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**GRANADA HILLS NORTH  
NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

**BOARD MEETING  
AGENDA WITH MINUTES**

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**GHNNC BOARD MEETING  
Location**

Saint Euphrasia School Auditorium,  
11766 Shoshone Ave.  
Granada Hills, CA 91344  
**Tuesday, July 03, 2018 at 6:30 PM**

A. Call to Order, Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance, Welcome/Introductions/Calendar.

**Roll Call** [Quorum Achieved (15 present/11 required)]

- (1) Present: Brian Allen, Alfredo Castillo, Chris Coyle, Kyle Ellis, Sid Gold, Michael Greenwald, Bill Hopkins, Wayde Hunter, Oscar Jimenez, Rahim Kazi, Ralph Kroy, Ray Pollok, Andres Topete, Joe Vitti, Keren Waters
- (2) Absent: Dave Parikh, Skylar Rose, Jan Subar, Sade Williams,

B. Comments from CD 12, LAPD Senior Lead Officers, Elected Official Reps, Government Agencies.

*DONE Comments (Grace Liu & Jose Galdamez)*

- (1) Thanks GHNNC for service to the City of LA, and for the volunteer hours spend in service to the community and to the City.
- (2) DONE presents the Spirit Award to Brian Allen in recognition for his work with the funding portal and funding manual work. Spirit Awards are for members that go above and beyond that helps with the entire NC System.
- (3) In the last two months there were 3 different subdivision elections. Two out of the three were accepted, there are now being 99 NCs in Los Angeles.
- (4) NC Elections worksheet needs to be submitted by Aug 01. There is a draft timeline for NC elections based on 'regions' that may or may not correspond to any Council District boundaries, look for further updates from DONE and the City Clerk.
- (5) Survey was emailed out for completion by July 13, for improvements to DONE in the new fiscal year, requests that Board members complete it by the July deadline.
- (6) Inventory list needs to be approved and sent to the DONE administrative team, or to Jose Galdamez, deadline is July 15.
- (7) DONE is working with the Dep. Of Disabilities to comply with the ADA, look out for an email.
- (8) DONE is trying to get all NC Board members into the City training system, currently the department is finalizing the accounts with the support department and the login information will be coming in the near future.
- (9) Funding packet needs to be submitted by July 30.
- (10) Elections outreach workshop will be on July 16 at GH High School at 6-8pm.
- (11) Joe Vitti asks about the definition of a 'stakeholder', Grace comments that the discussion as to the definition is currently in process, and only addresses the 'substantial interest' portion of the definition; it is different from the motion by CM Ruiz that would change the definition of stakeholders.

C. Public Comment on non-agenda items (limited to two minutes).

*Public Comments*

- (1) Bob Luzak & Dave Beauvais give a brief presentation on their Beautification Committee's work on the CalTrans yard at the Balboa exit from the 118 freeway. The site has been a blight on the community for

years, and wants to replace the 100 ft of fencing with something else. Michael Greenwald comments that CD12 has begun reaching out to CalTrans to build a wall to completely screen the yard, suggest that they reach out to Jesse Strobel and CD12 to advocate for the project.

- (2) Richard Fisk comments that on Aug 01, the United Chambers is sponsoring an event with two County Board of Supervisors.
- (3) Rudy Melendez is running for California State Senate District 18, on a platform of jobs, and environmental stewardship. Will be running against Bob Hertzberg.
- (4) Glenn Bailey the Congress of Neighborhoods will be on September 22, 2018, with registration beginning on August 15, 2018. The Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils, and in November there will be a planning forum. Is following up with prior meeting request, that there are 278 email subscribers to GHNNC listserv.

D. Emergency Preparedness Item of the Month.

*EP Chair Comments (Bill Hopkins)*

- (1) The item of the month is a self-adhering bandage.

E. **[PASSED]** Motion to approve the June 05, 2018, Board meeting minutes.

**Motion:** Oscar Jimenez

**Second:** Brian Allen

**Vote:** [Yes – 14; No – 0; Abstain – 1 (Chris Coyle)]

F. Executive Committee

1. **[PASSED]** Motion to appoint Dr. Berj Demirjian, M.D. to the open District 3 Seat. (CV, Attachment #1)

*Board Comment*

- (1) Michael Greenwald introduces Berj Demirjian, has been living in Granada Hills for 7 years, is interested in working to improve the neighborhood.
- (2) Bill Hopkins asks which committees Berj Demirjian is interest in being a member, indicates the PLUM committee.
- (3) Wayde Hunter comments that training is required, and he is aware that the training required.
- (4) Keren Waters thanks Berj Demirjian for participating in the shred event.

