



**CITY OF LOS ANGELES
GRANADA HILLS SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday, August 4, 2016

Approved Minutes

Granada Hills H.S., Rawley Hall, 10535 Zelzah Ave., Granada Hills CA 91344

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Dave Beauvais (Seniors)
Secretary: Julie Carson (Member At-Large)
Jerry Askew (Business)
Bonnie M. Bursk (Comm'l Prop. Owners)
Don Graham (Member At-Large)
Eun Hee (Jennifer) Lee (Renter)
Deron Lopez (Member At-Large)
Anthony Matthews (Parks & Cultural Arts)
Brad Smith (Member At-Large)
Andrew Wall (Student)
Michael J. Kabo (Parliamentarian)

Vice-President: Michael Benedetto (Comm.Org)
Treasurer: Brandon Schindelheim (MaL)
Jeffrey Bohrer (Member At-Large)
Jett Dunlap (Member At-Large)
Sally Kolstad (Education)
Dawn Lopez (Member At-Large)
Joel Lyle (Member At-Large)
Mark Morris (Faith-Based Organizations)
Rene R. Trinidad (Homeowners)
Cindy Wu Freedman (MaL-Com'ty Interest)

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I. Call to Order and the Pledge of Allegiance (Presiding Officer)

President Beauvais called the Meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.

II. Roll Call (Acting Secretary)

Roll Call was taken. Ten of the 19 Board Members were present at the beginning of the Meeting: Dave Beauvais, Michael Benedetto, Jeffrey Bohrer, Bonnie Bursk, Dawn Lopez, Deron Lopez, Joel Lyle, Mark Morris, Brandon Schindelheim and Rene Trinidad. Brad Smith arrived at 6:55 pm, and Cindy Wu Freedman arrived at 7:05 pm. Six Board Members were absent: Jerry Askew (excused), Julie Carson (excused), Jett Dunlap (unexcused), Don Graham (excused), Sally Kolstad (excused), Anthony Matthews (excused) and Andrew Wall (unexcused). New Renter Seat Board Member Eun Hee (Jennifer) Lee was appointed to the Board during below Item #VII.a. Twenty of the 21 Board Seats are currently filled (by election or appointment). Community Organizations Board seat is vacant. [If interested, see www.ghsnc.org.]

The GHSNC quorum is 11 (the minimum number of Board Members needed to be present to take binding votes on agendized items). There was no quorum at the beginning of the meeting; therefore, no official discussions, motions, or votes could be made or taken until a quorum was reached.

III. Public Comment: Community and Public Comment on non-agenda items.

Stakeholder Kerry Nelson, from Granada Hills Rotary, spoke about the possibility of permanently lighting the holiday tree at Veteran's Memorial Park.

Stakeholder Kelsey Murphy from Phoenix House spoke about her organization's youth activity outreach efforts.

Stakeholder Adrian Ramirez, requested possible funding to support a new baseball club in Granada Hills.

Stakeholder Debora Wright from American Cancer Society described the August 20, 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Cancer Relay for Life event.

GHSNC Board member Bonnie Bursk reminded everyone of the Holiday Parade coming the first Sunday in December.

GHSNC Board member Rene Trinidad spoke briefly about concerns neighbors had brought to him about a homeless encampment in our area.

IV. Community Speakers

A. Council District 12 – Erick King, Field Deputy, gave a brief update on city issues.

B. Senior Lead Officer, LAPD

Dario Del Core, LAPD Devonshire Division Senior Lead Officer was not present.

C. Reports from VANC Liaisons and Budget Reps

Mr. Morris encouraged attending VANC meetings (Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils) every second Thursday, and the Saturday, September 24 Congress of Neighborhood Councils at City Hall. Ms. Wu Freedman gave a report on Budget Day. Krisna Velasco-Crawford was elected by Budget Representatives as a Budget Advocate.

V. Approval of Minutes from July 7, 2016 Regular Meeting.

[Quorum had been achieved by this time with the arrival earlier of Brad Smith and Cindy Wu-Freedman. 12 members present.]

MOTION (by Dawn Lopez, seconded by Mr. Benedetto): The Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council approves the Minutes of its July 7, 2016 General Board Meeting as written.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by acclamation.

