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Van Nuys Neighborhood Council



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Board Retreat Meeting
Saturday, March 11, 2023
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Zoom meeting online or by
telephone
Please click the link below
to join the Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82545063185>

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In Conformity With The September 16, 2021 Enactment Of California Assembly Bill 361 (Rivas) And Due To Concerns Over Covid-19, Board Retreat Meeting Of Van Nuys Neighborhood Council Will Be Conducted Telephonically And Internet Based Via Zoom.

Members of the public who wish to listen to the meeting or participate in public comment to the Committee via telephone should call (669) 900-6833 or one of the following Toll-Free Telephone Numbers: (833) 548 0282, (888) 475 4499 use Meeting ID No. **82545063185** then press #. Press # again when prompted for participant ID. When you have a question for the Host, you can Raise Hand by pressing *9, when called on to talk, you can mute/unmute by pressing *6.

PUBLIC INPUT AT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETINGS The public is requested to dial *9 if participating by phone or "Raise Hand" if participating by computer, when prompted by the presiding officer, to address the Board on any agenda item before the Board takes an action on an item. Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. 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 a maximum of 2 minutes per speaker per item with a maximum of 10 minutes total per meeting, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board. **Speakers shall limit their comments to matters relevant to the item on the agenda. The Chair may rule that the speaker is out of order if the comments are not germane to the item under consideration.**

1. Roll Call – Pledge of Allegiance

2. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (2 min per stakeholder)

3. Topics for Discussion

Celebrating Van Nuys

- Discuss with Ad Hoc Committee on the VNNC 20th Anniversary Celebration options they are exploring for the event.
- Discuss Van Nuys history and locations that we want to recommend to Metro and the City of LA to be highlighted as part of the installation of the light rail project and other enhancements to Van Nuys Blvd.
- Discuss our level of interest in providing input to development of the City's "Vision Plan" for the Sepulveda Basin.

Operational Planning

- Discuss potential scenarios for changing our meeting format (e.g., to in-person, to hybrid with both in-person and Zoom participation, or continuing virtual meetings on Zoom).
- Discuss logistics involved in having translation for Spanish speakers during VNNC meetings.
- Refresher on key elements of the Brown Act.
- Presentation by the Parliamentarian on key procedures used in making/approving motions and conducting business at our meetings,

Work Plans for the next 3-9 months

- Discuss plans for outreach for the VNNC elections and how members can get involved.
- Discuss policy priorities related to City legislative actions (e.g., City government reform, addressing homelessness, animal welfare, more parks and green space, etc.).
- Discuss approach to utilization of NPG funds (e.g., have a theme for the year, seek to partner with specific community organizations, and other ideas)
- Identify committees with high priority tasks that need to be accomplished in the next 6 to 9 months and ensure that those committees have adequate membership. Discuss how frequently committees need to meet. (By-Laws require meeting at least quarterly.)

Critical Dates for VNNC Election Process

Candidate filing starts on **February 22, 2023** and ends **April 8, 2023**. Candidates can submit an application on the City Clerk's Portal or by submitting a paper application.

Vote by Mail (VBM) applications can be submitted through the online portal or by paper application from **April 23, 2023** to **June 3, 2023**.

(NOTE: Both application deadlines are moving from 5:00PM to 11:59PM. Staff will only be available to provide assistance during business hours.

The VNNC **in-person voting** will take place on **June 22, 2023** from 11:00AM to 5:00PM.

VBM ballots will be mailed out on May 18, 2023 and must be returned and postmarked by election day and received no later than July 2, 2023 in order to be counted

See page 7 for a list of open seats and qualifications.

Calendar for March committee meetings.

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Week of 2/27-3/4		Feb 28, 6 pm Budget & <u>Finance</u> 7 pm Exec	Mar 1, 6 pm Human Services			
3/6-3/11			Mar 8, 7 pm Gen Bd Mtg			Mar 11 9 am - 12 Board Retreat
3/13-3/18	Mar 13, 7 pm Education			Mar 16, 7 pm Parks, Open Space & Environment		
3/20-3/25	Mar 20 6:30 pm Government Affairs & By- Laws		Mar 22, 7pm Budget & Finance	Mar 23, 7 pm PLUM		Possible clean-up
3/27-4/1		Mar 28 6:30 pm Outreach				

