



Northridge East Neighborhood Council

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**NENC Board Meeting
 Draft Minutes
 July 17, 2024
 7:08PM-10:12PM**

Zoom Virtual Meeting
 Meeting Access Information:
<https://zoom.us/j/92753645271>
 Meeting ID: 927 5364 5271
 Password: no password required
 Toll Free number 888-475-44999

Boardmember	Roll Call	Funding Vote Eligible*	Category
Glenn Bailey President	Present	Yes	At Large Stakeholder
Judy Diamond Treasurer	Present	Yes	At Large Stakeholder
Sean Laird	Absent /Excused	Yes	Resident Boardmember
Stephanie Mills 1 st Vice President	Absent /Excused	Yes	Property Owner
Shefali Mistry	Present	Yes	CSUN Faculty
Barbara Nitkin	Present	Yes	Resident Boardmember
Ken Ross 2 nd Vice President	Present	Yes	Property Owner
Keiry Saravia	Present	No	CSUN Student Body
Sydney Thiroux Secretary	Absent	Yes	Resident Boardmember
Christopher Meredith	Present	Yes	Alternate 1
Philip Dagort	Absent /Excused	Yes	Alternate 2
Garry Fordyce	Present	Yes	Alternate 3
Vacant			Resident Boardmember
Vacant			Resident Boardmember
Vacant			Resident Boardmember
Vacant			Resident Boardmember
Vacant			Business Owner or Employee
Vacant			Youth
TOTAL: 09 +03 Alternates	PRESENT 06- Absent 03 + Alternate-02 Absent 01 at Roll Call		

1. Start Recording, Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance and Welcome to Stakeholders; Introductory Comments (audio/visual participation and recusal reminders; **The recording was started and the meeting was called to order at 7:08PM. by President Glenn Bailey. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Christopher Meredith. Boardmembers were reminded about potential conflicts of interest and reminded to contact the City Attorney. Mr. Bailey explained how to make comments on the agenda items. All Boardmembers were eligible to vote.**
2. Roll Call, Seating of Alternate(s), Determination of Quorum, Voting Eligibility (Ethics, Funding, Code of Conduct, Anti-Bias, Gender Expression and Gender Identity; view Board member training status at www.EmpowerLA.org/NENC); Abstentions="No" **Keiry Saravia was not able to vote on funding.**

NENC ITEM: 2 Roll Call		
Present-06+ 02 Alternates	Absent-01	Excused-02+1 Alternate
Bailey, Diamond, Mistry, Nitkin, Ross, Saravia, Alternates: Fordyce, Meredith	Thiroux	Laird, Mills Alternate: Dagort

Christopher Meredith was seated in the vacant Resident Seat

Garry Fordyce was seated for the vacant Business Owner or Employee Seat

- a. Board member remote participation requests for this or any upcoming NENC meetings pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(f) ([AB 2449](#)). [NOTE: If applicable, disclosure of anyone age 18+ also present is required.] - possible MOTION- **No Request**
- 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)-**Reviewed**
- 4. Agenda Setting Meeting 7/8/2024 Participation: Bailey, Mills, Thiroux, Ross -**Reviewed**
- 5. Approval of Minutes – June 19, 2024 and any other earlier dates

Public Comment: No comment

Motion: Passed

NENC ITEM 5. Motion to approve the June 19, 2024 Meeting Minutes				
Moved: Diamond Second: Meredith				
Yes-08	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-00	Absent-04
Bailey, Diamond, Mistry, Nitkin, Ross, Alternates: Fordyce, Meredith, Saravia	None	None	None	Laird, Mills, Thiroux, Alternate: Dagort

- a. Links to Zoom recordings of Board meetings are posted on NENC [Agendas and Minutes webpage](#)
- 6. Financial Item(s) - Discussion and possible action:
 - a. Approval of June 2024 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) - amount spent: \$1,405.00 (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/>)

