



CITY OF LOS ANGELES

GRANADA HILLS SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, April 28, 2022 Time: 6:30 pm

**Zoom meeting by telephone (audio only) or online (audio and video)
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IN CONFORMITY WITH THE SEPTEMBER 16, 2021 ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA ASSEMBLY BILL 361 (RIVAS) AND DUE TO CONCERNS OVER COVID-19, THE GRANADA HILLS SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED ENTIRELY WITH A CALL-IN OPTION OR INTERNET-BASED SERVICE OPTION.

Every person wishing to address the Board must dial (669) 900-6833, and enter **843-0580-9057** and then press # to join the meeting. When prompted by the presiding officer, to provide public input at the Neighborhood Council meeting the public will be requested to dial *9 or use the Raise Hand option, 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

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meeting. Public comment is limited to minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board. AB 361 Updates: Public comment cannot be required to be submitted in advance of the meeting, only real-time public comment is required. If there are any broadcasting interruptions that prevent the public from observing or hearing the meeting, the meeting must be recessed or adjourned. If members of the public are unable to provide public comment or be heard due to issues within the Neighborhood Council's control, the meeting must be recessed or adjourned. Any messaging or virtual background is in the control of the individual board member in their personal capacity and does not reflect any formal position of the Neighborhood Council or the City of Los Angeles

I. Call to order, Flag Salute

II. Roll Call

III. Public Comment: The public is requested dial *9, when prompted by the presiding officer, 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 Committee's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Committee 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 Committee or General Board meeting. Public comment is limited to two minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of this Board

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- www.GHSNC.Org
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IV. Community Speakers

NONE

Notice to Paid Representatives - If you are compensated to monitor, attend, or speak at this meeting, City law may require you to register as a lobbyist and report your activity. See Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 48.01 et seq. More information is available at ethics.lacity.org/lobbying. For assistance, please contact the Ethics Commission at (213) 978-1960 or ethics.commission@lacity.org

V. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting for March 3, 2022, www.ghsnc.org

VI Appointment of Board, Committee Members & Swearing-in
None

VII Budget Issues

A. None

VIII Board Issues

- A. Discussion and possible action and that Carlos Amador moves for a no-confidence vote on the president;
- B. related issues: meeting facilitation and member retention

IX. Committee Reports and Motions

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- A. **Discussion and possible action on the Committee's recommendation to the Board** regarding Los Angeles City Planning Case Number [ZA-2022-1981-CU-SPP-SPR](#), i.e. "Project Description: Demolition of existing Movie Theater and various Commercial/ Retail of ~95,608SF. Construction of a proposed Home Depot of 107,560 SF with a Garden Center of 28,415 SF – for a total of 139,975 SF" aka "Proposed Home Depot Granada Hills." For background, see link above for four documents, under "Initial Submittal Documents," as follow:

- Application
- Environmental Assessment Form
- Findings
- Project Plans

Additional background:

<https://therealdeal.com/la/2022/03/25/san-fernando-valley-cinema-pegged-for-big-box-makeover/>
<https://www.bisnow.com/los-angeles/news/retail/regency-theatres-granada-hills-demolition-home-depot-112398>

Motion – from committee, no second needed:

"To further the objectives of the Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council ("Neighborhood Council" or "GHSNC"), as listed under the [GHSNC Bylaws](#), notably:

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1. Promote good planning and land use, fair taxation, representative government and the general welfare of the community of Granada Hills (“Community”);
2. Provide an inclusive open forum for the discussion, deliberation and collaboration of Community issues;
3. Act as an advocate for the Community on issues with government agencies and other organizations;
4. Collaborate with other organizations within the Community to help them in accomplishing their goals which the Neighborhood Council determines to support and are consistent with these Bylaws; and
5. Monitor the delivery and enforcement of city services within our boundary area,

the Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council unanimously wishes to sponsor a community meeting, i.e., “town hall,” (to be decided if best scheduled as a planning committee meeting or a special meeting of the GHSNC Board as a whole) to consider the above project; said meeting to include representatives of the applicant, appropriate municipal agencies and officials, and the community. To support the above, the GHSNC Planning and Land Use Management Committee requests an allocation of not more than \$2500.00 from the GHSNC budget for various needs to support this event, including but not limited to outreach, professional services, and ancillary expenses.”

- B. **Discussion and possible action on the Committee’s recommendation to the Board** regarding support of the GHSNC and GH BID deodar trees project(s), and a status report from the City of Los Angeles.

Motion – from committee, no second needed:

“The GHSNC is requesting a report about the City’s plan for providing for the sustainment of the White Oaks Avenue Deodar Trees, LA City Cultural Historical Monument #41, in the face of the current drought.”

At the regularly scheduled meeting of the Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council held on Oct. 7, 2021, a motion was considered by the entire board. This motion, requesting a written report on this matter from CD 12, was passed unanimously by the board. A copy of the agenda item can be accessed at www.ghsnc.org.

As of this date, no such report has been provided.

The health of these trees because of drought conditions have been of public concern since *at least* [2015](#), and the GHSNC heard testimony in 2021 from City of Los Angeles arborists that at least two currently standing trees are dead and others are threatened. In 2021, concerns have mounted to the extent that both the GHSNC and the Granada Hills Business Improvement District have allocated funding for City-recommended deep watering of the trees.

Given the importance of this issue to Granada Hills, and planning and land use, the GHSNC is requesting a formal, written report from the City of Los Angeles before the end of Q22022, and a timeline for implementation.”

- C. **Discussion and possible action on** the Committee’s recommendation to the Board regarding support of the Granada Hills Recreation Center pool project, and a status report from the City of Los Angeles.

Motion – from committee, no second needed:

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“The GHSNC is requesting a report about the City's plan for providing for the repair and/or replacement of on the status of, and plans for, improving, repairing, and/or replacing the pool at Granada Hills Recreation Center (generally known as Petit Park).

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As of this date, no such report has been provided.

The condition of the pool has been rated “D” by the City of Los Angeles since *at least* [2004](#), and the GHSNC has repeatedly heard testimony from CD 12 representatives in recent years that a replacement project is underway. There are, however, no obvious signs of work in progress, and no update has been provided publicly by CD 12 staff.

Given the importance of this project to Granada Hills, and the issues of planning and land use, the GHSNC is requesting a formal, written report from the City of Los Angeles before the end of Q22022, and a timeline for implementation.”

Outreach

Homelessness

Education

Youth

Cultural Affairs

Seniors

Beautification

Public Safety

X. Board Members Comments and Submission of Agenda Items.

**Next Regular Meeting of the
Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council-
Thursday May 5, 2022 at 6:30 PM**

XI. Adjournment

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