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California

Executive Committee

Glenn Bailey — President Stephanie Mills — 1st VP Ken Ross — 2nd VP Sydney Thiroux — Secretary Judy Diamond — Treasurer



Board Members

Sean C. Laird

Barbara Nitkin

Vacant: Business/Employee; Resident (4)
Shefali Mistry — Appointed CSUN Faculty/Staff
Golden Bachelder — Appointed CSUN Student
(vacant) — Youth
Alternates: Christopher Meredith, Philip Dagort,
Garry Fordyce



Northridge East Neighborhood Council Making Northridge a Better Place to <u>Live</u>, <u>Work</u>, <u>Play</u> and <u>Learn</u>

Effective March 30, 2023 NENC Board meetings resumed being held in-person pursuant to the California Government Code and City of Los Angeles policies. However, Government Code Section 54953.8 (Chapter 605 effective October 8, 2023) authorizes Neighborhood Councils to use alternate teleconferencing provisions as specified.

Board Regular Meeting Agenda - Wednesday, December 20, 2023 - 7:00 p.m. Held Virtually via Zoom: https://zoom.us/j/92753645271

This meeting is being held using teleconferencing pursuant to California Government Code Section 54953.8(a)(2)(B) (Senate Bill 411 - Chapter 605, Statutes of 2023), the implementing action of the Los Angeles City Council (Council File 23-1114 approved on November 1, 2023), and the required two-thirds vote of the Northridge East Neighborhood Council Board on November 15, 2023 electing to use teleconferencing for some or all of its Board and/or Committee meetings.

Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on this agenda that are within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the State Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject on a future Board or Committee meeting agenda. General Public Comment is limited to two (2) minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the Board presiding officer.

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- 1. Start Recording, Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance and Welcome to Stakeholders; Introductory Comments (Public Comment, Refreshments, Recycling and Recusal Reminder)
- 2. Roll Call, Seating of Alternate(s), Determination of Quorum, Voting Eligibility (Ethics, Funding, Code of Conduct, Anti-Bias; New NC Board Member Code of Conduct Policy training will be required soon; view Board member training status at www.EmpowerLA.org/NENC), Abstentions="No"
 - a. Board member remote participation requests for this or any upcoming NENC meetings pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(f) (<u>AB 2449</u>). [NOTE: Disclosure of anyone age 18+ also present is required.] - possible MOTION

