



Northridge East Neighborhood Council

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**NENC Board Meeting
 Draft Minutes
 October 16, 2024
 7:10PM-10:18PM**

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	Excused	Yes	Resident Boardmember
Ashleigh Larson	Present	Yes	CSUN Faculty
Stephanie Mills 1 st Vice President	Present	Yes	Property Owner
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	Excused	Yes	Resident Boardmember
Christopher Meredith	Absent	Yes	Alternate 1
Philip Dagort	Resigned	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 +02 Alternates	PRESENT 07-Absent 02+ Alternate-01 Absent-01 Resigned 01		

1. Start Recording, Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance and Welcome to Stakeholders; Introductory Comments (audio/visual participation and recusal reminders; public comment) **The recording was started and the meeting was called to order by President Bailey at 7:10PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was postponed.**
2. Roll Call, Seating of Alternate(s) [NOTE: **Philip Dagort resigned as Alternate 2 and Garry Fordyce has assumed his seat, leaving the Alternate 3 position vacant**], Roll was called by Minute Taker Grant. Determination of Quorum, **Quorum of eight was reached.** 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 is ineligible to vote. Alternate Fordyce was seated in the Business Owner or Employee Seat.**

NENC ITEM: 2 Roll Call		
Present-07+ 01 Alternates	Absent-01	Excused-02
Bailey, Diamond, Larson, Mills, Nitkin, Ross, Saravia Alternate: Fordyce	Alternate: Meredith	Laird, Thiroux

- 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 Action Taken**

**Christopher Meredith joined the meeting at 7:16PM
Mr. Meredith was seated in a vacant Resident Seat.**

Mr. Bailey moved the meeting to Item 4.

- 3. Notice of NENC Board Vacancies - Four Resident seats (2027), one Business/Employee seat (2025), one Youth seat (2025) and **one Alternate 3 (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)- **President Bailey appointed Todd Jackson. Mr. Jackson introduced himself. He is an Aerospace Engineer and is actively involved in the community. His interests are transportation, Public Safety (speed limits and street racing), and the Van Nuys Airport.- He will be sworn in at the next meeting.**

Public Comment: No comment

Motion: Passed

NENC ITEM 3. Motion to approve the appointment of Todd Jackson to a vacant Resident Seat expiring in 2027. Moved: Nitkin Seconded: Meredith				
Yes-08	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-01	Absent-02
Bailey, Diamond, Larson, Mills, Nitkin, Ross, Alternates: Fordyce, Meredith	None	None	Saravia	Laird, Thiroux

Mr. Bailey moved the meeting to Item 7b.

- 4. Agenda Setting Meeting 10/4/2024 Participation: Bailey, Mills, Thiroux, Ross (initially)-**All four members were in attendance.**
- 5. Approval of Minutes – September 18, 2024 and any other earlier dates

Public Comment: No comment

Motion: Passed

NENC ITEM 5. Motion to approve the September 18, 2024 minutes Moved: Diamond Seconded: Nitkin				
Yes-07	No-00	Abstain-01	Ineligible-01	Absent-02
Bailey, Diamond, Larson, Mills, Nitkin, Ross, Alternates: Fordyce	None	Meredith	Saravia	Laird, Thiroux

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 September 2024 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) - amount spent: \$488.59 (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 September 2024 Monthly Expenditure Report (MERS)				
Moved: Diamond Secinded: Nitkin				
Yes-08	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-01	Absent-02
Bailey, Diamond, Larson, Mills, Nitkin, Ross, Alternates: Fordyce, Meredith	None	None	Saravia	Laird, Thiroux

b. Executive: MOTION (Bailey/Mills) to recommend that the NENC ratify the purchase of IONOS WordPress Hosting Boost Plan for a promotional price of \$96 [per year] for the first 36 months. (Passed 3-0-0 on 10/4/2024)-**\$96.00 per year**

Public Comment: No comment

Motion: Passed

NENC ITEM 6b. Motion to approve the purchase of IONOS WordPress Hosting Boost Plan for a promotional price of \$96.00.				
Moved: Bailey Secinded: Mills				
Yes-08	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-01	Absent-02
Bailey, Diamond, Larson, Mills, Nitkin, Ross, Alternates: Fordyce, Meredith	None	None	Saravia	Laird, Thiroux

c. Executive: MOTION (Bailey/Mills) to recommend NENC approve a Neighborhood Purposes Grant for \$5,000 to Devonshire is S.O.L.I.D. for purchase of furniture for the newly renovated LAPD volunteer facility ("trailer"). (Passed 3-0-0 on 10/4/2024) **Presented by Tapio Kartiala and Dale Penn-Photos were shown on the screen and questions were answered.**

