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Northridge East Neighborhood Council
Making Northridge a Better Place to Live, Work, Play and Learn

**Until further notice, NENC Board meetings will be held as virtual webinars;
public access and public comment details are below.**

Board Regular Meeting Agenda - Wednesday, July 20, 2022 - 7:00 p.m.

In conformity with the September 16, 2021 enactment of California Assembly Bill 361 (Rivas) and in furtherance with the Mayor's actions to minimize risk and exposure to the Coronavirus COVID-19, this Northridge East Neighborhood Council Board meeting will be conducted telephonically in a webinar format.

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1. Start Recording, Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance and Welcome to Stakeholders; Introductory Comments (Public Comment and Recusal Reminder)
2. Roll Call, Seating of Alternate(s), Determination of Quorum, Voting Eligibility (Ethics, Funding, Code of Conduct, Anti-Bias; view status at www.EmpowerLA.org/NENC), Abstentions="No"
 - a. Notice of Vacancies; discussion and possible action: Three Resident seats (2023 & 2025), one Business/Employee seat (2023) and two Alternate seats (2023). Qualified Stakeholders interested in serving may obtain more information by emailing: info@NENC-LA.org Documentation will be

required. Per NENC Bylaws, appointment is made by the President and approved by a vote of the Board.

3. Agenda Setting Meeting 7/11/22 Participation: Bailey, Ross, Mills, Diamond,
4. Approval of Minutes – May 18, 2022, June 15, 2022 or any other earlier dates
 - a. Links to Zoom video recordings of Board meetings will be posted on NENC [Agendas and Minutes webpage](#)
5. Treasurer’s Report and Financial Items - Discussion and possible action:
 - a. Approval of June 2022 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER)
(All NC MERs are posted on City Clerk’s [NC Funding System Dashboard](#); click on MER tab. Recent NENC MERs with back up documentation are also posted on the NENC website under Finance Committee: <https://www.nenc-la.org/committees/budget-and-finance-committee/>)
 - b. MOTION to reauthorize, due to a change of date, up to \$250 for refreshments for the Town Hall on the proposed Home Depot Project in the North Hills Shopping Center which is being held by Granada Hills South NC during August 2022. (Board passed 9-0-0 on 6/15/22)
6. **Presentations/Guest Speakers/Announcements** (informational items only)
 - a. **Closure of Northridge Main Post Office and Construction of Mixed Use/Student Housing Project Update** - The Post Office formerly at 9534 Reseda Boulevard was vacated June 1, 2022; no replacement retail location has been announced yet. Post Office Boxes have been temporarily relocated to the Granada Hills Post Office. Customers from ZIP Codes 91325 and 91330 will need to pick up undelivered mail at the Reseda Post Office and 91324 and 91326 customers pick up at the Porter Ranch Post Office. This Post Office served the 91324, 91325, 91326 and 91330 (CSUN) ZIP Codes. Telephone calls (818-349-0331) are being forwarded and answered at other Post Office locations. Mixed Use/Student Housing project is scheduled to begin demolition of the existing building followed by excavation for the subterranean parking.
 - b. **Metro North San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor Project** (now referred to as the BRT Network Improvements) update - Community meetings were held during June, including one in Northridge. Recording of the virtual meeting and project updates are linked here: <https://www.metro.net/projects/north-sfv-brt/>
 - c. **New Home Depot Store in North Hills Shopping Center** - This project proposes to demolish the easterly portion of the shopping center and replace it with a new 136,009 square foot store. It is located at 16830 Devonshire Street and is within the boundaries of the [Granada Hills South NC](#) (GHSNC) (Balboa Boulevard is the dividing line between the two NCs in this area). The Case Number is [CPC-2022-1981-CU-SPP-SPR](#) and posted online are the [Application](#), the [Environmental Assessment Form](#), the applicant’s [Findings](#), and the [Project Plans](#). [GHSNC](#) plans to hold a Town Hall on Sunday, August 14, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. in the Kennedy High School gymnasium (note change of date). More information is posted on GHSNC webpage, [linked here](#).
 - d. **LA DWP Water Conservation** - Yard watering is now restricted to two specific days a week depending upon the property street address. Visit LADWP [website](#) for more details.
 - e. **COVID-19 Resources** - State appointment website: <https://myturn.ca.gov/>; Los Angeles County COVID-19 vaccine website: <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/vaccine/>; Los Angeles City COVID-19 website: <https://corona-virus.la/>; vaccination appointments encouraged but not required: <https://carbonhealth.com/covid-19-vaccines/los-angeles>; LAUSD COVID-19 information: <https://achieve.lausd.net/covid>
 - f. **Amnesty International San Fernando Valley Group** - Nestor Fantini (10 minutes)
7. Public comments on non-agenda items within the NENC’s subject matter jurisdiction (up to two minutes per speaker)
8. Comments/Reports from Representatives of Public Officials (please email report in advance of meeting) (up to three minutes each unless arrangement for additional time is made at least six days days in

