



## Northridge South Neighborhood Council Minutes May 23, 2013

1) Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance – Chris Sales called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Judi Greenberg led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2) Board of Directors Roll Call – Present: Tom Bramson, Judi Greenberg, Margaret Landers, Sal Pelaez, Donnal Poppe, Chris Sales, Michael Savage, Virginia Watts, Diane Weston-Sulka.  
Absent: Andrea Alvarado (ex), Rob Baskerville (ex), Jan Scott (ex), Christian Vaca (ex), Fred Youssif (ex).  
Quorum is established. (10)

3) Approval of minutes from previous meeting – Virginia Watts made a motion to approve the minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Diane Weston Sulka. Motion passed. 9 yes votes.

Dagmar Abarghoei was late 7:10 pm.

4) Comments by public officials

- a) CD12 – Semee Park thanked us for our participation on Citrus Sunday and said we were the largest collectors. Announcement Semee made – Photo contest coming in June, Councilman Englander proclaimed week of May 19- 25 as medical emergency services week. Mitch Englander is looking into public right of way technology with real time data. He is asking the city for technology to see what kind of work is being done on the streets at any time. National Night Out at Northridge Park will be on Aug 6, 2013. Measure D passed, the City will allow 130-150 marijuana shops to remain open. Councilman Englander is against all medical marijuana facilities.
- b) Other public officials - none

5) Public comments -William Kuzmin realtor- He had a crash course in city government. He spoke about the senior dance. Average age is 80+. Every second Thursday there is a food bank at the Wilkinson Center, which is on the same night as the senior dance. It becomes very crowded and unsafe. He told us about the need for more parking and wants to open up a gate at the rear of the Wilkinson Center to allow for more parking.

6) President's Comments – Chris asked people to send him their summer schedule. He said he would be sending an email out regarding vacation.

7) Old Business

- a) Budget Update - Chris Sales made a motion to approve the 2013 -2014 budget as submitted from committee. He explained the budget and how the funds are place into categories. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom Bramson. Motion passed. Unanimous 10 yes votes

Chris Sales made a motion to allocate \$250.00 for the Los Angeles Citywide Neighborhood Congress. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Judi Greenberg. Motion passed 9 yes votes 1 abstention.

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#### 8) New Business

a) DWP/Food & Water Watch Discussion on Sacramento Delta Tunnel Project - no show. Alex Nagy from Food and Water Watch spoke in opposition to the Tunnel Project and Fracking in the Sacramento area and she said LA residents will be paying the cost through property taxes. Donnal Poppe made a motion to not support the Bay Delta Conservation Water Plan and send a letter to Councilman Englander to support the recommendation of Food and Water Watch. Diane Weston Sulka 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 9 yes 1 abstention.

Glenn Baily spoke about the election that will be held in the spring of 2014 and it is suggested that \$3700 be set aside for cost.

b) Parthenia Assisted Living Update – Donnal Poppe reported that the ZA approved the eldercare and there will be a hearing on June 20. She invited all to attend the Town Hall on June 4. At 6:30.

c) Motion to Support to join in the SFHOA's letter of in support of the West Hills Homeowners' appeal before the South Valley Area Planning Commission - postponed.

d) Motion to file a letter of request with Alan Bell, LA City Planning Dept. Deputy Director, for the Planning Department requesting a full review of LAMC Section 14.3.1 and 16.05 Eldercare Facility Permit Ordinance in order to determine if the statutes need to be amended or repealed made by Donnal Poppe. Diane Weston-Sulka 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion Passed. 10 yes votes.

e) Judi Greenberg made a motion to spend year-end funds on giveaway items for children to use at a number of outreach events to include bags. Sal Pelaez 2<sup>nd</sup>. 9 yes 1 abstention

f) Funding Motion - Paint Materials for Wilkinson Center \$300 – Sal Pelaez made a motion for the purchase of paint for the Wilkinson Center to paint some rooms 2<sup>nd</sup> by Donnal Poppe 2<sup>nd</sup>. 10 yes votes

g) Chatsworth to Van Nuys Double Track Project – Mark Dierking, Metro Community Relations, introduced the project. Don Sepulveda, Executive Officer Regional Rail, explained the project. Union Pacific, Amtrak and Metrolink are all using the single track. They are planning to construct 6.4 miles of additional track between DeSoto Avenue and Woodley Avenue. A second track will be more operationally more efficient safer train tracks. It will improve travel time. They will be building a pedestrian underpass for foot traffic at the Northridge Station.

#### 9) Committee Reports -

a) Reports from committee - none

b) Board member announcements - Valley Family Festival will be at Northridge Park on June 1, 2013.

10) Adjournment – Margaret Landers moved to adjourn the meeting. Chris Sales 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion passed at 8:33 pm unanimously. 10 yes votes.