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North Hills West Neighborhood Council General Board Meeting Agenda
Certified February 25, 2003
New Horizons Sam's Cafe 15725 Parthenia Street, North Hills, CA 91343
Thursday, November 16, 2023 6:00 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE: This meeting will be in person, not virtually on Zoom.

Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that 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 one (1) minute per speaker unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board. Alternatively, public comment *may* also be sent to Secretary@nhwnc.net **at least two hours before the meeting starts**; include in the email Subject Line "Public Comment" and the appropriate agenda item number.

Supporting documents are available on our website at: www.nhwnc.net

Agenda items not completed may carry to the next GBM on Thursday, December 21, 2023

NHWNC Executive Officers:

Madlena Minasian – President, Maggie Elliott – Vice President,
Linda Erdman – Treasurer, Dave Brown – Secretary

Board Members:

Pat Crone, Punam Gohel, Garry Fordyce, Kreshell Ramey

- 1. Call to order and Welcome**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance**
 - a. Roll Call, Determination of Quorum, Voting Eligibility Report, and call for agenda item(s) recusals.**
- 3. President announcements and comments.**
 - a. Moment of silence for LAPD Officer Darrel Cunningham.
 - b. If you would like to address the board on any items on the agenda tonight, please complete a speaker card from the Public Information Table, hand it to me, and clearly mark which item you wish to comment on. If you choose to comment on several agenda items, have a separate speaker card for each item.
 - c. Vacancies: The NHWNC is currently seeking one (1) Residential Board Member, Seat term expiring 2025; one (1) General Board Member, Seat term expiring 2025; one (1) Residential Board Member, Seat term expiring 2027; one (1) Community Interest Stakeholder Board Member, seat term expiring 2027; and, two (2) General Board Members, Seat terms expiring 2027.
 - d. Bylaw Amendment Deadline 4/1/2024

4. Discussion and possible action to approve the [October 2023 MER](#)

5. Discussion and possible action to approve the [October 19, 2023 GBM Minutes](#)

6. [Elected Officials, Public Agency Speakers, Field Representatives, and Public Service Announcements](#)

If present, PLEASE IDENTIFY YOURSELF and limit your comments to three (3) minutes per speaker.

→Stakeholders are allotted one minute each for a question for each Agenized public official who visits. Questions do not count against public comment time totals.

7. Guest Speakers and Informational Presentations.

8. Discussion and possible action to reallocate the \$9,293.49 rollover funds into the 2023-2024 Budget.

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/NCFundPortal/Dashboard.html>

9. Discussion and possible action to appoint up to two Budget Representatives.

10. Discussion and possible action on whether to have a GBM on December 21, 2023, due to the upcoming Holidays.

11. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda items within the jurisdiction of the NHWNC.

→Each Speaker may speak for one (1) minute. **PLEASE ADVISE US IF YOU ARE A PAID LOBBYIST.**

12. [Senate Bill 411 \(SB411\)](#) **Open meetings: teleconferences: Neighborhood Councils** was signed by the Governor on 10/8/23 and has been Chaptered by the Secretary of State (Chapter 605, Statutes of 2023). It provides, in part, "...an eligible legislative body may elect to use teleconferencing pursuant to this section if two-thirds of the eligible legislative body votes to do so. The eligible legislative body shall notify the City council if it elects to use teleconferencing pursuant to this section and its justification for doing so." An implementing Resolution was introduced in the City Council on 11/1/23 as Council File 23-1114, as well as a related motion regarding technology, support, and other resources (CF 23-1113).

Discussion and Possible Action to File Community Impact Statement (CIS) and/or Board Resolution [CIS and/or Board Resolution CF 23-1114](#) via the CIS portal. [LACityClerk Connect CF 23-1114](#) and also submit it to BONC and DONE.

13. Standing Rule(s) nhwnc.net/bylaws/standing_rules

Discussion and possible motion to approve a new Standing Rule and identical Bylaws Change Request.

" See text below for specific wording and presented options."

Additions are underlined

Deletions are strike-thru'd

NHWNC current Bylaws approved 6/7/2022

ARTICLE V GOVERNING BOARD

Section 8: Censure

The Board shall use the following procedure when censuring a Board member:

(Option 1)

1A. A motion to censure a Board member may be initiated by any ~~three (3) Board members.~~ Board member or Stakeholder. ~~Those Board members shall not constitute a majority of the quorum of any Neighborhood Council~~

~~body, such as a committee.~~ The motion shall be delivered to any officer of the Board or a specific officer or member of the Board as may be specified in the bylaws or standing rules of the Neighborhood Council. The motion shall be in writing and provide the specific facts and grounds for the proposed censure including the date(s) and specific conduct relied upon for the motion. The motion shall not be based upon conclusions, e.g., “for alleged violations of the Code of Conduct” but shall contain factual statements that describe conduct only and is not intended to embarrass or humiliate the board member.

(Option 2)

1B. A motion to censure a Board member may be initiated by any three (3) Board members or Stakeholder(s). ~~Those Board members shall not constitute a majority of the quorum of any Neighborhood Council body, such as a committee.~~ The motion shall be delivered to any officer of the Board or a specific officer or member of the Board as may be specified in the bylaws or standing rules of the Neighborhood Council. The motion shall be in writing and provide the specific facts and grounds for the proposed censure including the date(s) and specific conduct relied upon for the motion. The motion shall not be based upon conclusions, e.g., “for alleged violations of the Code of Conduct” but shall contain factual statements that describe conduct only and is not intended to embarrass or humiliate the board member.