advance): Mayor (Erin Seinfeld - on leave until 10/3/22), City Attorney (Elise Ruden/Alin Sahagian), CD 12 (Myrka Martinez); LAUSD BD 3; County SD 3 (Jessica Orellana); State (SD 18, 27; AD 38 (Diana Oganessian), 45 (Alberto Vargas), 46); Federal (CD 25, 29, 30) (*NOTE: State and Federal redistricting boundary changes will be effective December 2022/January 2023*)

- a. CD 12: All Board members and stakeholders are encouraged to subscribe to and read the Council District 12 weekly newsletter to obtain community updates: <https://cd12.org/>
9. Comments/Updates/Announcements by Representatives of City Departments such as LAPD (SLO/C-PAB), LAFD, DONE (NEA Octaviano Rios octaviano.rios@lacity.org), BONC (new Commissioner appointed: Jennifer Valdivia - [CF 22-1200-S43](#)) and Representatives of CSUN and Other Public Agencies and NC-Related Entities (up to three minutes each unless arrangement for additional time is made at least six days in advance)
 - a. CSUN reports and updates - Victoria Dochoghlian and Mikayla Jakubecy-Gibson
 - i. Sierra Hall Renovation Project funding update
 - b. NC Budget Advocates: NCBA report; [NC Budget Day](#) held 6/18/22 - recording [link](#); NENC City budget priorities; Budget Representatives (Glenn Bailey and Garry Fordyce). www.budgetadvocates.org/
10. Committee Reports - Standing: Beautification (Baker); Education (Peterson); Executive (Bailey); Finance (Diamond); Homelessness (Mills/Ross); Outreach (Mills); Planning and Land Use (Dagort/Diamond); Public Safety (Thiroux) and Sustainability (Dwiggins/Bailey). Ad Hoc: Animal Welfare (Ross/Diamond); Dearborn Park (Diamond); Election (Mills/Ross) - Discussion and possible action:
 - a. Appointment of Committee Chair or Co-Chairs by President subject to confirmation by Board
 - b. Approval of additional, or removal of, Committee members as requested by Committee Chair/Co-Chairs
 - c. Announcement of upcoming Committee meeting dates: Ad Hoc Election (TBA); Education 9/10/22, 9 am; Executive 8/8/22, 4:30 pm; any others?
 - d. Homelessness: MOTION (Ross/Diamond) to recommend the establishment of Homeless Encampment Sanctuaries in every Los Angeles City Council District. Here, an "Encampment" is a location where the homeless have congregated with their tents, SUVs, and cars. Where the homeless have settled (for three or more months within the last two years) are locations they have themselves chosen as a preference. "By default," society has deemed these to be the "least objectionable" places for them to reside. Obviously, all illegal and "untenable" locales (as determined by the Council Member of that area) will not be eligible as Sanctuaries. All eligible Encampments of minimally 25 homeless shall receive free from Los Angeles City at least one portable toilet and shower, a water supply, a large dumpster and recycling bin, individual storage units, charging stations, electrical outlets, permits for their dog and cat pets to stay there, along with limited medical, counseling and job placement services. Any homeless not residing within an Encampment shall be eligible to share the basic facilities of any Encampment (after waiting in line for those residents before them). Since residence will be voluntary, other "enticements" shall be offered to upgrade the Encampments. Residents shall receive "vouchers" for providing security, "helpful services" and self-governance. Each Council District shall oversee each Sanctuary, which is naturally subject to all LA City, County, State and Federal laws and regulations. In conjunction with the County and State, LA City will develop new mental health, drug and alcohol abuse centers to accommodate any homeless who seek treatment. (Passed 3-0-0 on 7/8/22)
 - e. Homelessness: MOTION (Mills/Ross) to recommend opposition to CF 21-1115 which added Section 56.15.3 to the Los Angeles Municipal Code to prohibit the assemble, disassembly, sale,

