



Northridge South Neighborhood Council Minutes March 26, 2015

1) Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance – Chris Sales called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM and led us in the pledge of allegiance.

2) Board of Directors Roll Call – Present Dagmar Abarghoei, James Ashjian, Margaret Landers, Marilyn Meyer, Sal Pelaez, Jose Portillo, Chris Sales, Virginia Watts, Diane Weston-Sulka, Fred Youssif and Patty Lopez. Absent: Michael Bell (ex) Irene Boyd (ex) and Donnal Poppe (ex).

3) Approval of minutes from previous meeting – Chris Sales made the motion to accept the minutes, 2nd by Jim Ashjian. Motion passed with 11 yes votes.

4) Comments by public officials

a) CD12 Jonathan Coto – As part of the Great Streets Initiative on 4/1/15 the first sidewalk floor patterns will be installed on Reseda Bl. between Nordhoff St. and Gresham St. On 4/11/15 as part of the Great Streets Initiative, crepe myrtle trees will be planted at the Catalina Paint Store on Reseda Bl. Street closures 4/28/15 – 4/29/15 Nordhoff St. to Parthenia St. for resurfacing. Dagmar Abarghoei asked when Hayvenhurst St. to Parthenia Ave. would be repaired and resurfaced, as it is long overdue. Jonathan will contact appropriate person. Chris Sales thanked Jonathan for his presence at the Sherwood Forest HOA the night before. Chris Sales asked about Mayor Garcetti's State of the City Address at the Valley Performing Arts Center on 4/14/15.

b) Other public officials

1) Sharon Rose, of Kiwanis on Special Olympics World Games – Chris Sales acknowledged Sharon as past president of Kiwanis Club of Northridge. She is co-chair of the Special Olympics World Games, teaming up with Robin Kellogg of the Chamber of Commerce. Northridge is one of four hosting towns in the San Fernando Valley and will be hosting Viet Nam, Malta & one other country. The delegates will be housed at CSUN and provided breakfast. Job as a host town is to house and acclimate the athletes. There will be special coaches and they need volunteers. Would like volunteers to greet and welcome the delegates July 21, 2015 to the CSUN campus. July 25, 2015 – August 2, 2015 is the calendar for the games. Along with volunteers, money donations are also needed. All money goes to the World Games. Sharon would like two volunteers from NSNC. Chris Sales will follow up with Sharon Rose.

5) Public Comments – Dave Brown of Northridge West NC, spoke about the Valley Disaster Preparedness Fair. October 3, 2015. NWNC is working to book guest speakers. He is hoping to offer mini CERT and First Aid classes to encourage stakeholders to take the full courses. Punam Gohel informed us about the Community Police Advisory Board. The board works with the police and stakeholders on community issues. He is encouraging the CPAB's & NC's to merge and get involved. Punam asked NSNC to join with them by creating a committee. They will be meeting the 3rd Wednesday of May at the Devonshire Police Station in trailers in the back at 7 PM. Mike Gereis of the St.

Mary and Athanasius Coptic church spoke about the pending additions to the property at 17431 Roscoe Blvd. They are addressing the problems voiced by the neighbors at the walk through of the property. Lighting, adding trees to the back of the buildings and parking problem and noise. The E Board will have a meeting with the church elders and Lee Ambers next week. Application ZA2014-2476 CU, ZV, SPR, ZAA has an issue with the filing and is on hold per the City Planning Department.

6) President's Comments – Chris Sales said the Civility paperwork was filled out by board members as required by the City of Los Angeles. Chris also said that Empower has made changes to the neighborhood council's bylaws. We will discuss at the April committee meeting. The E board will make recommendations and bring to the board members at the April 23rd, 2015 meeting and a vote will be taken. The April committee meeting will be changed to Wednesday, April 15th, 2015. Chris Sales received an email from Irene Boyd resigning from the board. Shannon Nonn showed interest in running for the board. There also remains an open youth position.

7) Old Business

- a) Budget Update – Margaret Landers went over the budget and the current balance.
- b) Approval of Monthly Reconciliation Report – Margaret Landers made a motion to accept the MER for February 2015, 2nd by Jose Portillo. Motion passed with 11 yes votes.

8) New Business

- a) NPG Grant for Northridge Sparkle not to exceed 1500 dollars – Chris Sales made the motion to approve the NPG Grant for \$1500, 2nd by Patty Lopez. Motion passed with 11 yes votes

- b) NPG Grant for Horses of the Valley Project not to exceed 3000 dollars – out of this years budget, balance out of next years budget. Chris Sales made the motion to approve the NPG Grant for \$3000, 2nd by Marilyn Meyer. Passed with 11 yes votes.

- c) NPG Grant for YMCA Thanksgiving Baskets not to exceed 1850 dollars – Chris Sales made the motion to approve the NPG Grant for \$1850, 2nd by Dagmar Abarghoei. Motion passed with 11 yes votes.

9) Committee Reports – Sal Pelaez said there would be a Pocket Park cleanup on Sunday, April 26th, 2015 starting at 9:00 AM. There will be more planting and gravel spreading. Chris Sales said that the nursery would provide the plants. Chris Sales said that the legs on the benches were pried from the ground and need to be repaired. Clean up has moved from south of Parthenia to Chase. Those intersections are now clean. Jose Portillo and Dagmar Abarghoei said there will be an October 2015 Health Fair at Park Parthenia.

10) Board member announcements - Chris Sales reminded us that LAMAs is looking for volunteers on March 30th & April 1st, 2015 to scrub and paint sidewalks. Meet at Joyce's Coffee Shop at 9:00 AM. Students from CSUN Urban Studies and Planning at Joyce's Coffee Shop at 1:00 PM to present the possible designs for the entrance of Northridge at Reseda Bl. and Parthenia St.

11) Adjournment – Jose Portillo moved to adjourn at 8:08 PM, 2nd by Patty Lopez. Motion passed with 11 yes votes.