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# SPECIAL GENERAL BOARD MEETING

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Granada Hills South

Neighborhood

Council Oct, 10, 2024

Special General Board Meeting

Agenda Thursday Oct. 10,

2024 at 7:00 PM

**Granada Hills Charter High School-  
Rawley Hall**

**10535 Zelzah Ave. Granada Hills, CA  
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*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*

- I. CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE
- II. ROLL CALL
  
- III. ADMINISTRATIVE/FUNDING MOTIONS

- A. Approval of Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for September 2024
- B. Approval of Board minutes for June August, and September 12, 2024
- C. Discussion and possible action to appoint Carol Loi Sawa as a Board member to the Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council

My name is Musa Khan and I will be your Election Administrator for the upcoming 2025 Neighborhood Council (NC) Election cycle. I wanted to share important information regarding the 2025 Election Season. The 2025 NC Elections will be conducted using an all Vote-By-Mail election model. The [2025 NC Election Handbook](#) provides important information about the election process, including the candidate filing and Vote-By-Mail operations.

The [2025 NC Regional Election Schedule](#) lists each region's election date, and the [2025 NC Election Timeline](#) provides critical election deadlines. I have highlighted a few important election dates below for **GHSNC**.

- Candidate Filing Period: **January 17, 2025 to March 3, 2025**
- Vote-By-Mail Period: **March 21, 2025 to May 11, 2025**
- Election Day: **May 20, 2025**

For additional election information, visit our website at [clerk.lacity.gov/ncelections](http://clerk.lacity.gov/ncelections) and subscribe to '[Subscribe for NC Election Updates](#)' to stay informed of the latest and most relevant election information as it becomes available.

I look forward to working with you this election season. If you have any questions, you can reach me at [musa.khan@lacity.org](mailto:musa.khan@lacity.org) or (213) 978-0444.

#### IV. ELECTED OFFICES/DEPARTMENTS/ORGANIZATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. LAUSD District 3 (Tara Vahdani/Tammy Ramirez, Scott Schmerlson)
- B. County Supervisor’s Office Lindsay Horvath – {Rep Savanna Heap or Sophia Sovdani}
- C. Senator Caroline Menjivar District 3
- D. Congressional District 25 -Congressmen Mike Garcia’s office (Garrett Henry) (Tammy Stevens)
- E. Assembly District 40 – Pilar Schiavo or rep Gabby Gurrola
- F. Council District 12 (John Lee) (Lorrena)

- G. Mayor's Office Karen Bass (Jared Rivera)
- H. DONE, (NEA Mario Hernandez)
- I. Budget Advocate (Brian Allen)
- J. Congressional District 30 (Kimberly Caseres)
- K.. LAPD Senior Lead Officer or alternate representative

## V. NEW BUSINESS

### VI.

- A. Discussion and possible action to approve an NPG for the Granada Hills Community Foundation for the purpose of the Granada Hills Centennial Celebration of up to \$2000
- B. Discussion and possible action to approve an NPG for the Granada Hills Community Foundation for the purpose of the Granada Hills Street fair up to \$5000
- C. Discussion and possible action to approve an NPG for the for Granada Hills Community Foundation for the purpose of the Granada Hills Parade up to \$2000
- D. Discussion and possible action to decide on how to handle a grievance made by Brad Klimovitch and the VFW regarding the handling of our web posting matters by Aaron DeVandry including and not limited to all remedies.  
Presentations by both Brad and Aaron

To simplify Brad Klimovitch has specifically requested to be added to the GHSNC Board comment period at the Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. He would like to address the GHSNC Board on the following community topics giving the GHSNC these words:

Request to add All American VFW Post 2323 as a Local Community Organization on the GHSNC website. Our Post is a 501(c) (19) ***Our Mission:** To foster camaraderie among United States veterans of overseas conflicts. To serve our veterans, the military, and our communities. To advocate on behalf of all veterans. **Our Vision:** Ensure that veterans are respected for their service, always receive their earned entitlements, and are recognized for the sacrifices they and their loved ones have made on behalf of this great country.* Our Post was established and received it's Congressional Charter in 1953 and served as a pillar of strength and serve to our community for the past 71 years. (2 min.)

- I would be happy to entertain any questions the GHSNC Board, or Stakeholders in attendance may have given the time constraints allotted for this segment.
- 1. Present VFW Youth Scholarship Programs: (4 min.)
- 2. Teacher of the Year Programs: (2 min.)
- 3. I would like to present my previously submitted grievance that was submitted on the Sept. 12, 2024 GHSNC Agenda. Specifically, our annual Texas Hold'em Tournament on August 17th **was** not posted, and our Youth and Education Scholarship Program was delayed until complaints were filed. In short, Webmaster passive-aggressive; e.g., indirect expressions of stubbornness, indirect resistance to the demands of others, and avoidance of direct confrontation. Common characteristics such as procrastination, deliberate inefficiency, and making excuses to avoid responsibility. (7 min.)
- E. Discussion and possible action to approve a business renewal application, located at 10721 North Lindley Ave. cannot Hills 91344, for KJA, presented by Chelsea Mulligan
- F. Discussion and possible action to approve \$350 for a singing Santa which was included in our 2024-2025 Admin Buglet
- G. I would like to take a headcount on who wants to ride in the Holiday Parade on Dec 8, 2024
- H. Granada Charter HS is not available for our Nov. 7, 2024 so I would like to know who and attend on either Nov. 11, 12th or 21st?

## VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 1. Public Safety- Brad

2. Beautification- John
3. Cultural Affairs- Launa or Kayla
4. Education- Abbey
5. Homelessness- John-update
- 6, Outreach- Colleen or Mike
7. Planning and Land Use - Brad- Update
  
8. Youth- Abbey-update
  
- 9, Sustainability- George-

***Discussion and possible action to submit a Community Impact Statement in support of the Tourism Workers Rising campaign.***

- Nick Stewart-Bloch—a research and policy analyst with LAANE—will give a short presentation about his organization and the campaign.
- A one-page overview of the campaign is available in the agenda packet in both English and Spanish.
- Here is a [link to LAANE's current endorsements](#).
- Here is a [LA Times article about the campaign](#).
- Here is the [City Council File](#).

From Sustainability Committee 9/23/24 Meeting for Board consideration:

***Discussion and possible action to approve up to \$1200 for events hosted (or co-hosted) by GHSNC Sustainability on topics including, but not limited to, water conservation, renewable energy and energy efficiency, resilience and disaster preparedness, and climate change during the 2024-2025 fiscal year.***

- GHSNC Sustainability will provide the GHSNC board with a projected budget for each event. Funds will be used for event space reservations (if necessary), refreshments, giveaways/raffle prizes, and other event-related expenses.
- Events may include water/energy efficiency workshops, community clean-up days, film screenings, recycling drives, etc. Below are the potential events discussed by Sustainability:
  - Nature Walk + Native Plant Giveaway (mid-late January 2025)
  - Composting and Waste Diversion Workshop (early March 2025)
  - Earth Day Event (late April 2025)

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10 Seniors- Sally-update

VI GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT OF NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS

VIII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

IX. ADJOURNMENT

NEXT MEETING WILL BE Nov 2024

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