Public Comment: No comment

Motion: Passed

NENC ITEM 6c. Executive: MOTION (Bailey/Mills), as amended, that the NENC approve a Neighborhood Purposes Grant for \$5,000 to Devonshire is S.O.L.I.D. for purchase of furniture for the newly renovated LAPD training unit located in the Force Option Simulator (FOS) trailer.				
Moved: Bailey Secinded: Mills				
Yes-08	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-01	Absent-02
Bailey, Diamond, Larson, Mills, Nitkin, Ross, Alternates: Fordyce, Meredith	None	None	Saravia	Laird, Thiroux

d. Executive: MOTION (Mills/Thiroux) to recommend NENC authorize \$350 for the purchase of a - quarter-page program ad for the North Valley Family YMCA 37th Booster Club Celebration event to be held on November 21, 2024. (Passed 3-0-0 on 10/4/2024) -**Item Postponed**

- e. Executive: Consideration of a \$1,000 Neighborhood Purposes Grant to ONEgeneration for the 1st Annual Senior Health Fair to be held on November 2, 2024 at the ONEgeneration Wilkinson Senior Center in Northridge to partially cover the cost of tables, chairs and canopies. Alternatively, authorize payment of up to \$1,000 for 1st Annual Senior Health Fair NENC participation (booth, canopy, table, two chairs and inclusion on flyers, banners, programs and outreach materials).

Public Comment: Rhonda Bunnin spoke about the sponsorship levels and answered questions

Pat Lopresti supports the motion.

Motion: Passed

NENC ITEM 6e Executive: MOTION (Bailey/Diamond) to approve a \$1,000 Neighborhood Purposes Grant to ONEgeneration for the 1st Annual Senior Health Fair to be held on November 2, 2024 at the ONEgeneration Wilkinson Senior Center in Northridge to partially cover the cost of tables, chairs and canopies. Alternatively, the NENC authorizes payment of \$1,000 for 1st Annual Senior Health Fair NENC participation (booth, canopy, table, two chairs). Both options provide NENC inclusion on flyers, banners, programs and outreach materials. Moved: Meridith Seconded: Diamond				
Yes-08	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-01	Absent-02
Bailey, Diamond, Larson, Mills, Nitkin, Ross, Alternates: Fordyce, Meredith	None	None	Saravia	Laird, Thiroux

7. Announcements/Presentations/Guest Speakers

- a. Welcome and Introduction of David Geihs, Field Representative for State Assembly District 40 (Pilar Schiavo)-**David Geihs introduced himself and let the Board know that his focus is businesses and Veterans. He went over the Assemblymember’s work in the last Legislative Session. President Bailey mentioned that Neighborhood Councils need to be able to meet by zoom after SB411 expires.**

President Bailey moved the meeting back to Item 3.

- b. November 5, 2024 Presidential General Election: [Vote Centers](#) will be open for 11 days (CSUN Redwood Hall 180) and four days (Andasol Avenue Elementary School) prior to Election Day. There will be three [Ballot Drop Boxes](#) within NENC boundaries: Northridge Park Aquatic Center, Northridge Branch Library and CSUN Lot 5/Redwood Hall. LA County election information: **Reviewed** <https://www.lavote.gov/home/voting-elections/current-elections/find-my-election-information>
- c. 20th Anniversary of the November 30, 2004 Certification of the Northridge East Neighborhood Council, the City’s 84th NC, is planned for the November 20, 2024, Board Meeting-**Reviewed**

8. Public comments on non-agenda items within the NENC’s subject matter jurisdiction

- a. **Lionel Mares- The Mayor is shaking up the Public Works Board and is removing and replacing three of the Boardmembers.**

9. Comments/Reports from Representatives of Public Officials

- a. [CD 12](#) (Myrka Martinez Comments/Updates/Announcements by Representatives of City Departments-**Councilmember Harris-Dawson is now the President of the City Council. He has assigned Councilmember Lee to Chair the PLUM Committee. Some of the in CD12w License Plate Readers have been installed. The Brown’s Creek Bridle Path was having a lot of issues with crime. The Councilmember worked with LAPD to address the issues. Mayor bass has appointed Jim McDonnell as Chief of Police. Next weekend, on the 26th will be the drive-in movie at Shadow Ranch Park.**

