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Van Nuys Neighborhood Council



Van Nuys Neighborhood Council Executive Committee Meeting

Wednesday, March 29, 2023
8:00PM

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1. Roll Call – Pledge of Allegiance

2. Executive Reports

- a. President
- b. Vice President
- c. Secretary
- d. Treasurer
- e. Parliamentarian

3. 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.

4. Discussion of minutes deferred to the next meeting.

5. Planning for in-person meetings of the VNNC at the Braude Center Conference Room

6. Use of new agenda templates from DONE

7. LADWP-NC MOU

Discussion and possible action to recommend participation by the VNNC in the renewed Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Water and Power and the Neighborhood Councils.

Background:

In February, the LADWP-NC MOU Renewal was approved by DWP. According to Tony Wilkinson, long-time member of the Panorama City NC and Chair of the NC-DWP MOU Oversight Committee, "This longstanding MOU is the ONLY formal agreement between a city department and individual Neighborhood Councils for transparent two-way communications, advance information, and local representation."

Each Neighborhood Council is requested to agendaize its own participation in the MOU and submit its action to LADWP on a Board Action Certificate (BAC).

Each Neighborhood Council should also name its own DWP Representative (who does not necessarily need to be a Board member), along with an Alternate Representative. The NC can choose the way to name a representative (e.g., by Board action or by appointment by the President or by the executive committee).

Please send copies of BACs and messages appointing representatives to:
LADWP -- Stephanie Spicer <Stephanie.Spicer@ladwp.com>
NCMOU -- Tony Wilkinson <tonyw.civic@gmail.com>
Advocacy Cmte -- Jack Humphreville <JackH@targetmediapartners.com>

The new MOU is posted at www.ladwp.com/neighborhoodcouncils.

8. VNNC elections – key dates

Candidate filing started on **February 22, 2023** and ends **April 8, 2023**. (Candidates can submit an application online via the City Clerk's Portal or by submitting a paper application.)

Vote by Mail (VBM) applications can be submitted through the online portal or by paper application from April 23, 2023 to June 3, 2023.

(NOTE: Both application deadlines are moving from 5:00PM to 11:59PM. Staff will only be available to provide assistance during business hours.)

The VNNC in-person voting will take place on **June 22, 2023 from 11:00AM to 5:00PM**.

VBM ballots will be mailed out on May 18, 2023 and must be returned and postmarked by election day and received no later than July 2, 2023 in order to be counted.

9. Items for April General Board Meeting (4/12)

- a. No planned guest speaker
- b. Approval of minutes of Feb. 8th and March 8th meetings
- c. Announcement of Youth Rep vacancy
- d. Discussion and possible action on motions from the Budget & Finance Committee (including recommendation on one NPG application and approval of Feb MER)
- e. Discussion and possible action on motions from the Parks, Open Space, and Environment Committee (including motions to approve two CIS documents)
- f. Discussion and possible action on motions from the Outreach Committee.
- g. Discussion and possible action on motions or report from the Government Affairs and Bylaws Committee.
- h. Discussion and possible action to approve participation in the LADWP-NC-MOU
- i. Discussion and possible action on preference for a method of holding committee meetings in the future.
- j. Share information about the 2023 VNNC Board Member Election process.
 - i. Key dates on the calendar for the various elements of the process.
 - ii. Filing to be a candidate closed April 8th.
 - iii. Report on outreach plans.

10. Adjournment

AB 361 Updates -

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Neighborhood Council Board Member Oath

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.

