# Minutes of the General Board Meeting of the GRANADA HILLS SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (GHSNC) Thursday, May 8, 2008

The First Baptist Church of Granada Hills 11011 Hayvenhurst Avenue, Granada Hills, CA 91344

#### I. Call to order and the Pledge of Allegiance

Jim Summers, Presiding Officer, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Stakeholder Jerry Askew.

#### II. Roll Call

Roll Call was taken by Secretary Glen Chester. Board Members present:

Brad Smith, Vice-President Jim Summers, President Robert Norris, Treasurer Glen Chester, Secretary Mark Barrionuevo, Renters Dave Beauvais, Community Organizations Bonnie Bursk, Comm. Prop. Owners Julie Carson, Member-at-Large Alexia Cirino, Faith-Based Groups Pamela Finn, Member-at-Large John Hegedes, Member-at-Large Mike Kabo, Parliamentarian Eric Mansker, Homeowners Sean Rivas, Parks John Seletos, Youth Organizations Tamara Seletos. Students Christopher Silvers, Member-at-Large Norbert Soski, Member-at-Large Lottie Van Emden, Cultural Arts Jim Yoder, Seniors

Board Members absent: Shamica Doty, Business (excused); Randall Neudeck, Pres. Emeritus/At-Large (unexcused); Karessa Anne Silvers, Education (unexcused); and Cindi Wood, Member-at-Large (unexcused).

Nineteen of the 23 Board Members were present, which is a quorum, and the business of the Council could be conducted.

Also present were 18 Stakeholders and Guests.

# **III.** Approval of the Minutes (1/10/08; 3/13/08; 4/10/08)

Mr. Chester stated that we will catch up next month on approving the Minutes, and that the January 10<sup>th</sup> Minutes were approved [at the March 13<sup>th</sup> General Board Meeting].

#### **IV. Public Comment**

Stakeholder Stephanie, a Tulsa Street Elementary School teacher, wants to take students to the Natural History Museum on May 30<sup>th</sup> and is asking for \$350 funding to do it. Mr. Summers noted that the NC will not be able to provide funding for this event because all funding motions needs to be put in the agenda and the public notified 72 hours in advance, but that, regarding funding a future such event, he'll agendize it for next month's General Board Meeting.

Stakeholder Debbie Wubben expressed that, at the intersection of Zelzah Avenue and Simonds Street, a man is regularly there selling food while blocking pedestrian and vehicle traffic. He sets up a table on the easement and drivers stop to buy from him, creating a pedestrian and traffic safety issue. There's no sidewalk at that location and there's a "No Stopping" sign. Frank Bush, Chief Inspector, L.A. City Building and Safety Dept. Code Enforcement Bureau (DBS) (213-252-3930; frank.bush@lacity.org) [see Section V below in these Minutes] offered to help.

Joseph Pina, L.A. Unified School District (LAUSD) New Construction Community Outreach Liaison (213-893-6809), distributed handouts and announced a Pre-Construction Meeting on May 15th at 6:30 p.m. at Patrick Henry Middle School Auditorium regarding the new Valley Region High School #4. There'll be a groundbreaking ceremony June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00 a.m. for it at 10445 Balboa Boulevard.

Robin Gilbert, Coordinator, California Clean Money Campaign (CAclean.org) (818-903-4771; rxdiet1@verizon.net), asked the NC to sponsor a workshop anytime to provide community input regarding full public funding of election campaigns. They've held workshops around the City and would like to hold a workshop in this area by around mid-June, for around two hours.

Stakeholder Dave Knapp is concerned about the "complete mess" of construction at 17339 Los Alimos Street, next door to his residence. No one lives there. Mr. Bush offered to help.

Mr. Askew brought examples of illegal private signs that had been placed on parkways, traffic signals, and street lights. He said that the local L.A. City Council District Office said that they'll enforce the ban on these signs, with two inspectors who cover the entire San Fernando Valley and Mr. Askew encourages residents to also remove them as they see them.

Stakeholder Cherrie Mann related that the City has one million trees available to give away, and that we're allowed to water our lawns two times each week. Ms. Mann also suggested adopting a tree at O'Melveny Park.

