



Van Nuys  
Neighborhood Council

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# General Meeting Agenda

Van Nuys Neighborhood Council

July 10th, 2013 (Wednesday 7:00pm - 10:00pm)

VNNC Council Chambers, 6262 Van Nuys Blvd., Van Nuys, CA 91401

818-533-8662



## Board of Directors

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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) (Approval of June Minutes & Special Meeting Mins)
6. Treasurer's Report -- Jeanette Hopp and/or Maria Skelton (Second Signatory)
7. Committee Chairperson's Reports & Budget Advocate's Report
8. New Business
  - a. Adopt New 2013-2014 Budget for VNNC
  - b. Price Check & Solicit Bids for VNNC Name Plaques
  - c. Holiday Party Funding & Update (NTE \$10,000)
  - d. Nominate & Vote on VNNC Parliamentarian
  - e. VNNC Retreat & 2013-2014 Goal Setting Session
  - f. Discuss Parking Validation for Patrons of Local Restaurants near Civic Center
  - g. Establish a "Beautification Committee" for Government Center
  - h. Bring Back the Thursday Farmer's Market -- Brainstorming Session
  - i. Discussion of Elk's Lodge Situation
  - j. Center BMW Presentation
9. Old Business
  - a. Elect an Honorary Mayor of Van Nuys (Robert Redford, Tom Selleck, Sally Field, Richard Hopp, Paula Abdul, Lollipop Guild Actor from the Wizard of Oz)
  - b. Vote for Adopting a Sister City for Van Nuys (Abuja, Nigeria -- Amsterdam, Holland -- Van Nuys, Indiana)
  - c. Election of a Communication Officer/ Communication Tzar
  - d. Allocate \$1000 for the Purchase of New Chairs for the Council Chamber
9. Public Comment
10. 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](mailto: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 your 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.)

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

GEORGE CHRISTOPHER THOMAS, CHAIRMAN

HOWARD BENJAMIN, VICE PRESIDENT

JOHN HENDRY, SECRETARY

CAT WHITE, TREASURER

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.

Δ 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.

Δ 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.

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

JEANETTE HOPP, CHAIRWOMAN

ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE -- (CANDIDO MAREZ, DR. DAN WISEMAN, HERBERT THOMPSON, MARIA SKELTON, JENNIFER HUGHES (STAKEHOLDER))

Location: TBD

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

Δ 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

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

HOWARD BENJAMIN, CHAIRMAN

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

Location: TBD

## **Outreach:** Meetings held last Thursday of every month.

Δ 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***

