



CITY OF LOS ANGELES
GRANADA HILLS SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
REVISED MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, December 2, 2021, Time: 6:30 pm

Zoom meeting by telephone (audio only) or online (audio and video)
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IN CONFORMITY WITH THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20 (MARCH 17, 2020) AND DUE TO CONCERNS OVER COVID-19, THE BOARD OF GRANADA HILLS SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED ENTIRELY TELEPHONICALLY. TO ACCESS DOCUMENTS RELEVANT TO THIS MEETING GO TO GHSNC.ORG AND CLICK ON THE LINK IN THE MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT. INSTRUCTIONS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE GIVEN TO PARTICIPANTS AT THE START OF THE MEETING.

L.A. City Charter Sec 900. Purpose (Of Neighborhood Councils) To promote more citizen participation in government and make government more responsive to local needs, a citywide system of neighborhood councils, and a Department of Neighborhood Empowerment is created. Neighborhood councils shall include representatives of the many diverse interests in communities and shall have an advisory role on issues of concern to the neighborhood.

I. Call to order, Flag Salute

II. Roll Call

III. Public Comment: The public is requested to dial *9 if calling in or use the raise hand function on the Zoom screen when prompted by the presiding officer to address the Board on

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any agenda item before the Board takes 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 matters that are not appearing on the agenda and 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. Public comment is limited to two minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

IV. Community Speakers

- A. LAUSD District 3 (Tara Vahdani/ Tammy Ramirez, Scott Schmerlson)
- B. Council District 12 (Matt Vallecilla)
- C. Mayor's Office (Erin Seinfeld)
- D. DONE, (NEA Freddy Cupen-Ames)
- E. Budget Advocate (Brian Allen)
- F. Congressional District 29 (Osvaldo Ramirez)
- G. Congressional District 30 (Erin Seinfeld)
- H. LAPD Senior Lead Officer or alternate rep (Lead Officers)
- I. Sellers/Parker/Volunteer Richard Fisk)

V. Approval of Oct 7, 2021 Regular Meeting minutes.

VI. A. Appointment of Committee Members and conformation w/ Discussion

- B. Appointment of Mark Morris, as stakeholder member, to the Education Committee. Former Director w/ GHSNC and and past Chair of Education Committee
- C. Appointment of Bonnee Lollouz, as stakeholder member, to the Education Committee. Bonnee is a long time member of the community and a director at GH Charter High
- D. Appointment of Mark Morris to the Seniors Committee
- E. Appointment of Madison Cha to be Co-Chair of the Youth Committee
- F. Appointment of Don Graham to be stakeholder member of the Public Safety committee. [Don Graham](#), a longtime resident of Granada Hills and former GHSNC board member, as a stakeholder member of the Public Safety committee.

VII Budget Issues

- A. Approval of Budget reports and Monthly Expenditures for Sept & Oct 2021
- B. Approval of a check in the Total amount of \$143.36; to Board Member Mike Benedetto for expenditures of \$21.89 for Public Storage Lock and keys, \$65.70 for 400 Tree lighting Flyers, \$6.56 for Harbor Freight Batteries for wireless microphones and \$49.21 for Walmart Tum containers for PA system.

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VIII Board Issues

- A. Discussion and possible action to approve a Neighborhood Purpose Grant in the amount of \$2,500 NVCS – Laura Rathbone

The holidays are here and NVCS is looking for support for our community outreach! Since the beginning of the pandemic, our data shows that 1,021 households that reside in Granada Hills have received food from our weekly food pantry. This holiday season, with the help of your council, we would like to bring the sense of holiday cheer to families that come to NVCS! NVCS serves up to 300 families living in motels, has an after school program for youth, a breakfast and shower program for the unhoused, safe parking programs for those who live in their vehicles, and the San Fernando Valley's largest weekly food distribution.

- B. Discussion and possible action to recognize the United Coalition to End Homelessness, including the use of the GHSNC logo on UCEH materials and approving Colleen Toumayan and John Horn as liaisons to UCEH.
- C. Discussion and possible action on deodora trees; w/ CD-12 update

IX. Committee Reports and Motions

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Outreach

- A. Report on Street Faire
- B. Discussion on who wants to ride in the Holiday Parade Dec 5th
- C. Discussion on Tree Lighting Dec 3rd

Homelessness

- A. Discussion and possible motion for GHSNC to participate in the 2022 homeless count this January; volunteers needed.
- B. Discussion and possible motion for approval to make GHSNC the host for the Count.

Education

Youth

Cultural Affairs

Seniors

- A. Discussion and possible action to approve funding to the Senior Committee in the amount of \$700 dollars for the creation and materials for seasonal cards for Seniors in Granada Hills.

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Public Safety

- A. Discussion and recommendation to the Board regarding a request to support the following council file on street racing; see [CF-21-0975](#): Illegal Street Racing / Reckless Driving Exhibition / Spectator Gathering / Promotion / Facilitation. (See Exhibit A). Note the following motion was approved unanimously (4-0) by the committee at the Oct. 21, 2021, meeting;

Motion to support as follows:

The Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council wishes to express its endorsement and support for Council File 21-0975 (Lee-Rodriguez). Street racing and intersection takeovers have become a chronic issue in Granada Hills and throughout Los Angeles. Adding penalties that criminalize the promotion of illegal street races and side shows by making it a misdemeanor to knowingly encourage, promote, instigate, assist, facilitate, aid or abet the gathering of persons as spectators at these events making it punishable by a fine and or imprisonment is a good step towards reducing the dangers, nuisance, and damage caused by these actions.

- B. Discussion and recommendation to the Board regarding a new [Community Emergency Response Team](#) (CERT) course sponsorship. GHSNC has sponsored or co-sponsored CERT training programs, in concert with the city of Los Angeles in the past. GHSNC President Mike Benedetto has requested we do so in the future. This would require purchase of the CERT Basic Kit for the trainees. See attached bid (Exhibit B-1 and B-2), provided by SOS Survival Products (Van Nuys, CA) Mr. Benedetto, as of Oct. 9, 2021. Bid is \$839.891 for 48 kits.

Note the following motion was approved unanimously (4-0) by the committee at the Oct. 21, 2021, meeting;

Motion to support as follows:

The Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council moves to allocate up to \$900 from GHSNC budget for the purchase of CERT Basic Kits, and to move forward with coordinating a CERT training program as practical.

- C. Informational note: The committee voted unanimously (4-0) to support and commend the Beautification Committee in their effort to move the GHSNC and GH BID deodar trees project(s) project forward and coordinate with the BID to maximize effectiveness of this effort.

X. Board Members comments and Submission of Agenda Items.

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XI. Adjournment

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