Northridge South Neighborhood Council
Minutes
June 25, 2015

1) Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance - Chris Sales called the meeting to order @7:00 PM and led us in the pledge of allegiance.

2) Board of Directors Roll Call - Present James Ashjian, Margaret Landers, Patty Ferman, Sal Pelaez, Donnal Poppe, Jose Portillo, Chris Sales, Virginia Watts, Dagmar Abarghoel, Michael Bell, Diane Weston-Sulka & Fred Youssif. Absent: Marilynn Meyer.

3) Approval of minutes from previous meeting – Dagmar Abarghoel made a motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting, May 28, 2015. 2nd by Donnal Poppe. Motion passed with 11 yes votes.

4) Comments by public officials
   a) CD12 - Jonathan Coto reported that on 6/12/15, at the Public Safety Meeting there would be a fee for fire department false alarms. Motion was made by Mitch to catch up with the plan for safety checks. On 7/30/15 there will be a Great Streets Art Walk and Scavenger hunt on Reseda Bl. On 7/18/15 Movies Under the Stars kicks off at Shadow Ranch Park. Patty Fermin arrived at 7:08 PM.
   b) Other public officials – Glen Wilson from Northridge West NC, announced they have open board seats.

5) Public comments – Stakeholder Martha Sandavol spoke of the problem of people living in their motor homes on Yolanda and Napa Streets. She contacted Neighborhood Prosecutor Alin Sahagian for help. There has been an increase in the number of people coming in at night. Chris Sales said that Alin Sahagian will be at our August 27th Board Meeting.

6) President’s Comments - no comments at this time.

7) Old Business
   a) Budget Update – Margaret Landers went over the May 2015 budget.
   b) Approval of Monthly Reconciliation Report – Margaret Landers made a motion to approve the MER for May 2015, 2nd by Michael Bell. Motion passed with 12 yes votes.

8) New Business
   a) Phillip Sellers, Interim SLO, Introduction/Question Time – was unavailable.
   b) Metrolink Double Track Project Update/Neighborhood Comments (No vote planned) – public discussion on opposition to the double track. Chris Sales said there would be a separate meeting between the Metrolink’s Don Sepulveda and the stakeholders. Tak Yu is not opposed to the single track. Objects to increased speed and noise if the double track is put in. He lives on Chase St. Concerned with the environmental report. Larry Potell, lives on Raymer St. also opposed but stated the project is 90% complete and will be breaking ground in 2016. Metro controls the North side, Pacific controls the South side. Supervisor Sheila Kuehl will set up a meeting
between stakeholders and Metros Don Sepulveda. Southern California Regional Authority is run by 5 counties, all counties signed off on this project. Barbara Romey stated additional tracks not allowed behind homes. Stephan Mayer spoke of people that live in condos near the tracks. Chris Sales suggested a small committee to head up the group and interact with Sheila Kuehl’s office and suggested the stakeholders measure their property lines. Don Larson of Sparkle said he would be part of the meeting to support the stakeholders. We will share tonight’s sign in sheets with Larry Potell and Stephan Mayer so they can organize a meeting in late July or August of this year.

c) **Funding Motion for Northridge Sparkle cleanup activities for construction materials, tools, paint, cleaning supplies, plants (not to exceed 1500 dollars).** This item replaces a funding item on the 3/26 agenda for a NPG. Chris Sales made a motion to approve, 2nd by Michael Bell. Passed with 12 yes votes.

d) **Election vote on Interim Board Member Jennifer Elliott** – Motion by Chris Sales to add Jennifer as a Board Member, 2nd by Margaret Landers. Passed with 12 yes votes.

d) **Current Planning Requests - Informational Update (No votes planned)**

i) **Coptic Church Senior Housing/ School Additions – 17349 Roscoe Blvd** – Donnal Poppe contacted planning and church. Case not filed yet.

ii) **Wells Fargo New Signage Request - Reseda/Nordhoff** – per Donnal Poppe the request for a larger sign is not moving forward at this time.

9) **Committee Reports** - Chris Sales spoke of the issue of the trees on Whiteoak Ave. NSNC sent a letter to Megan Cottier of CD 12, supporting the 2 tree removal and repair of the roadway.

10) **Board member announcements** – Jose Portillo said SLO Phillip Sellers was supposed to be at our meeting tonight. He and Dagmar Abarghoei will visit Devonshire Division tomorrow to follow up. Chris Sales applauded both for their connection to the Devonshire Division. Margaret Landers spoke of a Disaster Fair issue regarding our donation. Sal Pelaez is participating in a bicycle ride with Northridge West NC on 7/30/15. Sal Pelaez asked Donnal Poppe about a housing development that is going to be gated in the region of Browns Canyon. The developer is using public land for multi million dollar home homes. Environmentally detrimental to land and creeks. Sal Pelaez objects along with Donnal Poppe. She will write a letter and forward to all Board Members for signatures if they agree.

11) **Adjournment** - Margaret Landers made the motion to adjourn at 8:25 PM, 2nd by Donnal Poppe. Motion passed with 12 yes votes.