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Executive Committee

Glenn Bailey — President
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Todd Jackson
Barbara Nitkin

Sean C. Laird

Vacant: Business/Employee; Resident (3)
Shefali Mistry — Appointed CSUN Faculty/Staff
Keiry Saravia — Appointed CSUN Student
Samuel Avendano — Youth
Alternates: Christopher Meredith, Garry Fordyce
(vacant)



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, May 21, 2025 - 7:00 p.m.

Held virtually via Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/92753645271>

This meeting is being held virtually 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 [23-1114](#) 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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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)
2. 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 <https://neighborhoodempowerment.lacity.gov/NENC/>); Abstentions="No"
 - a. Possible appointment by CSUN President of Claudia Lopez as CSUN Faculty, Administration and Staff Board Member (pending)

- b. Board member remote participation requests for this or any upcoming NENC meetings pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(f) ([AB 2449](#)). [NOTE: If applicable, disclosure of anyone age 18+ also present is required.] - possible MOTION
3. Notice of NENC Board Vacancies (term expiration is June 30th of year listed) - Three Resident seats (2027), one Business/Employee seat (2025) and one Alternate 3 (2025). Other seats will be able to be filled beginning July 1, 2025. Qualified Stakeholders interested in serving may obtain more information by emailing: info@NENC-LA.org Documentation will be required. Per NENC Bylaws, appointment is made by the President and approved by the Board. - possible MOTION(s)
 - a. Possible appointment of a Board Member-elect as Alternate 3 - possible MOTION
4. Agenda Setting Meeting 5/12/2025 Participation: Bailey, Diamond, Mills, Thiroux
5. Approval of Minutes – April 16, 2025, March 19, 2025 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 April 2025 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) - amount spent: \$7,772.40 (All NC MERs are posted on City Clerk's [NC Funding System Dashboard](#); click on MER tab. Recent NENC MERs with back up documentation are also posted on the NENC website under Finance Committee: <https://www.nenc-la.org/committees/budget-and-finance-committee/>)
 - b. Executive: MOTION (Diamond/Mills) to recommend NENC approve Neighborhood Purposes Grant Application from Dogs Playing for Life for purchase of dog pools at the West Valley Animal Shelter (\$530.60 requested). (Passed 4-0-0 on 5/12/2025)
 - c. Executive: MOTION (Diamond/Mills) to recommend NENC approve Administrative Packet for Fiscal Year 2025-2026, including a budget of \$25,000, however if the initial allocation exceeds that amount, any additional funds will be added to the Neighborhood Purposes Grants Category. (Passed 4-0-0 on 5/12/2025)
 - d. Executive: MOTION (Mills/Diamond) to recommend NENC approve funding a Community Improvement Project with the City of Los Angeles for parkway tree services (such as tree planting, tree pruning, dead tree and stump removal, etc.) not to exceed \$20,000 from Fiscal Year 2024-2025 funds. (Passed 4-0-0 on 5/12/2025)
7. Announcements/Presentations/Guest Speakers
 - a. **City's Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026** was released by Mayor Bass on 4/21/2025 and is posted to [Council File 25-0600](#)
 - i. Impact of Federal funding reductions on City services
 - ii. **Neighborhood Council Funding:** The Mayor's proposed Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget includes a \$25,000 annual allocation for each Neighborhood Council, a \$7,000 reduction from the current amount of \$32,000. It also provides for the rollover of all unexpended funds from this fiscal year to the following one. Over 20 years ago, NCs were allocated \$50,000 annually with the ability to rollover up to \$100,000.
Executive: MOTION (Thiroux/Diamond) to recommend that the Northridge East Neighborhood Council requests that the Mayor and City Council restore the amount annually allocated to at least the current \$32,000. The NENC supports the rollover of all unexpended funds from this fiscal year to next year, as proposed in the Mayor's Budget. A Community Impact Statement will be filed to Council File 25-0600, Budget Proposal Fiscal Year 2025-2026. (Passed 4-0-0 on 5/12/2025)
8. Public comments on non-agenda items within the NENC's subject matter jurisdiction (up to two minutes per speaker)
9. 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 in advance): [Mayor](#) (David Bright), [City Attorney](#) (Ayelet Feiman/Alin Sahagian), [CD 12](#) (Myrka Martinez); LAUSD [BD 3](#); County [SD 3](#) (Mirna Ezquivel); State - [SD 27](#) (Senator Stern TBA), [AD 40](#) (Jenna Sickenius); Federal - [CD 32](#) (Sean Regan)
 - a. CD 12/RAP: Senior Dance and Outstanding Senior Award to Barbara Nitkin

