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<u>Board Members</u> Sean C. Laird Barbara Nitkin

Vacant: Business/Employee; Resident (4) Ashleigh Larson — Appointed CSUN Faculty/Staff Keiry Saravia — Appointed CSUN Student (vacant) — Youth Alternates: Christopher Meredith, Philip Dagort, Garry Fordyce



Northridge East Neighborhood Council

Making Northridge a Better Place to Live, Work, Play and Learn

Effective March 30, 2023 NENC Board meetings resumed being held in-person pursuant to the California Government Code and City of Los Angeles policies. However, Government Code Section 54953.8 (Chapter 605 effective October 8, 2023) authorizes Neighborhood Councils to use alternate teleconferencing provisions as specified.

Board Regular Meeting Agenda - Wednesday, September 18, 2024 - 7:00 p.m. Held Virtually via Zoom: <u>https://zoom.us/j/92753645271</u>

This meeting is being held using teleconferencing pursuant to California Government Code Section 54953.8(a)(2)(B) (Senate Bill 411 - Chapter 605, Statutes of 2023), the implementing action of the Los Angeles City Council (Council File <u>23-1114</u> approved on November 1, 2023), and the required two-thirds vote of the Northridge East Neighborhood Council Board on November 15, 2023 electing to use teleconferencing for some or all of its Board and/or Committee meetings.

Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on this agenda that are within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the State 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 on a future Board or Committee meeting agenda. General Public Comment is limited to two (2) minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the Board presiding officer.

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Members of the public who wish to listen to the meeting audio during this Board meeting may **click this link to join the webinar:** <u>https://zoom.us/i/92753645271</u> or call +1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose) or Toll Free numbers 888-475-4499, 877-853-5257, 833-548-0282 or 833-548-0276 and enter **Webinar ID No. 927 5364 5271** and then press #. For this meeting, public comment will be made in-person, virtually or alternatively, public comment may be emailed to info@NENC-LA.org at least **six hours prior to the scheduled start time**; include in the email Subject Line "Public Comment" and the agenda item number; such comments received timely will be read aloud (until time limit) during consideration of that agenda item.

- 1. Start Recording, Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance and Welcome to Stakeholders; Introductory Comments (audio/visual participation and recusal reminders; refreshments; recycling; public comment)
- Roll Call, Seating of Alternate(s), Determination of Quorum, Voting Eligibility (Ethics, Funding, Code of Conduct, Anti-Bias, Gender Expression and Gender Identity; view Board member training status at <u>www.EmpowerLA.org/NENC</u>); Abstentions="No"
 - Board member remote participation requests for this or any upcoming NENC meetings pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(f) (<u>AB 2449</u>). [NOTE: If applicable, disclosure of anyone age 18+ also present is required.] - possible MOTION

- Notice of NENC Board Vacancies Four Resident seats (2027), one Business/Employee seat (2025) and one Youth seat (2025). Qualified Stakeholders interested in serving may obtain more information by emailing: <u>info@NENC-LA.org</u> Documentation will be required. Per NENC Bylaws, appointment is made by the President and approved by the Board. - possible MOTION(s)
- 4. Agenda Setting Meeting 9/13/2024 Participation: Bailey, Mills, Thiroux, Diamond, Ross
 - a. Future Executive Committee meetings will typically be held on the Friday prior to the Board meeting unless otherwise announced and until further notice. Due to a religious holiday, the October meeting will be held on October 4, 2024.
- 5. Approval of Minutes August 21, 2024 and any other earlier dates
- a. Links to Zoom recordings of Board meetings are posted on NENC Agendas and Minutes webpage
- 6. Financial Item(s) Discussion and possible action:
 - a. Approval of August 2024 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) amount spent: \$______(All NC MERs are posted on City Clerk's <u>NC Funding System Dashboard</u>; click on MER tab. Recent NENC MERs with back up documentation are also posted on the NENC website under Finance Committee: <u>https://www.nenc-la.org/committees/budget-and-finance-committee/</u>)
- 7. Announcements/Presentations/Guest Speakers
 - a. American Red Cross: disaster preparedness, trainings and volunteer opportunities -Earl Torres
- 8. Public comments on non-agenda items within the NENC's subject matter jurisdiction (up to two minutes per speaker)
- Comments/Reports from Representatives of Public Officials (please email report in advance of meeting) (up to three minutes each unless arrangement for additional time is made at least six days days in advance): <u>Mayor</u> (David Bright), <u>City Attorney</u> (Ayelet Feiman/Alin Sahagian), <u>CD 12</u> (Myrka Martinez); LAUSD <u>BD 3</u>; County <u>SD 3</u> (Mirna Ezquivel); State - <u>SD 27</u> (as of December 2024), <u>SD 20</u> "deferred" (Andrés Garcia), <u>AD 40</u> (**Crystal Carr**); Federal - <u>CD 32</u> (Sean Regan)
- 10. Comments/Updates/Announcements by Representatives of City Departments such as <u>LAPD</u>/C-PAB), <u>LAFD</u> (Batt. Chief John Ignatczyk), <u>DONE</u> (NEA Octaviano Rios <u>octaviano.rios@lacity.org</u>), <u>BONC</u> (North Valley <u>Commissioner Keren Waters</u>) and Representatives of <u>CSUN</u> and Other Public Agencies and NC-Related Entities (up to three minutes each unless arrangement for additional time is made at least six days in advance)
 - a. DONE and BONC updates
 - i. BONC North Valley NC Summit is scheduled for Saturday, September 21, 2024, 9 am to 12 pm in Granada Hills. City officials are expected to attend. <u>RSVP</u> requested.
 - ii. EmpowerLA 25th Anniversary event Friday, December 13, 2024
 - iii. DONE: Approved NENC Bylaws on July 31, 2024 with the minor amendment to Article XIV Compliance, Section 2 Training with the addition of "the words "and Alternates" to additional sentences in this Bylaws Article to further clarify compliance requirements of Alternates." -MOTION TO ADOPT

