



NORTH HILLS WEST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL



JOINT BOARD & RULES & ELECTIONS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

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Agenda, Draft minutes and supporting documents are on the NC website at: nhwnc.net

Monday, March 12, 2018 from 6:00 - 7:30 pm

Mid-Valley Regional Library, 16244 Nordoff Street, NORTH HILLS, CA 91343

Meeting will be in the computer room

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Punam Gohel - Chair, Jay Beeber, Dave Brown

**ALL AGENDA ITEMS ARE SUBJECT TO DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION BY THE BOARD.
PLEASE NOTE THE PRESIDING OFFICER OF THE BOARD MAY TAKE ITEMS OUT OF ORDER.**

The public is requested to fill out a "Speaker Card" to address the Board on any agenda item before the Board takes an action. Public comment is limited to 3 minutes per speaker, but the Board has the discretion to modify the amount of time for any speaker.

- 1. Welcome and Flag Salute followed by Roll Call and announcement of quorum and qualifications**
- 2. Discussion and possible motion to Approve Previous Meeting Minutes of November 22, 2017**

3. General Public Comments - 2 minutes per Speaker

The public may provide comments to the committee on non-agenda items within the Committee's subject matter jurisdiction. However, please note that under the Brown Act, the committee is prevented from acting on the issue you bring to its attention until the matter is agendaized for discussion at a future public meeting.

4. Fact finding discussion and possible recommendation to Board regarding receipt of a request by a Board Member for a North Hills West Neighborhood Council boundary name change.

This request pertains to the current north Council border, Devonshire, and asks that it be re-drawn southwards to become Lassen.

Change request would **Only** affect Neighborhood Council representation, no other item.

IE: residents in the described area would become represented by

Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council: <https://www.ghsnc.org>

instead of the current North Hills West Neighborhood Council: <http://www.nhwnc.net>

This request would **Not** affect zip codes, City names, Council District, Assembly or Senate

representation, Fire or Police coverage, nextdoor.com , Census tracts, Schools, real estate values, traffic, weather or any other boundary, coverage or representation. A possibly result of change could be reduced funding for North Hills West Neighborhood Council and increased funding for Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council, see: <http://empowerla.org/funding-equity-working-group-report/>

A survey is available here for you to provide comment:
<http://www.nhwnc.net/take-our-boundary-survey-now/>

Or you are invited send an email to: survey@nhwnc.net

We welcome your input on this and any matter of concern.

4. Review of existing Board Member attendance policy.

Current policy, per bylaws, Section 7, is:

Upon a Board Member missing three (3) consecutive or a total of five (5) Board Meetings during any twelve (12) month period, the Presiding Officer shall notify the Board member that their seat has been declared vacant and that the Member is removed from the Board.

5. Discussion & possible motion regarding adding Alternate Board Member seats at the next scheduled Neighborhood Council Election, possibly motion wording:

Alternates (3) – Up to three (3) Alternate positions will be seated after each election as voting Alternates for any Board members who are not present at any meeting of the Board. The seat of an absent Board member temporarily becomes an At-Large Seat. Alternates are ranked 1 to 3 and filled in the order of the candidates' vote totals or tie-breakers, if applicable. Only candidates that run in the election for the above seats are qualified to be the initial Alternates seated for each new term. However, in the event of a vacancy in one or more Alternate positions, any eligible stakeholder may apply and be considered for appointment pursuant to the procedures specified in the Vacancies section of the bylaws: <http://www.nhwnc.net/agendas-minutes/minutes-and-agendas/bylaws/>

9. Discussion & possible motion regarding lowering Board Member minimum age and Stakeholder voting age from current 18 to 17 years of age

10. Discussion & possible action regarding all Board Members being members of all Committees (Thus all Committee meetings would become Joint Board Committee meetings)

Would this require all existing Board seats to be re-classified as At-Large ?

11. Committee Member Comments (1 minute each)

12. Requests For Future Agenda Items

13. Motion to Adjourn

The North Hills West Neighborhood Council Agenda is posted for public review at the following North Hills West locations: 1. Uncle Joe's Donuts - 8704 Woodley Avenue and on our website at www.nhwnc.net

PUBLIC INPUT AT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETINGS - The public is requested to fill out a "Speaker Card" to address the Board on any item on the Agenda PRIOR to the Board taking action on an item. Comments from the public on Agenda items will be heard only when the respective

item is being considered. Comments on other matters, not appearing on the Agenda that are within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction, will be heard during the Public Comment on Non-Agendized Items period.

THE AMERICAN WITH DISABILITIES ACT - As a covered entity under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Los Angeles does not discriminate on the basis of disability and, upon request, will provide reasonable accommodation to ensure equal access to its programs, services and activities. Sign language interpreters, assistive listening devices and other auxiliary aids and/or services, may be provided upon request. To ensure availability of services, please make your request at least 3 business days (72 hours) prior to the meeting you wish to attend by contacting John McGovern, Board President, via email at jmcgovern.nhwnc@gmail.com or by phone 818-809-9158

RECONSIDERATION PROCESS - Reconsideration of a vote by the Board may be called as a motion by the Board members that voted on the prevailing side of the decision.

GRIEVANCE PROCESS - A stakeholder or group of stakeholders may present a grievance concerning the legality of actions by the Board during public comment. Substantive grievances will be examined by a panel set by the Board and the decisions may be appealed to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment.

PUBLIC ACCESS OF RECORDS - In compliance with Government Code Section 54957.5, non-exempt writings that are distributed to a majority or all of the Board in advance of a meeting, may be viewed at the scheduled meeting. In addition, if you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda please contact Board Secretary, via email at secretary@nhwnc.net, by phone 818-809-9158 or mail to NHWNC - PO Box 2091 - North Hills - CA - 91393.

NHWNC BYLAWS - Please be advised that the Bylaws of the North Hills West Neighborhood Council provide a process for reconsideration of actions as well as a grievance procedure. For your convenience, the Bylaws are available during every meeting.

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