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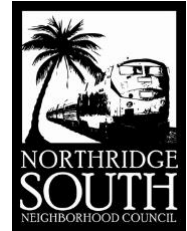


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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

NORTHRIDGE SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Thursday, November 19, 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 [Meeting called to order at 7:02.](#)
- b. Board Member roll call [Those in attendance: James Ashjian, Steve Slutzah, Michael Bell, Ann Dorsey, Tiffany Caldwell, Jose Portillo, Simranjit Singh, Jennifer Elliott, Marilynn Meyer. Those absent: Brittany Carr, Jose Portillo.](#)
- c. Self-Introductions of guests (Please sign-in! It is voluntary and will help us stay in touch with you.)

2. Discussion and Action –

- a. Discussion and action on October 22, 2020 meeting minutes. [Minutes for the October 22nd, 2020 meeting were approved unanimously, pending correction of typographical errors, with 8 yes votes, motioned by Michael Bell and 2nded by Marilynn Meyer.](#)
- b. Discussion of May 28, 2020 meeting minutes if completed otherwise they will be presented at next month's meeting. [Minutes for the May 28th, 2020 meeting were approved, motioned by Ann Dorsey and 2nd by Marilynn Meyer. \(5 yea, 0 no, 2 abstentions, 1 ineligible\). Steve Slutzah ineligible to vote.](#)

3. Comments by public officials (5 minutes)

- a. CD12 Councilmember John Lee is expected to attend this meeting See item 7 below. [Councilmember Lee also expressed support for the reopening of the West Animal Valley Shelter.](#)
- b. Other public official guests. [Tara Vahdani, representing Scott Schmerelson \(LAUSD\) announced that there is free COVID testing for LAUSD students. See](#)

<https://achieve.lausd.net/covidtestingappt> for more information. Other announcements were also made regarding Grab & Go lunch, Sponsor a Family, and LAUSD Zoom hangout sessions for teenagers. “Goat Puppet” made a comment regarding the 1st amendment.

- c. Budget Advocate Report. The Budget Advocates believe that the LA budget has been poorly set up, and can result in reductions of non-core services, along with less resources for core ones. The budget advocates also have a new website (budgetadvocates.org). “Goat Puppet” made a comment regarding the ways the City can make up the deficit.
- d. Any other public officials acting in an official capacity.
Betty Wong-Oyama (DONE) announced that the department is hosting virtual Planning 101 training. The training is required for all of the Planning and Land Use committee members. The department also asks all Neighborhood Councils to turn off Zoom passwords/pin codes.

4. President’s Comments (5 minutes) Announcement(s)

Pocket park clean-up is requested in late November when it gets cooler. A specific date has not been determined. [Pocket Park Cleanup will be on the Sunday after Thanksgiving. Arrangements have been made for some of the materials required.](#) “Goat Puppet” made a comment regarding the legal liability of the people doing the clean-up.

5. Old Business

- a. Discussion and possible action to submit comments regarding the Digital Communications Policy for the Neighborhood Councils as proposed by the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners. [Will be discussed at another meeting, pending information from BONC.](#)
- b. Discussion of website changes and monitoring of the site. [Kristina \(webmaster\) is working on updating the website.](#)

6. FUNDING ITEMS:

- a. Discussion and possible action on the Monthly Expenditure Report for the month of October 2020. [The October Monthly Expenditure Report was passed unanimously with 8 yes votes, motioned by James Ashijan and 2nded by Ann Dorsey.](#)
- b. Comments on Budget changes if any. [None at this time.](#)
- c. Any report from Patrick McMabell regarding the cost of proactive pruning in the NSNC area? Discussion and possible action to approve funding for proactive pruning in the NSNC area. [Further discussion regarding proactive pruning will be set for a future meeting.](#)

7. New Business:

- a. Discussion and update related to filing of CIS against Closure of West Valley Animal Shelter. https://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2020/20-1114_CIS_09032020055308_09-03-2020.pdf
[No update needed.](#)
- b. Discussion about proposed BONC (“Board of Neighborhood Councils”) changes to NC social media use. [A request has been made for further information.](#)
- c. Discussion and possible action to ratify current planning and land use committee members. [Tiffany Caldwell, Steve Slutzah, Jennifer Elliott have been ratified as the members of the Planning and Land Use Committee unanimously with 8 yes votes. Tiffany Caldwell is the chairperson of the committee.](#)

8. Presentation(s):

Open discussion for Proposal for Skateland Northridge comments from November 16, 2020 meeting presented by Council Member John Lee. [Councilmember John Lee made a](#)

presentation regarding the conversion of Northridge Skateland to a homeless shelter. It will be able to house approximately 100 people. This site is not a City project. "Goat Person" made a comment regarding John Lee's support of this project. Steve Slutzah expressed concern regarding the enforcement of homelessness encampments in the district.

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

10. Committee Reports (5 minutes each):

- i. Planning and Land Use Committee **New information will be discussed in next agenda meeting.**
- ii. Budget and Finance Committee **Nothing to report.**
- iii. Bylaws and Procedures Committee **Nothing to report.**
- iv. Community Activities and Projects Committee **A meeting took place, further information in the next agenda meeting.**
- v. Environmental- Sustainability Committee **Nothing to report.**
- vi. Governmental Affairs Committee **Nothing to report.**
- vii. Outreach and Communications Committee **Nothing to report.**
- viii. Public Safety Committee **Nothing to report.**
- ix. Transportation and Public Works Committee **Nothing to report.**

11. Board member announcements or comments (2 minutes each)

None were made.

12. Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:49 passed with 8 yes votes, motioned by Tiffany Caldwell and 2nded by Ann Dorsey.

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