

Northridge East Neighborhood Council
Board Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, March 20, 2019

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 20 stakeholders and visitors were in attendance.
2. Roll Call: Present: Glenn Bailey, Philip Dagort, Rafael De La Rosa, Tracy Johnson, Mike Kaiser, Loraine Lundquist, Stephanie Mills, Carl Petersen, Ken Ross, and Ari Shapess. Absent: Adam Brown, Don Dwiggin (excused), YJ Draiman, and Alternate Joseph Seoane. Determination of Quorum: 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.
3. Agenda Setting meeting March 11, 2019 participants were Bailey, Kaiser and Mills.
4. Approval of minutes was not considered.
5. Treasurer's Report and Financial Items
 - a. Treasurer Mike Kaiser reviewed the February 2018 Monthly Expenditure Report which indicated monthly expenditures of \$1,149.10 and a remaining balance of \$33,848.80 as of the end of the month. MOTION (Kaiser/De La Rosa) to approve the NENC February 2018 Monthly Expenditure Report. Passed 10-0-0
 - b. Executive: Following a presentation by Marcy Orkin of the Friends of the Northridge Library and Mandy Nasr, Northridge Branch Librarian and discussion, MOTION (Kaiser/Mills) to approve the Neighborhood Purposes Grant to the Friends of the Northridge Library for the purchase of Smart Table and chairs for teen study area and library materials in the amount of \$2,900. Passed 10-0-0
6. Special Presentations
 - a. Pending LADOT People St. special cycle applications:
 - i. Decorative crosswalk Reseda/Nordhoff intersection - Jessica Romo of Strength United did not attend meeting.
 - ii. Crosswalk Mural Initiative at Reseda/Devonshire intersection - presentation by Sarah Chang of The MARY Project was deferred until later in the meeting.
 - b. Dockless On-Demand Scooters - no company representative was in attendance. At this time item 10i(ii) was considered out of order. Proposed telecommunication facility (monopine in chain link enclosure) located at 17700 Plummer St. (Case No. ZA-2018-4022-CUW) Applicant: Sprint. The applicant will be making a presentation at the next meeting on April 17, 2019. Nearby residents Michael Bray, Renee Gordon, and Jim Connelly spoke in opposition to the installation and reported of the 75 homes within 500 feet of the location, 42 representatives are opposed and three are in favor. The March 4, 2019 hearing was reportedly continued until May 24, 2019.
7. Public comments on non-agenda items were made by Jay Beeber regarding his candidacy for Council District 12.
8. Comments/Presentations from Public Officials/Departments/Agencies:

AD 45: Nikki Perez introduced herself as the new field representative for Assemblymember Jesse Gabriel.

CD 12: Myrka Martinez reported on no-trespassing enforcement procedure for private property, the Conversations With Councils event held on February 25, community recognition nominations, and the planter irrigation system at Plummer Street and Hayvenhurst Avenue (southwest corner), which is under the purview of Public Works Office of Community Beautification.

DONE: Jasmine Elbarbary reported on Resilience Plan template will be released soon with a submittal deadline of December 2019, upcoming NENC election on May 4, Congress of Neighborhoods, and bus bench ads.

- a. CD 12: Conversations with Councils and Community recognition nomination were previously mentioned.
- b. DONE: Homelessness Resource Fair new date is April 20, 2019 and will be held at Grand Park, Los Angeles.
- c. DONE: Congress of Neighborhoods 2019 Theme Survey may have already concluded.
- d. BONC: EmpowerLA and NC Civic Engagement LA Vanguard Awards Dinner will be held on March 28, 2019. RSVPs are required.
- e. City Clerk Election Division: Region 2, which includes NENC, Election Date is Saturday, May 4, 2019.
 - i. NENC candidates are listed on the City Clerk's website.
 - ii. Polling Place will be at the Northridge Park Child Care Center
 - iii. NENC Candidate Forum will be held on April 17, 2019 at approximately 8:00 or 8:15 p.m. following the Board meeting. Jasmine Elbarbary agreed to be the moderator.
- f. City Clerk NC Funding Program
 - i. Website services proposal draft contract is still pending.

