Executive Meeting Agenda (VNNC)
Van Nuys Neighborhood Council
February 2nd, 2015 (Monday 6:30 - 8:00pm)
Van Nuys Public Library
6250 Sylmar Ave, Van Nuys, CA 91401 -- (818) 756-8453

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 December & January Minutes
6. Treasurer’s Report -- Jeanette Hopp and/or Howard Benjamin (Second Signatory) -- Approve
7. Committee Chairperson’s Reports, Budget Advocate’s Report, Elected Officials’ Reports & Election Chair’s Report
8. New Business

a. The VNNC to host and moderate the debate for Los Angeles City Council District #6. The VNNC to solicit and invite questions from the general public and it’s stakeholders. The VNNC will strictly monitor the debate format and uphold the utmost professionalism in this community forum. The two candidates have both been invited, and have both confirmed their attendance. (1 1/2 hours)

b. Update and request for action on the parking situation on Cedros Street. The VNNC has been addressing an ongoing problem with the residents and the businesses in the area, and has reached out to Councilman Tom LaBonge and his field staff to assist the council in resolving the situation.

c. 7337-7347 Hazeltine Ave. Request a Letter of Support for the Change Of Zoning from 9T) R3-1, R1-1, R3-1 and [Q] RD1.5-1 To a RD1.5 zone. Updated exterior elevations per board request at previous meeting on December’s general board board. Case no.: VTT72877 (Regina Minor)
d. 7755 Sepulveda Blvd.: Request a permit of Sale for onsite consumption of Alcohol and dining.

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@vnnce.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 business days (72 hours) prior to the meeting you wish to attend by contacting Amber Meshack, Neighborhood Council Advocate at (213) 978-1551.
Requesting a permit of sale for onsite consumption of Alcohol with dining in conjunction with an existing restaurant with a max. load of 41 seats and patio. Case no.: ZA-2014-2728-CUB (Regina Minor) Update, discussion & action.

c. Neighborhood action. Request a CIS for Restrictive parking along the 5800-5900 block of Cedros Street. A request has been made by residents of Cedros Street for the VNNC to submit a Community Impact Statement (CIS) in regards of obtaining 2-hour restrictive parking with residents on the 5800-5900 block of Cedros Street. Also, to install speed bumps on Cedros Street. The board reach out to Cornerstone on this matter would like to address the board what the San Fernando Valley Community Mental Health Center is doing to address on this matter and the concerns of the community. (Mariano Medjia/Cedros Street resident and Bonnie Roth/Cornerstone) Discussion & action.

d. Discussion and debate on partnering with North Hollywood West Neighborhood Council on painting and maintaining the “Woodman Walls” on the north east boundary of the VNNC district. This partnership would include the Panorama City Neighborhood Council, and Councilman Paul Krekorian as well. There will be matching funds discussed, with the entire project costing somewhere around $12,000. The partnership alliance would like to see the VNNC allocate 1/3 of the cost of the project. FUNDING REQUEST (NTE $4000)

e. The VNNC to consider seeking out a “Sister City” in Holland to highlight the history of Van Nuys. The VNNC would partner with the city government of this city, and possibly plan a trip to visit and meet with the elected officials and stakeholders of our “Sister City.”

h. The VNNC to submit a “Community Impact Statement” on the creation of a City Health Commission. The LA City Council has adopted the motion and resolution to create a City Health Comission, and the VNNC would like to participate in this by submitting a CIS and possibly several names of people to serve from Van Nuys.

i. Additional items

j. Funding requests

9. Old Business

a. Consideration and possible vote on filling vacant seats on the Van Nuys Neighborhood Council. The VNNC will entertain any and all membership applications submitted for vacant seats. -- ACTION ITEM

10. Announcements

11. Adjournment
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.
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.
Δ Deals with community safety issues within the Van Nuys Neighborhood Council area.
JOSEF LAZAVORITZ, CHAIRMAN -- ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE -- (MARIYLN HAVARD, PENEOPE 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
Δ Deals with issues concerning children and youth, park programs, facilities and playgrounds in the VNNC area.
MARIA SKELETON, CHAIRMAN -- ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE -- (JOHN CAMERA, ROLAND GUEVERA, MIRIAM FOGLER (STAKEHOLDER), MR. JAMES PIEPER) JOSEF LAZAVORITZ
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)
Δ Deals with Van Nuys Neighborhood Council (VNNC) budgetary issues.
JEANETTE HOPP, CHAIRWOMAN
ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE -- (CANDIDO MAREZ, HERBERT THOMPSON, MARIA SKELETON, JENNIFER HUGHES (STAKEHOLDER)) JOSEF LAZAVORITZ
Location: TBD

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

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

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