VNNC General Meeting Agenda
January 11, 2017 (Wednesday 7-10pm)
Van Nuys Constituents Center Conference Room
6262 Van Nuys Blvd. Conference Room 1A
Van Nuys, CA 91401-2707

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 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. Vice President’s Report — Jason Ackerman

6. Secretary’s Report — Jeremy Pessoa

7. Treasurer’s Report — Stacey Rains and/or Howard Benjamin (Second Signatory) — Approve Treasurer’s Report

8. Committee Chairperson’s Reports, Budget Advocate’s Report, & Elected Officials’ Reports.

9. Mayor’s Office of Public Engagement Report on the progress of Mayor Garcetti’s “Back to Basics” agenda and collaborative opportunities moving forward. (Brian Gavidia, 10 minutes).

10. Old Business

   A. Discussion from the Chair regarding the petition to recall Board Member Jeanette Hopp and the City Attorney’s Opinion with regard to the same.

11. New Business:

   A. VNNC to vote to appoint Jason Ackerman and Marcela Rodriguez as official designees to attend Civic University 1.0 in January of 2017.

   B. VNNC to vote to appoint Howard Benjamin the official liaison to Film LA.

   C. VNNC to vote to appoint Marcela Rodriguez the official VNNC liaison to the Mayor’s Office with regard to all issues pertaining to homeless individuals in the VNNC jurisdictional area.

   D. VNNC to discuss and vote on DWP Ratepayer’s Bill of Rights and whether to file a Community Impact Statement (CIS) with regard to the same.

   E. VNNC to discuss and vote on whether to authorize and fund the Legislative Information Committee (LIC) to apply for State Bar Certification to offer Mandatory Continuing Legal Education (MCLE) program credit required of California attorneys. Initial classes to be offered at no cost, changed or discontinued at the discretion on the VNNC. (NTE $75).

12. Public Comments

13. Announcements

14. Adjourn
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. 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 SERVICIOS 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.