

**Northridge East Neighborhood Council
Board Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, December 19, 2018**

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Glenn Bailey at the Northridge Woman's Club, 18401 Lassen Street in Northridge; the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Stephanie Mills. Approximately 24 stakeholders and visitors were in attendance.
2. Roll Call: Present: Glenn Bailey, Don Dwiggin, Tracy Johnson, Mike Kaiser, Loraine Lundquist (arrived 7:13 p.m.), Stephanie Mills, Carl Petersen, Ari Shapess and Alternate Roland Faucher.
Absent: Adam Brown (excused), Philip Dagort (excused), Rafael De La Rosa (excused), YJ Draiman, and Alternate Joseph Seoane (excused).
Determination of Quorum: 8 (then 10) Board Members present (8 required)
Voting Eligibility (Ethics, Funding, Code of Conduct Compliance): All Board members present were in full compliance. Abstentions act as a "no" vote per the NENC Bylaws.

(Loraine Lundquist arrived at 7:13 p.m.)

- a. President Bailey appointed Ken Ross to the vacant Property Owner seat. Mr. Ross introduced himself. MOTION (Faucher/Johnson) to approve the appointment of Ken Ross as a Property Owner Board member. Passed 9-0-0. The NC Pledge was administered by Jessie Strobel of Council District 12. Mr. Ross has signed the Code of Conduct but has not completed the Funding or Ethics trainings so is ineligible to vote on funding items.
3. Agenda Setting meeting December 12, 2018 participants were Bailey, Dwiggin, Kaiser and Mills.
4. Approval of minutes was not considered.
5. Treasurer's Report and Financial Items
 - a. Treasurer Mike Kaiser reviewed the November 2018 Monthly Expenditure Report which indicated monthly expenditures of \$596.06 and a remaining balance of \$38,642.56 as of the end of the month. MOTION (Kaiser/Dwiggin) to approve the NENC November 2018 Monthly Expenditure Report. Passed 9-0-0 with 1 ineligible (Ross)
 - b. Executive: MOTION (Kaiser/Mills) to approve of 25th Anniversary of Northridge Earthquake/Preparedness Town Hall January 17, 2019 budget as follows: facility rental \$210; printing \$200; advertisement \$250; equipment rental \$500; refreshments \$300; miscellaneous \$40 for a total of \$1,500 previously authorized. Passed 9-0-0 with 1 ineligible (Ross)
6. Special Presentations
 - a. Oakridge Estate Park update was given by Pat LoPresti of The Friends of Oakridge.
 - i. MOTION (Dwiggin/Lundquist) to support [CF 06-0676-S3](#) 18650 Devonshire Street / Oakridge Estate Residence / Roof Replacement / Council District 12 / Funding Source. Use of Quimby funds was discussed. Passed 9-1-0 (No: Johnson)
 - b. MOTION (Lundquist/Petersen) to oppose proposed speed limit increase to 45 miles per hour on Reseda Boulevard between Devonshire and Rinaldi Streets ([CF 17-1183](#) and [CF 15-1006](#)). Following public comment, passed 10-0-0
 - c. "Mobility Bill of Rights" was presented by Stephen Box of the Bike Writers Collective. MOTION (Lundquist/Johnson) to support the values and ideals expressed in the Mobility

Bill of Rights. Following public comment, passed 10-0-0. The NENC's position will be sent to the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) and a NENC representative will attend the January 5, 2019 LANCC meeting.

- d. LANCC December 1, 2018 anti-road diet proposal response: MOTION (Kaiser/Lundquist) that the NENC supports appropriate traffic calming measures to protect vulnerable road users while enhancing traffic flow in all neighborhoods throughout the City of Los Angeles. Following public comment, passed 10-0-0

At this time item 10c was considered out of order.

Public Safety: Roland Faucher reported 82 of the NENC Neighborhood Watch Yard Signs are left. Crime reports are down in Devonshire Division.

(Roland Faucher left at this time.)

- 7. Public comments on non-agenda items were made by Mike Benedetto on his candidacy for Council District 12, Joe Kozul on a traffic signal to be installed soon at the Zelzah and Superior intersection, Barbara Nitkin on Dearborn Park problems, Joe Suh of the U.S. Small Business Administration, and David Meza of SoCalGas on partnering with LADWP to conserve natural gas.

(Mike Kaiser went to the building lobby at this time and did not return until 9:23 p.m.)

- 8. Comments/Presentations from Public Officials/Departments/Agencies:

CD 12: Jessie Strobel reported on a new short term rental ordinance.