VI. Approval of Budget report and Monthly Expenditures for June, 2016.

Mr. Schindelheim reviewed the GHSNC "June Monthly Expenditure Report" and the latest Budget.

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Schindelheim, seconded by Mr. Smith): The Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council approves its Monthly Expenditure Report and Budget report for June 2016.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 12 eligible voters present with all 12 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Bursk, Dawn Lopez, Deron Lopez, Lyle, Morris, Schindelheim, Smith, Trinidad and Wu Freedman); zero opposed; zero abstained.

VII. Board Issues

- a) Nomination and Confirmation of [see the below Motion].

MOTION (by Mr. Beauvais, seconded by Mark Morris): The Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council confirms the nomination of Eun Hee (Jennifer) Lee as Renter’s Director.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 12 eligible voters present with all 12 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Bursk, Dawn Lopez, Deron Lopez, Lyle, Morris, Schindelheim, Smith, Trinidad and Wu Freedman); zero opposed; zero abstained.

- b) Nomination and Confirmation of Mark Morris as Liaison to Los Angeles Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (LAANC).

It was noted that the organization name is Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils Coalition (LANCC), not as above.

MOTION (by Mr. Beauvais, seconded by Mr. Lyle): The Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council confirms the nomination of Mark Morris as Liaison to Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils Coalition (LANCC).

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 13 eligible voters present with all 13 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Bursk, Dawn Lopez, Deron Lopez, Lee, Lyle, Morris, Schindelheim, Smith, Trinidad and Wu Freedman); zero opposed; zero abstained.

- c) Appointment and Confirmation of [see the below Motion].

MOTION (by Mr. Beauvais, seconded by Mr. Lyle): The Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council confirms the appointment of Kammie Furman and Mark Hovatar as Stakeholder members of the Outreach Committee.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 13 eligible voters present with all 13 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Bursk, Dawn Lopez, Deron Lopez, Lee, Lyle, Morris, Schindelheim, Smith, Trinidad and Wu Freedman); zero opposed; zero abstained.

- d) Appointment and Confirmation of [see the below Motion].

MOTION (by Mr. Beauvais, seconded by Mr. Lyle): The Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council confirms the appointment of Brandon Schindelheim as Chair, and Sally Kolstad, Anthony Matthews to the Budget Committee.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 13 eligible voters present with all 13 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Bursk, Dawn Lopez, Deron Lopez, Lee, Lyle, Morris, Schindelheim, Smith, Trinidad and Wu Freedman); zero opposed; zero abstained.

- e) Appointment and Confirmation of [see the below Motion].

MOTION (by Mr. Beauvais, seconded by Mr. Lyle): The Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council confirms the appointment of Anthony Matthews as Chair and Jeffrey Bohrer, Bonnie Bursk to the By-Laws and Rules Committee.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 13 eligible voters present with all 13 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Bursk, Dawn Lopez, Deron Lopez, Lee, Lyle, Morris, Schindelheim, Smith, Trinidad and Wu Freedman); zero opposed; zero abstained.

- f) Appointment and Confirmation of [see the below Motion].

MOTION (by Mr. Beauvais, seconded by Mr. Lyle): The Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council confirms the appointment of Sally Kolstad as Chair and Julie Carson, Jenny Lee, Andrew Wall, Dawn Lopez to the Education Committee.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 13 eligible voters present with all 13 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Bursk, Dawn Lopez, Deron Lopez, Lee, Lyle, Morris, Schindelheim, Smith, Trinidad and Wu Freedman); zero opposed; zero abstained.

- g) Appointment and Confirmation of [see the below Motion].

MOTION (by Mr. Beauvais, seconded by Mr. Lyle): The Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council confirms the appointment of Deron Lopez as Chair and Don Graham, Andrew Wall, Rene Trinidad, Jeffrey Bohrer to the Public Safety Committee.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 13 eligible voters present with all 13 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Bursk, Dawn Lopez, Deron Lopez, Lee, Lyle, Morris, Schindelheim, Smith, Trinidad and Wu Freedman); zero opposed; zero abstained.

- h) Appointment and Confirmation of [see the below Motion].

