REGULAR MEETING

NORTHRIDGE SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
MINUTES for Thursday, October 24, 2019

1) Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance-called to order @ 7:00 P.M. by J. Ashjian who led the Pledge
3) Approval of minutes from September 26, 2019-tabled to a future meeting

4) Comments by public officials-
   a. CD12-John Lee, new Los Angeles City Councilperson (CD 12) addressed NSNC. Lee discussed growing up in the San Fernando Valley and his background at various positions in the CD 12 offices. Lee discussed and took questions regarding the BRT busway. Agreed that there is a need for an east/west transportation line. Lee advised at a Metro meeting, however, that Roscoe Blvd may be a better transportation fit for the east/west transportation corridor than Nordhoff St. Lee discussed a pilot project using camera technology to reduce street racing. Lee encouraged community feedback regarding street racing issues and solutions. Lee also discussed the CD 12 Topanga Shelter and issues associated with the project including lack of parking and the height of the shelter building that did not fit well with other community structures in Chatsworth. Lee also indicated that his office is working on a rapid response Street Services team to get trash picked up and keep CD 12 clean. Lee also advised that his office is working on putting additional resources into reducing July 4th fireworks problems.
   b. Empower/Done Project Coordinator-Freddy Cupen-Ames attended and deferred his NSNC participation to Raquel Beltran, the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) General Manager (see below).
   c. Empower/Done-Raquel Beltran, Empower/Done General Manager addressed the NSNC. Beltran discussed her impressive background in public administration and community service. Beltran is on a listening tour to visit all Neighborhood Councils as quickly as possible. Beltran stated she has a mandate to build up and strengthen the Neighborhood Councils. Part of her mandate is to increase Los Angeles City Halls understanding of the importance of the Neighborhood Council concept.

5) President’s Comments/Announcement-tabled because of immediate fire and smoke concerns.
6) Old Business
   a. Review and possible Board action on submitted Board Member Applications-vacant seats: 
      None
   b. Update on purchase of a table with attached seating for the pocket park-tabled because of 
      immediate fire and smoke concerns in the Northridge Middle School area.

FUNDING ITEMS:
   c. Discussion and possible action on the Monthly Expenditure Report for the months of August, 
      and September 2019-August MER unanimously approved with (9) yes votes for August with 
      M. Bell 1st and J. Ashjian 2nd. September MER unanimously approved with (9) yes votes for 
      September with (9) yes votes with M. Bell 1st and J. Whitaker 2nd.
   d. Discussion and possible action on the Budget-tabled because of immediate fire concerns.

7) New Business:
   Presentation(s):
   a. New voting stations and demonstration of their use-tabled because of fire concerns.
   b. Discussion and possible action on Neighborhood Purpose Grant from Assistance League of 
      LA/Foster Children’s Resource Center in the amount of $3,000. Funds are used to purchase 
      clothing and other items for Foster children-tabled because of fire concerns.
   c. Presentation, discussion and possible action to submit a Community Impact Statement in 
      support of Council File 16-0243, to study which investments are best for the LADWP to reach 
      100% renewable energy use. A presentation will be given by the Neighborhood Council 
      Sustainability Alliance-tabled because of fire and smoke concerns.
   d. The inventory needs to be approved by the board in time to upload it into the Funding System 
      portal by Dec 1, 2019.
   e. Set date for pocket park clean-up. Proposal, discussion, and possible action-tabled because of 
      immediate fire and smoke concerns.
   f. Discussion and possible action on-all tabled to a future date because of immediate fire and 
      smoke concerns.

A PUBLIC CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL (9-12) WILL BE OCCUPYING THE FACILITY.
IMPROVEMENTS WILL INCLUDE A SCIENCE LAB, 1-HR RATED CORRIDOR, AND AN 
ELEVATOR.

PER 12.24.U.24(A) CONDITIONAL USE FOR A PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL AND 12.24.F TO 
DEViate FROM PER 12.23.A.1(C) FROM AREA REQUIREMENTS TO ALLOW 
CONSTRUCTION OF AN ADA REQUIRED ELEVATOR

8) General public comment on non-agendized items-tabled because of immediate fire concerns in 
area.

9) Committee Reports-all committee discussions tabled because of immediate fire concerns
   i. Planning and Land Use Committee
   ii. Budget and Finance Committee
   iii. Bylaws and Procedures Committee
   iv. Community Activities and Projects Committee
   v. Environmental- Sustainability Committee
vi. Governmental Affairs Committee  
vii. Outreach and Communications Committee  
viii. Public Safety Committee  
ix. Transportation and Public Works Committee  

10) **Board member announcements or comments**-tabled because of immediate fire concerns.

11) **Adjournment**-early adjournment @ 7:50 P.M. because of immediate fire/smoke concerns in the Northridge Middle School area.