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# VNNC Executive Meeting Agenda

January 30, 2017 (Monday 6:30- 7:45 pm)  
 Van Nuys Public Library, (Backroom of Library)  
 6257 Sylmar Avenue Van Nuys, CA 91401-2707

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- 1) **Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance**
- 2) **Roll Call (Quorum Call)**
- 3) **Comments from the Chair** -- Speaker's Times, Cell Phones, Conversations, Correspondence Received and approval of minutes. 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) **Officer Reports**

- A. **President's Report – Jeff Lynn**
- B. **Vice-President's Report - Jason Ackerman**

### I. **Status of Committee Membership and Activity**

As Follow up to the Motion approved as Item 3-B-I from the 12-14-2016 VNNC General Board meeting:

*“MOTION: The Chairs of all VNNC Committees must submit written lists of all current Members of their respective committees to the Secretary, President and Vice-President of the VNNC by December 31, 2016 and hold Brown Act Compliant meetings no later than January 31, 2017. Failure to comply will result in the removal of said committee chair(s) pending approval of the General Board at the February 2017 Meeting.*

-The below table has been compiled to indicate which committee chairs have complied with both parts of the above motion. (\*indicates a meeting is scheduled for but has not been held at the this table was being compiled on Jan. 27, 2017)

-**Discussion** to be held about what course of action to take for committee chairs that complied with the mandate to submit rosters but have not held and/or scheduled Brown Act Compliant Meetings by the 1/31 /2017 Deadline Motion to be crafted following discussion

- II. - **Motion:** To Remove John Camera as Chair of the Sustainability, Transportation & Public Spaces Committee for failure to comply with both parts of the mandate.



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Committee Name	Chair(s)	Roster By Dec 31, 2016?	Brown Act Meeting By Jan 31, 2017?
Executive Committee	Jeff Lynn	YES	YES
Planning and Land Use Management (PLUM)	Quirino De Le Cuesta & Steve Friedmann	YES	YES
Budget and Finance	Veronica Marin	YES	YES
Outreach and Communications	Maria Skelton	YES	YES
Government Relations, Rules & Bylaws	Paul Anand	YES	NO
Education Committee	Stacey Raines	YES	NO
Public Health and Safety	Josef Lazarovitz & Howard Benjamin	YES	NO
Sustainability, Transportation & Public Spaces	John Camera	NO	NO
Legislative Information Committee [LIC]	Richard Hopp	YES	YES
Special Committee On Policy Education [SCOPE]	George Christopher Thomas	YES	YES

### C. Secretary's Report – Jeremy Pessoa

I. Status of April 2016 VNNC General Board Meeting minutes

II. Status of October 2016 minutes VNNC General Board Meeting minutes

III. Status of November 2016 VNNC General Board Meeting minutes

IV. Status of December 2016 VNNC General Board Meeting minutes

V. Status of January 2017 VNNC General Board Meeting minutes

### D. Treasurer's Report – Stacey Raines, Howard Benjamin or Veronica Marin

I. Status of funds, outstanding payments and MERs

### 6) Old Business:

- I. The VNNC to pay the \$999.00 it committed to paying for the 2016 Senior Symposium during the prior fiscal year (2015-2016) but has yet to pay for. The VNNC to pay an additional \$750.00 for participation the May 20, 2017 Senior Symposium hosted by OneGeneration (NTE \$2,000)

### 7) New Business:

#### B. Executive Committee



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- I. The VNNC to permit Samantha Stevens from the “Yes On Proposition M/ No on Proposition N” campaign to present at the February 8, 2017 meeting (time to be set at this Executive Committee Meeting)
- II. The VNNC to Thank Jacob Lynn, Paul Anand and Jeremy Pessoa for their service on the Van Nuys Neighborhood Council
- III. The VNNC Executive Board to appoint an Interim Secretary to serve at the March and April 2017 General Board Meetings (pending approval by the General Board at the start of the March 2017 meeting) until a new Secretary is Elected with the rest of the Executive Officers at the April 2017 VNNC General Board Meeting, all duties normally prescribed to the Secretary to be divided between the Interim Secretary, The President and the Vice-President.
- IV. The VNNC to begin accepting and reviewing Applications for empty VNNC Board Member Seats
- V. The Van Nuys to purchase a large format Four (4) Digit Digital Timer with a remote control (NTE \$450). The VNNC believes such equipment will help to increase fairness in tracking of public comment time during meeting of its Committees and of the General Board.