14. Bylaws Change Request. [nhwnc.net/bylaws/standing rules](http://nhwnc.net/bylaws/standing_rules)

Discussion and possible motion to approve two (2) new Standing Rules and identical Bylaws Change Requests. "See text below for specific wordings."

Section 9: Removal of Governing Board Members

The Board shall use the following procedure when removing a Board member:

1. A motion to remove a Board member may be initiated by any three (3) Board members. ~~Those Board members shall not constitute a majority of the quorum of any Neighborhood Council body, such as a committee.~~ The proposed motion shall be delivered to any officer of the Board or a specific officer or member of the Board as may be specified in the bylaws or standing rules of the Neighborhood Council. The motion shall be in writing and provide the specific facts and grounds for the proposed removal action, including the date(s) and specific conduct relied upon for the motion. The motion shall not be based upon conclusions, e.g., “for alleged violations of the Code of Conduct” but shall contain factual statements that describes conduct only and is not intended to embarrass or humiliate the board member. The motion to remove shall also include a copy of the prior censure motion and the date it was passed.

5. The Board shall decide whether or not the Board member should be removed by an affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of ~~the currently sitting Board members.~~ those present and voting whether or not the Board member should be removed. The Board member who is the subject of the removal motion shall not be allowed to vote and shall not be counted when determining the two-thirds (2/3) majority vote. For the purpose of the removal motion, abstentions shall not be counted as votes.

15. Discussion and possible action to approve a Community Impact Statement [CIS](#) to oppose rezoning proposed under the City’s Housing Element. LACityClerk.lacity.org/CF_21-1230

➤ **Brief background:** [NHW Housing Element Map](#)

- **Key Facts:** The State Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) target for the periods 2021-2029 mandates that LA must zone for 486,379 housing units. Current zoning provides for 230,964 housing units. Rezoning must allow for an additional 255,000 housing units by 2029. The current Housing
- Element has provided for rezoning for 1,400,000 housing units – OVER 5 TIMES THE MANDATE. For more about the City of LA Housing Element Rezoning Program, use the following link:
- **For more about the City of LA Housing Element Rezoning Program, use the following link:**
<https://planning.lacity.org/plans-policies/housing-element-rezoning-program#strategies>

16. Discussion and possible motion to send a letter to Mayor Bass, Councilman Lee, Councilman Krekorian, and the PLUM Committee regarding the City’s Housing Element.

mayor.helpdesk@lacity.org, councilmember.lee@lacity.org, councilmember.Krekorian@lacity.org, clerk.plumcommittee@lacity.org

17. Discussion and possible action to appoint/remove Board Members and Stakeholders to Committees/AdHoc, Liaisons and Alliances

- a. Budget & Finance
- b. Rules and Election

18. Report outs for up to two (2) minutes each.

- a. NHWNC Committees, Ad-hoc’s, NHWNC.net
- b. Alliances and Coalitions: [EmpoweLA/Alliances](#)
- c. BONC: [BONC Commission Website](#) [New BONC Code of Conduct Policy approved on 11/7/23](#) (with minor edits and enforcement date is unknown currently.)
- d. CIS filer(s) [NHWNC Community Impact Statements \(CIS\) & Letters](#)
- e. Liaisons: [LANCC / VANC](#)
- e. Budget Advocates: Budgetadvocates.org

19. Board member announcements/announcements.

20. Upcoming events/volunteer opportunities → [NHWNC Calendar](#).

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21. Requests for Future Agenda Items. Send to President@nhwnc.net at least 10 days before the meeting date, with “AGENDA REQUEST” in the subject line. Please attach documents with sufficient information and links to support adequate descriptions for discussion. **December 11th is the deadline to submit agenda requests for December 21st GBM.**

22. Adjournment.

Thank you to our Stakeholders, including Neighborhood Watch members, for your ongoing support.

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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. For assistance, please contact the Ethics Commission at (213) 978-1960 or ethics.commission@lacity.org

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If you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda, please contact secretary@nhwnc.net

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For more information about the NHWNC, please call – 818-369-1708 – mail P.O. Box 2091 – North Hills, CA 91393-2091, or email Board@nhwnc.net. We look forward to hearing from you!

Next General Board Meeting of North Hills West Neighborhood Council

December 21, 2023, 6:00 PM

Neighborhood Council Board Oath

I pledge to represent my neighborhood with dignity, integrity, and pride.

I will encourage other points of view, even when they differ from my own.

I will respect, value, and consider everyone's opinions.

I will find the good in my neighborhood and praise it and promote it.

I will act at all times in accordance with our bylaws and will conform fully, both in spirit and intent.

To my neighbors and to neighborhoods throughout the City of Los Angeles, I pledge to do this to the best.

NOTE: L.A. City Charter Sec 900. Purpose (Of Neighborhood Councils)

To promote more citizen participation in government and make government more responsive to local needs, a citywide system of neighborhood councils and a Department of Neighborhood Empowerment is created. Neighborhood councils shall include representatives of the many diverse interests in communities and shall have an advisory role on issues of concern to the neighborhood.

Our Mission is to bring forward our concerns to our elected officials.

NCs are a department within the city of Los Angeles. We are required to follow city and state laws. The Brown Act does not allow us to discuss anything that is NOT on tonight's agenda. There is an item called PUBLIC COMMENT where you can address items NOT on the agenda.

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