



NORTH HILLS WEST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
Special Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, June 7, 2017
Mid-Valley Regional Library 16244 Nordhoff St., North Hills, CA 91343

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1. Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance

President Dan Gibson called the Meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

2. Roll Call and announcement of Quorum and Voting Eligibility.

Roll Call was taken by the Secretary. Seven of the 13 Board Members were present at the Roll Call: Dan Gibson (President), Dave Brown (Secretary), Madlena Minasian (Treasurer), Maggie Elliott, Garry Fordyce, Carol Hart and David Hyman. Punam Gohel and Kreshell Ramey arrived later. Four Board Members were absent: Jay Beeber (Vice-President), Armando Diaz, Sam Kwasman and Antonino Lovato (all excused). The NHWNC quorum (the minimum number of Board Members needing to be present to take binding votes on Agendized Items) is seven (see <https://lacity.quickbase.com/db/bj3apxsp3?a=q&qid=32&qskip=0&qrppg=1000&dlt=su46~>), so the Board could take such votes. Quorum was announced. Mr. Brown reported that all Board Members were eligible to vote. All 13 of the 13 Board Seats were filled (by election or appointment). No Board Seat was vacant. Also attended: approximately 37 Stakeholders and guests.

3. Announcements and Comments – President.

Mr. Gibson thanked everyone for attending and for their participation in the end-of-Budget year formalities. He expressed optimism about getting the new Budget year started on a solid footing.

4. Public agency speakers and announcements.

No agencies were represented and there were no announcements.

5. General Public Comments

There were no comments at this time.

6. Discussion and possible action to approve the expenditure of [up to] \$5,000 for targeted alley and pothole repairs via engagement of the Bureau of Street Services. Pavement of many NHWNC alleys has degraded since first constructed; however, there is no city program or budgeted funding for alley repaving or pothole repairs.

These funds would pay for up to 3 Small Asphalt Repair Trucks (2 - 3 ton, and 1 - 5 ton) and their crews at a rate of \$2400 (\$1200x2x1day) + \$600x1x1day = \$3000. (verbal estimate provided by Larry Hreza, BSS Field Supervisor).

It was reported that Neighborhood Purposes Grant applications for the Mid-Valley Library and for Vintage Magnet School have been approved as submitted. Due to budget cycle timing, it was agreed to TABLE this ITEM until the next meeting.

7. **Discussion and possible action** to allocate via internal transfer up to \$2,500 each to the LA Congress of Neighborhoods – September 9, 2017 Annual Event, and the LA Congress of Neighborhoods – Networking/EmpowerLA Awards event.

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Fordyce, seconded by Mr. Hyman): The North Hills West Neighborhood Council will allocate \$1,000 to the Neighborhood Councils Congress and \$500 to the EmpowerLA Awards event via internal transfer.

DISCUSSION: The Awards event will be in September.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the seven eligible voters present with all seven in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Brown, Elliott, Fordyce, Gibson, Hart, Hyman and Minasian); zero opposed; zero abstained.

Board Member Kreshell Ramey arrived at 7:20, making eight Board Members present (the NHWNC quorum is seven).

Board Member Punam Gohel arrived at 7:35, making nine Board Members present (the NHWNC quorum is seven).

8. **Discussion and possible action** to approve Treasurer’s recommendations to revise budget category amounts.

It was agreed to not make any revisions until the next meeting.

9. **Discussion and possible action** concerning the NHWNC 2017-18 Budget and Strategic Plan.

It was discussed that the Plan is in process and will be initially presented at the next Board Meeting on June 15th.

10. Board Member Comments

Saturday June 24, 2017 is Budget Day. NC Budget Representatives are not required to be Board members; Stakeholders are most welcome to participate.

11. Motion to Adjourn

The Meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 7:55 p.m.

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