Mr. Summers noted that the next Congress of Neighborhood Councils is coming up and Stakeholders are also invited.

## V. Community Speakers

- **A. D.O.N.E.** (Amelia Herrera-Robles) NC Self-Assessment No representative was present and there was no report at this time.
- B. Council District 12 (John Bwarie)No representative was present and there was no report at this time.
- C. West Valley Alliance graffiti combatance

Daniel Ruiz, co-founder, West Valley Alliance (818-885-8885, or 311; wvalleyalliance@sbcglobal.net), which does graffiti removal, asked for funding. Last year, they hired two more workers, and there's been a 30% increase in graffiti since then. They've already raised \$70,000 for this fiscal year ending June 30<sup>th</sup>, and are requesting \$4,000 - \$8,000 from the GHSNC.

**DISCUSSION**: Mr. Ruiz stated that graffiti removal costs \$5,000 per month. The Granada Hills North NC has already allocated \$13,000, and the Northridge West NC \$5,000; L.A. City District Five Councilman Jack Weiss' Office allocated \$25,000, and L.A. City District Three Councilman Dennis Zine's Office allocated \$30,000. They have seven employees covering 110 square miles. This year is the first time they're requesting additional funding. Granada Hills South and Reseda have been especially hard-hit, starting around eight or nine months ago. Call them any day; their response time is within 24-72 hours, depending upon their workload. Other NCs have been charged by work already completed. It was requested by Mr. Beauvais and Mr. Mansker to be added to the agenda, and Mr. Summers stated that he'll agendize this request for next month's [General Board] Meeting.

D. Guest Speaker – Mr. Frank Bush, City of Los Angeles Building and Safety, "Code Enforcement."

Mr. Bush described the Code Enforcement Bureau's services, which include inspecting new buildings and additions, and code enforcement. He introduced Marty Weight, Senior Building Mechanical Inspector (818-374-9839; martin.weight@lacity.org). Mr. Bush described that they enforce codes regarding things such as trash spillovers, construction crews leaving equipment on-site, car repairs on single-family home lots, and vacant properties open to unauthorized entries (if it's boarded up and secured, it's not a violation); also, noise from fixed equipment such as pool motors and air conditioning units, and artificial light violations. Signs on light poles, etc. that aren't City property are considered abandoned and can be removed. Residents are allowed to have five two-day events, such as garage sales, per year on private property; the items for sale must be from within the home, and have been used. Home businesses can have up to two non-relative employees in and two deliveries per day. There's no current law limiting the number people living in a home, due to State Supreme Court rulings. A garage can't be converted to living quarters unless the owner has a Permit and constructs another carport. The City Attorney is working on a Sober Living Home ordinance to be presented to the City Council on May 13<sup>th</sup>.

To report possible violations, call 311 Monday-Friday, 7:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. with the specific violation address and time; your call can be anonymous, but it helps to give callback information, which will not be given to the violator. They only respond; they don't patrol. After-hours staff can investigate a complaint. More information, including the case status, is available at their website, ladbs.org.

#### VI. Officer Reports

#### A. President

Mr. Summers thanked Stakeholders for attending and encouraged them to ask other Stakeholders to also attend. He requested that Committee Agendas and Motions be submitted by ten days before each General Board Meeting to facilitate creating the Agenda. He asked Mr. Chester, Mr. Barrionuevo, and Mr. Rivas and they agreed to help prepare the next Agenda.

#### B. Vice-President

Mr. Smith contacted the LAPD (L.A. Police Dept.) and L.A. City Council regarding nominations for Good Citizens Awards.

## C. Treasurer

Mr. Norris distributed a "[GHSNC] Budget Report 5-8-08" and reported that the NC is within budget. He noted the fiscal year's beginning balance "Annual Total" of \$80,141.23, the "Actual" amount spent to date of \$24,534.57, and the "Encumbered" amount to date of \$11,189.38 There are 50 CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) program (818-756-9674; cert-la.com, lafdcert@lacity.org) registrations. The Budget Committee will meet on May 14th at 6:00 p.m. at his office at 10723 White Oak Avenue, to work on the Budget needing to be submitted to DONE by June 13<sup>th</sup> for the next fiscal year.

