



Northridge East Neighborhood Council

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**NENC Board Meeting
Draft Minutes
November 20, 2024
7:08PM-9:57PM**

[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/Zoom	Yes	At Large Stakeholder
Todd Jackson Jr.	Present	No	Resident Boardmember
Sean Laird	Present	Yes	Resident Boardmember
Ashleigh Larson	Excused	Yes	CSUN Faculty
Stephanie Mills 1 st Vice President	Present	No	Property Owner
Barbara Nitkin	Present	Yes	Resident Boardmember
Ken Ross 2 nd Vice President	Present	Yes	Property Owner
Keiry Saravia	Absent	No	CSUN Student Body
Sydney Thiroux	Present	Yes	Resident Boardmember
Christopher Meredith	Present	Yes	Alternate 1
Garry Fordyce	Present	Yes	Alternate 2
Vacant			Alternate 3
Vacant			Resident Boardmember
Vacant			Resident Boardmember
Vacant			Resident Boardmember
Vacant			Resident Boardmember
Vacant			Business Owner or Employee
Vacant			Youth
TOTAL: 10 +02 Alternates	PRESENT 10-Absent 02+ Alternate-02 Absent-00		

1. Start Recording, Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance and Welcome to Stakeholders; Introductory Comments (audio/visual participation and recusal reminders; refreshments; recycling; public comment) **The recording was started and the meeting was called to order by President Bailey at 7:08PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Stephanie Mills**
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" **Judy Diamond joined by Zoom. Mills and Jackson are ineligible to vote on Funding items.**

NENC ITEM: 2 Roll Call		
Present-08+ 02 Alternates	Absent-01	Excused-01
Bailey, Diamond, Jackson, Laird, Mills, Nitkin, Ross, Thiroux Alternate: Fordyce, Meredith	Keiry	Larson

**Christopher Meredith was seated in a vacant Residential Seat
Garry Fordyce was seated in the vacant Business Owner/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

Public Comment

Motion: Passed

NENC ITEM 2a. Motion to approve the request of Judy Diamond (Disability) for this NENC meetings pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(f) (AB 2449).				
Moved: Bailey Seconded: Fordyce				
Yes-08	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-02	Absent-02
Bailey, Diamond, Laird, Mills, Nitkin, Ross, Alternate: Fordyce, Meredith	None	None	Mills Jackson	Keiry, Larson

- 3. Notice of NENC Board Vacancies - Three 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) -**Reviewed**
- 4. Agenda Setting Meeting 11/15/2024 Participation: Bailey, Mills, Thiroux, Diamond-**All Executive Boardmembers were in attendance**
- 5. **Approval of Minutes – October 16, 2024 and any other earlier dates**

Motion: Passed

NENC ITEM 5. Motion to approve the October 16, 2024 Meeting Minutes				
Moved: Nitkin Seconded: Diamond				
Yes-08	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-01	Absent-02
Bailey, Diamond, Laird, Nitkin, Ross, Thiroux Alternate: Fordyce, Meredith	None	None	Mills, Jackson	Keiry, Larson

Mills completed the Funding Training and is now eligible to vote.

- 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 October 2024 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) - amount spent: \$394.40

Public Comment: No comment

Motion: Passed

NENC ITEM 6a. Motion to approve the October 2024 Monthly Expenditure Report				
Moved: Diamond Seconded: Nitkin				
Yes-09	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-01	Absent-02
Bailey, Diamond, Laird, Mills, Nitkin, Ross, Thiroux Alternate: Fordyce, Meredith	None	None	Jackson	Keiry, Larson

(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/>)

- b. FINANCIAL NOTICE: IONOS refund due for two \$26 charges (October and November 2024) for Web Hosting Premium basic fee which was replaced by new IONOS WordPress Hosting Boost Plan on October 7, 2024; one \$26 refund has been received. - **Reviewed**

7. Announcements/Presentations/Guest Speakers

- a. **20th Anniversary of the November 30, 2004 Certification of the Northridge East Neighborhood Council, the City’s 84th Neighborhood Council. Congratulations! Mr. Bailey went over the History of NENC - Reviewed**
- b. **Neighborhood Council Election 2025 - Vote by Mail Only:** NENC Seats open in 2025 are: *At-Large (1); *Property Owner (1); *Resident (3) - (*Four-year terms) **Business Owner and Employee (1); **Youth (1); Alternate (3) - (**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 (Region 2 [Election Day](#)). [Regional timelines](#) and further details are in the [2025 Neighborhood Council Election Handbook](#) City Clerk NC Election Administrator for NENC: Musa Khan - musa.khan@lacity.org- **Reviewed**

