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Van Nuys Neighborhood Council



Executive Committee Meeting Agenda Monday, February 4th, 2019 6:30pm – 8:00pm

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1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America and Roll Call
2. Officer’s Reports & Other Reports
 - a. President’s Report – The State of Van Nuys Speech. The Council President will deliver in writing and verbally a short and concise update on the State of Van Nuys.
 - b. Vice President’s Report – The Vice President will update the council on the status of the committees, and how often they meet. The VP will also address the direction of the committee agendas, and what we are accomplishing.
 - c. Secretary’s Report (Motion to approve December & January Minutes)
 - i. Discussion and possible action to approve all pending other General Board Meeting Minutes.
 - d. Treasurer’s Report (Motion to approve December & January’s Monthly Expenditure Reports)
 - i. Discussion and possible action to approve the other MER’s for all pending months.
3. Discussion of current items for action at the February VNNC General Board Meeting.
 - a. The VNNC will go over and redo the “Administrative Packet” as is required by City Hall. The VNNC to discuss and debate the AP, and vote on and ratify all language

thereof. The VNNC to thank those involved in the process and continue on with normal relations with staff at City Hall.

- b. The VNNC to work assisting and in accordance with the LAPD Van Nuys Division to create a mural on the front of the LAPD Station. The VNNC to reach out to the offices of David Ryu, Nury Martinez, and Paul Krekorian to assist in this endeavor. The VNNC to also include the leadership of the Mid Valley Community Police Council (MVCPC) and the Community Police Advisory Board (CPAB) to help fund this mural. NTE \$5,000.
- c. The VNNC to begin reaching out to our community partners in Van Nuys. In doing so, the VNNC to create the new “Non-profit Organization of The Month” series. Each month, a new non-profit will be invited to come and introduce themselves before the council. In doing so, the VNNC can evaluate their paperwork and what they are doing for Van Nuys, and ultimately decide to assist and fund them. This month’s non-profit will be Life Sail Inc. The VNNC to consider a Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG) for Life Sail Inc not to exceed \$2,500. (FYI -- LSI is all Year After School & Community Sailing Program US-Sailing Reach / STEM oriented, Winter Boat Building & Leadership development program, Summer Sailing Camps, Weekend Adventure Camps, Dinghy & Keelboat sailing.”) NTE \$2,500
- d. The VNNC to consider any and all applications to fill the vacant seats of Stacey Rains, Richard Hopp and Jaklen Keshishyan. <https://vnnc.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/Neighborhood-Council-Candidate-Filing-Form-Van-Nuys-NC.pdf>
- e. The VNNC to support the annual Arbor Day event being held in Van Nuys. This year, Arbor Day LA 2019 will be here in Van Nuys at the Van Nuys Recreation Center on Saturday March 9, 2019. Arbor Day is a community resource fair and tree planting celebration where 160+ street trees will be planted by non-profit planting partners and volunteers the day of the event. Rachel O'Leary from City Plants will connect and speak with the VNNC, and see if you would be interested in having a booth at the resource fair. Additionally, the VNNC to plant some of these trees in and around the Government Center, with an official tree planting ceremony.
- f. The VNNC to expand on the Vice President’s report, and officially appoint any additional committee members as needed. Moreover, the VNNC to fill the Chairpersonship of the Government Affairs & By-Laws Committee. Finally, the VNNC to make a master document with all the new committee information.
- g. The VNNC to address the ongoing paperwork needed for reimbursements. “Hi George, I have just received the payment request for the reimbursements. Please be advised that our office cannot make any payments, until the payment is processed through the Funding Portal. I am currently reviewing the payment request that were submitted through the portal and it looks like they are missing the original BACs approving the original expenditure. Per NC Funding Policy 3.0 In order for the Board Member to be reimbursed for the expense, the following is required: a. A Board Action Certification (BAC) Form authorizing the use of NC funds for the NC activity or purpose for which the Board Member incurred the expense. This BAC Form must show it was authorized by the Board prior to the expenditure. b. A BAC Form authorizing the reimbursement payment to the Board Member. Maria and or Jeanette Please email me the following BACs: Movie in the

Park, Van Nuys Clean up, Once I receive the BACs i can continue to process the request. Just as a reminder, the Annual Budget needs to be updated. Office expenditure should include copies and refreshments for broad meetings. Thank you, Paola”

