



# NORTHRIDGE EAST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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



*Elected Executive Committee*

**Glenn Bailey – President**  
**Kelly Lord – 1<sup>st</sup> VP**  
**Don Dwiggin – 2<sup>nd</sup> VP**  
**Joseph Seoane – Treasurer**  
**Jay Draiman – Secretary**

*Elected Board Members*

**Nick Beer**                      **Nestor Fantini**  
**Roland Faucher**            **John Hardy**  
**Alice N. McCain**          **Nadine McNulty**  
**Carl Petersen**

*Appointed Board Members*

**Max Reyes - CSUN Faculty**  
**Vacant - CSUN Student**  
**Vacant - Youth**  
**Steve Patel, Bob Beaver - Alternates**

## Minutes of the NORTHRIDGE EAST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (NENC) GENERAL BOARD MEETING

**Wednesday, January 20, 2016 – 7:00 p.m.**

at the Northridge Women’s Club, 18401 Lassen St., Northridge, CA 91326

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### **1. Call to Order (President) and Pledge of Allegiance**

President Glenn Bailey called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Joseph Seoane.

### **2. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum**

Roll Call was taken by the Minutes Writer. Ten of the 15 Board Members were present at the beginning of the Meeting: Glenn Bailey, President; Kelly Lord, 1st Vice-President; Don Dwiggin, 2nd Vice-President; Joseph Seoane, Treasurer; Nestor Fantini; John Hardy; Alice McCain; Nadine McNulty; Carl Petersen; Max Reyes, Appointed CSUN Faculty/Staff. One Board Member arrived later: Nick Beer. Two Board Members were absent: Jay Draiman, Sec.; and Roland Faucher (both excused). The NENC quorum (the minimum number of Board Members needing to be present to take binding votes on Agendized Items) is eight, so the Board could take such votes. Thirteen of the 15 Board Seats were filled (by election or appointment). Two Board Seats were vacant (Appointed CSUN Student; and Appointed Youth). [To apply, see [www.NENC-LA.org](http://www.NENC-LA.org).] Also attending: approximately 22 Stakeholders and Guests.

a. Possible New CSUN Student Board Member

Mr. Bailey noted the Seat availability and described qualifications needed.

b. Possible Appointment To Fill Vacant Youth Board Member Seat (President)

Mr. Bailey noted the Seat availability and described qualifications needed.

**3. Voting Eligibility: Ethics, Funding, Code of Conduct Compliance**

Mr. Bailey noted that all present were eligible to vote and upcoming expirations of Ethics Trainings, Funding Trainings, and Code of Conduct compliance.

**4. Approval of Minutes – November 18, 2015 and December 16, 2015** (Secretary)

Mr. Bailey deferred this; the Board awaits those draft Minutes.

**5. Treasurer's Report** (Seoane)

a. Approval of December 2015 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) and Bank Statement

Mr. Seoane distributed and reviewed the NENC "Monthly Expenditure Report for: December."

**FUNDING MOTION** (by Mr. Seoane, seconded by Ms. McCain): The Northridge East Neighborhood Council approves its Monthly Expenditure Report for December 2015.

**FUNDING MOTION PASSED** unanimously by a roll call vote of the ten eligible voters present with all ten in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Bailey, Dwiggins, Fantini, Hardy, Lord, McCain, McNulty, Petersen, Reyes, Seoane); zero opposed; zero abstained.

**6. Agenda Setting Meeting 1/11/16 Participation: Bailey, Lord, Seoane, Dwiggins**

Mr. Bailey noted the above.

**7. Comments/Presentations from Public Officials/Departments/Agencies: Mayor, City Attorney, CD12, LAPD, LAFD, DONE, BONC, NC Budget Advocates, CSUN, LAUSD, LACCD, County, State, Federal**

a. LAPD Liaison to NENC Senior Lead Officer Efren Corral

Efren Coral, Senior Lead Officer, LAPD Devonshire Division (office 818-634-0579; 35472@LAPD.LACity.org; [http://www.LAPDonline.org/devonshire\\_community\\_police\\_station](http://www.LAPDonline.org/devonshire_community_police_station)), was not present and there was no report.

- b. DONE/EmpowerLA Elections: Region 2/NENC 4/9/15, 12 noon to 4 pm at Northridge Woman's Club and online voting; candidate filing now open through 2/9/16; stakeholder registration for online voting open now through 4/2/16 [http://empowerla.org/elections/New Independent Election Administrator \(IEA\)](http://empowerla.org/elections/New_Independent_Election_Administrator_(IEA)) – Molly Taylor

Ms. Taylor spoke about the above.

- c. CD 12/Mayor's Office: Goodwill Store (10170 Reseda Bl.) cleanup compliance update (City Attorney hearing 1/19/16)

Jonathan Coto, Field Deputy for L.A. City District 12 Councilman Mitch Englander (818-882-1212; [Jonathan.Coto@LACity.org](mailto:Jonathan.Coto@LACity.org); <http://CD12.LACity.org>), reported.

