Northridge South Neighborhood Council  
Minutes of Regular Board Meeting  
March 22, 2018

1) **Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:** The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by James Ashjian. Sal Pelaez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2) **Board of Directors Roll Call:**  
Present: James Ashjian, Michael Bell, Valerie Collins, Jennifer Elliott, Karen Lott, Sal Pelaez, Stephanie Schwinn, Fred Youssif  
Absent: C.J. Berina, Marilynn Meyer, Courtney Molnar, Donnal Poppe, Jose Portillo  
Vacant: Business stakeholder, Youth stakeholder

3) **Approval of Minutes from February 22, 2018 Meeting:** Karen Lott moved to approve the minutes as written and Sal Pelaez seconded. Motion passed with eight “yes” votes.

4) **Comments by Public Officials:**

   a. **CD 12:** **Jonathan Coto, Field Deputy:** Councilmember Englander is focusing on the Valley’s homelessness problem. He convened an interfaith summit to develop strategies to address the issue, and create an inventory of resources faith communities and nonprofits provide. He represented Los Angeles at the National League of Cities conference and Access D.C. in Washington, D.C., focusing on homelessness. He believes homelessness requires an “all hands on deck” approach, including the federal government. The Freedom Church in Chatsworth will host a free “Homeless Connect Day” event on Wednesday, April 4, 2018.

   Marilynn Meyer arrived at 7:09 p.m.

   b. **Other Public Officials:** **Kathleen Quinn, DONE:** Neighborhood council bylaws amendments are due on April 15, 2018. Event applications are due to the city clerk on May 20, 2018. NPG and check requests are due June 1, 2018. The deadline for bank card purchases is June 20, 2018. If NSNC needs any assistance with its upcoming selection, let her know.

   C.J. Berina arrived at 7:14 p.m.

   c. **Budget Advocates:** Glenn Bailey said the budget advocates met with the mayor, who offered to have a second meeting before he sends the budget letter to city departments in September 2018. The advocates presented the mayor with a White Paper regarding 2018-19 budget recommendations, a copy of which is posted on the ncbala.com website. A hard copy was presented to NSNC. A stakeholder satisfaction survey on city services is on the website, and he encouraged the board and stakeholders to take the survey.

5) **General Public Comment on Non-Agendized Items:**  
   **Jeff Bornstein:** He is a candidate in the 45th Assembly District special election next month. He requested everyone to 1) vote 2) not vote for a “corporate” Democrat 3) vote for one of the other four candidates. He wants single-payer health care, stop Proposition 13 protections for corporations, and cut college tuition.  
   **Ray Bishop:** He is a candidate in the 45th Assembly District special election next month. He is a Vietnam veteran, started the Valley Psychiatric Clinic, was appointed to the Council on Aging and was an original member of the Tarzana Neighborhood Council. He is against high-speed rail and said the money in Sacramento is misdirected. He believes he can make a difference.  
   **Jon Pelzer:** He is a candidate in the California 30th Congressional District June 2018 primary election. He is a 35-year resident of the San Fernando Valley. He wants to free the legislature from special interest control and does not take PAC or special interest donations.  
   **Leah Garland:** Represents STAND (Standing Together Against Neighborhood Drilling). The city passed a study regarding living near (within ½ mile) active oil wells. She asked NSNC to write a Community Impact Statement supporting creating a buffer zone.  
   **Joe Kozul:** Regarding housing for the homeless, he wants NSNC to create criteria for housing placement, and ask CD 12 for a map of eligible locations.  
   **Glenn Bailey:** On behalf of Peter Lasky (Northridge West): There will be a town hall
meeting regarding the long-term health impacts of the Aliso Canyon gas leak on Thursday, March 29, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at Northridge Recreation Center. On behalf of VANC (Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils): VANC just held its 15th anniversary mixer, and NSNC was one of the two NCs that was not present (Foothill Trails was the other). Next year, please send someone to represent NSNC. Shane Sagar: Roger Sayegh is a candidate in the Senate District 18 June 2018 primary election.

6) President’s Comments: If the Wilkinson Senior Center will become a shared space with Northridge West, we need to change our bylaws to reflect this. James Ashjian will discuss this with Peter Lasky (Northridge West).

7) Old Business:
   a. Budget Update: Michael Bell said that in February 2018, we had the usual operating expenses. Three NPGs were funded and we paid the sponsorship of the ONEGeneration Senior Symposium. At the end of the month we had $9,883.56. As of March 22, 2018 we had $9,381.56 but we have $6,881.00 in pending expenses.
   c. Payment to Aaron DeVandry: NSNC owes $500.00, which the city clerk says we have to pay. Michael Bell recommended we pay out of last year’s budget (when the expense was budgeted), provided that NSNC agrees to all its information back from Mr. DeVandry. Tabled to the April 2018 meeting.
   d. Additional Outreach Projects: Tabled to the April 2018 meeting.
   e. Budget Representatives: We are still seeking volunteers.
   f. Budget Representatives: No action taken
   g. Bylaws Change Regarding Filling Board Vacancies: We will address this after the June 2018 selection of the new board.
   h. Citrus Sunday Update: Will be held at Dearborn Park on May 20, 2018. CD 12 will provide a map of the still-quarantined areas. Glenn Bailey said that Northridge East approved $500.00 for postcard mailers.

8) New Business:
   a. Upcoming Board Selection: NSNC needs to file a request with DONE to hold a town hall selection (versus an election), which is scheduled for June 28, 2018. Michael Bell moved to approve the selection procedures and stipulation worksheet, and Sal Pelaez seconded. Motion passed with ten “yes” votes.
   b. Valley Disaster Fair: Will be held on September 29, 2018. Last year we approved an NPG of $850.00. Michael Bell moved to approve an NPG of $1,000.00, and Karen Lott seconded. Motion passed with ten “yes” votes.
   c. NPG for San Fernando Valley Chinese Cultural Association: Tabled to the April 2018 meeting.
   d. Aliso Pocket Park Plaque: Tabled to the April 2018 meeting.
   e. Illuminatus Proposed Community Benefits Agreement (CBA): Illuminatus is a cannabis business. Kathleen Quinn (DONE) said that a CBA is a city requirement. Tabled to the April 2018 meeting.
   f. LimeBike Update: Austin Eriksson (Director of Energy and Sustainability, CSUN) and Tyler Hendershot (LimeBike) provided an update on LimeBike usage since its launch at CSUN on January 16, 2018. There have been over 50,000 rides and over 20,000 miles ridden. LimeBike is sending out e-mails to its users regarding responsible parking. They will be developing a “geofencing” system that will block parking in certain areas around the campus. LimeBike has 24/7 customer support at 888-LIM-E345.
   g. Baird Auto Body Spray Paint Booth: Robert Lamishaw represents JPL Zoning. Baird Auto Body has been in the community for many years and provides repairs of high-end vehicles. They need a zone variance to add a spray paint booth. No hearing date has been set. They have already received approval from the AQMD, which is good for one year. Sal Pelaez moved to approve the zone variance, and Fred Youssif seconded. Motion passed with ten “yes” votes.
   h. Medical Office Building at 18433 Roscoe Boulevard: The owner wants to turn the building into medical office condos. Tabled to the April 2018 meeting.

9) Committee Reports:
   Outreach: Stephanie Schwinn is looking to purchase 5’ x 8’ American and California flags for the PALS center.

10) Board Member Announcements: None

11) Adjournment: Marilynn Meyer moved to adjourn and Sal Pelaez seconded. Motion passed with ten “yes” votes. Meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.