Public Comment: No comment

Motion: Passed

NENC ITEM 6a. Motion to approve the June 2024 Monthly Expenditure Report				
Moved: Diamond Second: Fordyce				
Yes-07	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-01	Absent-04
Bailey, Diamond, Mistry, Nitkin, Ross, Alternates: Fordyce, Meredith	None	None	Saravia	Laird, Mills, Thiroux, Alternate: Dagort

- b. MOTION to re-authorize up to \$1,200 for additional bus bench ads to be spent from the NENC’s Fiscal Year 2024-2025 allocation. Vendor: InSite Street Media [NOTE: Invoice for 12 bus bench signs is \$1,152.00.] (Previously approved by a Board vote of 10-0-0 on May 15, 2024.)

Public Comment: No comment

Motion: Passed

NENC ITEM 6b. Motion to approve up to \$1,200 for additional bus bench ads to be spent from the NENC’s Fiscal Year 2024-2025 allocation. Vendor: InSite Street Media (NOTE: Invoice for 12 bus bench signs is \$1,152.00.)				
Moved: Fordyce Second: Diamond				
Yes-08	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-01	Absent-04
Bailey, Diamond, Mistry, Nitkin, Ross, Alternates: Fordyce, Meredith	None	None	Saravia	Laird, Mills, Thiroux, Alternate: Dagort

- c. MOTION to re-authorize up to \$4,000 for the purchase of outreach items (dog bag dispensers, reusable aluminum cups and cord wraps) to be spent from the NENC’s Fiscal Year 2024-2025 allocation. Vendors: 4imprint; Brava Marketing Promotions; and ePromos (respectively). (Previously approved by a Board vote of 9-0-0 on March 20, 2024.)

Public Comment: No comment

Motion: Passed

NENC ITEM 6c. Motion to approve the May 15, 2024 Meeting Minutes				
Moved: Diamond Second: Fordyce				
Yes-07	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-01	Absent-04
Bailey, Diamond, Mistry, Nitkin, Ross, Alternates: Fordyce, Meredith	None	None	Saravia	Laird, Mills, Thiroux, Alternate: Dagort

7. Announcements/Presentations/Guest Speakers

- a. **Musa Khan, Election Administrator, Neighborhood Council Elections Section, Office of the City Clerk** to provide an overview of the upcoming 2025 Neighborhood Council Elections (invited). The NC Elections will be all Vote-By-Mail and the [Election Day](#) for Region 2, which includes NENC, is May 20, 2025. [Regional timelines](#) and further details are in the [2025 Neighborhood Council Election Handbook](#) Seats open in 2025 are: *At-Large (1); *Property Owner (1); *Resident (3); **Business Owner and Employee (1) and **Youth (1). *Four-year terms. **Two-year terms. - **Presentation Rescheduled**
- b. **Got mosquitoes?** Visit the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District [website](#) to submit a service request. For more information, attend the [World Mosquito Day](#) virtual event on Tuesday, August 20, 2024, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. - [REGISTER](#) -**Reviewed**
- c. **Got Household Hazardous Waste?** Drop it off at the North Valley [S.A.F.E. \(Solvents/Automotive/Flammables/Electronics\) Center](#) collection site, 10241 Balboa Boulevard, Northridge, open every weekend 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for residents to drop off their household hazardous waste and electronic waste. -**Reviewed**

8. Public comments on non-agenda items within the NENC’s subject matter jurisdiction – **No Public Comments**

- 9. Comments/Reports from Representatives of Public Officials (please email report in advance of meeting)
 - a. [CD 12 Myrka Martinez](#)-The City Council approved the City Budget in May, it resulted in 2,000 positions being cut. The Meet the Horses Event at Oakridge Park was a success. DWP is proposing an increase on sewer rates. Dearborn Park has a broken Basketball Hoop. The RFP (Request for Proposal) for Stoney Point Ranch is due on September 17, 2024. The Rapid Response Team has

picked up over 4,000 items. Tuesday August 6,2024 is National Night Out. The event will be held at Northridge Recreation Center. Sing 2 will be the movie shown.

