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## **North Hills West Neighborhood Council**

### **Regular Board Meeting Agenda**

**Thursday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022 7:00–9:00 PM**

**FINAL Agenda** shall be Posted 72 Hours Prior to Meeting – All Meetings are open to the Public  
**(You're welcome to join 15 minutes early to ensure connection setup)**

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#### **NHWNC Executive Officers:**

Carol N. Hart – President, Pat Crone – Vice President, VACANT – Treasurer, Dave Brown – Secretary

#### **Board Members:**

Samuel A. Acosta, Angel Collins, Maggie Elliott, Garry Fordyce, Punam Gohel,  
David Hyman, Madlena Minasian, Kreshell Ramey (1 Vacant Residential & 1 vacant General Board Seat)

**IN CONFORMITY WITH THE SEPTEMBER 16, 2021 ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA ASSEMBLY BILL 361 (RIVAS) AND DUE TO CONCERNS OVER COVID-19, THE NORTH HILLS WEST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED ENTIRELY WITH A CALL-IN OPTION OR INTERNET-BASED SERVICE OPTION.**

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**PUBLIC INPUT AT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETINGS** - When prompted by the presiding officer, to provide public input at the Neighborhood Council meeting the public will be requested to dial \*9 or use the "Raise Hand" option, to address the Board on any agenda item *before* the Board takes an action on an item. Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered.

Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda - *which are within the Board's jurisdiction* - will be heard during the **General Public Comment** period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board meeting. Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer.

**AB 361 Updates:** Public comment cannot be required to be submitted in advance of the meeting, only real-time public comment is required. If there are any broadcasting interruptions that prevent the public from observing or hearing the meeting, the meeting must be recessed or adjourned. If members of the public are unable to provide public comment or be heard due to issues within the Neighborhood Council's control, the meeting must be recessed or adjourned.

**NOTICE TO PAID REPRESENTATIVES** - If you are compensated to monitor, attend, or speak at this meeting, City law may require you to register as a lobbyist and report your activity. See Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 48.01 et seq. More information is available at [ethics.lacity.org/lobbying](http://ethics.lacity.org/lobbying). For assistance, please contact the Ethics Commission at (213) 978-1960 or [ethics.commission@lacity.org](mailto:ethics.commission@lacity.org)

*The Neighborhood Council system enables meaningful civic participation for all Angelenos and serves as a voice for improving government responsiveness to local communities and their needs. We are an advisory body to the City of Los Angeles, comprised of stakeholder volunteers who are devoted to the mission of improving our communities.*

**Supporting documents available on our website at:** [www.nhwnc.net](http://www.nhwnc.net)

**ALL AGENDA ITEMS ARE SUBJECT TO DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION BY THE BOARD**

1. **Welcome & Call Meeting to Order** (7:00 pm)
2. **Roll Call, Determination of Quorum, and Voting Eligibility Report**
3. **Announcements and Opening Comments** – Carol N. Hart, President
  - A. ONEgeneration is promoting Electric Vehicle Charging Stations, free for apartments and commercial buildings. Join a short webinar to learn about LADWP's Charge Up LA Rebate Program and how you can install Free Charging Stations at your property. EV CHARGINGSTATIONS FREE WEBINAR To RSVP: please call 818-708-6603 or email [itorres@onegeneration.org](mailto:itorres@onegeneration.org)
4. **Public Agency Speakers and Announcements** (5 minutes per speaker, or more, as necessary and if time allows)
  - A. Elected Officials' Field Representatives
  - B. City Agencies including the City of Los Angeles' Department of Neighborhood Empowerment
5. **Guest Speaker Public Service Announcement & Informational Presentations**

North Hills West Resiliency Plan Project - CSUN Urban Studies & Planning Cohort will report on their progress and the results gleaned from the February 26th Town Hall: survey results summary, how important issues are prioritized based upon the Town Hall meeting findings. **Save the Date: Town Hall April 2<sup>nd</sup>** for the benefit of NHW stakeholders wishing to learn more and offer more of our own input to the plan!
6. **Report from Budget Advocates** – Glenn Bailey and/or NHWNC Budget Representative Pat Crone
7. **General Public Comment:** Comments from the public on *non-agenda items* - within the Board's jurisdiction. Our scope is limited to City & occasionally County Issues. Each speaker will be allowed two (2) minutes *as time permits*.
8. **Consent Calendar Recommendations**

