

Northridge East Neighborhood Council Board Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, April 19, 2017

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by President Glenn Bailey; the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Roland Faucher. There were approximately 16 stakeholders in attendance.
2. Roll Call: Present: Glenn Bailey, YJ Draiman (*arrived at 7:15 p.m.), Don Dwiggins, Roland Faucher, Diedra Greenaway, Eric Leiter, Stephanie Mills, Carl Petersen, Joe Seoane, Ari Shapess, and Francesca Vega.
Absent: Nick Beer (excused), Jeremy Mauritzen, and Nadine McNulty.
Determination of Quorum: 10 (*11 later) Board Members present (8 required)
Voting Eligibility (Ethics, Funding, Code of Conduct Compliance): All Board members present were in full compliance except Ethics expiration date has lapsed for Francesca Vega. Eric Leiter is under age 18 and is not eligible to vote on Funding items. Abstentions act as a “no” vote per the NENC Bylaws.
3. Agenda Setting Meeting April 14, 2017 participants were Bailey, Dwiggins, Draiman.
4. Approval of Minutes: MOTION (Faucher/Dwiggins) to approve January 18, 2017 Board meeting minutes. Passed 8-0-1 (Abstain: Petersen; Ineligible: Vega)
MOTION (Mills/Faucher) to approve February 15, 2017 Board meeting minutes. Passed 9-0-0 (Ineligible: Vega). MOTION (Dwiggins/Mills) to approve March 15, 2017 Board meeting minutes. Passed 8-0-1 (Ineligible: Vega).
5. Treasurer’s Report: In the absence of the Treasurer, MOTION (Seoane/Dwiggins) to acknowledge receipt by the Board of the March 2017 Bank Statement. Passed 8-0-0 (Ineligible: Leiter, Vega).

(*YJ Draiman arrived at 7:15 p.m.)

6. Annual Election of Board Officers: For President, Glenn Bailey was nominated (Petersen/Faucher) and there were no other nominations; Bailey was elected 10-0-0 (Ineligible: Vega). For 1st Vice-President, Don Dwiggins was nominated (Mills) and there were no other nominations; Dwiggins was elected 10-0-0 (Ineligible: Vega). For 2nd Vice-President, Joe Seoane was nominated (Faucher) and there were no other nominations; Seoane was elected 10-0-0 (Ineligible: Vega). For Secretary, Stephanie Mills was nominated (Faucher) and there were no other nominations; Mills was elected 10-0-0 (Ineligible: Vega). For Treasurer, Nick Beer was nominated (Dwiggins) and there were no other nominations; Beer was elected 10-0-0 (Ineligible: Vega).

7. Comments/Presentations from Public Officials/Departments/Agencies:
LAPD: Richard Fisk and Roland Faucher gave a public safety update.

(YJ Draiman left at 7:30 p.m.)

CSUN: Francesca Vega announced CSUN’s new Assistant Director of Government and Community Relations, Rafael De La Rosa, will begin May 2, 2017.

LAUSD: Ankur Patel gave various updates including archery program at Northridge Academy HS, Education Roundtables, and efforts making it easier to use school facilities.

CD 12: Jessie Strobel reported on a City Council motion (CF 17-0255) regarding solar carports at LAPD facilities. Another motion concerns “knock-knock” burglaries \$50,000 reward (CF 17-0010-S16). CD 12 is taking submissions for an art show with a nostalgic Valley locations theme which are due May 9; the open house will be held May 18, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

- a. Mayor: Proposed Fiscal Year 2017-18 Budget to be released by the Mayor tomorrow. (CF 17-0600)
- b. CD 12: Planning 101: City Planning Process Explained will be held April 22, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. to noon at Porter Ranch Community School.
- c. CD 12: Conversations With Councils will be held April 26, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in Chatsworth. Several Board members indicated they would be attending.
- d. CD 12: MOTION (Faucher/Seoane) to approve a NPG to Valley Relics Museum for Annual Senior Dance and Social to be held on June 2, 2017 at Northridge Park for an amount of \$1,000. Passed 8-0-0 (Ineligible: Leiter, Vega)
- e. CD 12: MOTION (Faucher/Dwiggins) to nominate Pat LoPresti as Outstanding Senior from the Northridge East Neighborhood Council. Passed 9-0-0 (Ineligible: Vega)
- f. MOTION (Faucher/Dwiggins) for Diane Sheets to be a secondary nomination for Outstanding Senior from the Northridge East Neighborhood Council. Passed 9-0-0 (Ineligible: Vega)
- g. NC Budget Advocates: MOTION (Bailey/Seoane) to appoint Diedra Greenaway and Glenn Bailey as the two Northridge East NC Fiscal Year 2017-18 Budget Representatives and Don Dwiggins as an alternate Budget Representative. Passed 9-0-0 (Ineligible: Vega)
- h. Northridge Vision April 12, 2017 was attended by Glenn Bailey and Don Dwiggins. The next meeting will be held on May 10, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.
- i. LADWP: Consideration of renewing the [DWP Memorandum of Understanding](#) was deferred to next month’s meeting.
- j. Metro: Relocation of Northridge Metrolink Station community meeting will be held on May 4, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