- 3. Notice of NENC Board Vacancies Four Resident seats (2027), one Business/Employee seat (2025) and one Youth seat (2025). 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 the Board. possible MOTION(s)
 - a. Seating of New Board Member(s) and/or Alternate(s)
- 4. Agenda Setting Meeting 12/11/2023 Participation: Bailey, Mills, Thiroux, Diamond
- 5. Approval of Minutes November 15, 2023 (pending) and any other earlier dates
 - a. Links to Zoom video recordings of Board meetings will be posted on NENC <u>Agendas and Minutes</u> webpage
- 6. Financial Item(s) Discussion and possible action:
 - a. Approval of November 2023 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) amount spent: \$454.91. (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. Executive: MOTION (Diamond/Mills) to recommend the purchase of a mobile hotspot not to exceed \$150 and the authorization of a [30 GB] monthly service plan not to exceed \$30 plus tax per month. (Passed 4-0-0 on 12/11/2023)
 - c. Executive: MOTION (Diamond/Mills) to recommend the purchase of a branded tablecloth for a four-foot table not to exceed \$300. Vendor: VistaPrint or similar. (Passed 4-0-0 on 12/11/2023)
- 7. Announcements/Presentations/Guest Speakers
 - a. Presentations on the Wilkinson Senior Center (8956 Vanalden Avenue, Northridge)
 - i. ONEgeneration Director Rhonda Bunnin (weekday services and programming)
 - ii. Recreation and Parks Recreation Facility Director Jonathan Sanchez (evenings and weekends)
 - b. Salute To Recreation Family Festival May 3, 4, and 5, 2024 Jonathan Sanchez
- 8. Public comments on non-agenda items within the NENC's subject matter jurisdiction (up to two minutes per speaker)
- 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 (TBA), City Attorney (Ayelet Feiman/Alin Sahagian), CD 12 (Myrka Martinez); LAUSD BD 3; County SD 3 (Mirna Ezquivel); State - SD 27 (Madeline Khoury), SD 20 "deferred" (Andrés Garcia), AD 40 (Uzoamaka Aniezue); Federal - CD 32 (Sean Regan)
 - a. CD 12: NENC priority locations for repair of street lights requested
- 10. Comments/Updates/Announcements by Representatives of City Departments such as LAPD/C-PAB), LAFD (Batt. Chief John Ignatczyk), DONE (NEA Octaviano Rios octaviano.rios@lacity.org), BONC (North Valley Commissioner Keren Waters) 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. DONE: MOTION to ratify NENC's previous Board action to recommend Glenn Bailey to serve as a panelist to sit on a Regional Grievance Panel; or alternatively, to recommend a different Board member.
 - b. CSUN reports and updates Shefali Mistry and Golden Bachelder
 - Orange Grove Bistro building demolition scheduled between 11/27/2023 to 1/15/2024
 - NC Budget Advocates: NCBA <u>December 2023 report</u>. Department meetings underway. NENC City budget and service priorities (Fiscal Year 2023-24 adopted Budget is posted at <u>CF 23-0600</u>); Budget Representatives (Glenn Bailey/Garry Fordyce). <u>www.budgetadvocates.org/</u>
- 11. Items from Previous Board Meetings
 - a. UPDATE: <u>CF 22-1196-S1</u> Independent Redistricting Commission / City Charter Amendment / Ballot Measure. On November 29, 2023 City Council approved, as amended, a Charter

Amendment to appear on the November 2024 Ballot. (NENC voted to support if amended on 9/20/23.)

- 12. Committee Reports Standing: Beautification (Baker/Bachelder); Education (Peterson); Executive (Bailey); Finance (Diamond); Homelessness (Ross); Outreach (Mills); Planning and Land Use (Diamond/Nitkin); Public Safety (Thiroux/Nitkin) and Sustainability (Bailey/Nitkin). Ad Hoc: Animal Welfare (Ross/Diamond); Bylaws (Bailey/Mills); Dearborn Park (Diamond/Nitkin); Van Nuys Airport (Nitkin/Diamond); Northridge Earthquake 30th Anniversary/Disaster Preparedness Town Hall (Bailey); Weed Abatement (Bachelder) Discussion and possible action:
 - a. Establishment of new Ad Hoc committees possible MOTION
 - b. Appointment of Committee Chairs or Co-Chairs by President subject to confirmation by Board
 - c. Approval of Committee members as requested by Committee Chair/Co-Chairs
 - d. Announcement of upcoming Committee meeting dates: Education 1/13/2024, 9 am; Executive 1/8/2024, 4:30 pm; Animal Welfare TBA (all dates/times subject to confirmation)
 - e. Education: MOTION (Meredith/Manchester) that the NENC Education Committee would like to transition to an online meeting format. (Passed 3-0-0 on 12/9/2023)
 - f. Executive: MOTION (Bailey/Diamond) to recommend that the NENC object to DONE's prohibition of holding hybrid meetings [of voting members] as they are not explicitly disallowed by <u>Senate Bill 411</u>. Community Impact Statements to be filed to CF <u>23-1114</u> and <u>23-1113</u>. (Passed 4-0-0 on 12/11/2023)
 - g. Executive: MOTION (Thiroux/Diamond) to recommend that the NENC support the installation of left turn signals on Plummer Street at Reseda Boulevard. (Passed 4-0-0 on 12/11/2023)
 - h. Executive: MOTION (Diamond/Mills) to recommend that the NENC participate or co-sponsor with other Neighborhood Councils Candidate Forum(s) for Council District 12 and or LAUSD District 3 during January/February 2024 prior to the March 5, 2024 Election. (Passed 4-0-0 on 12/11/2023) An amount of up to \$250 was suggested for the cost of flyers and refreshments.
 - i. Outreach: Salute To Recreation Family Festival May 4-5, 2024 NENC exhibitor booth
 - j. Public Safety: Neighborhood Watch meetings will resume in January 2024
 - k. Beautification: Clean-ups update including volunteer coordination by CD 12
 - I. Bylaws: First reading of proposed amendment(s) to NENC Bylaws
 - m. Dearborn Park update recent tree plantings
 - n. Planning: Update on new/pending or previously considered cases within/adjacent to NENC including but not limited to: (see Informational Items below)
 - o. Reports by other Committees listed in item 12 above
- 13. NENC President, Treasurer, NC Liaisons, and NC Alliances/Coalitions Reports including, but not limited to: (Discussion and possible action)
 - a. President's Report
 - Schedule of NENC Board meetings during 2024, including in-person or virtual MOTION
 - b. Treasurer's Report
 - c. NC Liaisons Reports and approval of additional and/or replacement NENC Liaisons
 - d. NC Alliance and Coalition Reports:
 - i. VANC 12/14/23 meeting featured LAPD Deputy Chief Alan Hamilton link to recording
- 14. Council Files (CF) and City Council Motions Community Impact Statements (CIS) Discussion and possible action:
 - a. <u>CF 22-1070</u> Department of Neighborhood Empowerment report, dated January 27, 2023, relative to viable options for the conduct of in-person, virtual, and/or hybrid NC meetings.