## D. Secretary

Mr. Chester distributed a Board Members' contact information list that also includes Committee assignments, and a historical Board Members "Attendance" grid. He encouraged Board Members to contact him regarding contact information list changes, and reminded them that the information is confidential and not to be shared with the public. He asked Stakeholders to fill out a Speakers Card to make sure they can speak at this Meeting. He'll make a Motion at the next General Board Meeting regarding Board Members possibly being removed from the Board if they have six absences.

# VII. Board Issues and Updates - Discussion and Possible Action

#### A. Board Replacement Nomination

Mr. Summers announced the resignation of Cindi Wood from the GHSNC Board; she'll write a letter. He's asked Mr. Askew to fill the position as a Member-at-Large.

**MOTION** (by Mr. Summers, seconded by Mr. Hegedes): to nominate Jerry Askew to the GHSNC Board of Directors as an At-Large Member.

**DISCUSSION**: Mr. Askew, who lives in the area, introduced himself. Mr. Kabo advised that Board Members must be elected and that this must be agendized for the next General Board Meeting. Mr. Summers asked if there are any other Board nominations. Mr. Beauvais read Bylaws Article Seven, Section H, which states, "Vacancy of a Director Position. Directors shall be appointed by a majority vote of the Board of Directors to fill vacancies. Such appointed Director shall meet the requirements of that vacant seat and shall complete the term of the replaced Director."

**MOTION** to **CALL FOR THE QUESTION** (by Ms. Carson, seconded by Ms. Cirino).

**MOTION** to **CALL FOR THE QUESTION** was **PASSED** by acclamation.

**MOTION PASSED** unanimously by acclamation. Mr. Summers invited Mr. Askew to be seated with the other Board Members.

#### **B.** Board Assignments

**MOTION** (by Mr. Barrionuevo, seconded by Ms. Cirino): to approve Mark Barrionuevo, Outreach Chair, for a second GHSNC credit card.

**DISCUSSION**: Mr. Norris reminded that he's soon resigning from the Board and a replacement Treasurer will be needed; DONE training is this month. Mr. Barrionuevo said that he and Mr. Rivas had spoken and that Mr. Rivas was willing to be the second credit card signatory. It was agreed to **AMEND THE MOTION**, replacing Mr. Barrionuevo's name with Mr. Rivas', to read as follows.

**AMENDED MOTION** (by Mr. Barrionuevo, seconded by Ms. Cirino): to approve Sean Rivas for a second GHSNC credit card.

**MOTION PASSED** unanimously by acclamation.

#### C. Committee Assignments

**MOTION** (by Mr. Barrionuevo, seconded by Ms. Carson): to approve Sean Rivas as Co-Chair for the Outreach Committee.

**MOTION PASSED** unanimously by acclamation, except for Mr. Rivas abstaining.

#### D. Board Elections Committee: GHSNC Elections Procedures.

Ms. Carson explained that we will be running our own election on October 4<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the Granada Hills Street Fair. First, we must meet DONE deadlines or risk having to wait until 2010 to hold the election. She completed DONE's 22-page "[NC] Election Procedures" template, which must be submitted to DONE by May 17<sup>th</sup>. DONE will reply by June 6<sup>th</sup>; we must ratify the Procedures by our July 10<sup>th</sup> [General Board] Meeting to meet DONE's August deadline. The election must be held at a separate Street Fair location

from the NC's booth. The same procedure as last year's election will be used; write-in nominations will be accepted and there won't be any vote-by-mail. The Committee needs help outreaching and advertising the election. DONE will only pay for the Independent Election Administrator; the NC needs to fund the remaining election costs.

**MOTION** (by Mr. Silvers, seconded by Mr. Mansker): to fund the October 4, 2008 GHSNC election.

**MOTION PASSED** unanimously by acclamation.

E. Bylaws Changes: to conform to election procedures (Dave Beauvais). Mr. Beauvais distributed and reviewed the "[GHSNC] Bylaws & Rules Committee Report: May 2008," noting that all changes were required by DONE, including the revised Stakeholder definition.