Consent calendar items are considered to be *non-controversial* such as **Previous Meeting Minutes** and **Previous Months' MERs**. These items may be considered together as documents previously posted for public review and matters of public record. Any Board member or stakeholder may request that an item be removed for separate consideration. There will be no discussion of these items unless an item is removed from the consent calendar, in which case it will go to the end of New Business and be considered as time allows

**Proposed MOTION:** The NHWNC Board approves the following outstanding 'Consent Calendar' items: February 2022 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) & February 17<sup>th</sup> Regular Board Meeting Minutes
9. **Call for Nominations:** Discussion and possible action (Roll Call Vote) to appoint new **Board Treasurer**. Any board member is a possible nominee i.e. Sam Acosta, Garry Fordyce, Kreshell Ramey, Madlena Minasian, etc.
10. **Call for New Board Member Nominations** (\*Stakeholders may nominate themselves or others.) Two Board Seats are vacant (1 Residential & 1 General.) We will accept applications for new Board Members until both seats

are filled by appointment. Board appointment is accomplished as follows: nomination, nominee acceptance, nominee statement of qualifications, board discussion, and ultimately - selection by a majority vote.

Please submit completed applications to: [secretary@nhwnc.net](mailto:secretary@nhwnc.net) Application:

[https://clerk.lacity.org/sites/g/files/wph1491/files/2021-04/ENG\\_2021\\_NC\\_Candidate\\_Filing\\_Application\\_with\\_Board\\_Affirmation%20\(1\).pdf](https://clerk.lacity.org/sites/g/files/wph1491/files/2021-04/ENG_2021_NC_Candidate_Filing_Application_with_Board_Affirmation%20(1).pdf)

### **Neighborhood Purposes Grant Applications** to be considered (if any):

NPG Applications and Support documents available on our website at: [www.nhwnc.net](http://www.nhwnc.net)

Final amounts, if any, will be determined by board vote. - NONE AT THIS TIME –

#### **11. Nomination of Committee Chairs, Members, and various NC Liaisons** - Discussion & possible action

Stakeholders are welcome to nominate themselves or others. This includes but is not limited to: *Data Liaison*

Appointments: (Carol Hart & Dave Brown have volunteered. We still need 1 additional person who will be granted both access and the authority to compile reports using available city-curated data.)

#### **12. Committee & Liaison Reports** (if any) Discussion and possible action on the formation of new Ad Hoc

Legislative Tracking Committee, changes to Standing and Ad Hoc committees as well as NHWNC Liaisons

#### **13. Budget Expenditure Recommendation for Outreach** – Discussion and possible motion to approve funding to

pay for an individual “NHWNC” Zoom account for the purpose of maintaining this virtual, online access to all NHWNC meetings after the City’s Zoom account is shut down. This would make it easier to transition to HYBRID meetings once purely virtual meetings are no longer mandatory.

**Proposed Motion:** The North Hills West Neighborhood Council approves allocation of funds not to exceed \$500 per year for a NHWNC Zoom Account in an effort to maximize stakeholder access.

#### **14. Budget Expenditure Recommendation for Outreach** – Committee report followed by discussion and possible

motion to ratify approval of funding (if needed) for production and mailing of two or more postcards and a four-page spring newsletter. Quotes were previously reviewed and approved as part of our Annual Budget Packet. Note that \$4,999 remains of funds encumbered specifically for this purpose. This is in addition to this year’s Outreach budget. The first postcard welcomes NHWNC participation and the upcoming Resiliency Plan Town Hall on April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### **Rules & Elections Committee Recommendations** (to be presented monthly on an “as available” basis):

Report on approved revisions to be submitted to the City of Los Angeles for their review and approval. The deadline for final additions, deletions, or changes is April 1st. – Dave Brown

### **Community Impact Statement Proposals:**

CFMS = Council File Management System (LA City Clerk)

**To be addressed as time permits.** Discussion and possible motion to approve generation of CI Statement on:

#### **15. Council File 19-0603 - Expansion of Fire District 1 Feasibility Study** – Discussion and possible action: (previously postponed) We may choose to approve or oppose this file as it is, or oppose unless amended to include conditions.

