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North Hills West Neighborhood Council

DRAFT General Board Meeting Agenda

Thursday, January 21st, 2021 7:00–9:00 PM

FINAL Agenda shall be Posted 72 Hours Prior to Meeting – All Meetings are open to the Public
(You're welcome to join 20 minutes early to ensure connection setup)

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NHWNC Executive Officers:

Carol Hart – President, Pat Crone – Vice President, Dan Gibson – Treasurer, Dave Brown – Secretary

Board Members:

Jay Beeber, Gil Brenner, Maggie Elliott, Punam Gohel, Heather Hudson-Beeber,
David Hyman, Madlena Minasian, Carlos Pelaez, Kreshell Ramey

IN CONFORMITY WITH THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20 (MARCH 17, 2020) AND DUE TO CONCERNS OVER COVID-19, THE BOARD OF NORTH HILLS WEST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED ENTIRELY TELEPHONICALLY.

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PUBLIC INPUT AT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETINGS The public is requested dial *9, 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 - *which 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 2 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

The Neighborhood Council system enables meaningful civic participation for all Angelenos and serves as a voice for improving government responsiveness to local communities and their needs. We are an advisory body to the City of Los Angeles, comprised of stakeholder volunteers who are devoted to the mission of improving our communities.

Supporting documents available on our website at: www.nhwnc.net

ALL AGENDA ITEMS ARE SUBJECT TO DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION BY THE BOARD

1. Welcome & Call Meeting to Order (7:00 pm)
2. Roll Call, Determination of Quorum, and Voting Eligibility
 - a. Attendance Requirements
 1. Discuss Bylaws requirements pursuant to discussion and possible action to remove Board Members
 2. Discuss Bylaws procedure for re-instatement of Board Members upon their request, with Board approval
 - b. Certification Requirements
 1. Discuss City requirements of current and up-to-date Ethics, Funding, and Code of Conduct Certification
 - c. Required ACTIONS: designation of member who are ineligible to vote, voting removals & reinstatements
3. Announcements and Opening Comments - President
4. Public Agency Speakers and Announcements
5. General Public Comments (2 minute per speaker) NOTE: This time is set aside for *non-agendized* items.
6. Discussion and possible action to approve the December 17, 2020 Meeting Minutes
7. Discussion and possible action to approve the MER (Monthly Expenditure Report) for December 2020.
8. Report from Budget Advocate Glenn Bailey and NHWNC Budget Representative Pat Crone
9. 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.
10. Call for board member & stakeholder participation in NC Elections Outreach Task Force vs. committee work. ALL NHWNC Board Members are requested to contribute to these efforts whether they're committee members or not for both candidate and voter outreach for NHWNC Elections being held on April 27th, 2021
Note: The Candidate Filing period for Region 2 begins on December 26 and lasts 45 days until February 9th.
11. **Neighborhood Council Elections / Fiscal Year 2020-21** REPORT: Thomas Soong, City Program seeking Nonprofit Community Partners to assist with NC Election Outreach
12. **Stakeholder Engagement** - Accessibility is enhanced with online candidate & voter registration and with mail-in ballots making the process easier than ever before. *However*, voter turnout is contingent upon a **robust outreach campaign**. Discussion and possible action to determine the types of outreach & vendors we'll use.
13. Discussion and possible action concerning the distribution of face masks and other PPE in light of current Red Flag warnings (FIRE & Smoke Inhalation Danger) and predicted spikes in COVID-19 and variant strains.
14. Discussion on the intersection of Housing, Homelessness, Energy, Air Quality, and Transportation. Join the discussion to find out how these issues are interconnected and how they all affect our quality of life.
15. Update on CF 17-0413 Citywide Cat Program – Mayor approved on 12/15/2020 – two new ordinances: 186864 & 186865 effective 1/21/21 [17-0413 ORD 186864 01-21-2021.pdf \(lacity.org\)](#) & [17-0413 ORD 186865 01-21-2021.pdf \(lacity.org\)](#)

16. Discussion: Proper care of parkway and private property trees can prevent damage to sidewalks, blight, disease and costly removal. Saplings don't sequester carbon or produce oxygen like mature trees so it's important to learn how we can better care for trees throughout the city - we'll all breathe easier with a healthy green tree canopy.

17. Discussion: Council File 16-1027-S1 California Independent Petroleum Association v. City of Los Angeles and Youth for Environmental Justice et al. Great news: The City WON the case against it and the group 'Youth for Environmental Justice' who come from communities most affected by petroleum drilling, extraction, and storage. This is a huge savings for tax payers who would have been on the hook for any monetary settlement and it means cleaner air, water, and soil for all Angelinos! Here's a letter from the City Attorney: [LAND USE KM 554eA-20190305131229 \(lacity.org\)](#)

18. Committee & Liaison Reports

19. Board Member announcements and requests for future agenda items

20. Motion to adjourn

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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 or services, may be provided upon request. If you require language services translation services and to ensure availability of services, please make your requests at least three (3) business days (72 hours) prior to the meeting you wish to attend by contacting Carol Hart, Board President, via email at President@nhwnc.net or by phone 818-281-9387.

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 its meetings, may be viewed at the board meeting. Documents may also be reviewed by going to the Board's website [www.http://nhwnc.net](http://www.nhwnc.net).

In addition, if you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda please contact Board Secretary Dave Brown at secretary@nhwnc.net 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 which were approved on 6-17-2020 are available during every meeting and online at: [www.http://nhwnc.net](http://nhwnc.net).

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For More Information About The NHWNC Please Call – 818-903-2259 – Or Send Mail To P.O. Box 2091 – North Hills CA 91393-2091. We look forward to hearing from you!

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