**MOTION** (by the Bylaws Committee): to adopt the following proposed language for the Bylaws:

Article VI, Section A: Definition of Stakeholder. Current language: Neighborhood Council membership shall be open to all community stakeholders (Stakeholder). A Stakeholder is defined as anyone who lives, works, owns property, or is a student within the boundaries of the Neighborhood Council, or a member of a community based organization that meets at least four times a year within the boundaries of the Neighborhood Council.

#### Proposed language:

Neighborhood Council membership is open to all Stakeholders. "Stakeholders" shall be defined as those who live, work, or own property in the neighborhood, and also to those who declare a stake in the neighborhood and affirm a factual basis for it.

**MOTION PASSED** unanimously by acclamation.

**MOTION** (by the Bylaws Committee): to adopt the following proposed language for the Bylaws:

[The following Section was identified as being in Bylaws Article VIII (eight); it is in Article VII (seven).]

Article VII, Section E: <u>Term of Service</u>. Current language: Directors shall serve a two (2) year term. No Director can serve longer than eight (8) consecutive years.

Proposed language:

Directors shall serve a two (2) year term.

**MOTION PASSED**, with 17 in favor, one opposed, and one abstention.

**MOTION** (by the Bylaws Committee): to adopt the following proposed language for the Bylaws:

[The following Section was identified as being in Bylaws Article VIII (eight); it is in Article VII (seven).]

Article VII, Section F: <u>At Large Directors</u>. Current language: Eleven (11) Directors shall be elected as "At Large". An At Large Director shall be any stakeholder no running or elected for a specific-seat defined below.

#### Proposed language:

Eleven (11) Directors shall be elected as "At Large". An At Large Director shall be any stakeholder no running or elected for a specific-seat defined below. One such At-Large Director shall be elected by Stakeholders who declare a stake in the neighborhood and affirm a factual basis for it.

**DISCUSSION**: Mr. Barrionuevo noted and Mr. Beauvais agreed that the Motion phrase "stakeholder no running" contains a typographical error and should read, "stakeholder not running." There was extensive discussion regarding the meaning of "At-Large."

**MOTION** to **CALL FOR THE QUESTION** (by Mr. Mansker, seconded by Mr. Seletos).

**MOTION** to **CALL FOR THE QUESTION** was **PASSED** with 14 in favor, one opposed, and two abstentions.

**MOTION PASSED**, with 14 in favor, one opposed, and three abstentions.

**MOTION** (by the Bylaws Committee): to adopt the following proposed language for the Bylaws:

Article XII, Section A: Elections. Current language:

Nominations of Directors. The initial elections of the Board of Directors shall take place within a reasonable amount of time after certification, but not more than 180 days, and bi-annually thereafter. There shall also be at least a 60-day period for accepting nominations for Directors. Notification shall be put on the web site and posted at no less than seven (7) public sites. Any stakeholder in the Neighborhood Council may place his/her name, or the name of any similarly stakeholder who accepts the nomination, into nomination for a position on the Board. This nomination shall be given to the Independent Election Administrator for inclusion on the ballot. Nominations shall also be accepted on Election Day prior to balloting.

#### Proposed language:

Elections shall be conducted every two years in the even numbered years and shall be administered by the City Clerk beginning April/June 2010. The rules and regulations promulgated by the City Clerk in conjunction with an election administered by the City Clerk shall take precedence over any inconsistent language in these bylaws. Notification shall be posted on the website and at no less than five (5) public sites. Any Stakeholder in the neighborhood council may place his/her name, or the name of any similarly qualified Stakeholder who accepts, into nomination for a position on the Board.

**DISCUSSION**: Mr. Beauvais explained that the NC voted to administer its own election in 2008; the City will administer the NC election in 2010. It was noted and Mr. Beauvais agreed that the Motion phrase "April/June 2010" should read, "April through June 2010."

**MOTION** to **CALL FOR THE QUESTION** (by Mr. Barrionuevo, seconded by Mr. Mansker).

MOTION to CALL FOR THE QUESTION was PASSED by acclamation.

