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GRANADA HILLS SOUTH
NEIGHBORHOOD
COUNCIL

Special Board Meeting Agenda
Los Angeles Fire Department Station 87
Conference Room
10124 Balboa Blvd.
Granada Hills, CA 91344
Sunday, August 17, 2025
4:00 P.M.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Michael Benedetto
Anush Danielyan
Brendel Geddes
Carol Hart
John Horn

Sally Kolstad
Amanda Mercado-Nguyen
James Mercado-Nguyen
Mark Morris
Jeremy Oberstein

Abbey Ronquillo
Bradley Smith
Emily Tarverdyan
3 Vacant At-Large Directors
1 Vacant Youth Board Member

All agenda items are subject to discussion and possible board action

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- I. CALL TO ORDER**
 - II. FLAG SALUTE AND BOARD ROLL CALL**
 - III. DEPARTMENT OFFICIAL PRESENTATIONS**
 - a. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment Jose Galdamez, NEA
 - b. City Clerk Neighborhood Funding Program Shawna Priscilla Dungo, Representative
 - IV. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT** - Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. Each speaker will be allowed 2 minutes.
 - V. OLD BUSINESS**
 - a. Board of Director Appointments
 - 1. At-Large Director Seat, whose term ends in 2027. (3 vacant seats)
 - 2. Youth Board Member Seat, whose term ends in 2027. (1 vacant seat)
 - VI. NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. **Introductions** - share about yourself. Fun fact, interests, why you joined the Neighborhood Council, favorite thing about Granada Hills South.
 - b. Discussion on encouraging stakeholder engagement

- c. Discussion of GHSNC bylaws
- d. Discussion of committees
 - 1. Formation and expectations
 - Ad Hoc Committees
 - Liaisons
 - 2. Use of Canva
 - 3. Use of Zoom
- e. Discussion and possible action to appoint a parliamentarian and add up 2,000.00 amount to the Office/Operational Expenditures Category in the 2025-2026 Fiscal Year Administration Packet
- f. Discussion and possible action to appoint positions for Empower LA
 - 1. Homelessness Liaison

“This individual serves as a point of contact between your council and City departments, agencies, and coalitions working on housing and homelessness. Homelessness Liaisons help represent your board’s perspective in broader policy conversations while also bringing back valuable information and opportunities to your community. HLs can be either board members or stakeholders.”
 - 2. Five (5) Community Impact Statement (CIS) Filers

(historically the members of the Government Affairs Committee fill these roles per our current bylaws)

“A Community Impact Statement (CIS) is an official statement adopted by a Neighborhood Council to express its position on a specific issue, usually in response to a City Council or City Commission agenda item. CISs become part of the official City record and are a key tool to ensure your community’s voice is considered in policy discussions. CIS Filers are board members authorized to submit these statements on behalf of the board once a position has been approved.”
 - 3. Regional Grievance Panelist

“These panelists are called upon as needed to serve on a three-member panel that reviews formal grievances filed against Neighborhood Councils. Their participation helps uphold integrity and fairness across the NC system and promotes accountability throughout the network. Panelists must be board members and must complete required training before serving. Your board may appoint more than one representative to ensure availability when needed.”
- g. Discussion and possible action to change the General Board Meeting time from 7:00pm to 6:30pm
- h. Open suggestions from the board

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