offer of sale, distribution, offer of distribution, or storage of bicycles and bicycle parts on public property (Passed 2-1-0 on 7/8/22)

- f. Outreach: Participation in National Night Out 8/2/22 at Northridge Park - Stephanie Mills
 - g. Planning: Update on previously considered or new/pending cases within NENC including but not limited to:
 - i. Proposed 50 foot wireless telecommunication facility at 18473 Devonshire St. (Case No. [ZA-2022-1310-CUW](#)) Applicant: Verizon (for information only at this time)
 - ii. PlanCheckNC monthly meeting report - website: <https://plancheckncla.com/>
 - iii. [Northridge Community Plan](#) update process is anticipated to begin in 2024
 - h. Planning: Pending citywide proposals and any updates (Valley Liaison: Ariel.Jones@lacity.org)
 - i. Proposed Processes and Procedures Ordinance (Case No. [CPC-2016-3182-CA](#); [CF 12-0460-S4](#)) [Fact Sheet](#); [Website](#); [Annotated Draft](#) CPC approved 4/6/21; City Council approved committee report 6/22/21; Ordinance pending.
 - ii. Citywide Sign Ordinance update (Case Number [CPC-2015-3059-CA](#); [CF 11-1705](#)) [Fact Sheet](#); City Planning Commission approved 2/25/21; pending in City Council Planning and Land Use Management Committee
 - iii. [Housing Element](#) of the General Plan ([CF 21-1230](#)) requiring rezoning to accommodate 255,432 more units citywide by October 2024. New [motion](#) introduced 3/25/22.
 - iv. [Draft Sustainability Guidelines for Developers](#) for NC Land Use Committee use - Dagort
 - i. Ad Hoc Dearborn Park: Dearborn Park does not allow reservations, weddings, amplified music, moonbounce jumpers, barbecues or alcohol but there have been many complaints of such activities related to unpermitted group events. - possible MOTION
 - j. Reports by other Committees listed above
11. NENC President, NC Liaisons, and NC Alliances/Coalitions Reports including, but not limited to:
- a. President's Report:
 - i. ADA inspection; Virtual/in-person/hybrid meetings - take [survey](#) by 7/22/22; BONC Work Group update
 - b. NC Liaisons Reports: Animal Services (Ross/Diamond); Data (Kaiser/Bailey); Emergency Preparedness; Film (Dagort); Homelessness (Zaroff/Aguirre/Lundquist/Diamond/Laird/ Ross); Public Works (Bailey); Purposeful Aging (Dwiggins); Resilience (Dwiggins/Lundquist) and approval of additional and/or replacement NENC Liaisons
 - c. NC Alliance and Coalition Reports: [Valley Alliance of NCs](#) (VANC), DWP MOU/Advocacy, [LA NC Coalition](#) (LANCC), [PlanCheckNC](#), NC Emergency Preparedness Alliance, [NC Sustainability Alliance](#), [West Valley Neighborhood Alliance on Homelessness](#) (WVNAH), NC Public Safety Chairs Alliance
 - i. Discussion and possible action: On July 14, 2022 VANC passed 24-0-1 a motion regarding the Northeast Valley Animal Shelter which included wording similar to the following:
The Northeast Valley Animal Shelter is a City facility built with Proposition F funds to be a municipal animal shelter, open to the public. It was not meant to be a private facility to house rescue organizations. Nevertheless, the Board of Animal Services Commissioners has issued an RFP (Request for Proposal) to do just that, lease the Northeast Valley Animal Shelter to rescue organizations to operate. The Board of Animal Services Commissioners and Animal Services Department did not provide an opportunity for the affected Neighborhood Councils to provide input into this decision. Therefore, the NENC recommends that the Department of Animals Services and the Los Angeles City Council request input from the affected Neighborhood Councils before releasing the Request for Proposal for rescue organizations to operate the Northeast Valley Animal Shelter.