**Vote:** [Yes – 15; No – 0; Abstain – 0]

- Grace Liu administers the DONE oath to Berj Demirjian, Chjris Coyle, and Keren Waters.

2. **[PASSED]** Motion to accept the resignation of Jan Subar from the Board, Neighborhood Organizations, Representative.

*Board Comment*

- (1) Michael Greenwald comments that Jan has been ill and unable to attend the meetings, and has reached out to Dario for Neighborhood Watch members who may be interested.

**Vote:** [Yes – 16; No – 0; Abstain – 0]

3. **[PASSED]** Motion to accept the resignation of Sade Williams from the Board, Student Representative.

*Board Comment*

- (1) Michael Greenwald comments that Ms. Williams' is unable to continue, as she will be focusing on schoolwork.

**Vote:** [Yes – 16; No – 0; Abstain – 0]

G. Treasurer Report.

1. **[PASSED]** Motion to approve the May MER Report.

*Board Comment*

- (1) Brian Allen states that the report is for the month of May, and that it is challenging to get caught up on MERs; this MER has very little that is unique, but mentions that there were several late expenditures mentioned at last month's meeting involving LA Publishing, and rent is now current.
- (2) Kyle Ellis comments that Alfredo Castillo is ineligible to vote due to ethics certificate.

**Vote:** [Yes – 14; No – 0; Abstain – 0]

2. **[PASSED]** Motion to approve the 2018/2019 NC Funding and Budget submission (Attachments #2 & #3).

*Board Comment*

- (1) Brian Allen comments that GHNNC voted on the budget last month, but there were a few changes were made regarding election expenses from \$1k to \$4k from NPGs and Community Improvement Projects.
- (2) Brian Allen comments on the election workshop information document, which includes the budget, bid for web services, information for vendors, and rent for our office
- (3) Bill Hopkins and Kyle Ellis comment that the document should have been broken into two motions if the funding packet and budget submission were to be considered.

**Vote:** [Yes – 14; No – 0; Abstain – 0]

3. **[PASSED]** Prepare and motion to approve NC Election Information Worksheet (Attachments #4).

*Board Comment*

- (1) Brian Allen comments that the document has not been filled out, and the discussion should be first focused on filling the document.
- (2) Board Members generally suggests 6 hours from 2pm to 8pm regardless of whether it is weekday or weekend.
- (3) Ralph Kroy asks whether the vote can be conducted outside, which is possible.
- (4) Michael Greenwald suggests that we volunteer Fire Station 18, as it is a convenient location. Other board members suggest that a fire station presents problems for emergencies. Brian Allen suggests that City elections have been held there, Bill Hopkins comments that City elections are different than the NC election.
- (5) Michael Greenwald comments that St. Euphrasia, Ralph Kroy suggests Knollwood Methodist as an alternate. These locations are listed.
- (6) Kyle Ellis comments that, as we get one free translation, we should have Spanish.
- (7) As to a volunteer for elections committee chair, Oscar Jimenez with Michael Greenwald as an alternate.
- (8) Elections will be at-poll, as the GHNNC Board does not want to pay \$5k for online or vote-by-mail.

*Public Comment*

- (1) Grace Liu comments that the City Clerk will determine the day in collaboration with other NCs.
- (2) Jose Galdamez comments that some NCs have held outdoor elections at farmers markets and similar venues.
- (3) Glenn Bailey comments that the Northwest Valley NCs have been able to caucus and choose our election days prior to this application process, this year is different and Glenn Bailey suggested that GHNNC should lobby to with the City Clerk to choose a date. Brian Allen comments that the region numbers used may be different from that used in other locations.

**Vote:** [Yes – 16; No – 0; Abstain – 0]

4. Budget Advocates Report.

*Board Comment*

- (1) Brian Allen comments that the budget day occurred and it went well, with new Budget Advocates, who will be going on their first retreat in a few weeks.
- (2) Sid Gold asks about the use of tax credits in hotels in DTLA. Brian Allen comments that the Budget Advocates have not looked at the issue.

