



Northridge South Neighborhood Council Minutes August 22, 2013

- 1) Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance - The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chris Sales. Judi Greenberg led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2) Board of Directors Roll Call – Present: Dagmar Abarghoei, Andrea Alvarado, Tom Bramson, Judi Greenberg, Margaret Landers, Sal Pelaez, Chris Sales, Jan Scott, Christian Vaca, Fred Youssif. Absent: Rob Baskerville, Donnal Poppe, Michael Savage, Virginia Watts, Diane Weston-Sulka.
- 3) Approval of minutes from previous meeting – Judi Greenberg made a motion to accept the minutes, 2nd by Sal Pelaez. Motion passed unanimously with 10 yes votes.
- 4) Comments by public officials
 - a) CD12 Semee Park- Updates: Sober living home on Texhoma is closed. NSNC and Northridge Village are working on installing festival lights on Reseda Blvd. LADWP deal brokered between them and the city with some concessions on salary, pensions, and more, and we will see savings of 40 million dollars keeping parity between other city workers and LADWP workers. “Save our Streets” is pushing to fix all the streets in Los Angeles over the next 10 years. It was presented to City Council on August 21, 2013. The city is looking at many ways to fund street repairs. They are also looking at options for repairing sidewalks and alleys. LA City Police commission moved forward allowing people to file police reports online. CD12 is crashing down on “Cash For Gold” establishments. These places encourage crime because they are loosely regulated. LAPD is getting tough on “Hit and Run” offenses. We are seeing a huge rise in these events. There are 20,000 events reported in Los Angeles every year. They want to change how the police view the incidents. Chris Sales thanked the councilman for the light at Dearborn and Plummer. A second letter went out to Vallarta encouraging them to make changes that would make entering their store safer.
 - b) Other public officials - none
- 5) Public comments – Dan McCory thanked us for the work we do. He is running for the California assembly seat. Tom Johnson from NWNC spoke about the upcoming Disaster Fair to be held on October 5th. He described the history of the fair and some of the events. David Bryan, a stakeholder, came to introduce himself. He is in business selling healthcare insurance and he is interested in increasing his business. Glen Bailey reminded us about the Congress of Neighborhood Councils being held on September 28, 2013 downtown. He suggested we arrive early. He also thanked Sal Pelaez for helping to look for and help plan bicycle parking in NSNC.

Glen Bailey also mentioned that NENC got a water tank and we can borrow it if we need to for watering the plants on Reseda Blvd..

6) President's Comments – New budget- Margaret Landers, Jan Scott, Judi Greenberg and Chris Sales went to the training for the new budget plan. The deadline for getting training is September 2013. If you don't get the training you will not be able to vote on issues having to do with money. Our by-laws need to be updated and new ones written. Elections appear to be going on in spring for many of the Neighborhood Councils. Our by-law have wording about selection rather than election and may have an exception to the election timeline. Executive board elections are held in September.

7) Old Business

a) Budget Update – No budget updates, still waiting to here about the new system. People still need to do training even though we are not yet working with the new system.

8) New Business

a) Lukas Grossman Certificate of Appreciation –Certificate for participation in NSNC Citrus Sunday was presented by Seme Park on behalf of the city.

b) Funding Motion for Gresham/Nordhoff Holiday Lights - postponed until next month.

c) Funding Motion for NV Disaster Preparedness Fair – Margaret Landers made a motion to allocate funding for the Valley Disaster Fair for the purpose of purchasing giveaway items and food in the amount not to exceed \$800.00. Motion passed unanimously with 10 yes votes.

d) ZA 2010-239 ZAD PA-1 Nordhoff & Tampa Shopping Center parking formula reduction. Shared parking allows for fewer spaces than what the code requires based on sq. ft. specifications. Donnal Poppe made motion to approve the formula reduction and shared parking. Judi Greenberg 2nd the motion. Motion passed unanimously with 10 yes votes.

e) ZA 2013-1170 ZV 8300 Tampa Avenue change of use – no show. Postponed.

f) Microbrewery Presentation –Presentation on a craft brewery and hand crafted beers. They are looking for a location for their Microbrewery, which is a small independent brewery.

g) Nordhoff/Reseda Recycling Presentation – no show.

9) Board member announcements – Judi Greenberg said the City is having a walk to school day in October. Judi Greenberg also announced that PALS is having a 40-year Birthday Bash on Sept 28th from 6-10 pm. Devonshire Division of LAPD will be having a Haunted House at the PALS Center this year. The North Valley Disaster Fair will be held on Oct 5th at the Fire Station on Balboa and Devonshire. The Pasta Dinner will be on October 18th and if you prepay for your ticket you will get in early on a separate line. On October 19th there will be the first NSNC/Sparkle Art Show at Callahan Elementary School. There will be music and food trucks. Socks for a homeless shelter are being collected by CD12. Sal Pelaez told us about a church on Reseda Blvd whose members offered to volunteer to help with the clean up on Reseda Blvd.

10) Adjournment – Jan Scott made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Margaret Landers. Motion passed unanimously with 10 yes votes. Meeting adjourned at 8:19 pm.