- d. CD 12/Mayor's Office: Gas Leak at Aliso Canyon Natural Gas Storage Facility (see CFs below)

See below Item #10. C.

- e. CD 12: Citrus Sunday (need NENC representative)

Mr. Bailey noted the above.

- f. Mayor: Mayor Garcetti Open House 1/27/16, 6 pm

Mr. Bailey noted the above.

- g. NC Budget Advocates: Service Report Card online survey results; meeting with CD 12

Mr. Bailey noted the above.

- h. El Nino preparedness: [www.EINinoLA.com](http://www.EINinoLA.com)

Mr. Bailey noted the above.

- i. Proposed LADWP rate increases:  
[http://www.myladwp.com/2016\\_2020\\_rate\\_request](http://www.myladwp.com/2016_2020_rate_request)

Mr. Bailey noted the above.

- j. Street Services: Small Asphalt Repair in NENC 2/8/16; Nominations due 2/1/16

Mr. Bailey noted the above.

k. Planning: Small Lot Subdivision Ordinance CPC20154499CA

Mr. Bailey requested and Mr. Beer agreed to Agendize the above for the Land Use Committee Meeting.

l. CSUN: Plummer Street Easement Vacation – Ken Rosenthal and Max Reyes

Mr. Reyes, CSUN Assistant Director of Community Relations, introduced Mr. Rosenthal, who reported and answered questions. A “Request for General Plan Amendment by [CSUN] Plummer Street Vacation” handout was distributed.

*Board Member Nick Beer arrived at this time of 8:18, making 11 Board Members present (the NENC quorum is eight).*

A Field Representative for State Assembly Matt Dababneh reported. Lydia Grant, BONC [L.A. Board of Neighborhood Commissioners] Commissioner (LydiaJeanGrant@gmail.com; cell 818.470.6629), reported.

**8. Public comments on nonagenda items**

Public comments were made.

**9. President’s Report (Bailey)**

a. NENC Administrative Assistants for Operations and Outreach; Minute Taker

Mr. Bailey introduced the new Minutes Writer.

b. Update on cleanup of sidewalks and parkways LA Conservation Corps NPG

Mr. Bailey noted the above.

c. Consideration of Establishment of Animal Welfare Committee (or similar)

Mr. Seoane volunteered. No Motion was made or vote taken.

d. Appointment of Committee Chair(s)

Mr. Bailey noted that none are needed at this time.

e. NPG for 8th Annual Senior Symposium (5/14/16) to ONEgeneration not to exceed \$750

**MOTION to REFER** (by Mr. Seoane): The Northridge East Neighborhood Council refers this Item to its Finance Committee..

**MOTION to REFER PASSED** with no opposition..

- f. City Attorney's reported restriction concerning NCs voting on NPGs for schools

Mr. Bailey read aloud from a City Attorney email that “[**GB CLARIFY: YOU WERE GOING TO PROVIDE THE WORDING.** \_\_\_] \_\_\_”. Mr. Petersen indicated that this will be Agendized for the Education Committee. Ms. Grant “will follow up on this.”

**10. New Council Files (CF) and City Council Motions Community Impact Statements (CIS)**

- a. CF 151311 City Controller's Audit of Development Impact Fees (referred to PLU Committee)

Mr. Beer will Agendize this for the Land Use Committee.

- b. CF 151543 Proposed Water Rate Ordinance

Mr. Bailey explained this and the opportunity to file a Community Impact Statement.

**MOTION** (by Mr. Dwiggin, seconded by Mr. Beer): The Northridge East Neighborhood Council supports the City Council File 151543 Proposed Water Rate Ordinance subject to assurances that the Department's increased revenue would not contribute to a transferring of surplus revenues to the City's General fund.

**DISCUSSION:** Comments were made in support and opposition.

**MOTION FAILED** by a hand vote of the eleven eligible voters present with three in favor; seven opposed; one abstained (Reyes).

**MOTION** (by Mr. Dwiggin, seconded by Mr. Beer): The Northridge East Neighborhood Council opposes the City Council File 151543 Proposed Water Rate Ordinance.

**DISCUSSION:** Comments were made in support and opposition.

**MOTION PASSED** by a hand vote of the eleven eligible voters present with seven in favor; two opposed; two abstained.

Mr. Bailey said the NENC “will a Community Impact Statement to that effect.”

- c. CF 151380S3 Aliso Canyon Gas Leak/Los Angeles County Assessor/Property Tax Relief

Mr. Bailey read aloud from the City Council File, noting that Northridge is included in the affected area. Mr. Coto clarified that Councilman Englander proposed Motions about the gas leak because of “many requests from Porter Ranch residents.” Mr. Lord requested and it was agreed to defer this Item to the next Board Meeting.

- d. CF 151380S4 Aliso Canyon Gas Leak/Office of Finance/Franchise Tax Board/Property Tax Relief

Mr. Bailey read aloud from the City Council File.