(Ken Ross left the meeting at 8:21 p.m. and was in the lobby).

- g. LAPD: State of the Valley Bureau Community Town Hall will be held on March 27, 2019, 6:00 p.m. at AGBU Manoogian Demirdjian School, 6844 Oakdale Ave, Winnetka.
- h. Northridge Vision meeting was held on March 13, 2019 and featured a CSUN campus projects update; next meeting will be held on April 10, 2019, 2:00 p.m. at CSUN.
- i. Metro: North San Fernando Valley Bus Rapid Transit Project community meetings are planned for early summer of 2019.
- j. CSUN updates - Rafael De La Rosa reported the baseball project Mitigated Negative Declaration should be released by the end of March/beginning of April. The hotel project has a signed agreement and is proceeding as a 150 room, four story Hilton Garden Inn with the ground breaking in late Spring/early Summer. Parking structures now have digital signs indicating number of spaces available. Tracy Johnson reported on a parking app and that there are no more Lime bikes on campus as of yesterday. It will cost \$300,000 to bring DASH bus to campus and Associated Students is planning a Council District 12 Candidate Forum.

(Ken Ross returned to the meeting at 8:36 p.m.)

- k. NC Budget Advocates - Met with Mayor Garcetti on March 14, 2019 and presented the 2019 White Paper; NENC has received its copy; NCBA West Valley Town Hall is

scheduled for March 31, 2019, 1:30 p.m. at the West Valley Regional Library; details for both items are on NCBA website <http://ncbala.com/>

Item 6a(ii) Crosswalk Mural Initiative at Reseda/Devonshire intersection was considered at this time. Sarah Chang of The MARY Project presented the proposed decorative crosswalk mural design and answered questions. It is a pilot program and there is a one year maintenance requirement.

9. NENC President, NC Liaisons, and NC Alliances/Coalitions Reports:

a. President's Report

- i. No appointments were made to fill At-Large, Business/Employee, or two vacant Alternate seats.
- ii. Valley Alliance of NCs (VANC) 16th Anniversary Mixer March 14, 2019 was a successful event with over 200 attendees including several from NENC.
- iii. Oakridge Park proposed visitor signage is proceeding with estimates and the preparation of Neighborhood Purposes Grant Applications to Northridge NCs.
- iv. MOTION (Johnson/Kaiser) for the NENC to co-sponsor a Council District 12 Candidate Forum with the Community Integration Services and to authorize up to \$100 for related expenses. Passed 10-0-0

b. Liaison Reports: A Homelessness Resource Fair will be held on April 20, 2019.

c. NC Liaisons: No additional or replacement NENC Liaison(s) were appointed.

d. NC Alliance and Coalition Reports:

- i. West Valley Neighborhood Alliance on Homelessness Information Fair will be held March 30, 2019, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at Chatsworth Charter High School co-sponsored by the Chatsworth Kiwanis. WVNAH website is <http://www.wvnah.org/>
 - ii. LANCC Request for support of City Attorney's Blue Ribbon Panel on School Safety's final report with 33 recommendations was referred to the NENC Education Education for a recommendation to be considered at next month's meeting.
- e. MOTION (Lundquist/Johnson) to authorize use of NENC property and equipment such as portable sound system, pop-up canopy, folding table/chairs, projector, portable screen, or countdown timer for use at NC Alliance or individual NC meetings or events if request approved in advance by the NENC Executive Committee or the NENC President. Passed 10-0-0

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); and Public Safety (Faucher/Ross).
Ad Hoc: Bylaws, Joint CSUN Parking; Election (Mills); Goodwill Store.

