



Van Nuys Neighborhood Council General Board Meeting Agenda

November 8, 2017 (Wednesday 7:00pm)
Marvin Braude Constituent Services Center,
6262 Van Nuys Blvd. Van Nuys, CA 91401
Conference Room 1A



- 1) **Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call, and Code of Conduct** (5 Minutes)
Speaker's Times, Cell Phones, Conversations, Correspondence Received and approval of minutes. Introductions of first time attending stakeholders.
*Speaker Cards: up to 1 minutes of Public Comment Times per item, with up to 2 minutes for Item 4 . This includes speaker cards on agenda items and General Public Comment-- a limit of 10 minutes for the entire meeting per stakeholder.
- 2) **Reports from Public Officials/Departments/Community Agencies** (15 minutes)
- 3) **Officer Reports**
 - A. President's Report – Jeff Lynn (2 minutes)
 - B. Vice-President's Report - Jason Ackerman (2 minutes)
 - C. Secretary's Report – Jeanette Hopp (5 minutes)
 - I. Approval of the minutes from October 11, 2017 VNNC Board Meeting
 - D. Treasurer's Report -Veronica Marin (5 minutes)
 - I. Discussion and Possible Action: Approval of September 2017 MER (Monthly Expenditure Report)
 - E. Committee Chairperson's Reports for Items not on the Agenda (2 Minutes Each)
 - I. PLUM (Planning and Land Use Management) Committee
 - II. Outreach Committee
 - III. Budget & Finance Committee
- 4) **General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:** (15 minutes)
Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's jurisdiction (Up to two minutes per speaker)
- 5) **Old Business**

None Under this Section

- 6) **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.) (5 Minutes)

A. **Budget and Finance Committee**

- I. **Discussion and Possible Action:** Council will send a letter of request to the office of Nury Martinez of Council District 6 to change the fees collected from parking, such as meter parking, public parking structure near the government buildings, to be used towards expenditures in making streetscape improvements, such as tree planting, adding benches, sidewalk repairs and clean ups Van Nuys.
(See Attachment A)

B. **Executive Committee**

- I. **Discussion and Possible Action.** Formation of a Legislative Information Committee (LIC), as an advisory committee, to research, develop and report to and for the Van Nuys Neighborhood Council's interests, legislation, vetting, and special projects. Sunset clause June 30th, 2018 (unless renewed) and Brown Act mandated.
- II. **Discussion and Possible Action.** Formation of a Website Advisory Committee, an advisory committee. To research, develop and report to and for the Van Nuys Neighborhood Council's electronic communications and content. Sunset clause June 30th, 2018 (unless renewed) and Brown Act mandated.

7) **New Business:**

A. **Budget and Finance Committee** (10 Minutes)

- I. **Discussion and possible action** to approve the purchase by Credit Card of our VNNC storage unit Monthly Expense. The VNNC Storage bin bill is due November 10th. NTE\$200.00 (Recurring) Furthermore, to remove Howard Benjamin from the Account to be replaced with Jeanette Hopp and or Veronica Marin.
- II. **Discussion and possible action** for a software upgrade and plugins to our VNNC's website NTE \$300.00

B. **Outreach Committee**

- I. Presentation on Angle Tree (10 Minutes)
- II. Update on Thanksgiving and Holiday Events Approved at the October 11, 2017 General Board Meeting (10 Minutes)

C. **Planning and Land Use Committee**

- I. **Discussion and Possible Action.** 14019 Vanowen Street, **8 multi-unit Apartment Community**, Development and use of a 8-unit multi residential apartment community, Parking will be one level on grade with 3 stories of residential. height shall not exceed 45 ft. 7units will be market rate and 1 will be low income. (**Athena Novak/ AHN & Associates, LLC**) (10 Minutes)

- II. **Discussion and Possible Action.** 7002-7004 Van Nuys Blvd. Mixed Use Development, **Vesting Zoning Change.** Requesting to allow a zoning change from [T][Q] C2-1L to RAS4-1L to permit new construction for a 170-unit mixed used development. Case no#: CPC-2017-0737. (**Dana Sayles/ three6ixty.**) (10 Minutes)

D. Executive Committee

- I. Discussion And Possible Assignment of Plan and Duties for Outreach Efforts to Attract Candidates to Fill The Vacant Youth Representative Seat and Zone 2 Representative at the January 2018 VNNC General Board Meeting (5 Minutes)
- II. Discussion and possible action to approve \$25 for the purpose of digitizing old VNNC Records including but not limited to old minutes and agendas, not yet online.
- III. Discussion and possible action re VNNC Retreat to occur during Winter of 2018 (NTE \$1200) (7 Minutes)
- IV. Discussion and Possible Action to pay Marin Tax and Accounting Services \$20 to reimburse for the cost of printing documents for the VNNC including but not limited to copies of the 10-30-2017 Executive Committee Agendas. (5 Minutes)
- V. Discussion and possible action of updating the VNNC By-Laws (60 Minutes)
- VI. Discussion and Possible Action of Electing New Van Nuys Neighborhood Council Executive Officers (30 Minutes)

8) Items Pulled from The Consent Calendar

9) Report from Department on The Status of Exhaustive Efforts

- A. Update on the Process of Revising the By-Laws
- B. Update on timing of Board Officer Elections
- C. Update on Proposed Board Retreat

10) Board Member Announcements

11) Adjournment

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Jason Ackerman, Vice President
Veronica Marin, Treasurer
Jeanette Hopp, Secretary,

Board Members:

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John Hendry
Penny Meyer
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Howard Benjamin
George Thomas
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**Van Nuys Neighborhood Council
(VNNC) General Board**

**Van Nuys Neighborhood Council Request to
Allocate Parking Revenue Toward
Improvements for Van Nuys**

Council District 6

Nury Martinez

14410 Sylvan Street, Ste #215

Van Nuys, CA 91401

Dear Councilwoman Nury Martinez,

The Van Nuys Neighborhood Council supports the allocation of street and city parking funds collected in the Van Nuys area to a Parking Benefit District (PBD) for expenditures toward improvements, street cleaning, maintenance and better service to the Van Nuys area.

With the funds collected from parking meters, city-owned parking lots and structures, and parking violation fees, the expenditures will go to directly to the community in the Parking Benefit District (PBD) funds which has been done in cities like Houston (TX), Redwood City, Ventura, Austin (TX) and more locally Pasadena. They have proven this type of program works with sidewalk cleaning, better landscaping, benches, permanent trash/recycle bins, tree planting and maintenance service to make their place a better place to live.

The Van Nuys Neighborhood Council recommends the city to adopt this pilot program towards the Van Nuys Central District area to put in use from revenues within the community for upgraded maintenance and services via Parking Benefit District to keep Van Nuys on improving a significant neighborhood in the City of Los Angeles. It would be part of the Great Street's Initiative in making Van Nuys Blvd. great.

Thank you for your time and patience.

Jeff Lynn

President of Van Nuys Neighborhood Council

Veronica Marin

Chairwoman of the VNNC Budget and Finance Committee