Northridge East Neighborhood Council
Board Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, August 17, 2016

1. Called to Order at 7:05 p.m. by President Glenn Bailey; Pledge of Allegiance led by Roland Faucher. There were approximately 10 stakeholders in attendance.

2. Roll Call:
   Present: Glenn Bailey, Don Dwiggins, Roland Faucher, Joe Seoane, Nick Beer, Diedra Greenaway, Nadine McNulty, *Carl Petersen (arrived 7:14 p.m.), Max Reyes, and Jeremy Mauritzen.
   Absent: YJ Draiman, Ari Shapess.
   Determination of Quorum: 9* Board Members present (8 required)
   Voting Eligibility (Ethics, Funding, Code of Conduct Compliance): All Board members present were in full compliance. Abstentions act as a “no” vote per the NENC Bylaws.

3. Agenda Setting Meeting August 8, 2016 Participation: Bailey, Dwiggins, Seoane

4. Approval of Minutes of July 20, 2016. MOTION (Seoane/Faucher) to approve July 20, 2016 Board meeting minutes. Passed 9-0-0

5. Treasurer's Report presented by Joe Seoane. MOTION (Seoane/Mauritzen) to approve July 2016 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) as amended and Bank Statement. Passed 9-0-0 (*Carl Petersen arrived at 7:14 p.m.)

6. Comments/Presentations from Public Officials/Departments/Agencies:
   CD 12: Jessie Strobel announced Councilmember Englander had introduced three motions regarding the Wilkinson Senior Center (CF 16-0868), regulating marijuana advertisement if Prop. 64 passes (CF 16-0888), and emergency access to gated communities (CF 16-0881).

   a. LAPD: National Night Out held on August 2, 2016 at Northridge Park was successful and included a NENC outreach booth staffed by Roland and Glenn.
   b. DONE: “Beyond Neighborhood Councils” event to be held on August 23, 2016 is at capacity and online registration is not accepting more RSVPs. Carl, Joe, Nick, and Diedra would like to attend; Glenn will see what he can do, such as requesting their names be placed on a waiting list.
   c. DONE: Congress of Neighborhoods will be held on Saturday, September 24, 2016 at Los Angeles City Hall. Online registration will begin on August 22.
   d. Street Services: Small asphalt repairs were made within NENC on July 29, 2016; Lassen St. between Lindley Ave. and Reseda Blvd. has just been repaved; the program will return to NENC on February 6, 2017.
   e. LADOT: Transit Service (i.e. DASH) hearings will be held this month. Max Reyes announced the Northridge hearing on Saturday, August 20 at 1:00 p.m. at the Wilkinson Senior Center and indicated CSUN would be doing outreach in support of extending DASH service to the CSUN Transit Station. Glenn will attend for NENC.
f. Budget Advocates: In the absence of a Budget Advocate, Glenn reported Budget Day held on July 30 was successful; there are two new Budget Advocates in Region 2, including Fred Youssif of Northridge South NC who is assigned to NENC.

g. Northridge Vision meeting was held on August 10 and included a presentation by The District, a new residential development just west of the Northridge Fashion Center and a discussion of the requested DASH service extension to CSUN. The next meeting will be Wednesday, September 14 at 2:00 p.m. at Council District 12 office.

h. CSUN: 2016 Matadors Day of Service, Saturday, September 10, 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon, was presented by Max. Volunteers include an expected 500 students, faculty, and staff and a partnership with SFV Rescue Mission. NENC to have outreach table.

i. Metro: A new brochure describing the November 2016 ballot measure M to improve transportation in the County, including projects to serve Northridge and CSUN, was distributed by Glenn.

7. Guest Speaker: City Controller Ron Galperin spoke about ControlPanelLA, how to access information about the City’s expenditures, payroll, special funds, budget, assets, datasets, annual report, and audits. Utility panels include DWP, LA World Airports dashboard, Geo Panel LA (map of City owned property), and Economy Panel LA (50 data points). Questions included topics of water income, car purchase, LAPD officer hiring, and the audit of development fees.

8. Public comments on non-agenda items: Don Wu spoke on behalf of a new business owner on Lassen Street and Janet Arnold is concerned about speeding traffic on Lassen Street between Hayvenhurst and Louise Avenues.

   a. No applications have been received to fill vacant seats for Business Owner/Employee, Resident, or Youth Board Members.
   b. MOTION (Bailey/Dwiggins) to appoint Diedra Greenaway as the NENC Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) Liaison. Passed 10-0-0.
   c. MOTION (Bailey/Greenaway) to appoint Nick Beer as the NENC alternate to LA NC Coalition. Passed 9-0-1 (Abstain: Beer).
   d. Proposed wording to amend the NENC Bylaws to modify eligibility and appointment process for Alternates was read aloud. The amendment was referred to the Ad Hoc Bylaws Committee for its consideration and will be considered by the Board thereafter.
   e. NENC Board meeting on October 19, 2016 is the same night as third Presidential Debate. Most Board members indicated they would not be attending the meeting therefore the October Board meeting will be rescheduled to an alternate date.

Item 10l. was taken out of order at this time.

Planning: 10251 Lasaine Ave. increase 6 to 12 beds (Adonai Congregate Living Health Facility): Representative Ramon Baguio explained the project, which includes an application for a Conditional Use Permit. It was agreed to refer the item to the NENC Planning and Land Use Committee for further review and recommendation.

