



**NORTH HILLS WEST  
NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL  
GENERAL BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

Posted 72 hours prior to meeting - All Meetings are open to the Public



**Thursday, May 17, 2018 from 7:00 - 9:30 pm**

**NEW HORIZONS - SAM'S CAFÉ @ 15725 PARTHENIA STREET NORTH HILLS, CA 91343**

**Refreshments and Meet & Greet @ 6:30 PM**

**EXECUTIVE OFFICERS**

Dan Gibson - President, Jay Beeber- Vice President, Madlena Minasian - Treasurer, Dave Brown - Secretary

**BOARD MEMBERS**

Pat Crone, Maggie Elliott, Garry Fordyce, Punam Gohel, Carol Hart, David Hyman,  
Sam Kwasman, Carlos Pelaez, Kreshell Ramey

**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.  
ALL SPEAKER CARDS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE SECRETARY BEFORE THE MEETING BEGINS.**

The public is requested to fill out a "Speaker Card" to address the Board on any agenda item before the Board takes action. Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker, but the Board has the discretion to modify the amount of time for any speaker.

**Supporting documents available on our website at  
[www.nhwnc.net](http://www.nhwnc.net)**

- 1. Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance.**
- 2. Roll Call and the announcement of Quorum and Voting Eligibility.**
- 3. Announcements and Comments - President.**
- 4. Discussion and possible action to approve the April 19, 2018 General Board Meeting Minutes.**
- 5. Discussion and possible motion to remove board member Punam Gohel from the NHWNC due to his incurring a total of 5 absences during the previous twelve month period as per Section 7 of the NHWNC bylaws.**
- 6. Discussion a possible motion to reinstate Punam Gohel to the NHWNC board as per Section 7 of the NHWNC bylaws.**

**7. Public Agency Speakers and Announcements.**

**8. General Public Comments - 2 minutes per Speaker**

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

**9. Update from Budget Advocates.**

**10. Report from Homelessness Liaison Kreshell Ramey.**

**11. Update from Carol Hart regarding Haskell/Aqueduct parking issues.**

**12. Discussion and possible action to ratify the President's recommended Chair and Member appointments and changes to Standing and Ad Hoc committees as well as NHWNC liaisons.**

**13. Discussion and possible action to approve the March 2018 Monthly Expenditure Report.**

**14. Discussion and possible action to approve the April 2018 Monthly Expenditure Report.**

**15. Discussion and possible action to reimburse board member Maggie Elliott \$146.32 for Holiday party expenses.**

**16. Discussion and possible action to award a Neighborhood Purposes Grant in the amount of up to the \$5,000 requested to the Northridge Beautification Foundation for building and landscape materials for the purpose of cleaning and improving in areas of North Hills (to be determined) modeled after the Northridge Great Street Project. The grant money would be used for a 6 week program designed for 10 to 15 people. Presentation by Don Larson, President.**

**17. Discussion and possible motion to approve a collaborative multi-Neighborhood Council effort to support a CERT 1 Spanish language class in the Valley, via a Neighborhood Purposes Grant to Southern California Preparedness Foundation, (SCPF), in the amount of up to \$600.00, to partner and assist with providing CERT class completion backpacks for the Spanish CERT 1 training class being held at the North Hills Community Center, beginning July 10<sup>th</sup> and ending August 21<sup>st</sup>.**

**18. Discussion and possible action to approve a Neighborhood Purposes Grant in the amount of up to the \$5000 requested to FC Dynamo SFV to assist with athletic field rental. Presentation by Walt Rodas, President.**

Statement from NPG Application:

“FC Dynamo SFV is a 501c (3) Non-Profit #47-5426715 youth soccer program dedicated to helping & working with families in our community. We help infuse strong work ethics, discipline, integrity and honesty to our members. By providing our players with organized physical fitness training and competition we’re able to challenge them to remain focused on and off the pitch while simultaneously building healthier and stronger communities. Our goal is to positively impact the lives of our members and help them develop to their greatest potential & abilities as players but most importantly as productive members of our community”.