**MOTION PASSED** unanimously, except for one abstention.

**MOTION** (by the Bylaws Committee): to strike the following Sections from the Bylaws:

Article XII, <u>Elections</u>: Section B: <u>Election Committee</u>; Section C: <u>Directors Term</u>; Section F: <u>Administration of Elections</u>; Section G: <u>Voting Provisions</u>; and Section H: <u>Vote in dispute</u>.

Proposed to strike these sections, as they will be obsolete once the City Clerk starts administering elections in 2010. The Election Committee can promulgate rules for the September 2008 election. The remaining sections in Article XII, Sections D and E, will be renumbered to B and C.

**MOTION** to **CALL FOR THE QUESTION** (by Mr. Mansker).

**MOTION** to **CALL FOR THE QUESTION** was **PASSED** by acclamation.

**MOTION PASSED** unanimously, except for one abstention.

#### F. Board Retreat: organization, accomplishments and goals.

Mr. Rivas announced that the Board Retreat will be held July 19<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at a location to be determined. DONE will advise regarding a mediator. Next month, he'll request \$600 for refreshments for the event. Mr. Summers said that he'll agendize this request for next month's [General Board] Meeting. Several Board Members said that July 26<sup>th</sup> would be a better date to

hold the Retreat. Mr. Rivas conducted a straw poll that confirmed this. It was agreed to hold the Retreat on July 26<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Rivas asked Board Members to bring Retreat discussion topics to the next General Board Meeting.

#### G. Board Equipment

**MOTION** (by Mr. Mansker, seconded by Mr. Beauvais): to allocate funds to purchase a sound system for GHSNC Meetings, not to exceed \$4,000.

**DISCUSSION**: Mr. Mansker distributed an "Ad Hoc Committee – Media Equipment" report and copies of bids from three sound system suppliers, adding that an NC needed equipment list is available. He noted that, within ten months, the cost of renting the equipment would equal the cost of buying it. He did the additional research that Board Members earlier requested, including regarding buying used equipment. He's been told that \$4,000 is a "very reasonable" cost estimate, but we may spend less than that for five microphones, cables, a good mixer, and speakers. One month's rental would cost \$400. He recommends renting the equipment from All American Audio Visual for the June 12<sup>th</sup> and July 10<sup>th</sup> General Board Meetings. Recordings would be available on CD. He would store the equipment in a secure container on his own property. The rental would include protective carrying cases.

There was extensive discussion regarding this and what equipment is included in the Sam Ash Music Stores bid. Mr. Soski is concerned, if the NC buys the equipment, about breakage, dependence upon Mr. Mansker to transport and store the equipment, having less flexibility than through renting the equipment, and the NC needing to set up the equipment instead of a rental service. Ms. Carson voiced that buying the equipment is a luxury, not a necessity. Mr. Mansker noted that DONE's Amelia Herrera-Robles has said that it's very important to have accurate Minutes, and it's been very hard for people to hear everything that's said in these Meetings.

**MOTION AMENDMENT** (by Mr. Soski, seconded by Mr. Norris): to allocate funds to rent a sound system for GHSNC Meetings for two months at \$400 per month.

**MOTION AMENDMENT PASSED**, with 11 in favor, eight opposed, and one abstention.

**MOTION PASSED** with 14 in favor, two opposed, and three abstentions.

At this time of 9:05, Mr. Summers wanted the Minutes to show that Mr. Soski was leaving the Meeting.

**MOTION** (by Mr. Mansker, seconded by Mr. Seletos): to extend the Meeting for 30 minutes until 9:30 p.m.

**MOTION PASSED** with 14 in favor, none opposed and no abstentions.

## **VIII. Committee Reports**

The following Agenda Item #s VIII A-C were addressed after Item # VIII D.1

- A. <u>Outreach Committee (OC)</u>. Chair: Mark Barrionuevo
  - **i. MOTION** (by the Outreach Committee): Request for funds, Outreach Item, to support a "Salute to Recreation" Senior Dance on May 30, 2008 at the Northridge Recreation Center, not to exceed \$500, for refreshments for approximately 300 seniors.

