



Executive Meeting Agenda



Van Nuys Neighborhood Council
August 5th, 2013 (Monday 6:30pm - 8:00pm)
Van Nuys Elementary School
6464 Sylmar Ave. Van Nuys, CA 91401 -- (818) 785-2195

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1. Call To Order & Pledge Of Allegiance to the United States of America
2. Roll Call (Quorum Call)
3. Comments From The Chair -- Speaker's Times, Cell Phones, Conversations, Correspondence Received. Introductions of first time attending stakeholders. *Speaker Cards: 2 minutes, 2 Public Comment Times. (This includes speaker cards on agenda items -- a limit of 10 minutes for the entire meeting per stakeholder.)
4. Public Comment (On matters within the VNNC Board's Jurisdiction.)
5. Secretary's Report -- (Jon Hendry)
6. Treasurer's Report -- Jeanette Hopp and/or Maria Skelton (Second Signatory)
7. Committee Chairperson's Reports, Budget Advocate's Report & Elected Officials Report
8. New Business
 - a. Los Angeles City Councilman Paul Krekorian Speech & Presentation (30 min)
 - b. DONE General Manager Grayce Lui Speech and Q & A (30 min)
 - c. Raise LA Campaign Presentation -- 10 minutes (The Raise LA campaign seeks to raise the quality of life of Los Angeles's working families while providing much-needed economic stimulus through the establishment of a living wage for workers in the hospitality industry. A living wage ordinance will not only help workers in the affected industries, but their communities as well. For instance, a living wage ordinance on Century Corridor hotels generated an additional \$5.4 million in local revenue from increased hotel worker spending.)
 - d. Letter of Support for Urban Beekeeping in Los Angeles (Chelsea McFarland)
 - e. Update on LAFD Fire Station Relocation & Discussion of Traffic Patterns
 - f. Holiday Potluck Event at December VNNC Meeting (George Thomas)
 - g. Additional Items
 - h. Funding requests
 - i. VNNC Retreat & 2013-2014 Goal Setting Session (Sepulveda Japanese Gardens)
 - j. Alteration of VNNC Council Seat Titles to Address Open Seats (VNNC Verification)
 - k. Establishment of Council Ambassadors & Duties
 - l. Van Nuys Elementary School Funding Improvement Project
 - m. El Puente Workshop Presentation & Request For Assistance (James Sweet)
 - n. Funding Approval for Outreach Implements & Poster Display Backdrop Items (\$999)
 - o. Discussion of Sacramento Lobbying Trip for VNNC Members & Stakeholders
 - p. Discussion of Washington, D.C. Lobbying Trip to Capitol Hill & The White House
 - q. Election of Don Schultz as Honorary Vice Mayor of Van Nuys
9. Old Business
 - a. VNNC Membership Applications & Procedure For Membership
10. Public Comment
11. Announcements
12. Adjournment

In compliance with Government Code section 54957.5, non-exempt writings that are distributed to a majority or all of the board in advance of a meeting, may be requested by emailing vannuysnc@gmail.com. Members of the public are invited to address the council on any items on the agenda prior to any action by the Council on that specific item. Member of the public may also address the board on any matter within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Council. The council will entertain such comments during the public comment period(s). Public comment will be limited to 10 minutes with 2 minutes per individual for each item addressed. The aforementioned limitation may be waived by the chairperson of the meeting. (Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3(b)) Members of the public who wish to address the council are urged to complete a speaker card and submit it to the President or Secretary prior to commencement of an agenda item. Cards are available at the back of the room. However, should a member of the public feel the need to address a matter while discussion of the item is in progress, a card may be presented to the President or Secretary prior to final consideration of the matter. In the interest of time, All Board & Public Comments will be limited to no more than 2-minutes unless otherwise adjusted at the discretion of the President. It is requested that individuals who require the services of a translator contact the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment 24 hours prior to the meeting. Whenever possible, a translator will be provided. SI REQUIERE SERVICOS DE TRADUCCION, FAVOR DE NOTIFICAR LA OFICINA CON 24 HORAS POR ANTICIPADO. As a covered entity under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Los Angeles does not discriminate on the basis of disability and upon request, will provide reasonable accommodation to ensure equal access to its programs, services, and activities. Sign language interpreters, assistive listen device, or other auxiliary aids and/or services may be provided upon request. To ensure availability of services, please make you request at least 3 business days (72 hours) prior to the meeting you wish to attend by contacting Taneda Larios, Neighborhood Council Advocate at (866) LA HELPS.