10. Comments/Updates/Announcements by Representatives of City Departments such as [LAPD/C-PAB](#)), [LAFD](#), [DONE](#) (NEA Octaviano Rios octaviano.rios@lacity.org), [BONC](#) (North Valley [Commissioner Keren Waters](#)) and Representatives of [CSUN](#) 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)
- DONE and BONC updates
 - CSUN reports and updates - Shefali Mistry and Keiry Saravia (or appointee)
 - Federal funding reductions and impacts to CSUN
 - [Associated Students](#) update
 - [CF 25-0050](#) Bureau of Engineering report, January 8, 2025, relative to initiating vacation proceedings to vacate certain segments of Etiwanda Avenue, Lindley Avenue, Garden Grove Avenue, Vincennes Street, Dearborn Street, Etiwanda Avenue, Bertrand Avenue, and Prairie Street; VAC - E1401458. City Council 2/4/2025 adopted [report](#), [Exhibit A](#) and [Application](#), and directed the Bureau of Engineering to investigate and report regarding the feasibility of this vacation request. [NOTE: The previously approved application also included various covenants to protect the surrounding residential neighborhood.]
 - City Clerk NC Funding Program Workgroup convening every two weeks 4/21/2025 through 6/20/2025; submit comments to Region 2 members [Glenn Bailey](#) (NENC), [Brian Allen](#) (GHNNC) and [Jason Hector](#) (PRNC)
 - Recreation and Parks: [Park Needs Assessment](#) - upcoming round of meetings including 6/28/2025, 10 am, at Granada Hills Park and 7/1/2025, 6 pm virtually via Zoom
 - NCs may submit comments specific to parks in their area by 6/2/2025 - possible MOTION
 - NC Budget Advocates: "Thoughts on the City Budget" [Town Hall](#) held 4/28/2025 [recording link](#); NCBA Monthly [Report to NC](#) (posted once released). New Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget Council File is [CF 25-0600](#). **NC Budget Day June 21, 2025, 7:30 am to 12:30 pm at LA City Hall - [register](#)**; NENC City budget and service priorities. Budget Representatives (Glenn Bailey/Garry Fordyce). www.budgetadvocates.org/
11. Committee Reports - Standing: Beautification and Weed Abatement (Baker); Education (Peterson/Diamond); 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); Van Nuys Airport (Nitkin/Diamond) - Discussion and possible action:
- Establishment of new and/or dissolution of existing Ad Hoc committees
 - Appointment of Committee Chairs or Co-Chairs by President subject to confirmation by Board: Barbara Nitkin as third Co-Chair of Education Committee
Public Safety Co-Chair update - Sydney Thiroux; possible Co-Chair appointment and motion
 - Approval of Committee members as requested by Committee Chair/Co-Chairs
 - Announcement of upcoming Committee meeting dates: Education 6/14/2025, 9:00 am; Executive 6/9/2025, 4:00 pm (all dates/times subject to confirmation)
 - Executive: (Bailey/Mills) recommends that the NENC support Council District 12 appoint seven members to the Granada Hills Specific Plan Design Review Board and requests that one of these members be from the Northridge East Neighborhood Council area because Sector A includes portion of NENC south of Devonshire Street and west of Balboa Boulevard.
 - Outreach: [Salute to Recreation Family Festival](#) May 16-18, 2025 report - Stephanie Mills
 - Outreach: Participation in LAPD Devonshire National Night Out Tuesday, August 5, 2025, 6 to 8 pm (sundown) at Northridge Recreation Center - possible MOTION (RSVP deadline 6/25/2025)
 - Beautification:

