



Northridge South Neighborhood Council Minutes March 28, 2013

1) Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance – Chris Sales called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm and Judy Greenberg led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2) Board of Directors Roll Call – Present: Rob Baskerville, Tom Bramson, Judi Greenberg, Margaret Landers, Sal Pelaez, Donnal Poppe, Chris Sales, Michael Savage, Jan Scott, Christian Vaca, Virginia Watts, Diane Weston-Sulka, Fred Youssif. Absent: Andrea Alvarado, Dagmar Abarghoei.

3) Approval of minutes from previous meeting – Judi Greenberg made a motion to approve the minutes, 2nd by Rob Baskerville. Motion passed unanimously.

4) Comments by public officials -

- a) CD12 - none
- b) Other public officials -
 - (i) Adam Pilder: YMCA award presentation – Last year 2,700 baskets were given out and Adam Pilder thanked us for sponsoring the event, our support and participation. He presented the council with a plaque.

5) Public comments – Glen Bailey told us VANC will be sponsoring a candidates forum for the 3 races for mayor, city attorney, and city controller.... April 27th at CBS studios. The senior symposium will be held on April 20 and there are 150 registrations so far. The first 500 will be served lunch. It will be held at the One Generation facility on Victory Blvd.

6) President's Comments – Chris Sales reported on the VANC 10th Anniversary Party. Ron Galprin and Eric Garcetti were there. Good opportunity for networking.

7) Old Business -

- a) Budget Update – Jan Scott reported that the Budget is updated every month on the NSNC website.
- b) ZA 2012-3545(ELD)(SPR) Eldercare Facility Follow up – Donnal Poppe said there was a wonderful turnout 200 to 300 people showed up at the Van Nuys hearing and she said the hearing was the longest she had ever attended. Everyone had an opportunity to speak. The ZA was holding the file open until the 20th. On the 19th of March the applicant submitted a smaller plan at the last moment; there has been lots of press and publicity. If the outcome is in favor of the project it will be appealed.

8) New Business -

- a) Steve Patel: Northridge Vision Update – Kelly Lord and Peter McCarthy came to explain Northridge Vision. Kelly described how Northridge Vision came about. Peter McCarthy said he wants NSNC to participate in Northridge Vision. Northridge Vision is an ongoing process with areas of Northridge divided up between the three councils. Margaret Landers is participating in Northridge Vision for our council.
- b) So Cal Gas Advanced Meter Project - Daisie Sanchez, community outreach person. A new faceplate will be added to the existing meter, battery has a 20-year life. It takes about 20 minutes. It runs on half the energy of a cell phone. Last of the utilities to do this in our state. Their own employees will be doing the installation. Installation will be next year. We will be able to see what we use online daily. We will be notified when they are coming to install. They have about 1000 meter readers, most of whom are part time.
- DWP – Husen Beshir and Marcelo DiPaolo from DWP - Smart Grid LA came to talk to us about the new meters. They formed a partnership with UCLA, JPL and USC. They are setting up an electric vehicle infrastructure, helping people who buy Electric Vehicles by providing free chargers for the home. Designing a high tech infrastructure where the customers will be able to monitor their consumption. DWP sent out letters about smart meters. They will be giving out a free thermostat that they can control to some consumers. There will be no rate increases, no cost to customers. People can choose to not be part of the program. More info at www.ladwp.com/smartgrid.
- c) Brandman Centers for Senior Care – no show, none.
- d) APCNV 2012-3551-ZC-CCL 9000/9020 Reseda Demo/Construction of New Retail with Drive Through – Donnal Poppe presented the project, Glen Bailey reminded us that the bike lane would be impacted by this project. Don Larson is in favor of the project and says the traffic will be fixed. He also says it will generate lots of money. Donnal Poppe made a motion to not support the project, 2nd by Margaret Landers. Discussion took place. Motion passed with 12 yes and one abstention.

9) Committee Reports-

- a) Reports from committee – Michael Savage from P & O gave a report of what it would cost to mail things out. He showed us a variety of options for mail out.
- b) Board member announcements – Judi Greenberg urged us to sign up for One Generation Senior Symposium. She also reminded us of the SOLID Pancake Breakfast coming up on May 18th.

10) Adjournment – Donnal Poppe made a motion to adjourn at 8:46 pm. The 2nd was made by Rob Baskerville. Motion passed unanimously.