MOTION (by Mr. Beauvais, seconded by Mr. Lyle): The Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council confirms the appointment of Joel Lyle as Chair and Bonnie Bursk, Dawn Lopez, Mark Morris to the Beautification Committee.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 13 eligible voters present with all 13 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Bursk, Dawn Lopez, Deron Lopez, Lee, Lyle, Morris, Schindelheim, Smith, Trinidad and Wu Freedman); zero opposed; zero abstained.

- i) Appointment and Confirmation of [see the below Motion].

MOTION (by Mr. Beauvais, seconded by Mr. Lyle): The Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council confirms the appointment of Julie Carson as Chair and Mike Benedetto, Cindy Wu and Mark Morris to the Government Affairs Committee.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 13 eligible voters present with all 13 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Bursk, Dawn Lopez, Deron Lopez, Lee, Lyle, Morris, Schindelheim, Smith, Trinidad and Wu Freedman); zero opposed; zero abstained.

VIII. Committee Reports

Planning and Land Use Committee (Jerry Askew). Motion regarding CF# 14-0057-S8, An ordinance repealing Subsections 12.24.W.43 and 12.24.W.44 of Chapter 1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code, and granting legal nonconforming status to second dwelling units.

MOTION (by Mr. Beauvais, seconded by Ms. Wu Freedman): The Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council supports the following Resolution:

“The Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council strongly urges the Los Angeles City Council to oppose the repeal of the currently adopted second unit standards and replacement of those standards with weak and less restrictive State "default" provisions. Furthermore, there is no urgency and sufficient time should be allowed for a more thorough review and extensive public input regarding:

-Amending the LAMC to ensure procedural compliance with AB 1866 while maintaining the original standards established in LAMC Subsections 12.24 W.43 and 12.24 W.44.

-Utilizing best practices from other California municipalities' second unit ordinances that provide additional protections for Los Angeles City's residential districts.

-A legitimate permitting process for second units that are now under construction.”

DISCUSSION: Mr. Beauvais explained that the “City has never formally taken action” regarding “second units.”

Mr. Beauvais temporarily turned the meeting chairmanship over to Mr. Benedetto so that he (Mr. Beauvais) could speak as a stakeholder.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Beauvais explained that the City should “adopt their own standards” with community “input.” Stakeholder William Kuzmin believed there was not enough or early enough outreach about this motion and requested that the Board table or refer it to a committee.

Board Member Joel Lyle recused himself at this time, making 12 members eligible to vote.

DISCUSSION: Board members wanted more information. Stakeholder Maria Fisk explained the motion is to help the city “sync up” with state law.

MOTION to REFER to COMMITTEE (by Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Trinidad).

MOTION to REFER to COMMITTEE PASSED by a hand vote of the 12 eligible voters present with all 10 in favor; two opposed; zero abstained.

Mr. Beauvais resumed as meeting chair. Board Member Joel Lyle recusal ended at this time, making 13 Board Members present.

Outreach Committee (Mike Benedetto)
Motion to [see the below Motion].

FUNDING MOTION (by the Outreach Committee): The Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council will fund a Movie Night in the Park outreach event at Granada Hills Park to be scheduled in August/September. Funds not to exceed \$2,000.

DISCUSSION: The funds would be for renting the screen, licensing the film, and food.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 13 eligible voters present with all 13 in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Bursk, Dawn Lopez, Deron Lopez, Lee, Lyle, Morris, Schindelheim, Smith, Trinidad and Wu Freedman); zero opposed; zero abstained.

IX. Board Member comments and submission of agenda items.

Mr. Trinidad spoke with Stakeholders regarding homelessness issues. Mr. Morris requested to agendize the Neighborhood Councils Sustainability Alliance issue. Ms. Bursk requested to agendize the Christmas tree lighting funding issue and about Holiday Parade sponsorship. Ms. Wu Freedman reminded everyone that the Board can be contacted at Board@ghsnc.org, and that the County Assessor's New Tax Portal will be presented August 17th. She wanted the Beautification Committee “to consider having flags on Chatsworth St.” and would like Board Members to have name tags. Mr. Beauvais will email business cards information to Ms. Carson.

X. Adjournment

MOTION to ADJOURN (by Mr. Bohrer, seconded by Mr. Lyle).

MOTION PASSED by a voice vote; zero opposed; zero abstained.

The Meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 8:15 p.m.

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