(Nadine McNulty left at 8:45 p.m.)
10. Committee Reports – Standing: Education; Environment; Executive; Finance; Outreach; Planning and Land Use; and Public Safety. Ad Hoc: Bylaws; Goodwill Store; and Joint CSUN Parking.
   a. There were no changes in Committee members requested or considered.
   b. Education: MOTION to support a scholarship funded by private sources for a graduating high school student who is a resident within the NENC boundaries or attends school within these boundaries. (Board postponed on 6/15/16 and 7/20/16). This proposal has been mentioned to Deputy City Attorney Elise Ruden and will be reviewed by her in more detail before being considered by the Board.
   c. Education: MOTION (Petersen/Seoane) to re-approve NPG to Northridge Academy High School for sets of young adult books for school library in the amount of $1,900 (NENC approved/submitted Fiscal Year 2015-16). Passed 9-0-0
   d. Executive: MOTION (Dwiggins/Faucher) to table indefinitely a proposal to establish a NENC/Nextdoor.com Picnic Ad Hoc Committee to plan a picnic event in Fall 2016 and to approve Committee members. Passed 8-0-1 (Abstain: Reyes)
   e. Executive: MOTION (Bailey/Petersen) to approve Neighborhood Purposes Grant to Valley Economic Alliance/Northridge Sparkle for installation of Reseda Boulevard median flag pole for $1,500. Passed 9-0-0
   f. Executive: MOTION (Bailey/Seoane) to authorize an application to Clean Streets LA Challenge Grant including but not limited to Reseda Blvd. median maintenance and MyLA311 app usage. Passed 9-0-0
   g. Executive: Maintenance of Reseda Boulevard median (between Superior and Kinzie Streets) (shared with Northridge West NC; agreement with American Heritage Landscape LLP $200/month) was discussed, including public comment regarding the role of the former Business Improvement District. MOTION (Faucher/Dwiggins) to postpone this item. Passed 8-1-0 (No: Petersen) (Jeremy Mauritzen left at 9:10 p.m.)
   h. Finance: MOTION (Dwiggins/Bailey) to opt out of continued use of NationBuilder. Passed 8-0-0
   i. Finance: AppleOne offer of 20 hours staffing in lieu of their $528 billing error. MOTION (Faucher/Dwiggins) that the NENC be refunded the $528 paid in error. Following discussion, passed 6-2-0 (No: Petersen, Seoane)
   j. Planning: General Plan Amendment Case No. CPC-2016-633-GPA, the request of CSUN to downgrade Plummer Street between Darby and Lindley Avenues from an Avenue 2 (formerly termed “Secondary Highway”) to a Local Street. This item will be considered by the City Planning Commission on August 25 in Van Nuys. Glenn will represent the NENC.
   k. Planning: Proposed mixed use development (approximately 7,500 SF commercial space and 128 student housing units with a minimum of 205 parking spaces) at 9534-46 Reseda Bl. (Symphony Development) CPC-2015-3702-ZC-SPR-ZV. Roland reported since the Post Office building is over 50 years old, it might be considered a historic building. There has been no indication yet whether the Post Office retail operation will continue on site as part of this project.
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m. Reports by other Committees listed above. Planning: Roland reported on August 3 the Committee recommended support for the child care project located on 17358-60 Devonshire Street. The item will be on the next Board meeting agenda.

11. New Council Files (CF) and City Council Motions - Community Impact Statements (CIS)
   a. CF 16-0093 Department of Water and Power Governance Issues / Charter and Administrative Code Amendments for Inclusion in a 2016 Ballot Measure. MOTION (Beer/Dwiggins) to file a Community Impact Statement in favor of the reform proposals contained in Council File 16-0093. Following discussion, passed 5-0-3 (Abstain: Greenaway, Petersen, Reyes)
   b. CF 14-0057-S8 Code Amendment / Second Dwelling Units / Proposed Ordinance. MOTION (Beer/Seoane) to oppose at this time as the NENC “strongly objects to repealing the City’s adopted Second Unit Ordinance. It is imperative that the City Council leave in place those standards while it studies new, improved second unit standards that will provide needed additional neighborhood protections. The City Council should immediately drop its proposal to repeal the City’s adopted second unit standards. There is no urgency to act immediately.” Following public comments and discussion, motion passed 7-0-1 (Abstain: Reyes)
   c. CF 11-1020-S2 MOTION (Seoane/Dwiggins) to support the transfer of DONE NC Funding Program to City Clerk. Passed 7-0-1 (Abstain: Reyes)

12. Financial Items
   a. Consideration of FY 2016-17 Budget Package: Revised Budget (including monthly operational expenses); Strategic Plan; Outreach Survey; and Self-Assessment. Since no revised Budget was presented nor were the three other components available for Board consideration, a special meeting will need to be scheduled prior to the September 1 submittal deadline to consider the entire Budget Package.

13. Alliance and Coalition Reports: No reports noted.

14. Upcoming NC or NENC Co-sponsored Events: Congress of Neighborhoods September 24, 2016 (see 6c. above); 9th Annual Valley Disaster Preparedness Fair October 1, 2016. Volunteering for the NENC outreach table were Nick, Don, Joe, and Diedra.

15. The meeting was adjourned at 9:54 p.m.

(The next NENC regular Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 21, 2016.)

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn Bailey

APPROVED AS AMENDED: Vote 10-0-0 on September 21, 2016