**C. Planning and Land Use Management**

- I. 14306 Oxnard Street, So Cal Collision Center. **Zone Variance.** Allow continued maintenance and operation of automotive repair with spray paint booth. Asking the board to reconsider their decision from previous general board meeting last year. Case no#: ZA-2016-3146. (Antonio Peurtas/ SoCal Collision Center.)

**D. Budget and Finance Committee**

- I. The VNNC will provide funding for New Economics for Women for their outgoing services to the Van Nuys Community. (NTE2,500.00)
- II. The Budget and Finance Committee to move its regular meeting to the first Wednesday of the Month

- 8) **Consent Calendar** (all items in this section are non-funding items and were approved unanimously by the members of the committee they originated in. Items on the consent calendar may be pulled for discussion by board member comment or public comment card; all items not pulled from the consent calendar may be voted on at the same time by the General Board.

**A. SCOPE**

- I. The SCOPE Committee to come up with a formal plan to implement and execute the recommendations of the UCLA



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Graduate students that analyzed the census data of Van Nuys.

II. The SCOPE Committee to work with State Senator Bob Hertzberg's Office to create a way to give the Neighborhood Council system of Los Angeles Legislative Authorities.

III. The SCOPE Committee to formally seek out and find ways to work with all legislative and political offices within the jurisdictional boundaries of Van Nuys. Furthermore, the SCOPE Committee to recommend a partnership with these offices at least once every calendar year. Details to follow.

IV. The SCOPE Committee to undertake the formal process of remodeling the pergola in front of the LAPD station. The SCOPE Committee to design office space for the VNNC, as well as a replica of the White House Cabinet Room and Oval Office which would be life size and be used as a museum of sorts.

V. The SCOPE Committee to seek out and work with other Neighborhood Councils to address regional concerns of the San Fernando Valley, including transportation issues and after school programs.

9) **Public Comment** (On matters within the VNNC Board's Jurisdiction) for stakeholders who did not speak under Item 4 (any comment under Item 4 counts regardless of time taken)

10) **Adjournment (7:45pm)**

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 [info@vnnc.org](mailto:info@vnnc.org). 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 days (72 hours) prior to the meeting you wish to attend by contacting Thomas Soong, Neighborhood Council Advocate at (866) LA HELPS.

# Committees

**Executive:** 1st Monday of every month (or 9 days prior to the meeting at 6:30 P.M.) Δ Sets the agenda for board meetings, receives requests, and assigns tasks.

JEFFREY LYNN, PRESIDENT  
JASON ACKERMAN, VICE PRESIDENT  
JEREMY PESSOA, SECRETARY  
STACEY RAINS, TREASURER  
JOSEF LAZAROVITZ, PARLIMENTARIAN

**Location:** 6240 Sylmar Street, Community Room

**Safety:** 2nd Wednesday of every month prior to VNNC general meeting at 6:00 P.M. Δ Deals with public health and safety issues within the Van Nuys Neighborhood Council area.

JOSEF LAZAROVITZ – CHAIR

**Location:** TBA

**Parks & Recreation:** 2nd Wednesday of every month prior to VNNC general board meeting at 6:00 P.M. or TBA Δ Deals with issues concerning children and youth, park programs, facilities and playgrounds in the VNNC area. JOHN CAMERA – CHAIR

**Location:** TBA

**Budget & Finance:** 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:00pm (Right before the VNNC General Meeting) Δ Deals with Van Nuys Neighborhood Council (VNNC) budgetary issues.

VERONICA MARIN – CHAIR

**Location:** TBA

**Planning & Land Use:** 2nd Wednesday of every month prior to VNNC general board meeting at 6:00 P.M. or TBA Δ Deals with planning, zoning and land use issues that affect the VNNC community, including proposals for new developments, zoning & planning, land entitlements, conditional use permits, special uses, alcohol license, design and policy.

QUIRINO DE LA CUESTA & STEVE FRIEDMANN – CO-CHAIRS

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

PAUL ANNAND – CHAIR

**Location:** TBA

**Outreach:** Meetings held last Thursday of every month. (Or possibly the 2nd Tuesday of the month) or TBA Δ Deals with outreach to inform the VNNC community about board meetings, elections, committee meetings, projects and special events, e.t.c.

MARIA SKELTON – CHAIR

**Location:** TBA

**Education:** Meetings held 3rd Thursday of every month or TBA Δ Deals with citywide issues, board meetings, LAUSD and charter schools, bylaws, rules and regulations, policies and procedures.

STACEY RAINS – CHAIR

**Location:** TBA

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



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