H. Outreach and Publicity Committee Report.

*Outreach Chair Comment (Keren Waters and Brian Allen)*

- (1) The shred event was successful, and thanks Chris Coyle for providing the cones. Brian Allen asks whether the cones have been left with the NC, and Chris Coyle comments that they are all ours. 54 names were collected for our email list, which will be sent to our webmaster.
- (2) Keren Waters attended CM Englander's Conversations with Councils, the community management department was present and discussed median beautification and graffiti control.
- (3) Outreach will be looking to add a new member to the Outreach Committee with the loss of Sade Williams from the Board.

*Board Comment*

- (1) Bill Hopkins comments that Conversations with Councils suggests that beautification issues should go through 311. CM Englander also discussed homelessness and graffiti abatement with the West Valley Alliance, where funding for the former is \$100k per month and the later is \$100k per year. Michael Greenwald comments that the money for homelessness is well spent.

I. Planning and Land Use. Report.

*PLUM Chair Comment (Kyle Ellis)*

- (1) No comment.

J. Citywide Committee Report. Sid Gold.

*Citywide Chair Comment (Sid Gold and Brian Allen)*

- (1) No comment.

K. Public Safety, Report. Ray Pollok.

*Public Safety Chair Comment (Ray Pollok)*

- (1) Will be looking at the AskLAPD line. And asks if there will be members in attendance.
- (2) Michael Greenwald challenges the committee to come up with initiatives to work on to improve the public safety of the community.
1. Update on the July pot hole and minor sidewalk repair. Have any recommendations for locations in by July 6<sup>th</sup>.

*Board Comment*

- (1) Michael Greenwald comments that Board members should tell Bill Hopkins of any pothole or sidewalk repairs by July 6. Bill Hopkins comments that this is for minor repairs.
- (2) Sid Gold asks whether this information is posted on our website – it is.
- (3) Berj Dermirjian asks whether it has been posted on NextDoor, it has not, but will be.

L. Emergency Preparedness Report. Bill Hopkins.

*EP Chair Comments (Bill Hopkins)*

- (1) Last meeting discussed how to handle severe bleeding. The next meeting will be how to put together a car kit, and what you could put in to a kit.

M. Board Member Comment on Non-Agenda Items

*Board Comment*

- (1) Keren Waters asks what to do with the list of emails. They should go to Aaron. Bill Hopkins asks whether we should send a 'your welcome' and 'thanks for coming to the shred event' email with the signup. Michael Greenwald suggests that we should also do a general welcome to the GHNNC, and discuss the Board, its committees, and how to attend. Kyle Ellis suggests that the email issue is placed on the next Outreach Committee meeting.
- (2) Bill Hopkins comments that the next Valley Disaster Fair signup is now online.
- (3) Brian Allen comments that he will coordinate with Sid Gold and Kyle Ellis regarding the ad hoc committee on CM Ruiz's NC motion.
- (4) Ray Pollok comments that he did ethics certification today, it took him 5 minutes to take, and 1 hour and 55 minute of waiting around.
- (5) Wayde Hunter comments that there is a meeting at City Hall, SCLCAC meeting soon; requests that the committee wear shirts and nametags to committee meetings for uniformity and appearance of the Board. Also comments that shirts and nametags should be worn at outreach events.
- (6) Michael Greenwald thanks stakeholders and Board members.

N. Adjournment

**Adjourned** [8:02 P.M.]

Abbreviation Guide			
BA	Budget Advocates	BONC	Board of Neighborhood Commissioners
CD	Los Angeles City Council District	CERT	Community Emergency Response Team
CIS	Community Impact Statement	CM	Los Angeles City Council Member
DONE	Department of Neighborhood Empowerment	EVOG	Emergency Vehicle Operations Center
GHNNC	Granada Hills North Neighborhood Council	HOPE	Homeless Outreach Partnership Endeavour
LADOT	Los Angeles Department of Transportation	LADWP	Los Angeles Department of Water and Power
LANCC	Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition	LAPD	Los Angeles Police Department
NC	Neighborhood Council	NPG	Neighborhood Purposes Grant
PLUM	Planning and Land Use Management Committee	SCL	Sunshine Canyon Landfill
SCLAF	Sunshine Canyon Landfill Amenities Fund	SCLCAC	Sunshine Canyon Landfill Community Advisory Committee
SFM	San Fernando Mission Boulevard		