who drive are in a hurry and distracted and oftentimes careless in their decision making.

I feel this kind of decision should have input and approval/disapproval from the Neighborhood East Council in our area and the general public. From my point of view and the public of whom I have spoken to in the community – no one agrees that a speed limit increase on Zelzah Avenue is in the best interest of the safety of the students, the pedestrians and the driving public.

It is human nature to want to drive faster than the speed limit. If it is raised, drivers will only drive faster than the posted speed limit.

We don't need any more accidents and certainly NO deaths on Zelzah Avenue to prove this point.

We need to fight this speed increase move as a community and I join my voice to this fight.

Respectfully,  
Anita SantoSpirito  
[spiriteng2@earthlink.net](mailto:spiriteng2@earthlink.net)  
8/20/08

# CITY OF LOS ANGELES California

## ELECTED EXECUTIVE BOARD

Steve S. Patel – President  
Thomas J. Baker – 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Membership  
Peter J. McCarty – 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Outreach  
Barry M. Greenberg – Secretary  
Kelly M. Lord – Treasurer



## ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS

Open – Youth Nestor Fantini  
Pamela Butts Alice N. McCain  
Yeprem Davoodian Lucille Meehan  
Don Dwiggins Caroline Moore

Judith Nutter – Appointed CSUN Faculty/Staff  
Conor P. Lansdale – Appointed CSUN Student



## Northridge East Neighborhood Council

**Making Northridge a Better Place to Live, Work, Play and Learn**

### Minutes of Special Meeting of Northridge East Neighborhood Council September 2, 2008, 7:00PM

The meeting convened at 7:15PM, and was called to order by President, Steve Patel.

Attending were: Thomas Baker (1<sup>st</sup> VP), Pamela Butts, Don Dwiggins, Barry M. Greenberg (Secretary), Kelly Lord (Treasurer), Lucille Meehan, Steve Patel (President). Alice McCain – Attended Telephonically

Total Needed for Quorum 8. The Agenda for this special meeting was posted on Saturday, August 30, 2008, by Kelly Lord.

1. Prior to general business, Kelly Lord informed the board that he was preparing the \$2,500 payment for the Northridge Park and Recreation Center's summer Musical Theatre which was provided for but not previously paid out of the 2007-2008 budget.
2. Presentation and approval of FY 2009(2008-2009) Budget – **Action Required** – Kelly Lord moved that the board approve the budget as had been submitted to the complete board by email. Alice McCain seconded the motion. After discussion, the board approved the proposed budget unanimously.
3. Approval of Special Administrative Expense – **Action Required** – Take off agenda
4. Approval of Funding to Devonshire Volunteer Surveillance Team's request for \$1,000 for replacement video cameras – **Action Required** – Kelly Lord moved that the board approve the request for \$1,000 for replacement video cameras for the Devonshire Volunteer Surveillance Team, pursuant to the request presented at the August 20, 2008 board meeting. This item is intended to be line item #58 expenditure pursuant to the Board's 2008-2009 budget as approved above in item 2. Thomas Baker seconded the motion. After discussion, the board unanimously approved this item.
5. Appointment of Council Representatives for Mayor's Budget Day – **Action Required** – President, Steve Patel made a motion that the board appoint, Steve Patel, Kelly Lord and Barry Greenberg to represent the council at the Mayor's Budget Day, currently scheduled for October 11, 2008. Don Dwiggins seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
6. The special meeting was adjourned, on motion of Barry Greenberg, with a second by Pam Butts.
7. The special meeting adjourned, those remaining proceeded to set the Agenda for the Board's Monthly Business Meeting – Wednesday, September 17, 2008.

