

**Minutes of the General Board Meeting of the
GRANADA HILLS SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (GHSNC)
Thursday, September 9, 2010**

The Pavilion, 11128 Balboa Blvd., Granada Hills, CA 91344

I. Call to order

President Dave Beauvais called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.
(Community Member/Board Member??) lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Roll Call

Roll Call was taken by Secretary Sean Rivas. Board Members present:

Dave Beauvais, President	Brad Smith, Vice-President
Sean Rivas, Secretary	Jerry Askew, Business
Bonnie M. Bursk, Com. Prop. Owners	Julie A. Carson, Member-at-Large
Alexia Cirino, Faith-Based (Late)	Arthur A. Daush, Seniors
Jett M. Dunlap, Member-at-Large	Tiwinkle Khurana, Students
Sally Kolstad, Education	Eric Mansker, Homeowners
Michael Phillips, Member-at-Large	Ross Turmell, Factual Basis

Board Members absent: Brandon Schindelheim, Treasurer (excused), David Bereznick, Member-at-Large (excused), Adam Platts, Renters (unexcused), Joel M. Lyle, Member-at-Large (excused), Robert Stevens, Member-at-Large (excused).

14 of the 19 Board Members were present at the beginning of the Meeting, which is a quorum, so the Board could make Motions and take votes. Also attending were approximately 22 stakeholders and guests, including Parliamentarian Mike Kabo.

III. Approval of the Minutes

One correction was submitted on Pg. 1 of 4.

Correction 1: Add Boy Scouts Name as Christopher Albright.

One Correction was submitted on Pg. 2 of 4.

Correction 2: Under Discussion of Letter of Support to LAUSD. Wording in minutes needs to reflect the motion for reconsideration amendment and to also stated that the amendment failed.

Motion by Mr. Rivas 2nd by Ms. Carson to approve the Minutes of the July 8, 2010 General Board Meeting and August 12, 2010 General Board Meeting.

MOTION PASSED by a Unanimous Voice Vote.

V. Public Comment

Brad Smith from Brad Smith for CD12 (LA City Council), Introduced himself and announced his candidacy for LA City Council, Council District 12.

Maria Fisk, Community Stakeholder

Ricardo Benitez, Sylmar NC, Invited the GSHNC Board Members to Visit Sylmar and their NC meetings.

Rosalba Gonzalez, Assemblymen Bob Blumenfield, Reported to the council about AB2756, Office Hours and an update on Mobile Billboards.

George Bartleson, Director LAUSD District 1, General Comments about meeting to be held at Patrick Henry Middle School on Wednesday, September 15, 2010 at 6 pm.

Greg Bartz- Local Gov't & Outreach Liaison for LADWP introduced himself, and gave us a brief description of what he does and how he works with the neighborhood councils.

Indra Ciccarelli, Intervention Coordinator, Granada Hills Charter HS. Spoke about the new virtual high school option through Granada Hills Charter HS, Kirk Douglas Academy Programs.

VI. Community Speakers

Dario Del Core, Senior Lead Officer, LAPD. Announced that crime was down within Devonshire Division , but Auto Crime is on the rise. He also mentioned the October 7, 201 District Meeting which he felt flyers for on the back table for the community. SLO Del Core also mentioned that Devonshire Area will have an open house of Saturday, October 23 from 10 am- 3 pm. There was more details available on the flyers for those that were interested.

Juan H. Diaz-Carrerar, Representative for Los Angeles Department of Water & Power. Discussed the proposed Sylmar Ground Return System Replacement Project. Projected start time for the project is 2012, and may bring possible lane closers as the work is being done. For more details you can contact Ms. Irene Paul, LA DWP Environmental Services, (213) 367-3509 or via email at SylmarGroundReturnProject@ladwp.com.

VII. Officer Reports

No Officer Reports were given.

VIII. Board Issues & Updates

Review of U.S. Bank Purchases was tabled to October due to Treasurers absent. Motion by Mr. Mansker, 2nd by Mrs. Bursk, Motion PASSED by unanimous voice vote.

Discussion and possible action on procure of storage space. Motion to Table by Ms. Carson, 2nd by Mr. Rivas, Motion PASSED by unanimous voice vote.

Discussion and possible action to suport GHCHS to manage Regional HS #4 as a four year high school (earlier support expressed by GHSNC was for a 9th Grade Academy). Motion introduced by Mr. Smith, and 2nd by Ms. Cirino, Discussion began, and concerns of not hearing the other applicants before we supported GHCHS were expressed. A Motion to Table was introduced by Ms. Carson, 2nd by Mr. Rivas, Motion Passed by Unanimous voice vote. 2nd Motion was introduced by Mr. Smith, 2nd by Mr. Mansker to hold a special meeting between Mid- October to November 1. Motion PASSED with a vote of 13 in favor and 1 absention.