DONE: Jasmine Elbarbary reported there is a Department of Cannabis regulations and licenses Frequently Asked Questions document.

Congressional District 30: Noah Sachartoff announced Congressman Sherman will hold a Town Hall on January 19, 2019, 2:00 p.m. at Chatsworth High School.

- a. CD 12: Special Election to be held on Tuesday, June 4, 2019, and a Special Runoff Election to be held, if necessary, on Tuesday, August 13, 2019, for the purpose of filling the prospective vacancy in the Twelfth District of the Los Angeles City Council for the portion of the unexpired term remaining through December 13, 2020. ([CF 19-1300](#)) City Council adopted 12/12/18 and it was announced the Mayor approved today.
- b. CD 12: City Council motion appointing Greig Smith, pursuant to Charter 409 (a), to fill any vacancy that may occur in the year 2019 as the Councilmember for the 12th District until such time as a new councilmember is elected by a vote of the people to hold that Office for the remainder of the unexpired term. MOTION (Johnson/Mills) to support [Council File 18-1225](#) as described above provided appointee is neutral as to all candidates. Passed 7-0-1 (Abstain: Lundquist) (Mike Kaiser was out of the room and did not vote.)
- c. BONC: EmpowerLA and NC Civic Engagement LA Vanguard Awards [nominations](#) are due February 1, 2019.
- d. DONE: NC and Community Groups Holiday Outreach Gathering held on December 10, 2018 was attended by Glenn Bailey; distributed election posters are on display at the Northridge Library and Northridge Recreation Center. Homelessness Resource Fair is scheduled for March 2, 2019.
- e. City Clerk Election Division: Region 2 Election Date is Saturday May 4, 2019. The [NC 2019 Election Handbook](#) has been finalized.

- i. MOTION (Mills/Bailey) to approve of the NENC 2019 Election Ballot Voting Model revisions made by the City Clerk. Passed 8-0-0 (Mike Kaiser was out of the room and did not vote.)
- ii. Polling Place update: Northridge Park Devonshire House or Child Care Building being considered by the City Clerk. NENC previously voted for the Northridge Recreation Center building as its second choice to the Northridge Woman's Club.
- iii. Candidate Filing may be done [online](#) as of January 19, 2019 (first day) through February 19, 2019 (last day).
- f. City Clerk NC Funding Program
 - i. NC Funding Roundtable will be held on Saturday, January 12, 2019, 10:00 a.m., 18118 Sherman Way, Reseda. Kaiser and Bailey plan on attending.
 - ii. Website services proposal draft contract is still pending.
- g. Northridge Vision December 12, 2018 meeting held at held at Oakridge Estate which included a house and grounds tour was attended by Bailey, Dagort, and De La Rosa; next meeting will be held on January 9, 2019, 2:00 p.m. at Council District 12 office.
- h. Metro: [North San Fernando Valley Bus Rapid Transit Project](#) - no update.
- i. CSUN updates - Tracy Johnson reported on Fall 2018 semester work with CSUN Journalism students (Agency 398/JOUR 398 B&C) who have been working on public relations for the NENC; the Matador Volunteer Center may be assisting the community with homelessness efforts.
- j. NC Budget Advocates [City Services Report Card](#) is due January 5, 2019 and may be accessed from their website <http://ncbala.com/>

9. NENC President and Liaison Reports:

- a. President's Report
 - i. No Board members volunteered to fill the vacancy of optional Alternate Signer.
 - ii. NC System Reforms ([CF 18-0467](#)) recommendations of Health, Education, and Neighborhood Councils Committee were distributed and will be considered by City Council in January 2019.
 - iii. LA County [Vote Center Placement Project](#) (1,000 new Vote Centers in lieu of 5,000 existing Polling Places) - [schedule of community meetings](#) being held through January 2019 including on January 9, 2019, 7:00 p.m. in Canoga Park and January 19, 2019 2:00 p.m. in Reseda were announced.
- b. Liaison Reports: A Homelessness Resource Fair will be held on March 3, 2019; Purposeful Aging Town Hall held on November 29, 2018 was attended by Glenn Bailey who indicated that audio recordings and handouts will be posted on the LANCC website.
- c. NC Liasons: MOTION (Bailey/Lundquist) to appoint Ken Ross as an NENC Animal Services Liaison. Passed 8-0-0 (Mike Kaiser was out of the room and did not vote.)

(Mike Kaiser returned to the meeting at 9:23 p.m.)

