

Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council  
February 13, 2013  
**Wednesday, February 13, 2013 (Approved)**

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

I. Call to order

President Dave Beauvais called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

II. Roll Call taken by Secretary Julie Carson. Present, unless otherwise noted:

Dave Beauvais, Brad Smith, Julie Carson, Brandon Schindleheim (arrived 6:45 p.m.), Jerry Askew, Bonnie Bursk, Alexia Cirino (excused), Krisna Crawford-Velasco (arrived 7:03 p.m.), Arthur Dausch, Jett Dunlap (excused), Gina Greschner (excused), Suraj Khurana, Joel Lyle, Deron Lopez, Bob Luszczak (excused), Eric Mansker (arrived at 7:57 p.m.), Anthony Matthews, Ross Turmell, Daniel Wall (arrived at 7:00 p.m.), Cindy Wu Freedman (excused), Debbie Wubben, Michael Kabo, Parliamentarian.

A quorum was present at the start of the meeting (12 of 20 Board members

10 members of community present

III. Approval of minutes

Motion made and seconded by Bursk/Lyle to approve January minutes.  
Minutes unanimously approved

IV. Public comment

Bursk: GH Installation and Awards (85<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Chamber of Commerce) at the Odyssey, Friday, Feb. 22 at 6:00 p.m. @ \$65.00

V. Community Speakers

Ashley Meacham representing L.A. Metro gave an East San Fernando Valley Transit Corridor briefing. Community meetings will be held during the month of March. More info at: [Metro.net/eastsfvtransit](http://Metro.net/eastsfvtransit)

Assistant City Attorney, Bill Larson: Mr. Larson has been assigned to handle the group homes issue for entire city of L.A. The group home on Lahey – where there's been problems before – the owner is trying to rehab, but he stated that they need the community's eyes to call in to LAPD if we see anything. Two group homes have been closed down on White Oak; one is left. He's dealing with about 100 group homes right now, and the caseload will probably double.

VII. Board Issues & Updates

Review and approval of U. S. Bank purchasing card transactions, bank statement and January budget report (Moved and seconded by Schindleheim/Turmell) Unanimously approved.

Funding for Citrus Sunday on May 5, 2013 in the amount of \$300; \$150 to the Valley Interfaith Council for expenses and \$250 for volunteer refreshments and changes to Citrus Sunday. Event will occur the same day as Big Sunday

(day of service in the city) (Smith/Askew moved and seconded). Motion approved: 10/0/2

## VI. Officer Reports

Brad Smith: DONE is going through process of creating a charter amendment. Brad is serving on the Valley Neighborhood Council Working Group panel: 15 Valley NC's met and will be meeting every 2-3 weeks on this amendment that will make changes to NC charter. First issue: definition of the factual basis stakeholder. Next issue: voting and boundaries. Brad will send out email asking for input on this next issue. This is about a 3 month process for the valley working group and the NC charter process will take approximately 12-18 months.

Dave Beauvais: The public hearing on the GH Knollwood Community Plan will be held February 21. It's the culmination of 4 ½ yrs of work. We'll have a chance to see what changes they may have made from community input. Flyers for meeting are here. We'll (representatives from the NC's) be meeting with City Planning Dept – Friday, Feb. 15 at the Chamber of Commerce.

Re the GHSNC meeting date change: We'll be meeting on the first Thursday of the month beginning in April (March will be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday).

### Planning and Land Use (Askew)

Motion to oppose the Recycling/Buyback Center at 17050 Chatsworth and recommend amending the GH Specific Plan to prohibit Recycling/Buyback centers in all sectors. (motion from committee) Askew introduced Brian Finnegan, a resident who lives across the street from the proposed center. Beauvais offered an amendment to change all "amend" to "propose to amend" (Beauvais/Lopez). Change "propose" to "recommend". Amendment passes with change to "recommend amending". Discussion: we already have one 2 blocks south of the proposed location; 99Cent store doesn't qualify as a grocery store and there will be noise from trucks.

Amendment motion: drop the language "and recommend an amendment etc" and substitute "request the city planning dept perform a compliance inspection of this site before issuing a permit". (Amendment motion moved and seconded by Beauvais/Schindleheim) It passes 14/0

Vote on main motion: Unanimously passed.

Motion to support the community request to change the name of the area from the 405 to Balboa, Devonshire to Lassen from North Hills to Granada Hills, subject to discussion with NHWNC. Unanimously passed.

Motion to add a Community Plan Overlay encompassing the GHSNC area to prohibit murals on both single and multi-family residential properties. Additionally, request to amend the specific plan to prohibit murals in all sectors. Vote: Unanimously passed

Motion to oppose removal of "signage" from the definition of a "project" in the GH Specific Plan. Motion fails 3/10/3

Askew proposes motion that recommends an amendment to the Specific Plan, eliminating Planning Dept review of new signage and retaining the Building and Safety Plan Check with existing requirements. Carson/Smith recommend tabling the motion and refer back to committee. Passes unanimously.

Motion to recommend amendment to specific plan to add telephone numbers and Internet addresses to the allowable content of window signs. Motion passes 15/1/0

Motion that the Board of GHSNC urge the City of Los Angeles to fully implement the Appeals Court ruling in the Summit Media LLC v City of Los Angeles and to remove the 103 illegal digital billboards blanketing our city. We further request that the City refrain from making any changes to the zoning laws relative to digital billboards until the illegal boards are removed and any such proposed change has been subjected to an open and transparent outreach process to community stakeholders. Motion fails 0/13/3

Note: would need to amend this to file as CIS on CF#s 08-2020 and 12-1611-S1, 12-1611, 11-1705

Motion to recommend creation of a Community Plan Overlay prohibiting boarding houses within the GH Knollwood Community Plan area.

#### Outreach

Report by Joel Lyle: issues discussed at Outreach meeting: movie nights, one in June and one in September; creation of "Friends of GH" stickers to be displayed by local businesses; Street pole banners; discussed going to high schools and CSUN to get more participation in our NC's to see how democracy works; suggested we look at redesign of our logo.

#### Safety and Public Health (Turmell)

We committed to taking CERT classes in the next few months

Neighborhood Watch sign project is going well.

IX. Board member comments, announcements and agenda items for next general meeting and committee meetings.

Beauvais: acknowledge Jim Summers, former President of our NC

Schindleheim: will have a budget committee meeting

Smith: Mayoral debates at Valley Alliance of NC, 2/23 at Monarch Hall LAVC, 9:30 a.m. for other city offices; 11:00 a.m. for mayoral candidates

For next agenda: Motion for \$2,000 each GHCHS for security improvements.

Thank you from Maria Fisk for our participation in comments on the Specific Plan

X. Adjournment 8:40 p.m.