**DISCUSSION**: Mr. Rivas explained that the NC will have a booth and the NC name will be on outreach materials.

MOTION to CALL FOR THE QUESTION (by Mr. Beauvais, seconded by Ms. Carson).

**MOTION** to **CALL FOR THE QUESTION** was **PASSED** by acclamation.

**MOTION PASSED** with 19 in favor, three opposed, and Mr. Rivas recusing.

- ii. MOTION (by the Outreach Committee): [This Motion was to be regarding a request for funds, Outreach Item, to support the NC Retreat; it was mistakenly copied on the Agenda the same as Item # VIII A i. Therefore, it was agreed to Table the intended Motion until next month's General Board Meeting.1
- iii. Motion to purchase ecology tote bags for distribution and outreach.

**MOTION** (by the Outreach Committee): Request for funds, Outreach Item, to purchase 1,000 ecology grocery tote bags, not to exceed \$1,700.

**DISCUSSION**: Mr. Summers encouraged the Committee to bring more tote bags to the NC Meetings. Mr. Barrionuevo remarked that the tote bags have all been distributed and that, while handing out the tote bags at a local market, he received 30 or 40 sign-ups for NC information.

At this time of 9:30, Mr. Summers wanted the Minutes to show that Ms. Van Emden was leaving the Meeting.

**MOTION** (by Mr. Silvers, seconded by Mr. Chester): to extend the Meeting for another 30 minutes until 10:00 p.m.

**MOTION PASSED** by acclamation.

**DISCUSSION (continued)**: Passing this Motion would be good outreach and help to change consumer habits to be more environmentally sustainable.

**MOTION** to **CALL FOR THE QUESTION** (by Mr. Barrionuevo, seconded by Mr. Summers).

**MOTION** to **CALL FOR THE QUESTION** was **PASSED** by acclamation.

**MOTION PASSED** with 14 in favor and two opposed.

**iv. MOTION** (by the Outreach Committee): [See the five-page "Shopping Bag Reduction Resolution" submitted for the wording of this Motion.]

**DISCUSSION**: Mr. Barrionuevo distributed and briefly reviewed a five-page "Shopping Bag Reduction Resolution." This would help eliminate cheaper plastic bags.

**MOTION** to **CALL FOR THE QUESTION** (by Mr. Beauvais, seconded by Mr. Mansker).

MOTION to CALL FOR THE QUESTION was PASSED by acclamation.

**MOTION PASSED** by acclamation.

**v.** Motion to ban billboards citywide.

**MOTION** (by the Outreach Committee): Whereas billboards in the Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council area have become a site of continual graffiti and vandalism; Whereas billboard operators and owners in the GHSNC area have not fulfilled their stewardship in maintaining aesthetically pleasing billboard signs, allowing their property to wallow in the stains of graffiti, thus forcing our stakeholders to be over-exposed to continued vandalism and encouraging blight in our community; We, the Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council strongly request the Los Angeles City Council and the city of Los Angeles to pass legislation which bans and removes, at the owners' expense, all billboards in our boundaries within 90 days of the passing of this resolution.

**DISCUSSION**: Mr. Barrionuevo distributed and briefly reviewed the above "Banning Billboards Resolution."

**MOTION** to **CALL FOR THE QUESTION** (by Mr. Barrionuevo, seconded by Ms. Cirino).

**MOTION** to **CALL FOR THE QUESTION** was **PASSED** with 14 in favor and two opposed.

**MOTION PASSED** with 12 in favor, two opposed, and two abstentions.

- **B.** Beautification Committee (BC). Chair: Bonnie Bursk Ms. Bursk stated that there is no report.
- C. Public Safety Committee (PSC). Chair: Jim Yoder

**MOTION** (by the Outreach Committee): for the NC to allocate funds for the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), as an Outreach Item, for additional refreshments for CERT class participants due to increased enrollment, at \$100 per night, for a total of \$700.

**DISCUSSION**: Mr. Yoder explained that, due to the increased CERT class enrollment, they need to increase the refreshments budget by \$40 per class, from \$60 to \$100 per class.