10. Comments/Updates/Announcements by Representatives of City Departments

- a. [DONE](#) (NEA Octaviano Rios octaviano.rios@lacity.org), [BONC](#) DONE and BONC updates-**If you want to weigh in on the Police Chief the Council File # is 24-1194. The Congress of Neighborhoods was a success. Thank you to everyone who attended. He encouraged Boardmembers to attend the Election Information Sessions that are being held by the City Clerks' Office. I also want to highlight that your assigned liaison with the planning department is Sandra Robles.**
 - i. BONC North Valley NC Summit held on September 21, 2024 report. -**Reviewed**
 - ii. EmpowerLA 25th Anniversary event Friday, December 13, 2024-**Reviewed**
- b. CSUN reports and updates - Ashleigh Larson and Keiry Saravia Past & Upcoming CSUN Sponsored Events: Check Presentation with Representative Tony Cardenas – Last week, we had a great check presentation for the Community Project Funding Rep. Cardenas secured for our Family Justice Center at Strength United. He was able to secure almost \$1 million (\$963,000) in funding to help expand services at the Family Justice Center - a unique one-stop shop for victims of violence. It enables survivors to access legal, medical, and counseling services in one place. We are the first to operate one through a university, and are grateful we can offer this resource to the community. Election and Voter Engagement: We are working closely with the students and other campus partners on the upcoming election and voter engagement. Our on-campus vote center will be open the following dates: Early Voting Days: Saturday, October 26th – Monday, November 4th Hours: 10:00 AM – 7:00 PM, Election Day: Tuesday, November 5th Hours: 7:00 AM – 8:00 PM (Note: If you are in line by 8:00 PM on Election Night, you will still be able to vote.) Location: CSUN, Redwood Hall Rm. 180. Free parking available in Lot F5 for members of the public to vote (no parking permit needed in marked parking spots). You can also drop off your ballot at the Ballot Drop Box outside of Redwood Hall in the F5 parking lot (on the curb). You can enter the F5 parking lot via Zelzah Ave. and Prairie St. We are sponsors of VICA's upcoming Business Forecast Conference - Friday, Oct 13 at Hilton Universal. We are hosting our Distinguished Alumni Awards event at the Skirball Cultural Center on Saturday October 14th to celebrate the remarkable contributions our esteemed alumni have made on our community. This year's honorees are: Rudy Pereira '85 (Computer Science), President and CEO of Premier America Credit Union, Pamela Villaseñor '06 (Psychology) Executive Director of Pukúu Cultural Community Services, a non-profit established by the Fernandeano Tataviam Band of Mission Indians, Dr. William Watkins '74 (Urban Studies), CSUN Vice President for Student Affairs & Dean of Students, Milestone of 50 years of service to CSUN
 - i. [Associated Students](#) update- **See Above**
 - ii. The University Corporation project at 18321 Halsted Street consists of a duplex and two Accessory Dwelling Units - [project information webpage](#) -**Reviewed**
- c. NC Budget Advocates: NCBA Monthly [Report to NC](#) (posted once released). Current Fiscal Year 2024-25 Budget Council File is [CF 24-0600](#). NENC City budget and service priorities. Budget Representatives (Glenn Bailey/Garry Fordyce). www.budgetadvocates.org/ -**Reviewed**

d. City Clerk - NC Elections:

- i. Include any NENC Board seats with terms expiring in 2027 that are vacant as of first date of Region 2 candidate filing (January 17, 2025) for the 2025 Election - possible MOTION

Public Comment: No comment

Motion: Passed

NENC ITEM10d. The NENC requests the City Clerk to include any NENC Board seats with terms expiring in 2027 that are vacant as of first date of Region 2 candidate filing (January 17, 2025) for the 2025. Election Moved: Mills Seconded: Meredith				
Yes-08	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-02	Absent-02
Bailey, Diamond, Larson, Mills, Nitkin, Ross, Alternates: Fordyce, Meredith	None	None	Jackson, Saravia	Laird, Thiroux

- ii. Consideration of NENC Ballot Voting Model (if available)-**No Action Taken**

- e. Transportation: Request for a traffic study including recommendations to reduce the congestion affecting the intersection of Reseda Boulevard and Nordhoff Street. - possible MOTION

Public Comment: No comment

Motion: Passed

NENC ITEM 10e. Motion to Request for a traffic study including recommendations to reduce the congestion affecting the intersection of Reseda Boulevard and Nordhoff Street. Moved: Diamond Seconded: Nitkin				
Yes-08	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-02	Absent-02
Bailey, Diamond, Larson, Mills, Nitkin, Ross, Alternates: Fordyce, Meredith	None	None	Jackson, Saravia	Laird, Thiroux

11. Committee Reports - Standing: Beautification and Weed Abatement (Baker); 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) - Discussion and possible action:- **No Reports**
- a. Establishment of new and/or dissolution of existing Ad Hoc committees-**No Action Taken**
 - b. Appointment of Committee Chairs or Co-Chairs by President subject to confirmation by Board- **No Action Taken**
 - c. Approval of Committee members as requested by Committee Chair/Co-Chairs

Public Comment: No comment

Motion: Passed

NENC ITEM 11c. Motion to approve adding Todd Jackson to the Public Safety Committee and the Van Nuys Airport Committee Moved: Bailey Seconded: Mills				
Yes-08	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-02	Absent-02
Bailey, Diamond, Larson, Mills, Nitkin, Ross, Alternates: Fordyce, Meredith	None	None	Jackson, Saravia	Laird, Thiroux

Ashleigh Larson left the meeting at 10:01PM.