COMMITTEES

Executive: 1st Monday of every month (or 10 days prior to the meeting at 6:30 P.M.)

△ Sets the agenda for board meetings, receives requests, and assigns tasks.

GEORGE CHRISTOPHER THOMAS, CHAIRMAN

HOWARD BENJAMIN, VICE PRESIDENT

JOHN HENDRY, SECRETARY

JEANETTE HOPP, TREASURER

JOSEF LAZAVORITZ, PARLIAMENTARIAN

HERBERT THOMPSON, CHAIRPERSON OF THE OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Location: 6240 Sylmar Street, 2nd floor Community Room

Safety: 2nd Wednesday of every month prior to VNNC general board meeting at 6:00 P.M.

△ Deals with community safety issues within the Van Nuys Neighborhood Council area.

JOSEF LAZAROVITZ, CHAIRMAN

ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE -- (MARILYN HAVARD, PENELOPE MEYER, JOHN HENDRY)

Location: Braude Center, 6262 Van Nuys Blvd, Room 1-A

Parks & Recreation: 3rd Tuesday of every month at 6:30 P.M.

△ Deals with issues concerning children and youth, park programs, facilities and playgrounds in the VNNC area.

CANDIDO MAREZ, CHAIRMAN

ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE -- (JOHN CAMERA, ROLAND GUEVERA, MARIAM FOGLER (STAKEHOLDER))

Location: Delano Recreation Center, 14100 Erwin Street, Van Nuys, CA.

Budget & Finance: 1st Monday of every month at 7:00 P.M.

△ Deals with Van Nuys Neighborhood Council (VNNC) budgetary issues.

JEANETTE HOPP, CHAIRWOMAN

ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE -- (CANDIDO MAREZ, HERBERT THOMPSON, MARIA SKELTON, JENNIFER

HUGHES (STAKEHOLDER))

Location: TBD

Planning & Land Use: 3rd Monday of every month at 6:30 P.M.

△ Deals with planning, zoning and land use issues that affect the VNNC community, including proposals for new projects, zoning changes and variances, proposals for tenant improvement (T.I.) construction, building improvements and special uses, development, development of new business e.t.c.

JERRY MARTIN, CO-CHAIR -- INDRA CICCARELLI, CO-CHAIR, CREATURETEACHER1@GMAIL.COM, 818-373-4887

ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE -- (JOHN HENDRY, HOWARD BENJAMIN)

Location: Braude Center, 6262 Van Nuys Blvd, Room 2B, Van Nuys, CA.

Government Relations/Rules & Bylaws: Meetings held TBD

△ Deals with citywide issues, council files, actions of city officials and departments, bylaws, rules and regulations, policies and procedures.

CHAIRMAN HOWARD BENJAMIN

ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE -- (JEANETTE HOPP, JOHN HENDRY, JENNIFER HUGHES (STAKEHOLDER))

Outreach: Meetings held last Thursday of every month.

△ Deals with outreach to inform the VNNC community about board meetings, elections, committee meetings, projects and special events, e.t.c.

HERBERT THOMPSON, CHAIRMAN, HERBERTTHOMPSON69@YAHOO.COM, 818-385-5665

ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE -- (MARIA SKELTON, CANDIDO MAREZ, HOWARD BENJAMIN, RICHARD HOPP)

Location: TBD



**All calls should be after 8:30 A.M. or before 8:00 P.M.
Monday through Saturday.**

For Non-Emergency City Issues Dial ~ 3 1 1

