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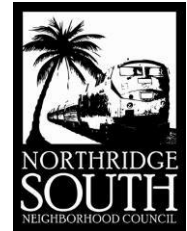
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**Virtual Webinar on Zoom**

**MINUTES OF  
AUGUST 27, 2020  
REGULAR BOARD  
MEETING**

**NORTHRIDGE SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

Thursday, August 27, 2020, 7:00 P.M

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(Out of an abundance of caution due to the expected attendance and participation of a majority of Board Members at the following Committee meeting, this agenda is noticed as a Joint Meeting of the Committee and the Board, in adherence with the State's Brown Act.)

**All items listed below on the agenda are subject to discussion and possible action by the Northridge South Neighborhood Council.**

**1. WELCOMING REMARKS:**

- a. Call to order & Flag salute The President called the Meeting to order at 7:12 p.m.
- b. Committee roll call Roll was called Those in attendance James Ashjian, Michael Bell, Ann Dorsey, Tiffany Caldwell, Jennifer Elliott, Marilynn Meyer, Simranjit Singh, Brittany Carr, absent Jose Portillo
- c. Self-Introductions of guests (Please sign-in! It is voluntary and will help us stay in touch with you.)

**2. Board of Directors Roll Call.**

**3. Discussion and Action - Discussion and action on July 23, 2020 meeting minutes.**

- a. [Minutes from February 27, 2020, March 26, 2020 have not been prepared. The March 26<sup>th</sup> meeting that was stopped because the LAUSD facility was ordered to close because of mandatory school closures resulting from COVID-19. May 28, 2020 meeting minutes have not been completed and will be presented at a future meeting when completed.] The July 23, 2020 Minutes were approved by a 7 yes (James Ashjian, Michael Bell, Ann Dorsey, Tiffany Caldwell, Jennifer Elliott, Marilynn Meyer, Simranjit Singh) and one ineligible vote (Brittany Carr).

**4. Comments by public officials (5 minutes)**

- a. CD12 Sharon Bronson from Councilmember Lee's office spoke. See the Bulletin issued from Council Member Lee's office for information regarding CD 12. She noted that the City is looking for a location to house approximately 6,000 homeless. If you have information, contact Councilmember Lee's office.
- b. Other public official guests. Seme Park, Director of Neighborhood Council Operations Department of Neighborhood Empowerment assisted us during the meeting and responded to technical questions.
- c. Budget Advocate Report. Garry Fordyce gave a report and advised us about the upcoming Congress of Neighborhoods webinar event on Saturday, September 26, 2020.
- d. Any other public officials acting in an official capacity.

**5. President's Comments (5 minutes) Announcement(s)** Jim Ashjian apologized for the technical error that caused some participants to only receive the webinar via telephone. All participants on the phone did have the opportunity to speak during the meeting.

**6. Old Business**

**FUNDING ITEMS:**

- a. Discussion and possible action on the Monthly Expenditure Report ("MER") for the month of July 2020. Motion to approve the July MER was made by Michael Bell and seconded by Jennifer Elliott. The MER was approved by a 7 yes (James Ashjian, Michael Bell, Ann Dorsey, Tiffany Caldwell, Jennifer Elliott, Marilynn Meyer, Simranjit Singh) and one ineligible vote (Brittany Carr).
- b. Discuss and vote on Amended Budget Packet to allocate Budget Amount, including Rollover funds in the amount of \$7,413.37 for Total Budget Funds to be allocated of \$39,413.37 for Neighborhood Purpose Grants and other spending items. Motion to approve the Amended Budget Package was made by Marilynn Meyer and seconded by Tiffany Caldwell. The Amended Budget was approved by 7 yes (James Ashjian, Michael Bell, Ann Dorsey, Tiffany Caldwell, Jennifer Elliott, Marilynn Meyer, Simranjit Singh) and one ineligible vote (Brittany Carr).
- c. Update of previous discussion whether the Council will contribute funds to this year's Congress of Neighborhood Councils. If a yes vote is received, we will accept a

motion for an amount. Michael Bell proposed funding in the amount of \$500. The proposal was made by Michael Bell and Seconded by Tiffany Coldwell. The motion passed with a vote of 7 yes (James Ashjian, Michael Bell, Ann Dorsey, Tiffany Caldwell, Jennifer Elliott, Marilynn Meyer, Simranjit Singh) and one ineligible vote (Brittany Carr).