Section 2: Training – Neighborhood Council Board Members and Alternates, whether elected, selected or appointed, are required to complete all mandatory trainings in order to vote on issues that come before the Council. Trainings available to Board Members and Alternates are created to ensure success during their period of service. All Board Members and Alternates shall complete mandatory trainings as prescribed by the City Council, the Commission, the Office of the City Clerk, Funding Division, and the Department. Board members and Alternates not completing all mandatory trainings required by the City within forty-five (45) days of being seated, or upon expiration of their current training(s), shall lose their Council voting rights on all items before the board, including the ability to make or second motions, until they have successfully taken or renewed such training(s). For continuing Board members and Alternates, there is no grace period upon the expiration of any mandatory training.

- b. CSUN reports and updates Ashleigh Larson and Keiry Saravia
 - i. Associated Students update
- NC Budget Advocates: "Intro to the City Budget" held 9/14/2024; Zoom recording <u>link posted here</u>. NCBA Monthly <u>Report to NC</u> (posted once released). Current Fiscal Year 2024-25 Budget Council File is <u>CF 24-0600</u>. NENC City budget and service priorities. Budget Representatives (Glenn Bailey/Garry Fordyce). <u>www.budgetadvocates.org/</u>
- d. Recreation and Parks:
 - i. Northridge Park grounds maintenance (remediation of gopher holes) possible MOTION
 - ii. Request NENC representation on the Northridge Recreation Center Park Advisory Board possible MOTION
 - iii. Dearborn Park weekend "monitors"
- 11. Committee Reports Standing: Beautification and Weed Abatement (Baker); Education (Peterson); Executive (Bailey); Finance (Diamond); Homelessness (Ross); Outreach (Mills); Planning and Land Use (Diamond/Nitkin); Public Safety (Thiroux/Nitkin) and Sustainability (Bailey/Nitkin). Ad Hoc: Animal Welfare (Ross/Diamond); Bylaws (Bailey/Mills); Dearborn Park (Diamond/Nitkin); NC Election; NENC 20th Anniversary; Van Nuys Airport (Nitkin/Diamond) - Discussion and possible action:
 - a. Establishment of new and/or dissolution of existing Ad Hoc committees
 - b. Appointment of Committee Chairs or Co-Chairs by President subject to confirmation by Board
 - c. Approval of Committee members as requested by Committee Chair/Co-Chairs
 - d. Announcement of upcoming Committee meeting dates: Education 10/19/2024, 8:30 am; Executive 10/4/2024, 4:00 pm (all dates/times subject to confirmation)
 - e. Education: "Northridge Academy High School (NAHS) has limited exit access behind the school in the event of an emergency. There is apparently one official exit behind NAHS and one possible exit through the CSUN campus gate. The CSUN campus gate is locked, although it has been open in the past. A request is made to have the CSUN gate open (or at least unlocked) for egress during NAHS regular school hours. This may entail security services to monitor traffic through these exits." (no recommendation)
 - f. Education: Traffic safety on Zelzah Avenue in the vicinity of Northridge Academy High School and CSUN is of concern. Could the City's Department of Transportation conduct a traffic study and make recommendations to improve safety for all? (no recommendation) possible MOTION
 - g. Outreach: Valley Art Faire 10/27/2024 at Rancho Cordillera del Norte in Northridge update
 - h. Beautification: Dead trees on the west side of Lindley Avenue south of Lassen Street
 - i. Public Safety: Neighborhood Watch meetings
 - j. Dearborn Park update
 - k. Planning: Update on new/pending or previously considered cases within/adjacent to NENC including but not limited to: (see Informational Items below)
 - I. Reports by other Committees listed in item 11 above
- 12. NENC President, Treasurer, NC Liaisons, and NC Alliances/Coalitions Reports including, but not limited
 - to: (Discussion and possible action)
 - a. President's Report

