Van Nuys Neighborhood Council

General Board Meeting Agenda
July 10, 2019 7:00PM

Marvin Braude Constituent Service Center
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1. Roll Call - Pledge of Allegiance

2. Discussion and possible action to approve minutes from June 12th meeting.

3. Discussion and possible action to approve all outstanding minutes.

4. Executive Reports
   b. Vice President- update on committees and attendance tracking.
   c. Secretary- update of missing minutes on website and VNNC documents.
   d. Treasurer- update on MERS, Budget, and Self-assessment paperwork.

5. Presentation for Distinguished Speaker Series: Ron Galperin, City Controller-A 15 minute presentation on what’s going on in the Controller’s office followed by an 10 minute informative question and answer period about upcoming policy implementations and overview of Mr. Galperin’s responsibilities and philosophies.

6. Government and elected officials reports (two minutes per report)

7. Discussion and possible action to approve FY 2019-2020 financial packet and budget.
8. Discussion and possible action to appoint Robinson O’ Brien-Bours to the open Commercial/Employee seat (2023).

**Candidate Statement:** “As an active member of the community who has previously run as an At-Large Resident Representative and has attended VNCC meetings, I wish to be considered for this vacancy representing my part of our neighborhood. Combining my background in the public, private, and nonprofit sectors, I would be able to help offer reforms that could lead the VNCC to better serve the people of Van Nuys.”

9. Discussion and possible action to create the Human Services Committee as a new standing committee. Human Services Committee. The proposed VNCC Human Services Committee’s mission will be based on the ultimate goal to educate, engage, and empower the Van Nuys community by fostering and connecting leadership, capacity building, and impacting public policy using a dynamic partnership among neighborhood groups, residents, nonprofit organizations, businesses, religious institutions, and community leaders within the diverse communities of Van Nuys and surrounding areas. The VNCC Human Services Committee will monitor issues affecting the quality of life of citizens in Van Nuys. The committee will act as advocates and liaisons to the City Council, the Mayor, and all City of L.A. departments that touch the lives of the people of Van Nuys. The committee will address issues around homelessness, mental illness, child welfare, and employment while participating in identifying and implementing solutions. Goals of the VNCC Human Services Committee

1. Link City Council, the Mayor, and City of L.A. departments with the Van Nuys community through the Human Services Committee.
2. Educate and inform the community about issues that impact the quality of life in Van Nuys. Provide input on the development of policies that affect the community.
3. Issues:
   1. Homelessness
   2. Mental Illness
   3. Child Development Issues (to include but not limited to Child Sex Trafficking & Education)
   4. Job Creation & Employment

10. Discussion and possible action for nominations and appointments:
   a. Assistant secretary to assist the Secretary with duties as stated in the By-laws to assist the Secretary with the regular responsibility.
   b. Committee Chairs
i. Budget and Finance Committee – Reviews financial reports, creates annual budgets. Receives, reviews and submits stakeholder grant applications to the Board for consideration.

ii. Outreach Committee – Works to promote and inform the community about the activities of VNNC and encourage stakeholder participation. Develops and vets community outreach events, projects and initiatives to participate in and support.

iii. Planning and Land Use Management Committee – Oversees planning, zoning and land-use, and transportation issues affecting the VNNC including proposals for new developments, zoning and planning, land entitlements, conditional use permits, special uses, alcohol license, design and policy.

iv. Public Health and Safety

v. Parks and Open Space

vi. Government Affairs and Bylaws

vii. Education/Heritage

viii. Website

ix. Other committees

c. Liaisons

i. VANC - The Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (VANC) represents the 34 councils in the Valley. Meetings are second Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm.

ii. LANCC - The Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition are members of the 97 Certified Neighborhood Councils. Meetings are the first Saturday of the month at 10:00 am.

iii. DWP MOU - The DWP Advocacy Committee takes positions on water and power issues while the DWP MOU Oversight Committee ensures the effectiveness of the NC/DWP MOU. Meetings are the first Saturday at 8:30 am.

iv. Budget Advocate Representatives - Represent the VNNC at the independent advisory body charged with making constructive recommendations on the city’s budget to the Mayor and City Council inspiring City departments to improve their operations.

11. Items to be discussed for the Consent Calendar

   a. Discussion and possible action to order Board business cards for $540.00 from GS Printing.

   b. Discussion and possible action to pay Wendy Moore AKA “Moore business”
April Invoice and two May Invoices NTE $2260.63 In addition, we need to review her contract with the VNNC for this coming fiscal year 2019-2020 to be renewed on a month to month basis.

c. Discussion and possible action to host a retreat for the Board on July 28, 2019 NTE $1200 to pay for the room and food. With a focus on board training and growth.

d. Discussion and possible action to have Thela Thatch and Sam Woolf attend Civic University on 7/15, 7/22, and 7/29.

12. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items within the Board’s Jurisdiction.


14. Adjournment

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