- b. CD 12: Conversations with Councils-scheduled for 8/5/2024 with DONE GM Carmen Chang- **Conversations with Councils will be on August 5, 2024. The speaker will be Carmen Chang, The Department Manager for the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment.**

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 and BONC updates-**Octaviano Rios was not in attendance**
 - i. BONC North Valley NC Summit is scheduled for Saturday September 21, 2024, 9 am to 12 pm in Granada Hills. Mayor Bass is expected to attend. RSVP required.-**Reviewed**
 - ii. [Revised Code of Conduct](#) and new Gender Expression/Gender Identity trainings deadline was extended to 7/1/2024
 - 1. NC Board member training compliance, including Cornerstone portal – discussion-**Reviewed**
- b. CSUN reports and updates - Shefali Mistry and Keiry Saravia
 - i. Introduction of new Assistant Director of Government and Community Relations: **Ashleigh Larson was introduced by Shefali Mistry. Ms. Larson is a local resident. She has worked at CSUN since 2018. This will be the last meeting for Shefali Mistry. Keiry Saravia mentioned CSUN Movie Nights on Thursdays. Information is available on the NENC Website**
 - ii. [Associated Students](#) update
 - iii. Proposed Valley United Soccer Club lease of North Campus property- **Reviewed**
- c. NC Budget Advocates: NCBA Monthly [Report to NC](#) (posted once released). New Fiscal Year 2024-25 Budget Council File is [CF 24-0600](#). NENC City budget and service priorities. Budget Representatives (Glenn Bailey/Garry Fordyce). -**Reviewed** www.budgetadvocates.org/

11. Committee Reports - Standing: Beautification (Baker/Bachelor); 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); NC Election; NENC 20th Anniversary; Van Nuys Airport (Nitkin/Diamond); Weed Abatement (Bachelor) - Discussion and possible action:

- a. Establishment of new and/or dissolution of existing Ad Hoc committees-**No Reports**
 - i. Executive: MOTION (Mills/Bailey) to merge the Beautification Committee and the Ad Hoc Weed Abatement Committee into a new Beautification and Weed Abatement Committee (Passed 4-0-0 on 7/8/2024)

Public Comment: No comment

Motion: Passed

NENC ITEM 11a. Motion to merge the Beautification Committee and the Ad Hoc Weed Abatement Committee into a new Beautification and Weed Abatement Committee				
Moved: Diamond Second: Bailey				
Yes-08	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-00	Absent-04
Bailey, Diamond, Mistry, Nitkin, Ross, Saravia Alternates: Fordyce, Meredith	None	None	None	Laird, Mills, Thiroux, Alternate: Dagort

Appointment of Committee Chairs or Co-Chairs by President subject to confirmation by Board

Public Comment: No comment

Motion: Passed

NENC ITEM 11b. Motion to approve Glenn Bailey and Stephanie Mills as the Co-Chairs of the new Beautification and Weed Abatement Committee				
Moved: Meredith Second: Diamond				
Yes-08	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-00	Absent-04
Bailey, Diamond, Mistry, Nitkin, Ross, Saravia Alternates: Fordyce, Meredith	None	None	None	Laird, Mills, Thiroux, Alternate: Dagort

- c. Approval of Committee members as requested by Committee Chair/Co-Chairs -**No Action Taken**
- d. Announcement of upcoming Committee meeting dates: Education 8/10/2024, 9 am; Executive 8/12/2024, 4:30 pm (all dates/times subject to confirmation)-**Reviewed**

Stephanie Mills joined the meeting at 9:50PM

- e. Executive: MOTION (Mills/Bailey) to approve NENC participation in National Night Out at Northridge Park on August 6, 2024 (Passed 4-0-0 on 7/8/2024). [and to authorize up to \$150 for printing, candy and similar event expenses.]