8. Presentations/Public Hearing/Possible Action

- a. A brief overview of the CSUN proposed hotel on the site of the Orange Grove Bistro was presented by Ken Rosenthal, CSUN Associate Vice President, Facilities Development and Operations. The hotel will be a “higher end” facility built on 2.75 acres, with 148 rooms (five floors, height 58 feet) with on-site parking. The project will necessitate the removal of six to twelve orange trees. The letter of intent with the developer is being finalized within the next week. Questions included the length of the ground lease, the dollar amount, and any traffic study. CSU Fullerton has a Marriott and UC Davis has a Hyatt Place. The project will be considered by the CSU Board of Trustees in January 2018. CSUN will be holding a community meeting on Wednesday, May 10, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. featuring a more detailed presentation by the developer, architect, and hotel operator for which flyers were distributed.

- b. LADWP [Customer Bill of Rights](#): Following an opportunity for additional input from stakeholders, MOTION (Seoane/Dwiggins) to submit comments received to date to the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (Board of Water and Power Commissioners). Passed 9-0-0 (Ineligible: Vega)
 - c. LADWP Class Action lawsuit settlement and claims (Jones v. City of LA, Case No. BC577267) was discussed.
 - d. Proposed 2,240 SF Starbucks at 9900 Balboa Blvd. at Lassen St. (at northeast corner which is within the boundaries of the North Hills West NC) with hours of operation 4:00 a.m. until 12:00 a.m. and a pole sign (Case No. ZA-2016-2587-CU). No representative was present and the item was deferred.
9. Public comments on non-agenda item were made by Richard Fisk (Granada Hills Charter High School achievements) and Glen Wilson (various community clean-ups).
10. NENC President and Liaison Reports:
- a. President's Report for April 2017 was made by Glenn Bailey.
 - i. The recommended DASH service adjustments, including the Northridge DASH service to CSUN, reportedly will be submitted to the Mayor's office soon.
 - ii. The Valley Disaster Preparedness Fair will not be held at Fire Station 87 this year and alternate venues are being considered. CSUN may be an option and Francesca Vega offered to follow up with the event organizers.
 - iii. Congressman Brad Sherman will hold a Valley Town Hall on April 22, 2017, 2:00 p.m. at Reseda High School.
 - iv. The Senior Symposium, of which NENC is one of the co-sponsors, will be held on Saturday, May 20, 2017 and registration is open.
 - b. No appointment to fill vacant Business Owner or Employee seat was made. Mike Kaiser, who may be interested in applying for this seat, introduced himself.
 - c. Liaison Reports: Animal Services - Joe Seoane attended April 17, 2017 Liaison meeting and will report next month; Emergency Preparedness next meeting April 29, 2017 will be attended by Joe Seoane; Homelessness (Greenaway) - Homelessness Civic U April 22, 2017 site visit will be attended by Diedra Greenaway with the final session to be held on May 1, 2017 and the next Liaison meeting will be held May 31, 2017. A March 27, 2017 Second Valley Homelessness Forum hosted by Granada Hills South NC was attended by almost 100 persons.
11. Committee Reports – Standing: Education (Petersen); Environment (Dwiggins); Executive (Bailey); Finance (Beer); Outreach (Dwiggins/Bailey); Planning and Land Use (Beer); and Public Safety (Faucher). Ad Hoc: Bylaws (Bailey); Joint CSUN Parking; Goodwill Store.
- a. There were no changes in Committee members requested or considered.
 - b. Education: MOTION (Petersen/Seoane) to co-sponsor a Traffic and Pedestrian Safety Forum with the Friends of Northridge Academy High School. We will also attempt to include representation from CSUN. City and LAUSD officials will be invited. The goal is to hold this event by the end of the school year. Following discussion, including the need for a traffic signal, passed 9-0-0 (Ineligible: Vega)