10. Committee Reports – Standing: Education (Petersen); Environment/Sustainability (Dwiggins/Kaiser); Executive (Bailey); Finance (Kaiser/Bailey); Homelessness (Lundquist/Mills); Outreach (Dwiggins/Mills); Planning and Land Use (Dagort/TBD); and Public Safety (Faucher).
Ad Hoc: Bylaws, Joint CSUN Parking; Election (Mills); Goodwill Store.

- a. Approval of Committee members: MOTION (Mills/Lundquist) to appoint Ken Ross to the Public Safety Committee, to change Adam Brown to an Alternate member of the Education Committee, and to change Diedra Greenaway as an Alternate member of the Homelessness Committee. Passed 9-0-0
- b. President Bailey appointed Ken Ross as Co-Chair of Public Safety Committee. MOTION (Mills/Dwiggins) to confirm the appointment of Ken Ross as Co-Chair of the Public Safety Committee. Passed 9-0-0
- c. Public Safety Committee report was previously considered.
- d. Executive: MOTION (Kaiser/Mills) that NENC Board Candidate Forum be set in conjunction with April 17, 2019 Board meeting. Passed 9-0-0
- e. Education: Recommends (Petersen/Kozul; 3-0-0 on 12/12/18) passage of the motion in [Council File 14-1553-S2](#) Safe Storage of Handguns Ordinance/Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) / Notification Program with an amendment making it clear that every parent should be asked to sign the acknowledgment that they understand the gun safety information and that they should not be asked to divulge if they own a gun. A directory of low/no cost gun safety training programs should also be included with the District's information packet. [City Council adopted 11/27/18, Mayor approved 12/10/18] This item was deferred to the January 2019 meeting.
- f. Education: MOTION (Petersen/Lundquist) that the NENC Board send a letter to LAUSD Board Member Scott Schmerelson stressing the importance of Education Roundtables and requesting that he schedule these meetings on a regular basis. Passed 9-0-0
- g. Homelessness: MOTION (Johnson/Lundquist) to support [Council File 14-1057-S6](#) (Vehicle Lodging Pass Program) if amended to identify and expand Safe Parking sites. Passed 9-0-0
- h. Homelessness: MOTION (Mills/Johnson) to support [Council File 17-1121](#) (Clean Streets LA Initiative) if amended to model the pilot program from the existing, successful Clean Streets, Clean Starts program and with consideration to ensure protections are in place for this vulnerable population. Passed 9-0-0
- i. Planning: The following planning cases were noted:
 - i. Design Review Board: New patio and canopy at restaurant located at 17068 Devonshire St. (Case No. [DIR-2018-840-DRB-SPP](#))
 - ii. Proposed telecommunication facility (12 antennas in faux church steeple) located at 18420 Kinzie St. (Case No. [ZA-2018-2947-CUW](#)) Applicant: Verizon Wireless. The hearing will be held on January 7, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.
 - iii. Proposed telecommunication facility (monopine in chain link enclosure) located at 17700 Plummer St. (Case No. [ZA-2018-4022-CUW](#)) Applicant: Sprint
- j. Planning: Pending citywide proposals were noted:
 - i. Restaurant Beverage Program [Draft Ordinance](#) (Case No. CPC-2018-4660-CA) - would create an administrative clearance process for certain types of restaurants to serve alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption subject to a standard set of limitations and requirements; [FAQ](#). A second public [hearing will be held on January 31, 2019](#), 6:30 pm, Braude Building in Van Nuys.

- ii. Accessory Dwelling Unit [Proposed Ordinance](#) (CPC-2016-4345-CA) - would allow a second unit on a lot with a single-family home; [FAQ](#); [Supplemental Report](#) was considered by the City Planning Commission on November 29, 2018.
 - k. No other Committee reports were made.
11. New Council Files (CF) and City Council Motions - Community Impact Statements (CIS)
- a. [CF 16-0585-S2](#) Trap and Release / Coyote Management Plan was previously referred to Environment Committee.
 - b. [CF 15-0499-S1](#) City Tree and Biodiversity Efforts was previously referred to Environment Committee.
 - c. [CF 18-1046](#) Subpoena Power / City Attorney / Enforce Consumer Protection Laws was not considered.
12. Alliance and Coalition reports: none noted.
13. The upcoming NC or NENC co-sponsored events, the Valley Alliance of NCs (VANC) Anniversary Mixer March 14, 2019 and NC Budget Day on June 29, 2019 were announced.
14. No additional public comment was provided and there were no requests for reconsideration.
15. MOTION (Dwiggins/Johnson) to adjourn. Passed 9-0-0 Meeting adjourned at 9:52 p.m.

(The next NENC Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 16, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.)

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn Bailey

APPROVED: 8-0-0 on January 16, 2019