- b. Treasurer's Report
- c. NC Liaisons Reports and approval of additional and/or replacement NENC Liaisons
 - i. Report on Homelessness Liaisons session held 8/29/2024
 - ii. Approve additional Homelessness Liaison: Glenn Bailey
- d. NC Alliance and Coalition Reports:
 - i. VANC 9/12/2024 meeting featured Timothy Campbell on LAHSA and more <u>link to</u> recordings webpage
- 13. Council Files (CF) and City Council Motions Community Impact Statements (CIS) Discussion and possible action:
- 14. Informational Items/Announcements
 - a. CD 12: Weekly newsletter with community updates: https://cd12.org/
 - b. Board of Neighborhood Commissioners upcoming meetings
 - c. City Clerk Election Unit: NC Elections in 2025 will be held Vote By Mail only; Region 2 <u>Election</u> <u>Day</u> will be Tuesday, May 20, 2025 (postmark deadline to return Ballots). <u>Regional timelines</u> and further details are in the <u>2025 Neighborhood Council Election Handbook</u> NENC Seats open in 2025 are: *At-Large (1); *Property Owner (1); *Resident (3); **Business Owner and Employee (1) and **Youth (1). *Four-year terms. **Two-year terms.
 Candidate filing January 17 to March 3, 2025. Voter registration for Vote By Mail Ballot March 21 to May 11, 2025. Ballots must be returned (postmarked) by May 20, 2024.
 - d. LAFD: <u>Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)</u> classes
 - LAPD: Neighborhood Watch meetings via Zoom (see NENC <u>website</u> for details); there are four <u>Basic Cars/Senior Lead Officers</u> who cover portions of NENC: 17A95 (SLO Knopp), 17A67 (SLO Zamora), 17A35 (SLO Parker), and 17A49 (**SLO Andrachick**) - Email: <u>DevonshireSLO@lapd.online</u>
 - Basic Car 17A67 Meeting (in-person) Stop the Bleed Training* Wednesday, 9/25/2024, 6:00 p.m. at Northridge United Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall, 9650 Reseda Avenue.

*If you are interested in the Stop The Bleed Training, please register with Christina.sachdev@commonspirit.org

- f. LAPL Northridge Library: <u>upcoming events</u>
- g. Recreation and Parks: <u>Board of Commissioners upcoming meetings</u>; **next Valley meeting 12/5/2024**
- h. Sanitation: North Valley <u>S.A.F.E. (Solvents/Automotive/Flammables/Electronics) Center</u> collection site, 10241 Balboa Boulevard, Northridge, open every weekend 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for residents to drop off their household hazardous waste and electronic waste.
- i. Northridge Vision met 8/14/2024; next virtual meeting 10/9/2024, 2 pm
- j. Aliso Canyon Disaster Health Research Study: <u>UCLA website</u>, including study overview, research timeline, and information about the study team is now live. Also, Environmental Health Research is a related non-profit organization; its <u>website</u> includes newsletter sign-up
- k. Planning: Update on previously considered or new/pending cases within/adjacent to NENC including but not limited to:
 - Case No. <u>PAR-2023-4028-AHRF-ED1</u> located at 17829 Halsted St New construction of a 230 (255?) unit 100% affordable housing project, measuring 7-stories in height with a total residential floor area of 158,817 square feet. (Informational item no hearing date set yet) [NOTE: Related <u>article posted by Urbanize LA on 3/11/2024</u>]
 - ii. <u>Northridge Community Plan</u> update process is anticipated to begin in 2024.
- I. Planning: Department liaisons email: <u>Planning.Liaison@lacity.org</u>.

