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## NORTH HILLS WEST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL GENERAL BOARD MEETING AGENDA

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**Thursday, February 21, 2019 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.

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[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. Public Agency Speakers and Announcements.
5. 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.

**6. Update from Budget Advocates.**

**7. Update from Homelessness Liaison Kreshell Ramey**

**8. Update from Ad-committee chair Carol Hart concerning Haskell/Aqueduct parking issues.**

**9. Review of parliamentary procedure, Rosenberg's Rules of Order, and NHWNC Standing Rules.**

Vice President Beeber will provide a brief review of these items, including procedures for: a motion to amend, a motion to call the question, a "Point of Order", appealing the Chair's ruling, as well as general decorum and requirements for discussions to be relevant and germane to the topic at hand.

**10. 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.**

**11. Discussion and possible action to approve the January 17, 2019 General Board Meeting Minutes.**

**12. Discussion and possible action to approve the January 2019 Monthly Expenditure Report.**

(available on NC Funding System online portal: <https://cityclerk.lacity.org/NCFundPortal/Dashboard.html>)

**13. Motion and possible action to approve up to \$750.00 to participate as a Lunch Sponsor for the ONEgeneration Senior Symposium to be held May 18, 2019.**

The sponsorship includes Booth, Canopy, table with two chairs, and lunch for 2. Also, the NHWNC logo will be displayed on all flyers, banners, programs and other outreach materials for the event. Supporting documents available at [www.nhwnc.net](http://www.nhwnc.net)

**14. Discussion and possible action to approve a Neighborhood Purposes Grant in the amount of up to \$1,000 to the Southern California Preparedness Foundation for the 12th Annual Valley Disaster Preparedness Fair to be held on or about Saturday, October 12, 2019.**

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**15. Discussion and possible action regarding the Board's position on the proposed construction of a 1-story 31,355 sf., 24-classroom, administration, and multipurpose room building to relocate Valor Academy Elementary School, serving 458 students in grades pk-4, with 24**

parking spaces, at 8618-8630 N. Haskell Ave. (Case No. CPC-2018-6009-CU-F-SPR & ENV-2018-6010-EAF). Applicant is requesting a conditional use permit for construction of a 1-story 31,355 sf., 24-classroom, administration, and multipurpose room building to relocate Valor Academy Elementary school, a public charter school that will serve 520 students in grades TK-4, with 24 parking spaces, at 8618-8630 N. Haskell Ave. The following zoning approvals are being requested for this project in Case No. CPC-2018-6009-CU-F-SPR:

- (1) a conditional use permit per LAMC §12.24.U.24 for a public charter elementary school in the RA-1 zone;
- (2) area adjustments per LAMC §12.24.F to increase the Residential Floor Area (RFA) to permit 33,564 sf. of RFA on the site, in lieu of the maximum of 13,220.68 sf of RFA permitted by LAMC §12.07.C.5, and a rear yard reduction to 11 ft. in lieu of the 25 ft. required;
- (3) a 20% reduction of bicycle parking per LAMC §12.24.S;
- (4) an over in height fence of 8 ft. in the front yard in lieu of the maximum 6 ft. required per LAMC §12.24.X.7;
- (5) a Site Plan Review per LAMC §16.05 for a project resulting in a net increase of 1,000 or more average daily trips.

The proposed school site is an approximately 1.51-acre (approx. 66,103.4 sf parcel on the east side of Haskell Avenue, between Parthenia Street and Chase Street, comprised of 3 lots zoned RA-1. The two northern lots of the school site (approximately 43% of the 1.51-acre site) are vacant and unpaved, having been used for the storage of wood mulch, commercial trucks, and employee parking for the landscaping business that existed on the site for many years. The southern lot is improved with a single family dwelling that has been converted to an office for the landscaping business and storage areas and sheds for materials and equipment used in the landscaping business.

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**Recommendation from the PLUM Committee** - By unanimous vote, the PLUM Committee expresses the following concerns about the project:

1. **Parking** - The project does not provide sufficient on-site parking for all staff and visitors. While the applicant has attempted to contract with another entity to provide additional off-street parking, no agreement has yet been reached. The committee believes that this issue should be definitively resolved prior to project approval.
2. **Traffic** - The committee has concerns regarding additional traffic that will be drawn to the area and the effect it will have on the residents who live there. As of the February 11<sup>th</sup> hearing, the committee does not believe that the applicant has provided sufficient plans to mitigate these additional traffic impacts and asked the applicant to provide the full board with additional mitigation plans.
3. **Security** - Members of the committee expressed concerns regarding security measures for the school site from the hours of 9 pm to 5 am when the no-one will be present on-site. The committee asked the applicant to address this issue.
4. **Noise** - Current plans call for a meal delivery to be made to the school in the early hours of the morning prior to student arrival. The committee expressed concerns about noise from the truck entering and exiting the property, voices of the delivery personnel, and any Backup Reverse Beeper Warning Alarm emanating from the truck. The committee asked the applicant to address this issue.

**Please Note** - This item was heard in public meetings of the PLUM Committee on January 3 and February 11, 2019. Extensive time for public comment was provided. To provide sufficient time for all members of the public to provide public comment, each member of the public wishing to provide public comment on this item will be allotted 1 minute. More extensive written comments may be provided to the Board prior to the meeting either by email or in hard copy format.

**16. Discussion and possible action to approve an expenditure of up to \$760.00 per monthly board meeting for security to be provided by LAPD Security Services Division.**

NHWNC previously approved the expenditure of up to \$350.00 per monthly board meeting for one security officer at the Special Board Meeting of December 4, 2018. Sgt. Torres has since proposed that Devonshire Division assign two security officers for the NHWNC meeting at \$95.00 per hour for each officer. Therefore, 2 officers x \$95.00 an Hr x 4 hours = \$760.00.

**17. Discussion and possible action regarding the Board's position on Senate Bill 50 (Weiner), a proposal to eliminate much of the current zoning rules near transit stops and other designated areas. The Board will discuss possible action to submit a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to the LA City Council to include in the City's 2019-2020 Legislative Program**

**OPPOSITION to SB50.** Senate Bill 50 (Weiner), has been introduced in the California State Legislature that would override local zoning regulations and require approval of high density, increased height, development projects in any zone, including single family residential zones, within a half mile of a "job-rich area" or "major transit stop". The bill raises height limits to 45 feet, about four stories, within a half-mile radius of a major transit stop, and 55 feet or five stories within a quarter mile radius of a major transit stop. It also eliminates minimum parking requirements for new developments. The text of the bill can be found here: [https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill\\_id=201920200SB50](https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB50)

**Recommendation from the PLUM Committee** - By unanimous vote, the PLUM committee recommends that the board approve this item.

**18. Committee Reports**

**19. Adjournment**

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)

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**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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