- d. Discuss and vote to fund the Budget Advocates an amount not to exceed \$500 toward expenses they incur. This item was deferred to the September Meeting waiting for additional information.
- e. Discuss and vote on NPG Application by North Valley YMCA requesting up to the amount of \$2,500 for Thanksgiving Baskets to be distributed to needy families in the Valley, including families within our Neighborhood Council boundaries. Motion to approve the North Valley YMCA Thanksgiving Baskets NPG was made by Marilynn Meyer and seconded by Ann Dorsey. The motion passed with a vote of 7 yes (James Ashjian, Michael Bell, Ann Dorsey, Tiffany Caldwell, Jennifer Elliott, Marilynn Meyer, Simranjit Singh) and one ineligible vote (Brittany Carr).
- f. Discuss and vote on NPG Application by North Valley YMCA requesting up to the amount of \$2,500 to support its Childcare Program for the children of first responders and medical personnel. The motion to approve the North Valley YMCA childcare program NPG was made by Michael Bell and seconded by Tiffany Caldwell. The motion passed with a vote of 7 yes (James Ashjian, Michael Bell, Ann Dorsey, Tiffany Caldwell, Jennifer Elliott, Marilynn Meyer, Simranjit Singh) and one ineligible vote Brittany Carr.
- g. Discuss and vote on NPG Application by Southern California Preparedness Foundation requesting up to the amount of \$1000 to support the 2020 Valley Disaster Fair [virtual]. The event is scheduled for October 10, 2020. The motion to approve the Southern California Preparedness Foundation NPG was made by Jim Ashjian and seconded by Marilynn Meyer. The motion was approved by a 5 yes, 2 abstentions and 1 ineligible vote. James Ashjian, Michael Bell, Ann Dorsey, Jennifer Elliott, Marilynn Meyer, Abstentions, Simranjit Singh and Tiffany Caldwell and one ineligible to vote, Brittany Carr.
- h. Discuss and vote on NPG Application by North Valley Caring Services requesting up to the amount of \$5000 to provide food and meal services to the needy in the SFV. Motion to approve the NPG Application by North Valley Caring Services was amended to \$2,500. The motion was made by Jim Ashjian and seconded by Tiffany Coldwell. The amended amount was approved by a vote of 7 yes (James Ashjian, Michael Bell, Ann Dorsey, Tiffany Caldwell, Jennifer Elliott, Marilynn Meyer, Simranjit Singh) and one ineligible vote (Brittany Carr) and the motion to approve the NPG for that amount was made by Jim Ashjian and seconded by Tiffany Caldwell. The amended NPG was approved by a vote of 7 yes (James Ashjian, Michael Bell, Ann Dorsey, Tiffany Caldwell, Jennifer Elliott, Marilynn Meyer, Simranjit Singh) and one ineligible vote Brittany Carr.

## **7. New Business:**

### **Discussion and possible action on:**

- a. Discussion and possible action to appoint Ann Dorsey as a Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance Representative for the Northridge South Neighborhood Council. Motion to approve Ann

Dorsey as the Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance Representative for NSNC was made by Michael Bell and seconded by Marilynn Meyer. Motion was approved by a vote of 7 yes (James Ashjian, Michael Bell, Ann Dorsey, Tiffany Caldwell, Jennifer Elliott, Marilynn Meyer, Simranjit Singh and one ineligible vote Brittany Carr.

b. Discussion and possible action to appoint Ann Dorsey as a Resilience Liaison for the Northridge South Neighborhood Council.

Motion to approve Ann Dorsey as a Resilience Liaison for the Northridge South Neighborhood Council. Was made by Tiffany Caldwell and seconded by Michael Bell. The motion was approved by a vote of 7 yes (James Ashjian, Michael Bell, Ann Dorsey, Tiffany Caldwell, Jennifer Elliott, Marilynn Meyer, Simranjit Singh) and one ineligible vote Brittany Carr.

## 8. Presentation(s):

- a. Review and vote to accept 2020/2021 Board Members from the applications received. The prospective individuals are Michael Bell, Tiffany Caldwell, Marilynn Meyer, Jennifer Elliott, Simranjit Singh, James Ashjian, Brittany Carr and Maria Rosas. Maria Rosas decided not to be considered for the board. The motion to approve the remaining applicants was made by Michael Bell and seconded by Jennifer Elliott. The motion to approve all the applicants was approved by a vote of 7 yes (James Ashjian, Michael Bell, Ann Dorsey, Tiffany Caldwell, Jennifer Elliott, Marilynn Meyer, Simranjit Singh and one ineligible vote Brittany Carr).
- b. To be able to continue the meeting, since the new NSNC Board only had 7 members and 8 are required for a quorum, a vote was taken to add Ann Dorsey to the Board. Her Board membership was approved by a vote of 7 yes (James Ashjian, Michael Bell, Ann Dorsey, Tiffany Caldwell, Jennifer Elliott, Marilynn Meyer, Simranjit Singh and one ineligible vote Brittany Carr). All the Board members were sworn in.

On advice of DONE, this will be the end of the selection process and be our current roster. Unfilled positions will be shown as vacant. Future candidates requesting to be board members will be evaluated by the active board members at future meetings.

## 9. General public comment on non-agendized items (limit 2 minutes each)

All the people attending the meeting were given an opportunity to make a public comment.

## 10. Committee Reports (5 minutes each):

- I. Planning and Land Use Committee Tiffany Caldwell informed the Board that the signage for the shopping center at Corbin and Nordhoff was approved by the planning department.
- II. Budget and Finance Committee Nothing more added
- III. Bylaws and Procedures Committee Nothing more added
- IV. Community Activities and Projects Committee Nothing more added
- V. Environmental- Sustainability Committee Nothing more added
- VI. Governmental Affairs Committee Nothing more added
- VII. Outreach and Communications Committee Nothing more added
- VIII. Public Safety Committee Nothing more added
- IX. Transportation and Public Works Committee Nothing added

11 Board member announcements or comments (2 minutes each)

**12. Adjournment** Michael Bell made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Tiffany Caldwell on a vote of 7 yes (James Ashjian, Michael Bell, Ann Dorsey, Tiffany Caldwell, Jennifer Elliott, Marilynn Meyer, Simranjit Singh) and one ineligible vote Brittany Carr the meeting was adjourned at or about 10:00 p.m. When in person meetings resume "Meet and Greet" will start at 6:30 p.m., one half hour before meeting.

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