Northridge East Neighborhood Council (NENC)

Regular Meeting of the Board to conduct Board Training

Wednesday June 20, 2012 – 7:00 p.m.

Northridge Women’s Club
18401 Lassen Street., Northridge, CA 91325

The public is requested to fill out a “Speaker Card” 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 that 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.

The agenda’s for the Board’ meetings are posted for public review at the following locations: Andasol Elementary School (10126 Encino Avenue, 91325); Darby Elementary School (10818 Darby Avenue, 91326); Dearborn Elementary School (9240 Wish Ave, 91325); Northridge Park (Northridge Recreation Center, Crafts Room, 18300 Lemarsh Street, 91325); Goodwill (10170 Reseda Blvd, 91325); and Northridge Library (9051 Darby Avenue, 91325).

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In compliance with Government Code section 54957.5, non-exempt writings that are distributed to a majority or all members of the Board in advance of a meeting, may be viewed at the Neighborhood Council meeting or on the Neighborhood Council website by clicking or visiting www.nenc-la.org.
1. Welcome and Introductions – EmpowerLA Staff

2. General Public Comment- The public may provide comments to the board on non-agenda items within the Neighborhood Councils 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 agendized for discussion at a future public meeting. (Limited to 2 minutes per speaker.)

3. Discussion with the Office of the City Attorney regarding the Charter, Plan for a Citywide System of Neighborhood Councils, the Administrative Code provisions applicable to Neighborhood Councils, the ethics laws applicable to Neighborhood Council board members, the Brown Act, the Public Records Act and the board's bylaws. This item is intended to provide the board with a general understanding of the legal framework applicable to Neighborhood Councils. Speakers may include Deputy City Attorneys Mr. Darren Martinez and Ms. Capri Maddox. Please note that this training does not fulfill the requirement that board members also take the mandatory 2 hour ethics course.

4. Discussion to arrange special time and date with the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment regarding the Neighborhood Council Funding Program, including an overview of the permissible and impermissible activities with respect to spending board funds. This training will be conducted by a staff member of the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment.

5. Discussion and possible action selecting vendors who engage in outreach activities for Neighborhood Council elections, including advertising, door-to-door distribution, and other mechanisms.

6. Adjournment