A. Motion: NHWNC will issue a CIS approving the expansion of Fire District 1.

B. Motion: NHWNC will issue a CIS opposing the expansion of Fire District 1.

C. Motion: NHWNC will issue a CIS - opposing unless amended - the expansion of Fire District 1.

**NOTE:** The Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance voted unanimously to oppose expansion.

Some feel that this would be a boon to developers opening the door to the use of more climate-damaging concrete and steel construction used in the building of higher density structures in what are currently low-density residential neighborhoods. The study is already complete. A 47-page report was generated by the Department of Building & Safety: [https://clkrep.lacity.org/online/docs/2019/19-0603\\_rpt\\_dbs\\_%205-27-21.pdf](https://clkrep.lacity.org/online/docs/2019/19-0603_rpt_dbs_%205-27-21.pdf) A 2-page Public Safety Committee Report: [https://clkrep.lacity.org/online/docs/2019/19-0603\\_rpt\\_ps\\_6-2-21.pdf](https://clkrep.lacity.org/online/docs/2019/19-0603_rpt_ps_6-2-21.pdf)

<https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2021-08-21/california-burning-is-it-time-to-rethink-forest-management>

#### **16. Council File 20-0668-S7** Discussion and possible motion to approve generation of a Community Impact

Statement on Los Angeles City Council Redistricting Commission / City of Los Angeles / Council Districts / Recommended

Map: <https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=20-0668-S7>

**17. Council File 22-0151 - Residential and Commercial Building Construction / Zero-Carbon Emissions / Climate Equity LA Series / Building Decarbonization:** [http://clkrep.lacity.org/online/docs/2022/22-0151\\_misc\\_2-9-22.pdf](http://clkrep.lacity.org/online/docs/2022/22-0151_misc_2-9-22.pdf) – Motion referred to Economic Development and Jobs Committee; Energy, Climate Change, Environmental Justice, and River Committee; Housing Committee; Planning and Land Use Management Committee,. For reference see also this CIS submitted by Westside Neighborhood Council: [http://clkrep.lacity.org/online/docs/2022/22-0151\\_CIS\\_03102022095324\\_03-10-2022.pdf](http://clkrep.lacity.org/online/docs/2022/22-0151_CIS_03102022095324_03-10-2022.pdf) Discussion and possible action:

**Proposed Motion:** The North Hills West Neighborhood Council will submit an CIS supporting Council File 22-0151

**18. Council File 21-1463- Community Assemblies / Climate Emergency Mobilization Office / Building Decarbonization / L.A.s Green New Deal -** [http://clkrep.lacity.org/online/docs/2021/21-1463\\_misc\\_12-8-21.pdf](http://clkrep.lacity.org/online/docs/2021/21-1463_misc_12-8-21.pdf) -

**Note:** This motion was approved and guidelines therein were adopted by a unanimous vote of City Council on March 9<sup>th</sup>. Even so, it would be good for each NC to weigh in on this topic.

**Proposed Motion:** The North Hills West Neighborhood Council will submit an CIS supporting Council File 21-1663

**19. Board Member Announcements and Requests for Future Agenda Items**

**20. Motion to adjourn**

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**RECONSIDERATION PROCESS:** Reconsideration of a vote by the Board may be called as a motion by the Board members that voted on the prevailing side of the decision.

**GRIEVANCE PROCESS:** A stakeholder or group of stakeholders may present a grievance concerning the legality of actions by the Board during public comment. Substantive grievances will be examined by a panel set by the Board and the decisions may be appealed to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment.

**PUBLIC ACCESS OF RECORDS:** In compliance with ‘Government Code Section 54957.5, non-exempt writings that are distributed to a majority or all of the board in advance of its meetings, may be viewed at the board meeting. Documents may also be reviewed by going to the Board's website [www.nhwnc.net](http://www.nhwnc.net).

In addition, if you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda please contact Board Secretary Dave Brown at [secretary@nhwnc.net](mailto:secretary@nhwnc.net) by phone 818-903-2259 or mail to NHWNC – PO Box 2091 – North Hills – CA – 91393. **NHWNC BYLAWS** – Please be advised that the bylaws of the North Hills West Neighborhood Council provide a process for reconsideration of actions as well as a grievance procedure. For your convenience, the bylaws which were approved on 11-12-2020 are available during every meeting and online at: [www.nhwnc.net](http://www.nhwnc.net). In compliance with ‘government code section 5497.5, non-exempt writings that are distributed to a majority or all of the Board in advance of a meeting are available on our website: [www.nhwnc.net](http://www.nhwnc.net)

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Email: NCsupport@lacity.org Website: [www.empowerla.org](http://www.empowerla.org)

For more information about the NHWNC please call – 818-903-2259 – or send mail to P.O. Box 2091 – North Hills  
CA 91393-2091. We look forward to hearing from you!

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