- b. <u>CF 22-1232</u> Motion (Koretz et al. Raman et al.) relative to requesting the City Attorney prepare and present documents necessary for a ballot measure based on the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Charter Reform Subcommittee and approved by the City Ethics Commission
- c. <u>CF 23-1422</u> Controller report, dated December 11, 2023, relative to an audit of the Los Angeles Police Department's Air Support Division. (helicopters) Request to participate in NC Town Hall on this issue has been received. - possible MOTION

15. Informational Items/Announcements

- a. CD 12: Weekly newsletter with community updates: https://cd12.org/
- b. Board of Neighborhood Commissioners upcoming meetings: 1/2/2024
- c. DONE: EmpowerLA Youth Conference 1/27/24, 9 am 4 pm; ages 14-17, apply by 12/18/23
- d. DONE: Bylaws Workshop held 10/5/23 and slides; Template; amendments due 4/1/24
- e. EMD: City of LA 2023 Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Community Hazard Awareness Survey
- f. LAFD: <u>Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)</u> class (Spanish only) will be held in Northridge on Tuesdays 1/9/2024 through 2/20/2024, 6:30 to 9:00 p.m.- <u>register</u>
- g. LAPD: Neighborhood Watch meetings via Zoom (see NENC <u>website</u> for details); there are four <u>Basic Cars/Senior Lead Officers</u> who cover portions of NENC: 17A95 (SLO Knopp), 17A67 (SLO Zamora), 17A35 (SLO Parker), and 17A49 (SLO Sellers) Email: <u>DevonshireSLO@lapd.online</u>
- h. LAPL Northridge Library: <u>upcoming events</u>
- i. Recreation and Parks: Board of Commissioners to meet 3/7/2024, 9 am in Sherman Oaks
- j. Northridge Vision met 11/8/2023; next virtual meeting 1/10/2024, 2 pm
- k. Aliso Canyon Disaster Health Research Study: <u>UCLA website</u>, including study overview, research timeline, and information about the study team is now live. Also, Environmental Health Research is a related non-profit organization; its <u>website</u> includes newsletter sign-up
- I. Planning: Update on previously considered or new/pending cases within/adjacent to NENC including but not limited to:
 - i. Notice of Proposed Demolition at 17312 Superior Street; Application No. 23019-20000-04139/B23VN14694. Applicant: Astra Woodcraft 818-606-9561
 - ii. Case No. <u>CPC-2021-6426-GPA</u> General Plan Amendment pursuant to LAMC Section 12.32E to reclassify Etiwanda Avenue between Halsted Street and Vincennes Street and Lindley Avenue between Halsted Street and the former Plummer Street from Collector to Local Street in the Mobility Element and as referenced in the Northridge Community Plan. (Both street segments are contained within the boundaries of the CSUN campus.) Public hearing was held on December 12, 2023 and the matter is tentatively scheduled for the City Planning Commission on 2/22/2024. [NENC voted 8-0-0 to support the request on 9/21/2021]
 - iii. Case No. ZA-2022-1310-CUW located at 18473 Devonshire St. Proposed 50 foot wireless telecommunication facility. Applicant: Verizon. Public hearing was held 8/15/2023; Hearing Notice (Board voted 12/21/22 to oppose project).
 - iv. Case No. ZA-2023-2542-CUB located at 18473 Devonshire St. to allow the sale of full-line alcohol beverages in conjunction with an existing mini mart/service station with hours of operation from 8:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m., daily. Public hearing was held 10/24/23; Hearing Notice. (NENC voted 7-1-1 to not support on 10/18/2023)
 - V. Case No. PAR-2023-4028-AHRF-ED1 located at 17829 Halsted St New construction of a 230 unit 100% affordable housing project, measuring 7-stories in height with a total residential floor area of 158,817 square feet. (Informational item no hearing date set yet)
 - vi. Northridge Community Plan update process is anticipated to begin in 2024
- m. Planning: Department liaisons email: Planning.Liaison@lacity.org.

