



# General Meeting Agenda (VNNC)

Van Nuys Neighborhood Council

February 10th, 2016 (Wednesday 7:00pm - 9:50pm)

6262 Van Nuys Blvd. -- Van Nuys, CA 91401

Marvin Braude Constituent Services Center

1. Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America
2. Roll Call (Quorum Call)
3. Comments from the Chair (President) of the Van Nuys Neighborhood Council
4. Public Comment (On matters within the VNNC Board's Jurisdiction.) \*Speaker Cards: 2 minutes, 1 Public Comment Time. (This includes speaker cards on any and all agenda items -- a limit of 10 minutes for the entire meeting per Stakeholders and Councilmembers alike)
5. Secretary's Report -- Jeanette Hopp -- Adopt January's Minutes
6. Treasurer's Report -- Stacey Rains and/or Howard Benjamin (Second Signatory) -- Approve Treasurer's Report
7. Committee Chairperson's Reports, Budget Advocate's Report, Elected Officials' Reports & Election Chair's Report
8. New Business
  - a. The VNNC to fund Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) cameras for the Sepulveda corridor. The CCTV video will be watched and monitored by LAPD and trained volunteers to alleviate the ongoing sex trafficking that is so prevalent in the San Fernando Valley. The CCTV video recordings are to be also used in conjunction with the FBI and other law enforcement agencies. (NTE \$20,000)
  - b. The VNNC to apply for and become an "All American City." The VNNC is hoping to become an "All American City" as designated by the National Civic League. The VNNC to formally go through the process and apply for the title and status. (John Camera)
  - c. The VNNC to vote on the formation of a Legislative Advisory Committee to provide

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and forward findings, not conclusions, to the Van Nuys Neighborhood Council Boardmembers within its interest on legislation and legislative intent. Sunset clause June 30th, 2016 (unless renewed) and Brown Act mandated.

d. The VNNC to reimburse Jeanette Hopp for purchases including Subway food and copies for the meetings. Councilwoman Hopp made copies and new forms for public comment, funding issues and for taking notes at the meetings. (NTE \$100)

e. VNNC to vote on the motion of making Jeanette Hopp the “Second Signatory” for our Council.

f. The VNNC to update the funding for outreach on the Connect The Dots event, February 20th, 2016. The VNNC to purchase 50 bicycle helmets and Neighborhood Council logo stickers to place on the helmets and to hand out at the event for the bike safety class and tour (NTE \$1000)

g. Connect The Dots -- Speaking to the board about the February 20th, 2016 event as part of the L.A. Mayor’s The Great Streets Initiative. They will announce updates and information on the Connect The Dots event and encourage the community to attend as a start for the Great Streets Initiative in Van Nuys. (Arid Lands Institute)

h. 5601 N. Van Nuys Blvd. -- Existing Conditional Use Permit with a request to extend the life of a grant for the sales of alcohol. Application to renew an existing conditional use permit for the off-site sale of a full line of alcohol beverages in conjunction with a pharmacy drug store with approved operating hours 24 hours, daily and a request to extend that life of the grant. (Bruce Evan of Solomon, Saltsman & Jamieson)

i. VNNC to address and reappoint the Council to the Sustainability Alliance. The VNNC to elect Councilman Jason Ackerman and/or Councilman Stephen Friedman Co-Chairman of the Sustainability Committee. The VNNC to request the Co-Chairs join the Valley Sustainability Alliance.

j. The VNNC to vote on and allocate \$5000 for “Welcome To Van Nuys” signs. The VNNC to vote on the location of these signs, (Saticoy & Sepulveda), (The Amtrack Station), and one on the East side of the district. (NTE \$5000)

- 9. Announcements
- 10. Adjournment

# COMMITTEES

**Executive:** 1st Monday of every month (or 9 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

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, DONALD & PRUDENCE SCHULTZ) -- MARIA SCHERZER

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

**Parks & Recreation:** 2nd Wednesday of every month prior to VNNC general board meeting at 6:00 P.M. or TBA

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

MARIASKELTON, CHAIRMAN -- ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE -- (JOHN CAMERA, ROLAND GUEVERA, MIRIAM FOGLER (STAKEHOLDER), MR. JAMES PIEPER) JOSEF LAZAROVITZ

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

**Budget & Finance:** 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:00pm (Right before the VNNC General Meeting)

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

JEANETTE HOPP, CHAIRWOMAN  
ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE -- (CANDIDO MAREZ, HERBERT THOMPSON, MARIASKELTON, JENNIFER HUGHES (STAKEHOLDER)) JOSEF LAZAROVITZ

Location: TBD

**Planning & Land Use:** 2nd Wednesday of every month prior to VNNC general board meeting at 6:00 P.M. or TBA

△ 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.

QUIRINO DE LA CUESTA & JERRY MARTIN, CO-CHAIRS -- ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE -- (JOHN HENDRY, HOWARD BENJAMIN, PENNY MEYER, PAUL ANAND, MARIA SCHERZER ) JOSEF LAZAROVITZ

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

**Government Relations/Rules & Bylaws:** Meetings held 2nd Wednesday of every month or TBA

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

CHAIRMAN PAUL ANAND -- ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE -- (JEANETTE HOPP, JOHN HENDRY, JENNIFER HUGHES (STAKEHOLDER), JOSEF LAZAROVITZ, PENNY MEYER, DEREK WALEKO)

**Outreach:** Meetings held last Thursday of every month. (Or possibly the 2nd Tuesday of the month) or TBA

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

MARIA SKELTON, CHAIRWOMAN, 818-385-5665  
ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE -- (CANDIDO MAREZ, HOWARD BENJAMIN, RICHARD HOPP, JOSEF LAZAROVITZ)



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