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Van Nuys Neighborhood Council Executive Committee Meeting AGENDA

Tuesday, April 2, 2024
6:00 PM

Van Nuys Branch Library
Community Room
6250 Sylmar
Van Nuys, CA 91401

On the Civic Center Plaza

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1. Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance
2. Discussion and possible action regarding potential Items for the Agenda of the GBM (General Board Meeting) on April 10 – see separate list of items starting on page 4.
3. Logistics for April 10 General Board meeting
 - a. Food – Pizza again?
 - b. Room setup.
4. Potential committee meeting schedule for the next month.
5. Role of Neighborhood Council in City’s process of licensing cannabis businesses.
6. Telephone number and Vonage account are operational. (Vonage support staff informed us that only the holder of an extension on the system can receive an email for each voicemail. President will share these emails with the Treasurer and they will would share the responsibility to respond to voicemail messages.)
7. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (2 min per stakeholder)
(Note that topics discussed must be within the jurisdiction of the VNNC.)
8. Identification of topics Board Officers would like to discuss at a future meeting.
9. Adjournment,

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Items to be Considered for the Agenda of the VNNC April 10, 2024 GBM (General Board Meeting)

1. Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance
2. Government Official Reports (Will not allow any Board or public comments until all reports have been provided.)
3. Information sharing by 3 Cannabis Retail Businesses that are receiving approval of a Business license by the City Department of Cannabis Regulation (DCR).
(NOTE: Comments only after all presentations have been made.)
 - The Green Earth Farmacie, Inc., 7756 N. Burnet Ave., Van Nuys 91405
 - Valley Herbal Center, Inc., 14542 W. Victory Blvd, Van Nuys, CA 91411
 - 14901 Sherman Way LLC, 14903 W. Sherman Way Blvd., Van Nuys, CA 91405
4. Board Officer Reports
5. General Public Comment on non-agenda items
6. Consent Agenda: Review/approve minutes from Feb. 28 GBM meeting.
7. Action item from the Outreach Committee
 - a. Discussion and possible action on a motion to give Wendy Moore (of Moore Business Results) an allowance to conduct website administration for an amount not to exceed \$600 per month.
8. Action Items from the PLUM Committee requiring roll call votes.
 - a. Discussion and possible action to recommend a letter of support for a beer and wine license for Otto Sushi located on 7205 Van Nuys Blvd.
 - b. Discussion and possible action to recommend a letter of support for an owner who is proposing to convert an underutilized commercial office building at 15350 Sherman Way (SW corner of Sherman Way & Sepulveda) into a public storage facility.
 - c. Discussion and possible action on request to renew and modify beer and wine license for Cali Viejo Restaurant at Van Nuys and Valerio. [pending response from applicant]
 - d. Discussion and possible action on request to renew and modify beer and wine license to Mi Casita Salvadorean Restaurant at Vanowen and Kester. [pending response from applicant.]
 - e. Discussion and possible action to file a CIS to Council File 23-0623-S1 regarding recommended amendments to draft ordinance that will build on the Mayor's Executive Directive 1 to stream the processing of applications to build 100% affordable housing projects.
9. Discussion Item from the PLUM Committee to highlight all of the City Planning projects that will impact the development of Van Nuys.
10. Discuss implementation of two new VNNC Committees.

a. **Public Safety, Human Services, and Animal Welfare Committee.**

This committee will consider issues and action items that can enhance personal safety of residents, safety of neighborhoods, support for local police, support for City initiatives to help people move from living on the streets into interim housing (including Inside Safe, Circle, and Council Office activities), and support activities to improve the welfare of feral animals.

Example of potential issues/activities to consider:

- Coordinate with Council offices and Circle staff to support cleanups and special help for unhoused individuals.
- Explore a possible NPG to aid pets of unhoused individuals.

b. **Parks, Public Spaces, and Sustainability Committee**

This committee will consider issues and action items that can improve the cleanliness and visual environment in Van Nuys, encourage greater use of reporting through 311, increase open space, enhance the tree canopy, and support initiatives to preserve and increase natural resources (such as native plants, groundwater storage, etc.) and address climate change.

Example of potential issues/activities to consider:

- Research cost and feasibility of funding a more visible sign regarding location of the Van Nuys Branch Library and its parking lot.
- Research cost and feasibility of posting a display box outside the Braude Center for posting of agendas and other community information.

c. **Reminder that each Board Member must service on at least one Committee.**

11. Updates on unresolved topics

- a. Waiting for response from DONE and City Attorney regarding issue that led to the resignation of Studio City NC members.
- b. Need to delay vote on SB 411 meeting option until can get 14 Board Members available to attend a meeting.

12. Identification of topics that Board members would like to be discussed at a future meeting.

13. Adjournment.