- i. Update to the General Plan Housing Element for the period 2021-2029 (includes Council File 21-1230, and related CFs 21-1230-S1, 21-1230-S2 (Livable Cities Initiative), 21-1230-S3, 21-1230-S4 referred to Planning and Land Use Committee
- n. NC Liaisons Reports: Animal Services (Ross/Diamond); Data (Kaiser/Bailey); Emergency Preparedness; Film (Dagort); Homelessness (Diamond/Laird/Ross/Bachelder); Public Works (Bailey); Purposeful Aging (Thiroux); Resilience (Lundquist)
- o. NC Alliance and Coalition Reports: <u>Valley Alliance of NCs</u> (VANC) (next meeting 1/11/2024, 6:30 pm), <u>DWP MOU/Advocacy Committees</u> (next meeting 1/6/2024, 8:30 am), <u>LA NC Coalition</u> (LANCC) (next meeting 1/6/2024, 10 am), <u>PlanCheckNC</u> (next meeting 1/13/2024, 10 am), NC Emergency Preparedness Alliance (next meeting 12/23/2023, 10 am), <u>NC Sustainability Alliance</u> (next meeting 1/14/2024, 6:30 pm), NC Public Safety Chairs Alliance (next meeting TBD).
- p. Upcoming NC or NENC Co-sponsored Events: <u>NC Budget Day</u> 6/17/2024; <u>Congress of Neighborhoods</u> 9/28/2024
- 16. Public comments on non-agenda items within the NENC's subject matter jurisdiction (continued from item 8; up to two minutes per speaker)
- 17. Board Member announcements and requests for future agenda items/reconsideration of any motion
- 18. Adjournment (by 10:00 p.m.) Happy Holidays and Happy New Year!

 Next NENC Board regular meeting (third Wednesday): January 17, 2024, 7 pm

 Subsequent Board regular meetings: February 21, 2024 and March 20, 2024.

A reasonable effort will be made to end this meeting by the announced adjournment time; any items not discussed will be carried over to the next Board meeting, or referred to a committee.

Public Comments: The presiding officer will offer an opportunity for the public to comment on each agenda item before action is taken. Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. Comments from the public on matters under the Board's jurisdiction, but not appearing on the agenda, will be heard during Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items which is limited to two minutes per speaker, unless waived by the presiding officer. Alternatively, public comment may be emailed to info@NENC-LA.org at least four hours prior to the meeting starting time; include in the email Subject Line "Public Comment" and the agenda item number; such comments received timely will be read aloud (until time limit) during consideration of that agenda item.

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