19. Discussion and possible action to award a Neighborhood Purposes Grant to the North Valley YMCA for the amount of up to the \$500 requested to support the 2018 Senior Dance.

Statement from NPG application:

“The North Valley YMCA will be co-sponsoring the 2018 Senior Dance as part of the Salute to Recreation Family Festival at Northridge Park. At the dance, the senior community will enjoy dinner, dancing, and entertainment. The grant will benefit the community by giving the seniors in our joint communities the opportunity to enjoy an evening devoted to the senior community. They will be able to visit with their neighbors, meet new people and dance while enjoying a nice meal together”.

20. Discussion and possible motion to nominate an "Outstanding Senior" from the North Hills West area. This nominee will receive special recognition from the Council Office at the 2018 Senior Dance.

21. Discussion and possible motion to approve funding up to the \$5,000 requested to award an Neighborhood Purposes for the Teen Court Program. Presented by Lucy Boyzhyan, Community Representative of PESA (Parents, Educators/Teachers & Students in Action).

22. Discussion and possible approval of up to \$4000 to pay for this Community Improvement Project: The Bureau of Street Services Crews will perform repairs not otherwise scheduled. These funds should be sufficient for up to 3 trucks and 2 crews to repair damaged pavement in North Hills West Alleys, as designated by prior inspection by the BSS Repair Crew Supervisor. (B&I Chair has made suggestions based upon stakeholder complaints and physical inspection at each site.)

23. Discussion and possible action to approve adjustments as needed to budget category amounts.

24. Motion to Support Council File No: 17-1311: Recommendations included in the 2017 FUSE Corps Fellow Report Related to Street Infrastructure.

As a result of a desire of the Mayor and Council to improve the delivery of public works services, the CAO retained a FUSE Corps Fellow to prepare a report on the state of street related infrastructure. That 400 page report included a number of recommendations to improve city

services. The recommendations are separated into three Tiers based upon the scale of the recommendations:

**Tier 1: Improvements to the City’s Infrastructure Delivery Ecosystem**

- 1.1: Improve coordination by bringing all transportation programs into the Department of Public Works to make the Board of Public Works the single oversight authority for all activities over, on and under the street. Moves DOT into Public Works as a Bureau. This recommendation also includes eliminating the Transportation Commission and the Taxicab Commission and placing those responsibilities with the Board of Public Works.
- 1.2: Address the lack of proactive strategic planning, comprehensive project management, under use of existing data sets and interdepartmental program goals by creating an Office of Infrastructure Management within the Board of Public Works that will serve as the citywide lead on all infrastructure programs to drive cross functional performance improvements.

Tier 2 and Tier 3 Recommendations are focused on more specific aspects of the City’s infrastructure activities where specific improvements are recommended such as converting utility coordination from a manual process to an electronic system or implementing improvements to the City’s 311 system.

Reports from the CAO, CLA, etc. can be reviewed on the Council File Management System at:

[https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?](https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=17-1311)

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**25. Motion to Support Council File No: 17-1426 (Koretz): City Attorney and Chief Legislative Analyst to review the legislative and regulatory opportunities the City may have for mitigating the impacts of all kinds of group homes on surrounding neighborhoods and communities, including a thorough review of such efforts undertaken in other jurisdictions, and to report back to the City Council within 120 days with analysis, options and recommendations.**

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## **26. Committee Reports**

## **27. Motion to Adjourn**

**The North Hills West Neighborhood Council Agenda is posted for public review at the following North Hills West locations: Uncle Joe’s Donuts - 8704 Woodley Avenue and on our website at [www.nhwnc.net](http://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 Dan Gibson, Board President, via email at [dgibson.nhwnc@gmail.com](mailto:dgibson.nhwnc@gmail.com) or by phone 818-903-2259.

**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 Dan Gibson, Board President, via email at [dgibson.nhwnc@gmail.com](mailto:dgibson.nhwnc@gmail.com), by phone 818-903-2259 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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