[Consideration of the above item is dependent on a favorable response from a representative of the Mission Hills NC as the facility is located within its boundaries.]

12. Council Files (CF) and City Council Motions - Community Impact Statements (CIS) - Discussion and possible action:
 - a. [CF 20-0990](#) DONE and Civil + Human Rights, and Equity Department joint report, dated March 8, 2022, relative to implementing mandatory diversity, equity, inclusion, anti-bias, and gender expressions and gender training for all members of LA Neighborhood Councils.
 - b. [CF 21-1472](#) Motion (Raman - Krekorian - Martinez) relative to instructing the Chief Legislative Analyst, with assistance from the City Attorney and other departments, as needed, to report with options for a ballot measure for the November 2022 ballot, to amend the City Charter to create an Independent Redistricting Commission for the City.
13. Items from City Departments and Other Public Agencies - Discussion and possible action:
 - a. DONE: Monthly Update - all Board members need to review every month
 - b. DONE: Update on Bylaws Amendments (Board structure change approved by BONC on 6/20/22 and effective that date)
 - c. DONE: NC 2023 Elections Engagement Strategy Plan Town Hall held on 7/16/22 report
 - d. DONE: Digital Communications Policy trainings 7/28/22 & 8/31/22, 6:30 pm - [RSVP](#)
 - e. BONC: Proposed [revisions to Code of Conduct Policy dated 7/19/21, 12/20/21 DONE memo, links to supporting materials](#) and [red-lined 2/2/22 version](#) - update and possible MOTION
 - f. LAPD: Neighborhood Watch July 28, 2022 meeting, 6 pm via Zoom (tentative date)
 - g. LAPD: Valley Traffic Division Community Safety discussion usually second Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m. via [Zoom](#)
 - h. Northridge Vision did not meet in July; next virtual meeting 8/10/22, 2 pm
 - i. Aliso Canyon Disaster Health Research Study Community Advisory Group (CAG [website](#); LA County [website](#)) - Don Dwiggins/Phil Dagort and Cristina Vega (CAG meetings on hold)
14. Upcoming NC or NENC Co-sponsored Events: [Congress of Neighborhoods](#) 9/24/22
15. Public comments on non-agenda items within the NENC's subject matter jurisdiction (continued from item 7; up to two minutes per speaker)
16. Board Member announcements and requests for future agenda items/reconsideration of any motion
17. Adjournment (by 10:00 p.m.)
Next NENC Board regular meeting (third Wednesday): August 17, 2022, 7 pm.
Subsequent Board regular meetings: September 21, 2022 and October 19, 2022

All items on this agenda are considered possible action items, and a vote may be taken on any item listed on this agenda. A reasonable effort will be made to end the meeting by 10:00 pm; any items not discussed will likely be carried over to the next Board meeting.

Public Comments: The presiding officer will offer an opportunity for the public to comment on each agenda item before action is taken; click on Raise Hand on Zoom or if on the phone, enter *9 which prompted to do so. Comments from the public on matters relating to the Northridge community within the subject matter jurisdiction of the NENC, but not appearing on the Agenda, will be heard during the Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items which is limited to two minutes per speaker, unless waived by the presiding officer of the Board. Public comment cannot be required to be submitted in advance of the meeting, only real-time public comment is required. If there are any broadcasting interruptions that prevent the public from observing or hearing the meeting, the meeting must be recessed or adjourned. If members of the public are unable to provide public comment or be heard due to issues within the Neighborhood Council's control, the meeting must be recessed or adjourned.

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