8. Public comments on non-agenda items within the NENC’s subject matter jurisdiction (up to two minutes per speaker)

- a. **Kevin Kratzer- he has lived in Northridge for 25 years. He brought up the issues of copper wiring being stolen and the cables from AT&T. Every time it is replaced, it is stolen again, within a couple of weeks. The wires are being stolen by people on E-bikes at 4:00AM. Mr. Kratzer also brought up the new development coming to the old Harmon Garmin complex. This is the largest project they have seen and it will bring lots of traffic. Parthenia will be changed from two lanes in each direction down to one lane in each direction., causing more traffic.**
- b. **Marie Stakeholder- She would like to see speed humps in front of Andasol Elementary. There are many close calls with speeders.**
- c. **Pat Lopresti- mentioned the nice Anniversary Celebration they had. She wants the Board to continue the community relationships, friendships, and continue to love Northridge and its’ history.**

- 9. Comments/Reports from Representatives of Public Officials (please email report in advance of meeting) (up to three minutes each unless arrangement for additional time is made at least six days in advance): [CD 12 Myrka Martinez- Myrka went over all of the events that they have been attending. She spoke about Boeckmann Park that opened in Porter Ranch. The new Police Chief of LAPD, Jim McDonnell has been sworn in. The Office of Beautification can lend tools for cleanups.](#)

10. Comments/Updates/Announcements by Representatives of City Departments such as [LAPD](#)/C-PAB) [LAFD](#) Battalion 15, Chief John Ignatczyk-**He was working at Station 70 . They had a couple of fires on the other side of the 405. We have had some pretty large fires. Malibu recently had 50 acres burn and the Mountain Fire that burned through to Camarillo. Fire engines from this area responded in Strike Teams and assisted. As responsible partners in the region we need to share resources.** [DONE](#) (NEA Octaviano Rios octaviano.rios@lacity.org), [BONC](#) 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) **Mr. Rios invited the Boardmembers to attend the upcoming 25th Anniversary Celebration at City Hall. The event is scheduled for December 13, 2024 from 6:00PM-to 9:00PM in the Bradley Tower. Space is limited. that across the city there is only a 12% vacancy rate in the Neighborhood Council System amongst Boardmembers. The upcoming Empower LA Youth Conference event was mentioned. Mr. Rios went over the Board email system only a few Boardmembers are allowed access. Sandra Robles in the Planning Department is the Liaison for NENC. Mayor Bass will be holding a one hour conversation on December 5, 2024, for Neighborhood Councils to hear about preparations for the Olympics. It will be from 6:00-7:00PM via Zoom. The department has been sending out newsletters and at this time will not be sending out the monthly profile.**
- a. [DONE](#) and [BONC](#) updates.
 - i. [DONE](#): “25 Years of Empowering LA: Celebrating the Impact of Neighborhood Councils” event Friday, December 13, 2024 - [registration](#) for NC Board members now open- **Reviewed**
 - ii. [DONE](#): 2025 EmpowerLA Youth Conference Saturday, February 22, 2025 (ages 14 to 17) - [info and apply](#) by 12/20/2024-**Reviewed**
 - iii. [DONE](#): NCs now have option for 2025 to switch from [Election to a Selection process](#); Region 2 deadline is 1/10/2025. [Selection Procedures Stipulation Worksheet](#) - possible MOTION (Executive Committee consensus on 11/15/2024 was to continue with Election process)- **Reviewed**
 - b. [CSUN](#) reports and updates - Ashleigh Larson and Keiry Saravia
 - i. [Associated Students](#) update-**No Update**
 - ii. [CSUN](#) has submitted application for the vacation of Etiwanda Avenue from Vincennes to Halsted and Lindley Avenue from Plummer to Halsted as well as seven other small street segments to the City of Los Angeles Planning Department. Case No. E1401458. The previously approved application also included various covenants to protect the surrounding residential neighborhood.-**Reviewed**
Pat Lopresti- also gave more background. The covenants are an important issue.
 - 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. Consideration of NENC Ballot Voting Model (if available) - possible MOTION- **Item Postponed**
 - ii. Region 2 NC Election Information Session is scheduled for Monday, January 13, 2025, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm via Zoom. [Register](#) by 1/12/2025-**Reviewed**
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; Van Nuys Airport (Nitkin/Diamond) - Discussion and possible action:- **No Reports**
- a. Establishment of new and/or dissolution of existing Ad Hoc committees-**The 20th Anniversary Ad hoc Committee is no longer needed.**

- 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 – No Action Taken
- d. Announcement of upcoming Committee meeting dates: Education 12/14/2024, 9:00 am; Executive 12/13/2024, 4:00 pm (all dates/times subject to confirmation)- **Reviewed**
Executive: MOTION (Diamond/Bailey) to recommend that for 2025 the NENC Board meetings be held virtually except in July, or tentatively in May, which will be held in-person.

