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Van Nuys Neighborhood Council Executive Committee Meeting AGENDA

Monday, November 4, 2024
6:45 PM

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

On the Civic Center Plaza

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Members of the Executive Committee: M. Bolla, D. Harari, M. Nkuku, K. Schreiner

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 November 13 – see separate list of items starting on page 4.
3. Logistics for November 13 General Board meeting
 - a. Food
 - b. Room setup (including table for documents for the public).
4. Discussion and possible action regarding appointment of a Chair and formation of a By-Laws Committee.
5. Status of Board vacancies.
 - a. Josue Chavez resigned from the Board.
 - b. Connor Chiu, a student at Van Nuys High School, submitted an application to fill the Youth seat on the VNNC Board.
6. Discussion and possible action to recommend that the Board approve a CIS opposing CF 24-0867.

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Key requests from this Council Motion are shown in the box below:

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners, with assistance of the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, the Youth Development Department and the City Clerk, be requested to provide recommendations on potential methods and options to amend the Neighborhood Council Bylaws (Bylaws) to ensure youth participation in Neighborhood Councils including the designation of a youth seat on each Neighborhood Council board to increase diversity and allow for leadership growth;

I FURTHER MOVE the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners, with assistance of the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment and the City Attorney, be requested to report to the Council on potential options to amend the Bylaws to include term limits for Neighborhood Council board members in order to facilitate greater member participation and leadership development.

7. Follow-up regarding obtaining certificates to honor the work of Neighborhood Council Board members. Will reach out to CD 6 to prepare certificates. Will try to schedule Councilperson Padilla to present (meeting date to be determined).
8. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (2 min per stakeholder)
(Note that topics discussed must be within the jurisdiction of the VNNC.)
9. Identification of topics Board Officers would like to discuss at a future meeting.

10. Adjournment,

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Items to be Considered for the Agenda of the VNNC November 13, 2024 GBM (General Board Meeting)

1. Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance
2. Government Official Reports (Will take public questions/comments after each report.)
 - a. Include presentation from staff of East Valley Animal Shelter regarding the virtual foster program.
3. Consideration of Connor Chiu, applicant for Youth seat.
4. Delano Park Handball Court Committee shares community concerns (up to 5 min.).
5. General Public Comment on non-agenda items
6. Board Officer Reports
 - a. Under President report, Kathy wants to share information about the opportunity to advocate for the planting of native trees along the route of the ESFV Light Rail line on Van Nuys Blvd., as well as information about utility work that may reduce selected segments of Van Nuys Blvd. to 2 lanes and no parking, starting in January 2025
7. Consent Agenda: Review/approve minutes from October 9th Board meeting.
8. Action Items from the Budget and Finance Committee – Discussion and possible action to approve recommendations from the 11/4 meeting of the Budget and Finance Committee on the following topics
 - a. Approve September MER.
 - b. NPG application from World Harvest Bank
 - c. NPG application from Operation Blankets of Love
 - d. NPG application from Meals in Motion
 - e. Approve payment of an overdue invoice from City of Los Angeles – Publishing Services in the amount of \$40.50 for business card printing in 2020.
 - f. VNNC Inventory form from City Clerk.
9. Report from the Outreach Committee on participation in Halloween events on October 25 at the Van Nuys Recreation Center and October 31 at the Delano Recreation Center.
10. Action Items and Report from the PLUM Committee
 - a. Discussion and possible action on recommendation that the Board submit a letter of support to the Department of Cultural Affairs and Council District 6 advocating for the utilization of art fees paid by developers to acquire and install an original art work on the Van Nuys Civic Plaza.

Background: The possibility of installing original public art on the Van Nuys Civic Plaza was presented to PLUM by Ayndrea Wilson of the California Artist Coalition of Los

Angeles. She will share with the Board information about an artist she is recommending to create the art work. She said that her organization would be able to take responsibility for insurance and maintenance associated with such a piece of art.

- b. Report: PLUM Committee members will compile a list of historic places in Van Nuys that the Planning Department should consider for identification in the SE Community Plan. Board members are asked to submit their suggestions to Quirino de la Cuesta for historic places to be considered.
- 11.** Discussion and possible action on motion proposed by Dalilah Perez-Vigo for the VNNC to sponsor the virtual adoption of an animal that is currently at the East Valley Animal Shelter. (Virtual adoption means that the VNNC would share information about the animal's availability for adoption on its website, on social media, and in its monthly e-blast.)
- 12.** Discussion and possible action to add Quirino de la Cuesta as a person authorized to submit Community Impact Statements that have been approved by the Board.
- 13.** Update on unresolved topics:
 - a. Need to delay vote on SB 411 meeting option until can get 14 Board Members available to attend a meeting.
- 14.** Announcements and identification of topics that Board members would like to be discussed at a future meeting.
- 15.** Adjournment.