Certified as true and correct, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2008

Barry M. Greenberg, Esq., CPA  
Secretary



**NORTHRIDGE EAST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**  
**APPROVED BUDGET**  
**FOR YEAR 2008-2009**



Item #	<b>GENERAL BUDGET FOR FY 2009 (7/1/08-6/30/09)</b>			
1	Starting City Account	LA City		<b>\$151,000</b>
2	City Account Carryover			
3	Card Carryover Balance			<b>\$386</b>
4	Petty Cash Balance			
5				
6	<b>Total Available Funds</b>		<b>100.00%</b>	<b>\$151,386</b>
7				
8	<b>Expense Items:</b>		<b>Comments</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
9	<b>Outreach</b>		<b>18.07%</b>	<b>\$27,350</b>
10	Mailers	1,200.00	1	<b>1,200</b>
11	Printing	1,200.00	1	<b>1,200</b>
12	Postage	750.00	1	<b>750</b>
13	Advertising	300.00	12	<b>3,600</b>
14	Banners	1,000.00	1	<b>1,000</b>
15	Booth	300.00	2	<b>600</b>
16	Library Adoption/Sponsorship	5,000.00	1	<b>2,500</b>
17	Outreach-General Budget			<b>2,000</b>
18	Public Relations			<b>1,000</b>
19	Website Design	7,500.00	1	<b>7,500</b>
20	Website Hosting	100.00	12	<b>1,200</b>
21	Website Maintenance	400.00	12	<b>4,800</b>
22				<b>-</b>
29				
30				
	<b>Committees</b>		<b>35.51%</b>	<b>\$53,750</b>
31	Disaster Preparedness	1,000.00	1	<b>1,000</b>
32	Education Committee	833.33	12	<b>10,000</b>
33	Environmental	416.67	12	<b>5,000</b>
34	Finance			<b>-</b>
35	NE/W Vision Committee	1,666.67	12	<b>20,000</b>
36	Planning & Land Use	9,500.00	1	<b>9,500</b>
37	Senior	416.67	12	<b>5,000</b>
38	Traffic/Public Safety	750.00	1	<b>750</b>
39	Youth	2,500.00	1	<b>2,500</b>
40				<b>-</b>
41				<b>-</b>
42				<b>-</b>
43				<b>-</b>

**NORTHRIDGE EAST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL  
APPROVED BUDGET  
FOR YEAR 2008-2009**

	<b>Meetings</b>		<b>3.65%</b>	<b>\$5,520</b>
44	Facility Rental-LAUSD (General)	150.00	12	<b>1,800</b>
45	Facility Rental-LAUSD (Special)	150.00	2	<b>300</b>
46	Meetings-General Budget	0.10	0	<b>0</b>
47	Minutes-PDQ	160.00	12	<b>1,920</b>
48	Printing-Agenda Postings	75.00	12	<b>900</b>
49	Refreshments	50.00	12	<b>600</b>
50				-
51				-
				-
	<b>Special Projects</b>		<b>28.04%</b>	<b>\$42,450</b>
52	Adopt-A-Street	700.00	4	<b>2,800</b>
53	Disaster Preparedness	4,000.00	1	<b>4,000</b>
54	NENC BBQ	5,000.00	1	<b>5,000</b>
55	Shirts-Clean-up Day	650.00	1	<b>650</b>
56	Sidewalk Cleanup	500.00	12	<b>6,000</b>
57	Sidewalk Improvements	4,000.00	1	<b>4,000</b>
58	Special Projects-General	6,000.00	1	<b>6,000</b>
59	Citrus Sunday			<b>1,000</b>
60	Fireworks-Salute to Rec.	5,000.00	1	<b>5,000</b>
61	Greek Festival	500.00	1	<b>500</b>
62	Outreach Materials			<b>5,000</b>
63	Rec. Center Theater Program	2,500.00	1	<b>2,500</b>
64				-
				-
	<b>Administrative</b>		<b>8.37%</b>	<b>12,670</b>
65	Admin-General Budget	1,000.00	1	<b>1,000</b>
66	Business Cards	500.00	1	<b>500</b>
67	Gmail - Hosted	750.00	1	<b>750</b>
68	Mail Box Rental	50.00	12	<b>600</b>
69	Name Badges	500.00	1	<b>500</b>
70	Office Equipment	3,000.00	1	<b>3,000</b>
71	Office Supplies	1,000.00	1	<b>1,000</b>
72	Phone/Fax/VM Service	150.00	12	<b>1,800</b>
73	Retreat	1,000.00	1	<b>1,000</b>
74	Storage Facility Rental	210.00	12	<b>2,520</b>
	<b>Total Expense</b>		<b>93.63%</b>	<b>\$141,740</b>
75	<b>General Budget Fund Balance</b>			
	<b>Reserve Fund Balance</b>		<b>6.37%</b>	<b>\$9,646</b>