Public Comment: No comment Kevin Kratzer warned about the person who disrupts Zoom meetings.

Motion: Passed

NENC ITEM 5a. Motion to approve that for 2025 the NENC Board meetings be held virtually except in July, or tentatively in May, which will be held in-person.				
Moved: Diamond Seconded: Bailey				
Yes-09	No-00	Abstain-00	Ineligible-01	Absent-02
Bailey, Diamond, Laird, Mills, Nitkin, Ross, Thiroux Alternate: Fordyce, Meredith	None	None	Jackson	Keiry, Larson

- e. Outreach: Reports on Valley Art Faire held 10/27/2024 and ONEgeneration Wilkinson Senior Health Fair held 11/2/2024- **Reviewed**

Judy Diamond left the meeting at 9:33PM

- f. Beautification: unmaintained storm-drain south side of Nordhoff St, west of Balboa Blvd.- **Reviewed**
- g. Public Safety: Neighborhood Watch meetings posted on NENC website
 - i. New LAPD Chief of Police James P. McDonnell sworn in 11/14/2024 ([CF 24-1194](#))-**Reviewed**
- h. Dearborn Park update -**Reviewed**
- i. Planning: Update on new/pending or previously considered cases within/adjacent to NENC including but not limited to: (see Informational Items below)- **The Housing Element went to City Council today.**
- j. 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- **Mr. Bailey will forward out the link to the LA28 session.**
- b. NC Liaisons Reports and approval of additional and/or replacement NENC Liaisons
 - i. NC Homelessness Liaison meeting held 11/16/2024 - slides will be shared- **Reviewed**
- c. NC Alliance and Coalition Reports:
 - i. VANC 11/14/2024 meeting featured tree presentation - [link to recordings webpage](#)

13. Council Files (CF) and City Council Motions - Community Impact Statements (CIS) - Discussion and possible action: (none)- **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. LAFD: [Community Emergency Response Team \(CERT\)](#) classes

- d. 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
- e. LAPL Northridge Library: [upcoming events](#)
- f. Recreation and Parks: [Board of Commissioners upcoming meetings](#); next Valley meeting 12/5/2024
- g. 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.
- h. Northridge Vision met 11/13/2024; next virtual meeting 12/11/2024, 2 pm
- 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](#) was last updated in 1995.
- k. Planning: Department liaisons email: Planning.Liaison@lacity.org.
- l. NC Liaisons Reports: Animal Services (Ross/Diamond); Data (Kaiser/Bailey); Emergency Preparedness; Film (Dagort); Homelessness (Diamond/Laird/Ross/Bailey); Public Works (Bailey); Purposeful Aging (Thiroux); Resilience (Lundquist)
- m. NC Alliance and Coalition Meetings/Reports: [Valley Alliance of NCs](#) (VANC) (next meeting 12/12/2024, 6:30 pm); [DWP MOU/Advocacy Committees](#) (next meeting 12/7/2024, 8:30 am); [LA NC Coalition](#) (LANCC) (next meeting 12/7/2024, 10 am); [PlanCheckNC](#) (next meeting 12/14/2024, 10 am); NC Emergency Preparedness Alliance (next meeting 11/24/2024, 10 am); [NC Sustainability Alliance](#) (next meeting 12/8/2024, 6:30 pm) and **NCSA Trees Committee (next meeting 11/23/2024, 1:30 pm via Zoom)**
- n. Upcoming NC or NENC Co-sponsored Events:-**No Report**

15. Public comments on non-agenda items within the NENC's subject matter jurisdiction (continued from item 8; up to two minutes per speaker)-**No Comments**

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 9:57PM**

Next NENC Board regular meeting (third Wednesday): December 18, 2024 (virtual)

Subsequent Board regular meetings: January 15, 2025 (virtual) and February 19, 2025 (virtual)