- a. Approval of Committee members: MOTION (Bailey/Kaiser) to remove Roland Faucher, per his request, from the Planning and Land Use and the Public Safety Committees. Passed 9-0-0 (Rafael De La Rosa was out of the room)
- b. With the resignation and removal of Roland Faucher as a member of the Public Safety Committee it was understood without objection that Ken Ross is now the Chair of the Public Safety Committee.

- c. Public Safety: NENC Neighborhood Watch Yard Signs project needs a coordinator; 170 signs have been placed. Representation at all four Neighborhood Watch meetings covering portions of NENC was requested. LAPD Community-Police Advisory Board (C-PAB) update was given by Richard Fisk who commented on crime, traffic, residential knock-knock burglaries and new Devonshire Captain Katie Burns. C-PAB has 30 members. There a \$224,000 study to realign 168 Basic Cars citywide. He announced three upcoming S.O.L.I.D. events which will benefit Devonshire Division, including the annual pancake breakfast on April 27.
- d. Education: MOTION (Petersen/Johnson) that the NENC provide an amount not to exceed \$150 for refreshments and materials for the roundtable discussion to be hosted in April 2019 by the NENC Education Committee in conjunction with a special meeting called for that purpose. Passed 10-0-0
- e. Environment: MOTION (Kaiser/Johnson) that NENC support Council File 18-0131 concerning Zero Emissions Maintenance Equipment Pilot / City Parks and Golf Courses motion introduced February 14, 2018 and submit a Community Impact Statement in favor. Passed 10-0-0
- f. Environment: MOTION (Kaiser/Mills) as amended after reconsideration, that NENC oppose Council File 16-0585-S2 concerning Trap and Release / Coyote Management Plan motion introduced October 3, 2018 and submit a Community Impact Statement. Passed 8-1-1 (No: Johnson; Abstain: Ross)
- g. Environment: MOTION (Kaiser/Johnson) that NENC support Council File 15-0499-S1 concerning City Tree and Biodiversity Efforts motion introduced October 17, 2018 and submit a Community Impact Statement in favor. Passed 10-0-0
- h. Executive: MOTION (Kaiser/Mills) to authorize NENC Election outreach postcard mailing to stakeholders not to exceed \$6,000. Possible vendors: C&M Printing, Copying, Mailing; AM Direct; or similar. Passed 10-0-0
- i. Planning: Update on previously considered or new/pending 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 (monopine in chain link enclosure) located at 17700 Plummer St. (Case No. ZA-2018-4022-CUW) Applicant: Sprint. Public hearing was held March 4, 2019. Item was considered earlier in the meeting.
 - iii. Proposed demolition of home at 17218 Devonshire St. (Application No. 18019-20000-06386/B18VN22156) Applicant: Art Barsegian 818-409-8921
- j. Planning: Pending citywide proposals
 - i. Restaurant Beverage Program Draft Ordinance (Case No. CPC-2018-4660-CA) (see also CF 17-0981) - 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. Phil Dagort distributed and read a written report which was discussed. MOTION: (Dagort/Ross) that the NENC oppose the Restaurant Beverage Program Draft Ordinance in its current form. Passed 10-0-0

- k. No other Committee reports were made.
- 11. New Council Files (CF) and City Council Motions - Community Impact Statements (CIS)
 - a. CF 18-1046 Subpoena Power / City Attorney / Enforce Consumer Protection Laws was not considered.
 - b. CF 14-0268-S13 Tenant Harassment / Ordinance (motion and report) was not considered.
- 12. Upcoming NC or NENC Co-sponsored Events: Budget Day June 29, 2019 and Congress of Neighborhoods September 28, 2019 were announced.
- 13. There were no Board Member announcements nor requests for future agenda items.
- 14. No additional public comment was provided and there were no requests for reconsideration.
- 15. MOTION (Johnson/Lundquist) to adjourn. Passed 10-0-0 Meeting adjourned at 10:06 p.m.

(The next NENC Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 17, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.)

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn Bailey

APPROVED: 11-0-0 on April 17, 2019