Public Comment: No comment

Motion: Passed

NENC ITEM 11e. Motion to approve NENC participation in National Night Out at Northridge Park on August 6, 2024 (Passed 4-0-0 on 7/8/2024). [and to authorize up to \$150 for printing, candy and similar event expenses.]				
Moved: Meredith Second: Diamond				
Yes-08	No-00	Abstain-01	Ineligible-00	Absent-03
Bailey, Diamond, Mills, Mistry, Nitkin, Ross, Alternates: Fordyce, Meredith	None	Saravia	None	Laird, Thiroux, Alternate: Dagort

- f. Executive: MOTION (Mills/Thiroux) that the NENC participate in the Granada Hills Street Faire on October 19, 2024 with an exhibit space at a cost of up to \$600. (Passed 4-0-0 on 7/8/2024)

Public Comment: No comment

Motion: Passed

NENC ITEM 11f. Motion to approve that the NENC participate in the Granada Hills Street Faire on October 19, 2024 with an exhibit space at a cost of up to \$600. [NENC requests that all NC and DONE/EmpowerLA (if present) exhibit spaces be located together.]				
Moved: Executive Committee Second: Fordyce				
Yes-08	No-00	Abstain-01	Ineligible-00	Absent-03
Bailey, Diamond, Mistry, Mills, Nitkin, Ross, Alternates: Fordyce, Meredith	None	Saravia	None	Laird, Thiroux, Alternate: Dagort

- g. Outreach: Update on Northridge West NC Community Art Faire at Northridge Park tentatively scheduled for Sunday, October 27, 2024 (or alternatively, October 13, 2024)- **Reviewed**
- h. Executive: Order of Board voting (roll call)? - could be added to Standing Rules? (postponed from 6/19/2024 Board meeting)

Motion to move Executive Board members to the end of roll call in backwards order of position with the President being last.

Public Comment: No comment

Motion: Passed

NENC ITEM 11f. Motion to approve changing the order in which roll and vote counts are called Moved: Ross Second: Fordyce				
Yes-04	No-05	Abstain-01	Ineligible-00	Absent-03
Diamond, Ross, Alternates: Fordyce	Meredith Mills, Mistry, Nitkin, Saravia	Bailey	None	Laird, Thiroux, Alternate: Dagort

- i. Beautification: Halsted Street west of Lindley Avenue - follow up items-**Reviewed**
- j. Public Safety: Neighborhood Watch meetings- **Reviewed**
- k. Dearborn Park Update-**Reviewed**
- l. Planning: Update on new/pending or previously considered cases within/adjacent to NENC including but not limited to: (see Informational Items below)-**No Reports**
- m. Reports by other Committees listed in item 11 above-**No Reports**

12. NENC President, Treasurer, NC Liaisons, and NC Alliances/Coalitions Reports including, but not limited to: (Discussion and possible action)

- a. President’s Report-**The NENC Election will be on May 20,2024 and will be only Vote by Mail.**
 - i. DONE GM Carmen Chang North Valley NC Listening Session 8/12/2024- **Reviewed**
- b. Treasurer’s Report-**Reviewed**
- c. NC Liaisons Reports and approval of additional and/or replacement NENC Liaisons-**No Report**
- d. NC Alliance and Coalition Reports:
 - i. VANC 7/11/2024 meeting featured new DONE General Manager Carmen Chang and more - [link to recordings webpage](#) **Reviewed**

13. Council Files (CF) and City Council Motions - Community Impact Statements (CIS) - Discussion and possible action:

- a. [CF 24-0602](#) Motion (Blumenfield - Yaroslavsky, Hernandez) relative to instructing the Chief Legislative Analyst to report relative to policies and recommendations to transition away from future use of synthetic turf or artificial grass.