**MOTION** (by Mr. Beer, seconded by Mr. Petersen): The Northridge East Neighborhood Council supports the City Council File 151380S4 Aliso Canyon Gas Leak/Office of Finance/Franchise Tax Board/Property Tax Relief.

**DISCUSSION:** Belief was expressed that this is premature.

**MOTION PASSED** by a hand vote of the eleven eligible voters present with eight in favor; two opposed; one abstained (Reyes).

**11. Committee Reports – Standing: Education; Environment; Executive; Finance; Outreach; Planning and Land Use; and Public Safety. Ad Hoc: Bylaws; 2016 Election; Goodwill Store; and Joint CSUN Parking.**

- a. Approval of Committee members: Education; Environment; Finance; Outreach; Planning & Land Use; Public Safety. Ad Hoc: Bylaws; CSUN Parking; Election; Goodwill Store.

Mr. Bailey reported that the following are no longer on Committees: Education - April Munoz; and Planning and Land Use – Ted Rozan and Estelle Goldman.

**MOTION** (by Mr. Bailey, seconded by Mr. Seoane): The Northridge East Neighborhood Council ratifies that April Munoz no longer is on its Education Committee; and Ted Rozan and Eselle Goldman are no longer on its Planning and Land Use Committee.

**MOTION PASSED** by a hand vote of the eleven eligible voters present with nine in favor; two abstained.

- b. Education: Upcoming meeting announcement (Petersen)

Mr. Peterson reported that the Committee will meet February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

- c. Environment: NC Sustainability Alliance update (Dwiggins)

Mr. Dwiggins explained the Alliance.

- d. Environment: Urban Agriculture Incentive Zones Act (AB 551) update (Dwiggins)

Mr. Dwiggins reported that the Act is “in process.”

- e. Outreach: NationBuilder update (Dwiggins and Bailey)

Mr. Bailey reported that he and Mr. Dwiggins attended a meeting; registered voters with email addresses will be uploaded to the NENC for Election outreach.

- f. Public Safety: Neighborhood Watch signs installation update (Faucher)

Mr. Faucher reported that “70 of 100 [Neighborhood Watch] signs have been installed” and that Mr. Faucher “will be working to get the remaining signs up.”

- g. Finance: MOTION to authorize funding for necessary Devonshire House Guest House improvements not to exceed \$10,000 on the condition that the City/Council District 12 has created an account/fund for this purpose by March 31, 2016. (Board postponed on 11/18/15 and 12/16/15)

Mr. Seoane requested and it was agreed to TABLE this to the next Board Meeting.

- h. Election/Outreach: Outreach Plan for NENC 2016 Election

Mr. Bailey indicated that there was no report.

*Board Members Nestor Fantini, Kelly Lord and Alice McCain left at this time of 9:32, making eight Board Members present (the NENC quorum is eight).*

- i. Planning: Proposed mixed use development (approximately 7,500 SF commercial space and 128 student housing units with a minimum of 205 parking spaces) at 953446 Reseda Bl. (Symphony Development) CPC20153702ZCSPRV (pending)

Mr. Beer reported that the Committee will further consider this.

- j. Outreach: NENC Social Media Policy

Mr. Bailey requested and it was agreed to TABLE this to the next Board Meeting.

- k. Other Committee Reports (listed above)

Mr. Bailey requested and it was agreed to TABLE this to the next Board Meeting.

**12. Northridge Vision report (1/20/16); next meeting 2/17/16, 2 pm (NorthridgeVision2025.org)**

Mr. Bailey requested and it was agreed to TABLE this to the next Board Meeting.

**13. Financial Items**

- a. Revision of FY 201516 Budget Category and SubCategory Amounts

Mr. Bailey requested and it was agreed to TABLE this to the next Board Meeting.

- b. Approval of 201516 Budget Package: Strategic Plan; Self Assessment

Mr. Bailey requested and it was agreed to TABLE this to the next Board Meeting.

- c. Approval of Equipment Inventory

Mr. Bailey requested and it was agreed to TABLE this to the next Board Meeting.

**14. Upcoming NC or NENC Cosponsored Events**

- a. Valley Alliance of NCs Anniversary Mixer 3/10/16

Mr. Bailey noted the above.

- b. Congress of Neighborhoods 9/24/16

Mr. Bailey noted the above.

**15. Alliance and Coalition Reports: VANC, LANCC, PlanCheckNC, DWP MOU, NC Sustainability Alliance, Emergency Preparedness Alliance**

Mr. Bailey requested and it was agreed to TABLE this to the next Board Meeting.

**16. Public comments on nonagenda items**

There were no comments at this time.

**17. Adjournment, next NENC regular Board meeting: Wednesday, Feb. 17, 2016**

The Meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 9:39 p.m.

*The first paragraph of some Items, Motions/Resolutions and other wording may have been directly copied from the Agenda.*