- c. Education: MOTION (Petersen/Faucher) to authorize up to \$250 for outreach expenses and refreshments for Traffic and Pedestrian Safety Forum. Vendor: Smart & Final or similar. Passed 8-0-0 (Ineligible: Leiter, Vega)
- d. Executive: MOTION (Bailey/Dwiggins) to approve Resolution on Timing of the NC 2020 Elections, option to extend current Board terms up in 2018 by one year and conduct elections in 2019. Passed 6-3-0 (No: Shapess, Leiter, Petersen; Ineligible: Vega)
- e. Planning: Zone change/variance to allow continued use of 475 existing apartments at 9500 Zelzah Ave. (CPC-2017-430) Applicant: Compass Meridian Pointe, LLC (previously referred to PLU Committee)
- f. Planning: Preliminary parcel map to create four single family lots at 17355 Lassen St. (AA-2017-719-PMLA) Applicant: Done Rite Construction, Inc. (previously referred to PLU Committee)
- g. Public Safety: Town Hall (unlicensed sober living and transitional housing) held on March 30, 2017 was well attended and report was given by Stephanie Mills.
- h. Bylaws: MOTION (Seoane/Dwiggins) to adopt Northridge East NC Standing Rules required by NENC Bylaws as distributed, including a Board vote requirement to establish and amend same. Passed 9-0-0 (Ineligible: Vega)

(Francesca Vega left at 9:15 p.m.)

- i. Bylaws: MOTION (Seoane/Faucher) to amend the Northridge East NC Bylaws concerning Property Owner Board Member (Article V, Section 1E) as recommended by the Ad Hoc Bylaws Committee. Passed 9-0-0
 MOTION (Seoane/Dwiggins) to amend the Northridge East NC Bylaws increasing the Youth Board Member age from 18 to 21 (Article V, Section 1G) as recommended by the Ad Hoc Bylaws Committee. Passed 9-0-0
 MOTION (Seoane/Dwiggins) to amend the Northridge East NC Bylaws by changing Board terms to four year staggered terms (Article V, Section 4) as recommended by the Ad Hoc Bylaws Committee. Passed 9-0-0.
 MOTION (Faucher/Seoane) to amend the Northridge East NC Bylaws concerning establishing other Standing Committees (Article VII, Section 1) as recommended by the Ad Hoc Bylaws Committee. Passed 9-0-0
- j. Bylaws: MOTION (Dwiggins/Bailey) to ratify previous Bylaws amendments concerning Alternate eligibility (Article V, Section 1H) approved August 30, 2016, lowering Stakeholder voting age to 16 (Article X, Section 3 and Attachment B) approved on March 15, 2017 and any amendments approved on April 19, 2017 (above item). Passed 9-0-0
- k. No other Committee reports were given.

12. New Council Files (CF) and City Council Motions - Community Impact Statements (CIS)

- a. [CF 14-1378](#) Urban Agriculture Incentive Zones / Ordinance (NENC supported “in concept” 10/19/16) No action taken since City Council has already acted on this item.
- b. [CF 17-0042](#) Ban on Developer Campaign Contributions / City Elected Officials and Candidates MOTION (Seoane/Faucher) to support, including concern about independent expenditures. Passed 8-0-1 (Abstain: Greenaway)

- c. [CF 17-0225](#) Non-emergency / Phone-based Customer Service Systems / Los Angeles Police Department / Standard Procedures / In and Out of Service MOTION (Faucher/Seoane) to support, including inquiry how this is being funded. Passed 9-0-0
- d. [CF 17-0255](#) Solar Shade Structures / Parking Lots / Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) Facilities / Feasibility MOTION (Faucher/Petersen) to support. Passed 9-0-0
- e. [CF 14-1150-S1](#) Code Amendment / Unapproved Dwelling Units / Proposed Ordinance was erroneously agendized and not considered.
- f. [CF 17-0300](#) President's Fiscal Year 2018 Budget Outline / Report Estimates Impact to Program, Project and Service MOTION (Seoane/Mills) to support. Passed 8-0-1 (Abstain: Faucher)
- g. [CF 17-0309](#) Freeway Pollution / Public Health Hazards MOTION (Dwiggins/Mills) to support. Passed 9-0-0

13. Financial Items: None considered.

14. Alliance and Coalition Reports: None given.

15. The upcoming NC or NENC co-sponsored events, the Senior Symposium on May 20, 2017, Budget Day on June 24, 2017, Congress of Neighborhoods on September 9, 2017, and the 10th Annual Valley Disaster Preparedness Fair October 7, 2017, were noted.

16. There were no additional public comments nor any requests for reconsideration of any motions.

17. MOTION (Faucher/Leiter) to adjourn. Passed 9-0-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:41 p.m.

(The next NENC Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 17, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.)

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn Bailey

APPROVED: 9-0-0 on May 17, 2017