Public Comment: No comment

Motion: Passed

NENC ITEM 13. Motion relative to (CF 24-0602 instructing the Chief Legislative Analyst to report relative to policies and recommendations to transition away from future use of synthetic turf or artificial grass. Moved: Diamond Second: Fordyce				
Yes-08	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-00	Absent-03
Bailey, Diamond, Mills, Mistry, Nitkin, Ross, Saravia Alternates: Fordyce, Meredith	None	None	None	Laird, Thiroux, Alternate: Dagort

14. Informational Items/Announcements -**No Action Taken on Item 14 (a-n)**

- a. CD 12: Weekly newsletter with community updates: <https://cd12.org/>
- b. Board of Neighborhood Commissioners recent [7/15/2024](#) and [upcoming meetings](#)
- c. City Clerk Election Unit: NC Elections in 2025 will be held Vote By Mail only; Region 2 Election Day will be Tuesday, May 20, 2025 (postmark deadline to return Ballots)

- d. LAFD: [Community Emergency Response Team \(CERT\)](#) classes
 - e. LAPD: Neighborhood Watch meetings via Zoom (see NENC [website](#) for details); there are four [Basic Cars/Senior Lead Officers](#) who cover portions of NENC: 17A95 (SLO Knopp), 17A67 (SLO Zamora), 17A35 (SLO Parker), and 17A49 (SLO Sellers) - Email: DevonshireSLO@lapd.online
 - f. LAPL Northridge Library: [upcoming events](#)
 - g. Recreation and Parks: [Board of Commissioners upcoming meetings](#); next Valley meeting 8/1/2024
 - h. Northridge Vision met 6/12/2024; next virtual meeting 8/14/2024, 2 pm (no meeting in July)
 - i. Aliso Canyon Disaster Health Research Study: [UCLA website](#), 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 [website](#) includes newsletter sign-up
 - j. Planning: Update on previously considered or new/pending cases within/adjacent to NENC including but not limited to:
 - i. Case No. [PAR-2023-4028-AHRF-ED1](#) located at 17829 Halsted St - New construction of a 230 (255?) 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) [NOTE: Related [article posted by Urbanize LA on 3/11/2024](#)]
 - ii. [Northridge Community Plan](#) update process is anticipated to begin in 2024.
 - k. Planning: Department liaisons email: Planning.Liaison@lacity.org.
 - i. [Proposed Landscape and Site Design Ordinance](#) - **public hearing July 31, 2024**
 - l. NC Liaisons Reports: Animal Services (Ross/Diamond); Data (Kaiser/Bailey); Emergency Preparedness; Film (Dagort); Homelessness (Diamond/Laird/Ross); Public Works (Bailey); Purposeful Aging (Thiroux); Resilience (Lundquist)
 - m. –NC Alliance and Coalition Meetings/Reports: [Valley Alliance of NCs](#) (VANC) (next meeting 8/8/2024, 6:30 pm), [DWP MOU/Advocacy Committees](#) (next meeting 8/3/2024, 8:30 am), [LA NC Coalition](#) (LANCC) (next meeting 8/3/2024, 10 am), [PlanCheckNC](#) (next meeting 8/10/2024, 10 am), NC Emergency Preparedness Alliance (next meeting 7/27/2024, 10 am), [NC Sustainability Alliance](#) (next meeting 8/11/2024, 6:30 pm), NC Public Safety Chairs Alliance (next meeting TBA).
 - n. Upcoming NC or NENC Co-sponsored Events: [Congress of Neighborhoods](#) 9/28/2024
15. Public comments on non-agenda items within the NENC’s subject matter jurisdiction (continued from item 8; up to two minutes per speaker)
- a. **Lionel Mares-spoke about the upcoming Board of Supervisors meeting**
16. Board Member announcements and requests for future agenda items/reconsideration of any motion -**The Board members thanked Ms. Mistry for her service and wished her well.**
17. Adjournment (by 10:00 p.m.) **The meeting was adjourned at 10:12PM**

Next NENC Board regular meeting (third Wednesday): August 21, 2024, 7 pm (virtual)

Subsequent Board regular meetings: September 18, 2024 (in-person) and October 16, 2024 (virtual)