- h. The VNNC to participate in the Senior Symposium. “Hi George & Veronica, Happy New Year! We are reaching out to you as a request for the Van Nuys Neighborhood Council to participate in our 11th annual Senior Symposium & Job Fair on Saturday, May 18th, 2019 at ONEgeneration Senior Enrichment Center. Each year, the attendance continues to grow with attendees from all over southern California. A significant portion of attendees reside in the Van Nuys area and are very active at our center. Participation and support from the local neighborhood councils are essential in making sure all those who are attending the event receives lunch at no cost to them. Of course, as a lunch sponsor you will be provided with a table, chairs for two, canopy, and lunch for two, along with prime location and advertising of your logo in all promotional materials. We hope to have your support as we have in the past to both participate as a sponsor as well as receive funding to assist with lunch services. I have attached an invoice for your records. Please don’t hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or need further information. I look forward to hearing from you. Thank you.”
- i. The VNNC to support and assist the Office of Assemblyman Adrin Nazarian in the February Job Fair his office is hosting. The VNNC to consider a Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG) for the 501c3 non-profit called San Fernando Valley Partnership. The VNNC to request an earmark of the funds go to purchasing lunch for the 100+ individuals anticipated to be present at the job fair. The VNNC to additionally staff and help set up the job fair. NTE \$500. (The point of contact for San Fernando Valley Partnership, his name is Albert Melena. Phone number is (818) 554-6913 and email address is a.melena@sfpv.org)
- j. MOTION--Ask TRADER JOE's to consider former OSH site at Sepulveda/Oxnard for new store. Ask cooperation from Councilperson Ryu-- Spend no VNNC funds. Supporting info--none seems necessary. OSH site has sufficient space for TRADER JOE's and on-site parking. No TRADER JOE's nearby--TARGET is complimentary use. (Councilmember John Hendry)
- k. The VNNC to address a concern from a longtime constituent and stakeholder. “Mr. President- In an effort to conserve water the State of California enacted SB-7 so multifamily structures will separately meter water usage by tenants. Recently, the state has enabled additional housing to be built by encouraging accessory Dwelling Units (ADU's) effectively turning single family homes into Multifamily Properties. Ladwp has restricted additional service meters to be installed on R1 properties limiting individual metering and billing to private companies, **see attached**. Private metering, reading of the meters, and Billing are only cost effective for buildings over 20 units, it is impractical (not cost effective) for smaller multifamily properties to utilize private metering companies. The LADWP already has a process in place to issue private submeters, read private submeters and bill based on the submeters readings for bureau of Sanitation billing see City ordinance (Section 64.41.03(g)3ii). This ordinance allows only one submeter for each service meter. In order to increase water conservation, help landlords manage utility services, and help tenants pay for actual usage instead of estimates, I would like to propose that the City of Los Angeles enact an ordinance that would direct the LADWP to allow Multifamily property owners to place LADWP issued Sub-Meters for each rental unit on a multifamily property and require

LADWP to read and bill each meter separately to each tenant for water and sewer usage the way that they already do for Electric and trash service. As you can see from the email chain below the Engineering Manager of LADWP – Water Distribution Division has indicated that such an ordinance would be necessary in order to accomplish this goal. Please let me know what the next step would be. Sincerely, Joel Horowitz”

- i. The VNNC to fund the preparedness fair coming up in the San Fernando Valley. “Hi, George. I realize you're still working on the check for last year's Fair, and I appreciate that. However, the 2019 Fair is now "full speed ahead!" and I have prepared an NPG for VNNC at the \$2,500 level, which is what VNNC has traditionally contributed (2018 being the exception). And you can use this year's funds for the Fair, helping to reduce the amount that would otherwise get returned to DONE. Shall I send the NPG to you, or how best to handle? Would like to get started as soon as possible. I'm sure you understand. :-) Thanks!”
 - m. MOTION--3 Minuted to Mr Browning, (If he accepts) for Paul Revere Williams building in Van Nuys--1945 Fair Housing Meeting at VN High. (Councilman John Hendry).
 - n. The VNNC to consider and submit a Community Impact Statement on the following: (Council File 17-1315) Whereas, the Dwarf Planet known as Sedna is the second furthest known dwarf planet in the solar system and the second most red object in the Solar System after Mars. Whereas, the solar orbit of Sedna is calculated at around 11,400 years. with an aphelion [furthest point of its orbit] estimated at 937 AU [1AU = the distance between Earth and the Sun, 937 AU is roughly 31 times the distance of Neptune] and a perihelion [closest point in its orbit] at about 76 AU, which it will reach in the year 2070. Whereas, the last time Sedna was this close, humans had just domesticated their first fruit tree (the Fig Tree), this opportunity is not just a once in a life time event but a once in a geological epoch, which might very well be the only foreseeable window in the existence of our species where we have the resources and knowledge to reach this object for study. Whereas, reaching Sedna at its perihelion in the year 2070 would take the fastest current spacecraft an estimated 25 years and there are no known plans at NASA or any other private or public space agency to meet this deadline to do so; Whereas the Van Nuys Neighborhood Council has no doubt that given access to robust STEAM education and funding that our Children and their children will be fully capable of building and tracking a spacecraft that will reach Sedna by 2070. Therefore Be It So Resolved that the Van Nuys Neighborhood Council calls on the United States Congress to invest heavily in science technology engineering arts and Mathematics education that will prepare the current Generation of students in Van Nuys to become the next generation of celestial explorers who will design, build and maintain the spacecraft(s) and software that will allow us to reach Sedna. Be It Further Resolved, The Van Nuys Neighborhood Council explores the United States Congress to divert funds from non-scientific elements of the defense budget to resort NASA spending to no less than 1% of GDP by 2025.
 - o. Any additional items from the General Public or Van Nuys Councilmembers for the agenda. Please in the future submit via email to George.thomas@vnnc.org and have three sentences or around 21 words ready for the agenda.
4. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items within the Board’s Jurisdiction (up to two minutes per speaker)

5. Adjournment

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