



VNNC Executive Meeting Agenda

May 31, 2016 (Tuesday 6:30- 8:00 pm)

Van Nuys Public Library

6250 Sylmar Ave in the Conference Room

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. Old Business:
 - A. None
6. New Business:

A. The VNNC to arrange for a retreat involving all VNNC Board members. The VNNC to request that DONE also participate in the retreat and offer some relevant form of training. The retreat will hopefully give Board members a chance to get to know one another better, as well as to get to know our counterparts at DONE better.

B. The VNNC to arrange for a clean-up day adjacent to the Chit Chat Restaurant on Van Nuys Boulevard. The VNNC to coordinate with the Council office re same, as well as any other difficulties Chit Chat may be having related to maintenance and clean-up of adjacent property. Successful implementation will assist in the beautification of Van Nuys Boulevard.

C. The VNNC to purchase a cowbell for use at the general meeting. The cowbell would be used to indicate that a given speaker's time has expired. This will serve to expedite the general meeting and make same more efficient.

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- D. The VNNC to purchase a new lock for the VNNC storage locker. It is the sense of the VNNC that too many people know the combination to the existing lock, thereby creating a security issue. Purchase of a new lock will therefore serve to safeguard and secure all VNNC property.
- E. The VNNC to purchase a flagpole for the Marilyn Monroe Post Office on Van Nuys Boulevard. Such Post Office currently does not have a flagpole. Purchase of the flagpole would allow the Post Office to proudly fly the flag, thereby increasing community morale and making the Post Office more visible to community members.
- F. The VNNC to propose that the Catherine Avenue traffic circle be renamed the Penny Meyer traffic circle. The VNNC believes that such name change is appropriate in recognition of Penny Meyer's long service to the community. The VNNC further believes that such re-naming would make the traffic circle more visible and a focal point in the community.
- G. The VNNC to propose that street lights be installed on Sylvan Street between Tyrone and Hazeltine in Van Nuys. There are presently no such lights on that section of Sylvan Street. The VNNC believes that installation of such lights would be in the best interest of the community, would deter crime and would improve safety for local residents.
- H. The VNNC to officially vote on the five representatives authorized by the VNNC to prepare and submit Community Impact Statements. This is required by DONE. The VNNC also believes that having five such representatives will expedite and streamline the submission of Community Impact Statements.
- I. The VNNC to purchase three laptops for use by the VNNC President, Vice President and Secretary. Such laptops would only be used for



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authorized VNNC business. Such laptops would become the property of the VNNC in perpetuity for use by future Presidents, Vice Presidents and Secretaries.

- J. The VNNC to announce that there are presently two (2) openings on the Board for non-profit representatives. Said openings would be filled pursuant to whatever procedure is recommended by the Bylaw Committee at its next meeting and then approved by the full Board. Election of the two (2) new Board members would not take place unless and until such recommendation and approval have been completed.
- K. The VNNC to require all Committee Chairman to hold monthly meetings with their respective Committees. Reports to be rendered monthly by the Committee Chairman at the next general Board meeting. The VNNC believes that this would give a meaningful role to the various Committees, and expedite the general Board meetings.
- L. The VNNC to vote on whether to hire a transcription service to transcribe the minutes of the monthly general meeting. Such service would be as automated as possible, allowing the minutes to be posted on the VNNC website and otherwise as rapidly as possible. The VNNC believes that this would expedite the general meeting and otherwise eliminate much needlessly wasted time and effort.

- 7. Public Comments
- 8. Announcements
- 9. 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 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.

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

Location: 6240 Sylmar Street, 2nd floor Community Room

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

JOSEF LAZAROVITZ - CHAIR

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. JOHN CAMERA, CHAIR

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.

VERONICA MARIN - CHAIR

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 & 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.

CHAIRMAN PAUL ANAND

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

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.

CHAIRMAN STACEY RAINS – CHAIR

Sustainability: 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.

JOHN HENDRY & JERRY MARTIN – CO-CHAIR

For Non-Emergency City Issues Dial ~ 3 1 1