Info about VNNC Committees as of 2/08/2023

Committee	Chair	VNNC Members	Stakeholder Members	
Budget and Finance	Jennifer Febre	Kathy Schreiner Hakop Azatyan Britt Vaughn Matt Wayne		4 th Wednesday
Education	David Harari	Hakop Azatyan Kathy Schreiner Suju Vijayan <i>Vacancy-----</i>		2 nd Monday
Government Affairs and By-Laws	Myrra Bolla	Mike Browning Kibwe Trim Britt Vaughn <i>Vacancy-----</i>		3 rd Monday
Human Services	Dr. Thelá Thatch	Richard Marks Kathy Schreiner Suju Vijayan <i>Vacancy-----</i>		1 st Wednesday
Outreach	Mike Browning	David Hariri Glen Makiri Danielle Rouillard Kibwe Trim		4 th Tuesday
Parks, Open Space & Environment	Kathy Schreiner	Hakop Azatyan John Camera John Hendry <i>Vacancy-----</i>	Quirino de la Cuesta Michelle Gregory	3 rd Thursday
Planning & Land Use Management (PLUM)	Kathy Schreiner (interim)	Brian Edelman Jennifer Febre John Hendry Richard Marks	Quirino de la Cuesta Jeff Lynn	4 th Thursday
Heritage	John Hendry	<i>Vacancy-----</i> <i>Vacancy-----</i> <i>Vacancy-----</i> <i>Vacancy-----</i>		
Neighborhood Beautification	<i>Vacant</i>			
Public Safety & Health	<i>Vacant</i>			

4. Adjournment

AB 361 Updates -

Public comment cannot be required to be submitted in advance of the meeting; only real-time public comment is required. If there are any broadcasting interruptions that prevent the public from observing or hearing the meeting, the meeting must be recessed or adjourned. If members of the public are unable to provide public comment or be heard due to issues within the Neighborhood Council's control, the meeting must be recessed or adjourned

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RECONSIDERATION AND GRIEVANCE PROCESS - For information on the VNNC's process for board action reconsideration, stakeholder grievance policy, or any other procedural matters related to this Council, please consult the VNNC By-laws. The By-laws are available at our Board meetings and our website <http://www.vnnc.org>

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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 §§ 48.01 et seq. More information is available at ethics.lacity.org/lobbying. For assistance, please contact the Ethics Commission at (213) 978-1960 or ethics.commission@lacity.org

Open Seats for Election to the Van Nuys Neighborhood Council in 2023

Type of Seat	Qualifications
Must live in Van Nuys NC area	
Resident Representative Zone 2	A resident from Zone 2 (bounded by the railroad tracks north of Saticoy Street, Tujung Wash, Sherman Way, Woodman Avenue, Vanowen Street, and Van Nuys Boulevard)
Resident Representative Zone 3 (only a 2-year seat)	A resident in Zone 3 (bounded by Vanowen Street, the 405 Freeway, Burbank Boulevard, and Van Nuys Boulevard)
Resident Representative Zone 4	A resident in Zone 4 (bounded by Van Nuys Boulevard, Burbank Boulevard, Vanowen Street, and Hazeltine Avenue)
At-Large Resident Representative Seat 2	A resident within the boundaries of the VNNC
At-Large Residential Renter Representative Seat 2	A resident renter within the boundaries of the VNNC
Can be a resident or stakeholder	
At-Large Representative Seat 1	A stakeholder who lives, works, owns real property, or declares a stake in the neighborhood as a community interest stakeholder
At-Large Representative Seat 3	
Business Stakeholders	
Commercial Business Owner or Employee Representative Seat 2	A commercial business owner or employee within the boundaries of the VNNC
Industrial Business Owner or Employee Representative Seat 2	An industrial business owner or employee within the boundaries of the VNNC
Organization Representatives	
Non-profit Community Organization or Service Club Representative Seat 2	A stakeholder who is a member of a community organization or service club that has been located within the boundaries of the VNNC for not less than one year and that performs ongoing and verifiable activities and operations that benefit the neighborhood
School Representative	A stakeholder who is an employee or a parent volunteer at a school located within the boundaries of the VNNC

General Qualifications for Candidates

Stakeholders who are 18 years or older and live, work, or own real property within the boundaries of the Van Nuys Neighborhood Council

or

declare a stake in the neighborhood as a **community interest stakeholder**, defined as a person who participates in a non-profit organization that has continuously maintained a physical street address within the boundaries of the neighborhood council for not less than one year, and that performs ongoing and verifiable activities and operations that benefit the neighborhood.

Candidate Filing

Starts on February 22nd and closes on April 8th

Candidates can submit an application on the City Clerk's Portal or by submitting a paper application.

<https://clerk.lacity.gov/clerk-services/elections/nc-elections>

Date of the Election

June 22nd

Neighborhood Council Board Member Oath

We 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.

To my neighbors, and to neighborhoods throughout the City of Los Angeles, I pledge to do this to the best of my ability.

Insert 2 attachments:

- NC Election outreach flyer in English
- NC Election outreach flyer in Spanish