Discussion and possible action to purchase white lights for Vetrans Triangle Christmas Tree. Allocate funds up to \$2500, and creation of an Ad Hoc Committee. Motion by Mr. Mansker, 2nd by Mr. Smith, motion PASSED with a vote of 7 in favor and 4 Opposed. Ad Hoc Committee Members would be Chair, Eric Mansker, Members, Sally Kolstad, Brad Smith, Bonnie Bursk, BID, Carl Melnick, GH Rotary.

Discussion and possible board action regarding revised budget for FY2010/2011. Motion to pass the revised budget by Mr. Mansker, 2nd by Ms. Cirino. Motion PASSED by unanimous voice vote.

Request for support of a Girl's LaCrosse Team at Granad Hills Charter High School. Motion to Table by Ms. Carson, 2nd by Mr. Askew. Motion PASSED with unanious voice vote.

VIII. Committee Reports

Planning & Land Use Committee (Jerry Askew, Chair)

Motion to support the use of Wilbur and Aliso Canyon Wash as bike routes. Motion from Committee. Whereas: Bike path restriping on Wilbur has unnecessarily taken away traffic lanes by reserving parking spaces in an area where parking is unnecessary as there is no access to property

Whereas: A County Flood Control channel exists along the same route.

Whereas: The Aliso Canyon and Wilbur washes connect with multiple city parks, recreation areas, Metrolink stations, shopping centers and schools,

Whereas: Bike travel along an improved flood control channel would benefit bicycle safety by keeping them separated from traffic, and enhance security for properties along the wash by having greater numbers of people traveling through the area.

Resolved: The Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council recommends that the city implement a Class I bike path along the Wilbur and Aliso Canyon washes in lieu of reducing the available traffic lanes on Wilbur Ave, and shall file a community impact statement attached to the appropriate council files or city department initiatives/reports.

Motion came from Committee. Motion PASSED by a unanimous voice vote.

Resolution regarding Los Angeles City Planning Dept. Proposed Policy Change.
WHEREAS:

The Los Angeles City Charter created Neighborhood Councils for the purpose of promoting more citizen participation in city government and making government more responsive to local needs,

WHEREAS:

The City of Los Angeles Planning Department's contemplated Policy Motion regarding Mitigated Negative Declaration does not allow adequate time for Neighborhood Councils' to deliberate and input,

WHEREAS:

The City of Los Angeles Planning Department has failed to post all background research documentation related to this issue (project),

WHEREAS:

The City of Los Angeles Planning Department has failed to fully disclose the precise text of these proposed changes and how they fit into the General Plan Framework Element;

The Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council endorses the resolution to require the Planning Department to post all background research documents related to NEGATIVE DECLARATION-NG-10-280-PL: ENV-2010-715 online; to provide full disclosure of the precise text of these proposed changes and how

they fit into the General Plan Framework Element; and to restart the Negative Declaration process at the time these documents are posted to provide for full review of the Guidelines and the Negative Declaration in accordance with CEQA notification and review requirements.

Motion PASSED with unanimous voice vote.

Outreach Committee (Sean Rivas, Chair)

Report of September 11 Movie Night. We had about 400 or more guests in attendance. Had a vast amount of people go to both the Food Truck Fest and the Movie Night. We gave out about 100 school supplies bags. We would like to make this an annual event.

Motion to partner with Valley Interfaith Council (VIC) on a month long food drive from Mid-October to Mid-November, allocate up to \$200 for drive and other expenses. Motion from Committee. Motion PASSED by a unanimous voice vote.

Motion to support the Granada Hills Recreation Center's Halloween Carnival on Oct. 31. In the amount of \$500. Motion from Committee. Motion PASSED with 13 in favor and 2 Abstentions.

Public Safety Committee (Robert Stevens, Chair)

Discussion regarding sidewalk grinding project in GSHNC. Mr. Beauvais asked for volunteers to help log sidewalks that need repair per grid of GHSNC blocks.

X. Board Member comments, announcements and Agenda Items for next General Meeting and Committee Meetings.

Sally Kolstad: Gave a word of caution while jogging in Granada Hills. Some one is throwing objects at runners in the evening time.

Bonnie Bursk: Asked board members to please look at the Granada Hills Chamber Website.

Mr. Benitez: Expressed some concern over the sidewalk grinding project.

X. Adjournment

MOTION (by Mr. Mansker, seconded by Mrs. Bursk): to **ADJOURN** the Meeting

MOTION PASSED without any objections.

The Meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 9:15 p.m.