



CITY OF LOS ANGELES

GRANADA HILLS SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

Thursday December 4, 2014, Time: 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

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

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Brad Smith (Member-at-Large)	Varun Khurana (Students)
Vice President: Jerry Askew (Business)	Sally Kolstad (Education)
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Krisna Crawford-Velasco (MaL)	Cindy Wu Freedman (MaL-CI)
Arthur A. Daush (Seniors)	Michael J. Kabo (Parliamentarian)
Jett Dunlap (MaL)	Community Organizations: Pending
Gina Greschner (Renters)	Faith-Based: Pending

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Note that any stakeholder comments must be made during the appropriate public comment period, and either during an individual’s allotted time or if an individual stakeholder has been invited to speak by a board member. Audience members may not approach the board during a meeting except to hand out materials during the allotted speaking time, and then only with the permission of the presiding officer. If a stakeholder has any requests that cannot be addressed during the allotted speaking time, the items may be e-mailed to the board or to our Secretary. **Note that Government Code section 54957.9 provides:**

In the event that any meeting is willfully interrupted by a group or groups of persons so as to render the orderly conduct of such meeting unfeasible and order cannot be restored by the removal of individuals who are willfully interrupting the meeting, the members of the legislative body conducting the meeting may order the meeting room cleared and continue in session. Only matters appearing on the agenda may be considered in such a session. Representatives of the press or other news media, except those participating in the disturbance, shall be allowed to attend any session held pursuant to this section. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the legislative body from establishing a procedure for readmitting an individual or individuals not responsible for willfully disturbing the orderly conduct of the meeting.

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Every person who, without authority of law, willfully disturbs or breaks up any assembly or meeting that is not unlawful in its character, other than an assembly or meeting referred to in Section 302 of the Penal Code or Section 18340 of the Elections Code, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

The board reserves its rights to exercise appropriate remedies in the event of disruption of board or committee meetings.

All agenda items are subject to discussion and possible board action.

I. Call to order and the pledge of allegiance (Smith)

II. Roll Call (Matthews)

III. Approval of Minutes from the October and November 2014 regular meetings (Matthews)

IV. Public Comment: Community and Public Comment on non-agenda items. The Public may present concerns to the Board on any issue of interest in the Community. The Board will not be able to discuss or take action on any matters brought up during public comment. However, issues raised during public comment may be agendaized for discussion at a future board meeting.

V. Community Speakers:

- (1) Council District 12 – Tania Oronez
- (2) LAPD Senior Lead Officer - Dario Del Core

VI. Board Issues & Updates: Note that members voting on financial issues must have passed the necessary Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) training courses.

1. Appointment and confirmation and/or oath of office of new board members/assignments

Community Organizations: Pending

Faith-Based: Pending; note that President has met with one candidate and application is pending; may nominate in January pending reference check, discussion with DONE and CA, etc.

VII. Officer's Reports – for consideration/response/ratification by the board:

- 1. President:**
- 2. Vice President:**
- 3. Treasurer:** See attached:
 - a) Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council Budget Report FY 2014 - as of Nov., 2014
 - b) Monthly Expenditure Report(s) for: November, 2014
 - c) NC Budget Advocates report (Crawford-Velasco /Wu Freedman)
- 4. Secretary:**

VIII. Committee Reports

- 1. Beautification (Bursk)** - Report from the Beautification Chair; nothing from committee. Update on holiday tree lighting event; tree was to be decorated Dec. 2 (weather permitting) by Chris Ray Tree Service. Lighting (tentatively) set for Dec. 5 after sunset.
- 2. Budget (Schindelheim)** - Report from the Budget Chair; nothing from committee.
- 3. Bylaws and Rules (Mansker)** - Report from the Bylaws and Rules Chair; motions to require second for board actions on the following issues (see supplementary materials from Chair):

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- a) Bylaw committee recommendation to establish a Government Affairs Committee. The Government Affairs Committee's duties would be to submit and monitor all council files and report back to the Board of any changes to files GHSNC has already submitted and recommend a position for any and all CFs that effect the Granada Hills area and the city at large. The Government Affairs Committee would be made of up to five members. Members of the committee could be both board members and stakeholders; however, only board members would be allowed to have passcodes and ID# to submit to the City's Council File. All submitted Council Files, must be accompanied by minutes of the board meeting and the vote count. Note the motion was passed unanimously by committee.
- b) Discussion and possible board action to establish Funding Guideline. The Guidelines would be part of the Rules of the Bylaws and Rule of the GHSNC. Note the motion was passed unanimously by committee.
- c) Note that Mr. Kabo (parliamentarian) advises the bylaws committee make clear whether it is proposing the formation of an ad hoc committee or recommending amendments to the existing bylaws. In the case of the latter the modifications to the bylaws should be made available and will require a two-thirds majority to pass.

4. Education (Kolstad) - Report from the Education Chair; no motions from committee.

5. Outreach (Summers) - Report from the Outreach Chair and possible board action/updates on the following issues:

- a) Holiday Tree Lighting event; note that both Granada Hills and Valley Academy high schools have indicated their interest in performing; details being arranged. May need sound system.
- b) Discussion on GHSNC participation in annual Granada Hills Holiday Parade; GHSNC is a sponsor and has the opportunity to participate in the parade as a unit (walking, biking, in motor vehicles); participation has to be planned, however. Note that President and Vice President have driven/participated as volunteers in the parade in prior years. President has offered car and driver for this year. Mr. Benedetto has offered car and driver for this year. Also, parade committee has requested to borrow GHSNC PA system, as in past years, and as done recently for Street Fair.
- c) GHSNC Street Banners: L.A. City permit costs for up to \$400.00 for 2015 for the Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council Street Banners. See supplementary material from Chair for bid.

6. Planning and Land Use (Askew) – Report from the PLUM Chair; no motions from committee

7. Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness (Turmell) – Report from the Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness Chair; no motions from committee.

IX. Board Member comments, announcements and agenda Items for next general meeting and committee meetings.

X. Adjournment.

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