

# Van Nuys Neighborhood Council (VNNC)

Executive Committee Meeting Agenda For The VNNC

October 5th, 2015 (Monday 6:30pm - 8:00pm)

6250 Sylmar Avenue (Van Nuys Public Library)

Van Nuys, CA 91401



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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 (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 -- Approve September Minutes
6. Treasurer's Report -- Jeanette Hopp 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 & Any Special Reports from Councilmembers
8. New Business
  - a. The VNNC to hear a speech and presentation from Jessica Borek about illegal street vending. The VNNC to continue to support its position on illegal street vending, and to work with local community leaders to address this issue.
  - b. Discussion on the earned-paid sick days issues, legislation and possible actions in the form of a Community Impact Statement and letters of support. (Rosemary Jenkins)
  - c. The VNNC to formally set procedure for unanimous consent votes, and how to make all votes official and part of the public record while simultaneously maintaining accordance to all applicable municipal, state and federal laws.

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 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 Amber Meshack, Neighborhood Council Advocate at (213) 978-1551.

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d. 6200 N. Kester Ave. and 14849 W. Delano Ave. Bonus Density with two on menu incentives. A new apartment Building with 16 market rate units with 1/11 to be very low 2 units and 1/35 Bonus Density 6 units to become a 22 unit apartments with 20-2 bedroom, 2-3 bedroom and 30 % bike to replace parking. Support from board. Case no.: DIR 2015-1953-DB (Steve Friedman- Topanga Partners)

e. 4403, 14407, 14409, 14411 W. Tiara Street. Tentative Tract Map – for Condominium purposes and zone variance. New Construction of 8-Unit Condominium, total 14,389 SF x 30’-0” tall with total 16 parking for residents and & 2 guest parking spaces. ZV request to allow private open space on third level to be included towards total open space calculations. Seek letter 7. 8. 9. of Support. Case no: TT-72973-CN, ZA-2015-3142 (ZV) (Julia Lee/ The Code Solution)

f. 7005 Lennox Ave. 3 illegal units at apartment complex. Representative of the property owner is asking a letter of support from the board to legalize 3 illegally converted units on an apartment complex. No case number provided. Update and motion. (Jose Octavio Perez-Octavio Designs)

g. Divas who Rock/ Divas Build Future. Presentation. Divas Who Rock is an non-profit organization who would like to present at the general meeting and ask assistance in directing vacancies in establishing their organization in the Van Nuys community. No action to date. (Latese Williams – Diva’s Build Future)

h. Assemblyman Adrin Nazarian to participate in the VNNC’s “Distinguished Speaker Series” and address our local council. The Assemblyman will give us an update on what is going on in Sacramento, as well as the projects he is working on in the district.

- i. Additional Items
- j. Funding Requests

## 9. Announcements

## 10. Adjournment

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# 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.

MARIA SKELTON, 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, MARIA SKELTON, 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)



**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***



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