**MOTION** to **CALL FOR THE QUESTION** was made.

**MOTION** to **CALL FOR THE QUESTION** was **PASSED** by acclamation.

**MOTION PASSED** by acclamation.

- D. Planning and Land Use Committee (PLUC). Chair: John Seletos
  - 1. **Request for Variances**: Case AZ 2008-767 Project: 10549 Haskell Ave. Mr. Seletos introduced Christopher Murray of Rosenheim and Associates law firm, an L.A. City contractor, representing Granada Pre-School, 10549 Haskell Avenue. Mr. Murray related that the School, which would operate between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., was founded in 1963 and serves 106 students ages five through 12. Three-quarters of the students attend the pre-school, while one-quarter of them attend after-school programs. The School is on three-quarters of an acre, is zoned RS-1 for low-density residential, and conforms to the Granada Hills-Knollwood Community Plan. He showed aerial photos of the School and said that tours are available. There are two main buildings, with a third building proposed to be built in the southwest corner to replace a 600-plus square foot pool house with an 1,157 square foot modular building, increasing the square footage approximately 500 square feet. They've applied for a 10-year CUP (Conditional Use Permit). They'd make rear and side yard adjustments, including to fences built after the 1994 Northridge earthquake. The modular structure would be modified to appear in keeping with the remainder of the property.

Mr. Seletos explained that Mr. Murray presented this to the PLUC at its April 30<sup>th</sup> Meeting. The School's neighbors indicated separately to both the PLUC and to School staff that they were pleased with the property's maintenance and use, and School staff advised the neighbors of this Meeting. The Committee recommends approving this request for NC support of the project.

**MOTION** (by the PLUC Committee): to approve the 10549 Haskell Avenue request for continued use and maintenance of an existing pre-school facility with a total enrollment of 106 children and the addition of a one-story 1,157 sq. ft. modular building, as proposed.

**MOTION** to **CALL FOR THE QUESTION** (by Mr. Beauvais).

**MOTION** to **CALL FOR THE QUESTION** was **PASSED** by acclamation.

**MOTION PASSED** unanimously by acclamation.

One of the School's teachers who were present invited Board Members and Stakeholders to tour the School.

2. Sober Living Homes: to support Councilman Smith's Motion.

**MOTION** (by the PLUC Committee): to support Council File #07-3427, Councilman Smith's Motion for Report and Land Use Control.

**DISCUSSION**: Mr. Hegedes mentioned that there'll be a City Hearing about this on May 13<sup>th</sup> at City Hall, Room 350.

**MOTION PASSED** unanimously by acclamation.

3. L.A. City Bonus Density Ordinance #179681 re: SB 1818.

**MOTION** (by the PLUC Committee): that GHSNC support the position of LANNC of revising L.A. City Ordinance #179681 to bring it more into conformity with SB (State Senate Bill) 1818, including for appellants with the incentives allowed by SB 1818, including: notice to the public by requesting the filing of an application in all cases even if "by right"; to allow appeals by others in addition to the immediate neighbors, homeowners or applicants; and to determine that even those developments without incentives, other than parking.

**DISCUSSION**: Mr. Summers summarized SB 1818. Mr. Seletos added that public notice would be needed during a developer's application process.

**MOTION PASSED** unanimously by acclamation.

#### 4. Updates

GH-Knollwood Community Plan: Stakeholder Maria Fisk is following up.

GHSNC Overbuilding – Kohl's: Mr. Summers indicated that there was no new information.

Los Alimos Street: Mr. Summers indicated that there was no new information.

Early Notification Reports: Mr. Summers indicated that there was no new information.

## IX. Board Member Comments

Mr. Barrionuevo announced that he is resigning from the Board, effective at the end of the meeting, to move out of the area to attend law school.

# X. Agenda Items for next General Board Meeting and Committee Meetings.

Ms. Cirino requested and Mr. Summers agreed to agendize a holiday parade discussion at the next General Board Meeting.

#### XI. Closing remarks and adjournment

**MOTION** (by Mr. Summers, seconded by Ms. Cirino): to adjourn the meeting.

**MOTION PASSED** by acclamation.

Mr. Summers adjourned the Meeting at 9:44 p.m.