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## Van Nuys Neighborhood Council



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**General Board Meeting**  
Wednesday, August 10, 2022  
7:00PM

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**1. Roll Call – Pledge of Allegiance**

**2. Appointment of a VNNC Parliamentarian**

**3. Reports from Government officials: (2 mins each)**

- a. LAPD Van Nuys Division - <https://vnnc.org/resource/>
- b. LA County Probation Department – Mel Bailey [mel.bailey@probation.lacounty.gov](mailto:mel.bailey@probation.lacounty.gov)
- c. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) - Lorenzo Briceno [lorenzo.briceno@lacity.org](mailto:lorenzo.briceno@lacity.org) (213) 978-1551
- d. Council District 2 –Cairo Rodríguez [cairo.rodriguez@lacity.org](mailto:cairo.rodriguez@lacity.org) 818-755-7676
- e. California Congressional District 29 - Osvaldo Ramirez [osvaldo.ramirez@mail.house.gov](mailto:osvaldo.ramirez@mail.house.gov)
- f. Assembly District 46 - Lilly Sarafian (818) 376-4246 [lilly.sarafian@asm.ca.gov](mailto:lilly.sarafian@asm.ca.gov)
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- h. Council District 6 – Sophia Soudani (818) 778 4999 [sophia.soudani@lacity.org](mailto:sophia.soudani@lacity.org)
- i. Mayor’s office – Michelle Vergara [michelle.vergara@lacity.org](mailto:michelle.vergara@lacity.org) (213) 400-9816
- j. Los Angeles County 3rd District – Brenda Yanez [BYanez@bos.lacounty.gov](mailto:BYanez@bos.lacounty.gov) (818) 901-3831
- k. Senate District 18 - Edwin Amaya [Edwin.Amaya@sen.ca.gov](mailto:Edwin.Amaya@sen.ca.gov) (818) 901-5588
- l. Parks and Recreation Department - Thomas Ortiz (Facility Director, Van Nuys Rec Center) and Oscar Cardenas (Facility Director, Delano Rec Center)
- m. LAUSD Board District 3 - Tammy Ramirez [tammy.ramirez@lausd.net](mailto:tammy.ramirez@lausd.net) (213) 241-8333
- n. LAUSD Board District 6 – Michael Menjivar [michael.menjivar@lausd.net](mailto:michael.menjivar@lausd.net) 213-241-6388
- o. Jamie York - [amiey@resedacouncil.org](mailto:amiey@resedacouncil.org) Municipal Lobbying Ordinance changes that are currently under consideration
- p. Cynthia Solloa - Family Source Center [csolloa@neworg.us](mailto:csolloa@neworg.us)

**4. Consent agenda:**

- a) Approve July General Board Meeting minutes. [https://vnnc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/VNNC\\_GBM\\_Draft\\_Minutes\\_07132022\\_Final.pdf](https://vnnc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/VNNC_GBM_Draft_Minutes_07132022_Final.pdf)
- b) Discussion and possible action regarding purchasing two (2) additional VNNC Zoom licenses up to \$600 by transferring \$600 from the Food, Refreshments for General Board Meetings line item.

Zoom payments update: Dept will pay for 1 base license per NC Thank you for your patience as the Department has continued to investigate the appropriate financial processes for Neighborhood Council boards to acquire additional Zoom licenses and

reimburse the Department for the original prepaid annual license. Unfortunately, as the fiscal year drew to a close in June, we were unable to nail down the process with the NC Funding Program and Controller's Office, and continue to investigate this topic. As such, and because many of you had voted to reimburse the Department prior to the close of the fiscal year, we have decided to absorb the cost of the renewal for 1 license per NC from April 2022 through April 2023. To answer a question some NCs have asked, you will not need to reimburse us for this expense. However, if you wish to purchase additional licenses in this new fiscal year (each license is estimated at approximately \$200), please contact your NEA, and we will work with you to purchase the license and arrange for reimbursement once the process has been confirmed. As a note, you can assign a different administrator for each board-approved license ordered from the Department. In addition, starting in 2023, the Department will be reaching out for reimbursement of the original license purchases (1 per NC) for the period to cover April 2023 - April 2024.

- c) Already approved by City Planning and PLUM committee and Executive committee recommended: Discussion and possible action: 14762 W. Calvert St. 91411. Case No. ZA-2021- 2766-CU. Requesting a Conditional Use Permit per code 12.24 to change building use from light manufacturing to automotive repair use within M2 zone. Building is 4580 sq ft. of space, with 11 parking spaces and tenant improvements for 281 sq. ft. office and 43 sq. ft. restroom. Project had hearing on June 21, 2022. Hearing officer suggested to have project reviewed by the VNNC. Applicant: Richard H. Millard TR Millard Family Trust and Mark S. Millard TR Millard Willard Trust. Agent/representative: Yvonne Buan, architect.3 Page 3 of 4 Digital copies of project documents can be found at: <https://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/search/encoded/MjQ2MDI10> (in box on top right of screen, click on “Initial Submittal Documents” to find links to project documents).

**5. Budget Advocate** CD 4, Howard M. Katchen [hkatchen@shermanoaksnc.org](mailto:hkatchen@shermanoaksnc.org) (3-7 minutes)

**6. Executive Reports**

- a) President – (recent outreach activities, Saturday, October 1, 2022 9-1pm retreat: each member who represents a constituency will share issues facing that group, elections)
- b) Vice President
  - a) Secretary
  - b) Treasurer

**7. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (2 min per stakeholder)** A

stakeholder who wishes to provide public comment may indicate to the Chair before providing public comment whether they wish to provide one minute or two minutes of public comment.

**8. Budget Update Discussion and Possible Actions**

- a) Discussion and possible action regarding NPG Application: Friends of West Los Angeles. They are requesting a grant for \$1,000 to be used for costs associated with the city-wide 4th Annual Greater Los Angeles Safety and Preparedness Fair which will take place on November 13, 2022 at The Green Lot in Exposition Park (BF Committee and Executive committee recommended.)

<https://vnnc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/FOWLA-NPG-Application-combined.pdf>

9. **PLUM recommendation** to send a letter of support to the Planning Department for the proposed project: 14853 W. Sherman Way 91405. Case No. ZA2022-2515-CUB. Socorro's Restaurant is seeking a Conditional Use Permit to allow the sale and dispensing of beer and wine for on- and off-site consumption. Applicant is an existing 1,512 sq. ft. family style Mexican restaurant with 69 interior seats and a 571 sq. ft. patio with 58 seats with operating hours of 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. daily. Applicant: Ancelmo and Judith Valez Perez (company: Socorro's Restaurant). Representative: Veronica Becerra, Rabuild Commercial Services LLC. Digital copies of project documents can be found at: <https://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/search/encoded/MjU2NjI20> (in box on top right of screen, click on "Initial Submittal Documents" to find links to project documents).

**10. VNNC Committee reports:**

- a) Human Services
- b) Beautification
- c) Parks, Open Space, and Environment Committee
- d) Outreach Committee: T-shirt design feedback <https://vnnc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/VNNC-Tee-Concepts-002.pdf>
- e) Education Committee
- f) ~~PLUM Committee~~
- g) ~~Public Safety~~
- h) ~~Government Relations and Bylaws Committee~~

**11. Adjournment**

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We pledge to represent my neighborhood with dignity, integrity, and pride.  
I will encourage other points of view, even when they differ from my own.  
I will respect, value, and consider everyone's opinion.  
I will find the good in my neighborhood and praise it and promote it.  
To my neighbors, and to neighborhoods throughout the City of Los Angeles, I pledge to do this to the best of my ability.