- d. Announcement of upcoming Committee meeting dates: Education 10/19/2024, 8:30 am; Executive 11/8/2024, 4:00 pm (all dates/times subject to confirmation)-**Reviewed**
- e. Executive: MOTION (Mills/Thiroux) to recommend that the NENC partner with Buy Nothing Porter/Northridge Group, a giving and sharing group which holds a monthly Sunday morning “Junk in The Trunk” event at a Northridge Park parking lot. (Passed 3-0-0 on 10/4/2024)

Public Comment: **John Hales supports this motion.**

Motion: Passed

NENC ITEM 11e. Motion to recommend that the NENC partner with Buy Nothing Porter/Northridge Group, a giving and sharing group which holds a monthly Sunday morning “Junk in the Trunk” event at a Northridge Park parking lot.				
Move: Mills Seconded: Bailey				
Yes-07	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-02	Absent-03
Bailey, Diamond, Mills, Nitkin, Ross, Alternates: Fordyce, Meredith	None	None	Jackson, Saravia	Laird, Larson, Thiroux

- f. Outreach: Valley Art Faire 10/27/2024 at Rancho Cordillera del Norte in Northridge update-**Reviewed**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:18PM. The following items will be added to next month’s agenda:

- g. Beautification: unmaintained storm drain, south side of Nordhoff St, west of Balboa Blvd.
- h. Public Safety: Neighborhood Watch meetings
- i. Dearborn Park update
- j. Planning: Update on new/pending or previously considered cases within/adjacent to NENC including but not limited to: (see Informational Items below)
- k. Reports by other Committees listed in item 11 above

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

- a. President’s Report: Congress of Neighborhoods event held at City Hall on 9/28/2024
- b. NC Liaisons Reports and approval of additional and/or replacement NENC Liaisons
- c. NC Alliance and Coalition Reports:
 - i. VANC 10/10/2024 meeting featured City’s Housing Element, DONE General Manager Carmen Chang and more -[link to recordings webpage](#)

13. Council Files (CF) and City Council Motions - Community Impact Statements (CIS) - Discussion and possible action: **No action taken.**

14. Informational Items/Announcements

- a. CD 12: Weekly newsletter with community updates: <https://cd12.org/>
- b. Board of Neighborhood Commissioners [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). [Regional timelines](#) and further details are in the [2025 Neighborhood Council Election Handbook](#)
NENC 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.
Candidate filing January 17 to March 3, 2025. Voter registration for Vote by Mail Ballot March 21 to May 11, 2025. Ballots must be returned (postmarked) by May 20, 2024.
- 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 Andrachick) - Email: DevonshireSLO@lapd.online
- f. LAPL Northridge Library: [upcoming events](#)
- g. Recreation and Parks: [Board of Commissioners upcoming meetings](#); next Valley meeting 12/5/2024
- h. Sanitation: 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.
- i. Northridge Vision met 10/9/2024; next virtual meeting 11/13/2024, 2 pm
- j. 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
- k. 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.
- l. Planning: Department liaisons email: Planning.Liaison@lacity.org.
- m. 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)
- n. NC Alliance and Coalition Meetings/Reports: [Valley Alliance of NCs](#) (VANC) (next meeting 11/14/2024, 6:30 pm); [DWP MOU/Advocacy Committees](#) (next meeting 11/2/2024, 8:30 am); [LA NC Coalition](#) (LANCC) (next meeting 11/2/2024, 10 am); [PlanCheckNC](#) (next meeting 11/9/2024, 10 am); NC Emergency Preparedness Alliance (next meeting 10/26/2024, 10 am); [NC Sustainability Alliance](#) (next meeting 10/17/2024, 6:30 pm) and NCSA Trees Committee (next meeting TBA via [Zoom](#))
- o. Upcoming NC or NENC Co-sponsored Events:

15. Public comments on non-agenda items within the NENC's subject matter jurisdiction (continued from item 8; up to two minutes per speaker)

16. Board Member announcements and requests for future agenda items/reconsideration of any motion

17. Adjournment (by 10:00 p.m.) **The meeting was adjourned at 10:18PM**

Next NENC Board regular meeting (third Wednesday): November 20, 2024 (in-person)

Subsequent Board regular meetings: December 18, 2024 (virtual) and January 15, 2025 (virtual)