# NORTHRIDGE SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL EXECUTIVE BOARD

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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.)

#### 1. WELCOMING REMARKS:

- **a.** Call to order & Flag salute. At our approximate start time of 7 PM, the meeting was called to order and the flag salute led by James Ashjan.
- b. Board Member roll call. James Ashjian, Ann Dorsey, Michael Bell, Kevin Kratzer, Marilynn Meyer, Jennifer Elliott, Simranjit Singh, Steve Slutzah (absent: Tiffany Caldwell, Brittany R. 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 May 27, 2021, meeting minutes. The motion was made by Marilynn Meyer and approved by 8 'yes' votes.

#### 3. Comments by public officials (5 minutes)

- a. CD12 representative, Sharron Bronson, announced: July 1<sup>st</sup> the new LA City fiscal year starts. Budget information can be found at: Lacity.org. A ban of flavored tobacco is being worked on. Councilmember Lee is a strong supporter. Beautify LA funding (up to \$2500 in matching grants) is available to beautify public spaces (information at CD12.org). Redistricting meetings are starting on July 1<sup>st</sup> and with Council District 12. It is an opportunity to comment on which communities future districts will include. One Generation and Lyft are offering free rides to people who want to get a COVID 19 vaccine. Councilmember Lee is fostering a dog from West Valley Animal Shelter to promote fostering and adopting animals. Shepherd of the Hills will have a fireworks display drive up event at sunset. Contact the office if you have problems you would like help with. Q & A followed.
- b. Other public official guests. None
- c. Budget Advocate Report Garry Fordyce —A live Budget Day is being planned for Aug 21. Also, there will be mini-Town Hall on July 26. It would be good to find a second Budget Advocate for our Neighborhood Council.
- d. Office of Neighborhood Empowerment, NEA, Lorenzo Briceno. The City Clerk has the budget forms ready which need to be to submitted by June 20<sup>th</sup>. The Board Of Neighborhood Commissioners has approved having only virtual meetings to the end of the year. Data Liaison session 6 will be held on June 30<sup>th</sup> at 6PM.
- e. Other public officials acting in an official capacity. None

#### 4. President's Comments (5 minutes) Announcement(s)

Explanation of public comment on topics vs. general public comment on non-agendized.

Devonshire Station Front Desk is now open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. 7 days a week. 2 people in the lobby at a time unless with small children or a translator. Face coverings are required for unvaccinated individuals.

Coffee with the Captain will be June 29, 2021 at Starbucks 9020 Reseda Boulevard from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

#### 5. Old Business

 Update regarding Stakeholder's communication with the management company regarding activity in the parking area behind the Albertsons at Balboa and Nordhoff.

There is no new information at this time. This item will be discussed at the next meeting.

#### 6. FUNDING ITEMS:

- a. Discussion and possible action on the Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for the month of May 2021. Michael Bell reviewed the May MER and made the motion to approve it. It was approved with eight 'yes' votes.
- **b.** Comments by Treasurer on Budget changes: No changes have been made.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### 7. Presentation(s):

- a. Discussion and vote on NPG application not to exceed the amount of \$5,000. by Rescue Mission Alliance DBA San Fernando Valley Rescue Mission to support the Family Center in Northridge and to provide services to the homeless in the surrounding neighborhoods moved to fiscal year beginning July 1, 2027, as a result of a date clerical error on the original NPG. No action was taken.
- b. Follow-up on Stakeholder, Donnal Poppe's request regarding Land Use issue. No action was taken.
  - c. Presentation about the Los Angeles Neighborhood Teams Program. The purpose of the program is to help communities become prepared for disasters by providing guidance and training.

Patrick Hall gave the presentation. He and Glenn Dollar both head Battalion 15. Christy Adair, the Valley Bureau Coordinator, was also present to provide information and answer questions. Mr. Hall gave reasons why people need to be prepared. He also explained that The Neighborhood Teams Program came from the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) and has been taken to the neighborhood level by creating neighborhood disaster teams. It combines CERT, Neighborhood Watch and Ready Your LA Neighborhood (RYLAN). The program is standardized across Los Angeles but customized for each neighborhood and offers help with setting up a plan, training and practice. For more information and to sign up: <a href="https://www.ntp-la.org/">https://www.ntp-la.org/</a>. Q & A followed.

- d. Presentation of Board Member Recognition Certificate. The certificate was given to Michael Bell for his years of service on the Northridge South Neighborhood Council Board and as the Treasurer.
  - e. Discussion and nomination of candidates being considered for Officer positions for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021. This item will be decided at the next meeting.
- **8.** General public comment on non-agendized items (limit to be changed to 1 minute each) Total combined time allowed to any one participant will be a total of 5 minutes. Record keeping system will also be discussed.

The Hales asked when the minutes will be posted and were informed the minutes are posted after they are approved.

Ryan – made a comment regarding not being able to see board members.

Glenn Bailey – The Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (VANC) monthly meetings are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month at 6:30 PM. On July 8<sup>th</sup> City Attorney Mike Feuer will speak. John Hales – Is concerned about the passage of SB 9 and SB 10 which will allow additional ADUs to be built. Construction of two additional ADUs is being planned at 8456 N Darby, which is near his home.

Steve Slutzah suggested Board Members take the Explicit Bias training available on Cornerstone.

#### 9. Committee Reports From: (5 minutes each)

- i. Planning and Land Use Committee. The Hales would like to be added to the Planning Committee.
- ii. Budget and Finance Committee. None
- iii. Bylaws and Procedures Committee. None
- iv. Community Activities and Projects Committee. None
- v. Environmental- Sustainability Committee. None
- vi. Governmental Affairs Committee. None
- vii. Outreach and Communications Committee. None
- viii. Public Safety Committee. None
- ix. Transportation and Public Works Committee. None

#### 10. Board member announcements or comments (2 minutes each) None

**11. Adjournment** The motion to adjourn the June 24, 2021 meeting was made by Michael Bell and with an 8-0 unanimous vote, the meeting concluded at about 8:30 P.M.

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