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North Hills West Neighborhood Council Special Board Meeting Agenda

Mid-Valley Regional Branch Library
16244 Nordhoff Street, North Hills, CA 91343
Thursday, August 15, 2024 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.

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

Supporting documents are either available on our website at www.nhwnc.net, or in-person during the NHWNC board meetings.

- 1. Call to order, Welcome, Pledge of Allegiance**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Update from the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment regarding Exhaustive Efforts.**
- 4. Discussion and possible action to recognize the resignation of the following board members: Dave Brown, Maggie Elliott, Punam Gohel, and Madlena Minasian. The resignation letters were received by the board via email on July 10th.**
- 5. Vacancies:**
 - a. Discussion and possible action to appoint two stakeholders to fill the Residential Stakeholder Board Member Seat, term expiring 2027.**
 - b. Discussion and possible action to appoint one stakeholder to fill the General Stakeholder Board Seat, term expiring 2027.**
 - c. Update on current vacancies.**
- 6. Swearing-in of newly elected Board Members. 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

opinion. 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 of my ability.

7. General Public Comments on Non-Agenda items within the jurisdiction of the NHWNC. Each speaker may speak one time for up to one (1) minute unless changed by the presiding officer. [PLEASE ADVISE US IF YOU ARE A PAID LOBBYIST.](#)

8. Elected Officials, Public Agency Speakers, Field Representatives, and Public Service Announcements. Up to three (3) minutes per speaker. Stakeholders are allotted one minute each for a question for each Agendized public official who visits. Questions do not count against public comment time totals. Public Officials who do not give advance notice of their participation in the NHW Neighborhood Council meeting are limited to one minute of announcements, which must include their contact information as part of their announcement.

- a. Mayor Karen Bass - [Mayor LACity](#) / West Valley Area Representative
- b. City Council District 12 John Lee - [CD12](#) / Field Representative – Lorena Espinal - [Email](#)
- c. L.A. County Supervisor [District 3: Lindsey Horvath](#)
- d. State Senate [District 20: Caroline Menjivar](#)
- e. State Assembly District 40 [a40](#) – Pilar Schiavo / Field Representative - Gaby Gurrola - [Email](#)
- f. U.S. Congress [District 32: Brad Sherman](#)
- g. LAUSD School Board [District 3: Scott Schmerelson](#)
- h. LAPD Devonshire Division [LAPD](#) - Senior Lead Officer (SLO) - Jerome Knopp [Email](#)
- i. Mid Valley Regional Library - [Mid Valley Library](#)
- j. [L.A. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment](#) / NEA - John Darnell - [Email](#)
- k. To find your elected representatives, City agencies, departments, etc.: [NeighborhoodInfo](#)

Additional neighborhood information: [KnowYourCommunity](#)

9. Discussion and possible action to appoint (or remove) up to five (5) Community Impact Statement (CIS) filers. The filers must be members of the Board. The filers are responsible for filing the CISs into the City Clerk's CIS portal. Any CIS is a position by the Board and may be sent to any City commission and/or put in the City Council's file management system. For more information, please click here: <https://empowerla.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/How-to-Submit-CIS-FINAL-COMBO.pdf>

10. Discussion and possible action to take an inventory of all items the belong to NHWNC.

11. Discussion and possible action to look at future options for the storage unit of the NHWNC.

12. Discussion and possible action to hire a minute taker for all NHWNC board meetings.

13. Discussion and possible action to look at the future location of NHWNC board meetings.

14. Discussion and possible action about the current efforts and future efforts of outreach for the NHWNC, including upcoming election outreach.

15. Discussion and possible action to look at the future of what vendor maintains the NHWNC website, and any actions the board wants to take on the website now.

16. Update from Department of Neighborhood Empowerment regarding the pending grievance filed against the NHWNC – grievance #385.

17. Board member announcements/comments

18. New business/Future agenda items.

19. Adjournment.

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



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