- i. Public Safety: Neighborhood Watch meetings posted on NENC website
- j. Dearborn Park: Inadequate fencing of one private property backing up to westerly boundary of park (appears to be second parcel north of Nordhoff Street)
- k. Planning: Update on new/pending or previously considered cases within/adjacent to NENC including but not limited to: (see Informational Items below)
 - i. Variance extension reportedly filed for 18175 Chatsworth Street (existing storage facility). Case No. ZA-2024-7832-ZV per Zimas (unable to find on City Planning website).
- l. Reports by other Committees listed in item 11 above
- 12. NENC President, NC Liaisons, and NC Alliances/Coalitions Reports including, but not limited to: (Discussion and possible action)
 - a. President's Report
 - i. Update on [CF 24-0867](#), a City Council motion concerning NC Youth seats, term limits and amending NC Bylaws. [Committee report](#) approved by City Council on 3/19/2025.
 - ii. Update on [CF 25-0002-S13 Resolution](#) relative to [AB 467 \(Fong\)](#), which would extend the authorization for NCs to conduct meetings remotely until January 1, 2030.
 - iii. Update on [CF 25-0002-S19 Resolution](#) relative to [Senate Bill 79](#) (Wiener) which establishes new state zoning standards around train stations and major bus stops that allow for up to seven-story multifamily housing.
 - b. NC Liaisons Reports and approval of additional and/or replacement NENC Liaisons
 - i. NC Homelessness Liaison meeting 5/30/2025 - report
 - c. NC Alliance and Coalition Reports:
 - i. LANCC 5/4/2025 meeting - [video links](#)
 - ii. VANC 5/8/2025 meeting DONE General Manager Carmen Chang and interim City Clerk Petty Santos - [video links](#)
- 13. Council Files (CF) and City Council Motions - Community Impact Statements (CIS) - Discussion and possible action: also see item 7a(ii) above.
 - a. [CF 25-0193](#) Motion (Blumenfield - Harris-Dawson) relative to initiating the process to consider adopting Hanoi, Vietnam, as a Sister City to Los Angeles. [Tarzana NC [Community Impact Statement](#)] - Ken Ross
- 14. Informational Items/Announcements
 - a. CD 12: Weekly newsletter with community updates: <https://cd12.org/>
 - b. Board of Neighborhood Commissioners [upcoming meetings](#)
 - c. LAFD: [Community Emergency Response Team \(CERT\)](#) classes
 - d. LAPD: Neighborhood Watch meetings via Zoom (see NENC [website](#) for details); there are four [Basic Cars/Senior Lead Officers](#) who cover portions of NENC: 17A95 (SLO Knopp), 17A67 (SLO Zamora), 17A35 (SLO Parker), and 17A49 (SLO Andrachick); Homeless Coordinator & Special Projects (SLO Taylor).- Email: DevonshireSLO@lapd.online
 - e. LAPL Northridge Library: [upcoming events](#)
 - f. Recreation and Parks: [Board of Commissioners upcoming meetings](#); next Valley meeting 6/5/2025 (Lake View Terrace); LA City Parks Needs Assessment - upcoming meetings and surveys - [sign up](#)
 - g. Sanitation: North Valley [S.A.F.E. \(Solvents/Automotive/Flammables/Electronics\) Center](#) 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.
 - h. Northridge Vision met 5/14/2025; next virtual meeting 6/11/2025, 2 pm

- i. Aliso Canyon Disaster Health Research Study: [UCLA website](#), 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 [website](#) includes newsletter sign-up
 - j. Planning: Update on previously considered or new/pending cases within/adjacent to NENC including but not limited to:
 - i. Case No. [PAR-2023-4028-AHRF-ED1](#) 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 [article posted by Urbanize LA on 3/11/2024](#)]
 - ii. Case No. [CPC-2024-8146-DB-VHCA](#) located at located at 17715-17719 Kinzie Street.- Five-story, 230-unit apartment building on a 35,786 square-foot lot [NOTE: Related [article posted by Urbanize LA on 12/20/2024](#)]
 - iii. [Northridge Community Plan](#) was last updated in 1995.
 - k. Planning: Department liaisons email: Planning.Liaison@lacity.org.
 - l. NC Liaisons Reports: Animal Services (Ross/Diamond); Data (Kaiser/Bailey); Emergency Preparedness; Film (Dagort); Homelessness (Diamond/Laird/Ross/Bailey); Public Works (Bailey); Purposeful Aging (Thiroux); Resilience (Lundquist)
 - m. NC Alliance and Coalition Meetings/Reports: [Valley Alliance of NCs](#) (VANC) (next meeting 6/12/2025, 6:30 pm); [DWP MOU/Advocacy Committees](#) (next meeting 6/7/2025, 8:30 am); [LA NC Coalition](#) (LANCC) (next meeting 6/7/2025, 10 am); [PlanCheckNC](#) (next meeting 6/14/2025, 10 am); NC Emergency Preparedness Alliance (next meeting 5/24/2025, 10 am); [NC Sustainability Alliance](#) (next meeting 6/8/2025, 6:30 pm) and NCSA Trees Committee (next meeting TBA (likely May), 1:30 pm via [Zoom](#))
 - i. NCSA Youth Environmental Action Council - [sign up](#)
 - n. Upcoming NC or NENC Co-sponsored Events: [NC Budget Day](#) 6/21/2025; [Congress of Neighborhoods](#) 9/27/2025
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): June 18, 2025 (virtual)
- Subsequent Board regular meetings: July 16, 2025 (in-person) and August 20, 2025 (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: www.NENC-LA.org
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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 www.NENC-LA.org 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

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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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