- m. NC Liaisons Reports: Animal Services (Ross/Diamond); Data (Kaiser/Bailey); Emergency Preparedness; Film (Dagort); Homelessness (Diamond/Laird/Ross); Public Works (Bailey); Purposeful Aging (Thiroux); Resilience (Lundquist)
- NC Alliance and Coalition Meetings/Reports: <u>Valley Alliance of NCs</u> (VANC) (next meeting 10/10/2024, 6:30 pm); <u>DWP MOU/Advocacy Committees</u> (next meeting 10/5/2024, 8:30 am); <u>LA NC Coalition</u> (LANCC) (next meeting 10/5/2024, 10 am); <u>PlanCheckNC</u> (next meeting 10/12/2024, 10 am); NC Emergency Preparedness Alliance (next meeting 10/26/2024, 10 am); <u>NC Sustainability Alliance</u> (next meeting 10/13/2024, 6:30 pm) and NCSA Trees Committee (next meeting TBA via <u>Zoom</u>)
- o. Upcoming NC or NENC Co-sponsored Events: Congress of Neighborhoods 9/28/2024
- 15. Public comments on non-agenda items within the NENC's subject matter jurisdiction (continued from item 8; up to two minutes per speaker)
- 16. Board Member announcements and requests for future agenda items/reconsideration of any motion
- 17. Adjournment (by 10:00 p.m.)
 - Next NENC Board regular meeting (third Wednesday): October 16, 2024 (virtual) Subsequent Board regular meetings: November 20, 2024 (in-person) and December 18, 2024 (virtual)

A reasonable effort will be made to end this meeting by the announced adjournment time; any items not discussed will be carried over to the next Board meeting, or referred to a committee.

Public Comments: The presiding officer will offer an opportunity for the public to comment on each agenda item before action is taken. Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. Comments from the public on matters under the Board's jurisdiction, but not appearing on the agenda, will be heard during Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items which is limited to two minutes per speaker, unless waived by the presiding officer.

Agenda Items and Public Posting: All items on this agenda are considered action items, and a vote may be taken on any item listed on this agenda. The agenda is posted for public review at least 72 hours before regularly scheduled meetings (or at least 24 hours before special meetings) at the Northridge Recreation Center, 18300 Lemarsh Street, Northridge and the Northridge Branch Library, 9051 Darby Avenue, Northridge and on our website: <u>www.NENC-LA.org</u>

You can receive NENC agendas via email by subscribing to the City's Early Notification System (ENS).

Public Access of Records: In compliance with Government Code Section 54957.5, non-exempt writings that are distributed to a majority or all Board members in advance of a meeting, may be viewed on our website at <u>www.NENC-LA.org</u> or at the scheduled meeting. In addition, if you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda, please email: info@NENC-LA.org.

Reconsideration and Grievance Process: For information on the NENC's process for Board action reconsideration, stakeholder grievance policy, or any other procedural matters related to this Council, please consult the NENC Bylaws. The Bylaws are available on our website <u>www.NENC-LA.org</u>, on the webpage <u>www.EmpowerLA.org/NENC</u> and at in-person Board meetings.

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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 <u>ethics.lacity.org/lobbying</u>. For assistance, please contact the Ethics Commission at {213} 978-1960 or <u>ethics.commission@lacity.org</u>

Senate Bill 411 Updates:

In the event of a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting to members of the public using the call-in option or internet-based service option, or in the event of a disruption within the eligible legislative body's control that prevents members of the public from offering public comments using the call-in option or internet-based service option, the eligible legislative body shall take no further action on items appearing on the meeting agenda until public access to the meeting via the call-in option or internet-based service option is restored. Actions taken on agenda items during a

disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting may be challenged pursuant to Government Code Section 54960.1.

(C) The eligible legislative body shall not require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the legislative body and offer comments in real time.

(D) Notwithstanding Government Code Section 54953.3, an individual desiring to provide public comment through the use of an internet website, or other online platform, not under the control of the eligible legislative body, that requires registration to log in to a teleconference may be required to register as required by the third-party internet website or online platform to participate.

(E) (i) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the Public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed.

(ii) An eligible legislative body that does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to subparagraph (D), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment.

(iii) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed general public comment period that does not correspond to a specific agenda item shall not close the public comment period or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), until the timed general public comment period has elapsed.

The Council is always looking for volunteers to fill various roles. If you are interested in volunteering, please email us at: info@NENC-LA.org. Events and calendar postings should be sent to events@NENC-LA.org.

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