



# Van Nuys Neighborhood Council

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SPECIAL General Board Meeting Agenda  
July 16, 2018  
7:00PM – 9:00PM

Marvin Braude Constituent Center  
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Van Nuys, CA 91401

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1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America and Roll Call
2. Officer’s Report
  - A. President’s Report- Boardmembers to announce the committees they will be serving on for the FY 2018-2019.
  - B. Vice President’s Report
  - C. Secretary’s Report Discussion and possible action of May 2018 General Board Meeting minutes.
  - D. Treasurer’s Report MERS- Discussion and possible action to reimburse the Councilmembers that have outstanding invoices that need to be paid. The VNNC to pay for copies made by Councilmember Skelton-\$18.62.
  - E. Discussion and possible motion to approve of April, May, and June 2018 MERS.
3. Reports from Public Officials/Departments/Community Agencies
  - A. Each office this month will have one minute due to the assessment, election, and budget forms.
4. Consent Calendar
  - A. Discussion and possible action to approve letter of support for Conditional Use Permit for an existing 2,826 s/f restaurant (Chipotle Mexican Grill) with 52 interior seats and a 350 s/f covered patio with 20 additional seats located at 5600 Van Nuys Blvd. (ZA-2018-2062-CUB). Requesting the sale and dispensing of a full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption with proposed hours of 9:00 am – 11:00 pm daily in the C2-1VL zone. Applicant: Valerie Sacks of Liquorlicense.com. Planning Dept: TBD. Letter of support language: Re: Case Number ZA-2018-2062-CUB Dear City Planner, In recognition of the efforts and request by Chipotle Mexican Grill and reflecting the action taken by the Neighborhood Council on Wednesday, July XX, 2018 where Council support (vote count) was provided for the renewal of the Conditional Use Permit for the existing restaurant located at 5600 Van Nuys Blvd, Van Nuys, resulting in dispensing of beer and margaritas for on-site consumption with expanded hours of 9:00 am – 11:00 pm daily, we respectfully offer this letter of support. Chipotle Mexican Grill restaurant is a quality

neighborhood stakeholder offering convenient, fine Mexican food and beverages for Van Nuys residents and neighboring communities. We sincerely believe Chipotle Mexican Grill will continue to be a beneficial partner in the Van Nuys community.  
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- B. Discussion and possible action to approve letter of support for proposed merger of two lots and re-subdivision into one lot located at 15400 and 15350 Sherman Way. (CPC-2018-1470-ZC). Requesting zone change from (Q) P-1VL, (Q) C2-1VL and C2-1VL to (Q) C2-1VL. Applicant: Jerome Julian of Julian-Julian Associates. Zoning Dept: Lucy Martinez. Letter of support language: *Re: Case Number CPC-2018-1470-ZC Dear Ms. Martinez, In recognition of the efforts and request by Julian-Julian Associates and reflecting the action taken by the Neighborhood Council on Wednesday, July XX, 2018 where Council support (vote count) was provided for the merger of two lots into one lot located at 15400 and 15350 Sherman Way., Van Nuys, we respectfully offer this letter of support. The Julian-Julian Associates project reflects our commitment to sensible economic growth within the community. We believe the Julian-Julian Associates merger and zone change will encourage future development at the site.* Links to project documents submitted to the city for review. [Click to Download](#) [Click to Download](#) [Click to Download](#) [Click to Download](#) [Click to Download](#) [Click to Download](#) [Click to Download](#) [Click to Download](#) [Click to Download](#) [Click to Download](#) [Click to Download](#) [Click to View](#)
- C. Discussion and possible action to approve letter of support for proposed demolition of the existing El Cortez Motel located at 5746 Sepulveda Blvd (CPC-2013-3554-ZC-HD-ZV-CU-ZAA-PA1) and the development of a new 74 Unit Hotel. Applicant: Heather Waldstein of Rosenheim & Associates, Inc. Planning Dept: Lillian Rubio. Letter of support language: *Re: Case Number CPC-2013-3554-ZC-HD-ZV-CU-ZAA-PA1 Dear Ms. Rubio, In recognition of the efforts and request by The El Cortez Hotel (represented by Heather Waldstein of Rosenheim & Associates, Inc.) and reflecting the action taken by the Neighborhood Council on Wednesday, July XX, 2018 where Council support (vote count) was provided for the demolition of the existing hotel located at 5746 Sepulveda Blvd, Van Nuys, and the development of a new hotel with 74 rooms, we respectfully offer this letter of support. The El Cortez Hotel has been a long-term neighborhood stakeholder of Van Nuys. We believe the new El Cortez Hotel represents a substantial improvement to the Van Nuys community.*  
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- D. Discussion and possible action to promote health and wellness. The VNNC to invite a local yoga instructor to help the entire council with basic breathing exercises, as well as simple standard yoga that can be done before, during, and after council meetings. The VNNC to parlay this yoga session into creating a better and more tolerant society, especially as we plan on co-sponsoring the health fair at Valley Presbyterian Hospital in October. The VNNC to teach basic yoga at our health fair in Van Nuys at our booth.
- E. Discussion and possible action to establish and vote on the official “Poet Laureate” for the Van Nuys area. The official Poet Laureate to open and close the VNNC meetings with a poem, designed to bring everyone together and promote writing and the arts. All stakeholders in Van Nuys and the surrounding area are eligible for the honored designation.

*F. Discussion and motion to approve and certify the Van Nuys Neighborhood Council's Inventory list is correct and complete, containing all items in the possession of VNNC; as reported to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment during Fiscal Year 2017-2018.*

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5. Presentation: Ifunanya Gwacham in the "Distinguished Speaker Series." Ms. Gwacham is the Victim Services Coordinator for the LAPD, Van Nuys Division.
6. Discussion and possible action to complete required paperwork (Self-Assessment, Election Information Worksheet, and Admin Summary Packet) required by the City Clerk for the FY2018-2019.  
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7. Committee Reports
  - A. Executive
  - B. Budget and Finance
  - C. Outreach
  - D. Planning Land Use Management
  - E. Public Health and Safety
  - F. Government Relations and Bylaws
  - G. Parks and Recreation
  - H. Special Committee of Policy and Education
8. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items within the Board's Jurisdiction (up to two minutes per speaker)
9. Board Member Comment on Non-Agenda Items
10. Adjournment

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