



CITY OF LOS ANGELES GRANADA HILLS SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES APPROVED Thursday, March 2, 2017

Granada Hills H.S., Rawley Hall, 10535 Zelzah Ave., Granada Hills CA 91344

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

	
President: Dave Beauvais (Seniors)	Vice-President: Michael Benedetto (Community
	Organizations)
Secretary: Julie Carson (Member At-Large)	Treasurer: Brandon Schindelheim (Business)
Jeffrey Bohrer (Member At-Large)	Bonnie M. Bursk (Comm'l Prop. Owners)
Jett Dunlap (Member At-Large)	Don Graham (Member At-Large)
Justin Kim (Youth Activities)	Sally Kolstad (Education)
Dawn Lopez (Member At-Large)	Deron Lopez (Member At-Large)
Joel Lyle (Member At-Large)	Anthony Matthews (Parks & Cultural Arts)
Mark Morris (Faith-Based Organizations)	Brad Smith (Member At-Large)
Rene R. Trinidad (Homeowners)	Andrew Wall (Student)
Cindy Wu Freedman (MAL-Com'y Interest)	Michael J. Kabo (Parliamentarian)

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I. Call to order (Presiding officer)

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

II. Roll Call (Secretary)

Roll Call was taken by the Secretary. Eleven of the 19 Board Members were present: Dave Beauvais (President), Michael Benedetto, Jeffrey Bohrer, Bonnie Bursk, Jett Dunlap, Sally Kolstad, Dawn Lopez, Joel Lyle, Brandon Schindelheim (Treasurer), Brad Smith and Andrew Wall. Justin Kim and Don Graham arrived later. Six Board Members were absent: Julie Carson (Secretary), Deron Lopez, Anthony Matthews, Mark Morris, Rene Trinidad and Cindy Wu Freedman (all excused). The GHSNC quorum (the minimum number of Board Members needing to be present to take binding votes on Agendized Items) is 11. Nineteen of the 21 Board Seats were filled (by election or appointment). Two Board Seats (Member-at-Large and Renter) were vacant (the Business Seat was filled by Mr. Schindelheim, who was a Member-at-Large; see below Item #VII. A.). [To apply, see www.ghsnc.org.] Also attended: 13 Stakeholders and Guests.

III. Public Comment.

Stakeholder Samantha Stevens encouraged supporting Proposition M.

IV. Community Speakers

A. Council District 12

Millie Jones, Field Deputy for L.A. City District 12 Councilman Mitch Englander (818-882-1212; Millie.Jones@LACity.org; http://CD12.LACity.org), reported that the Councilman met again with Stakeholders about the San Fernando Mission/Woodley project. The project was reduced to 292 units, all for sale, no rentals. The proposed Woodley Ave. exit was closed off that would have been by the High School. The project includes a community room. The height would be up to 38 feet; it was up to 45 feet and, earlier, 50 feet. She said "they're reducing the commercial down to 36,000 square feet . . . the developer has not submitted their plans." There will be another community meeting. (Later in this meeting, Mr. Beauvais said there might be a joint meeting of the GHSNC and GH North NC Planning and Land Use Management Committees.) Also, "we are on schedule for the stoplight that will be at Kingsbury and Zelzah . . . at a cost of \$500,000." The City Council Public Safety Committee, which the Councilman chairs, is discussing problems

with the LAPD phone system. The LAPD needs more civilian staff. The next Conversation with the Councilman will be Wednesday, April 26th at 5:00 p.m. at the horse therapy center [at 10860] Topanga Canyon Blvd. in Chatsworth.

B. Senior Lead Officer, LAPD

[*This Agenda Item was addressed after Item #VI.*] Dario Del Core, LAPD Devonshire Division Senior Lead Officer (office 818-756-9011, x1727, mobile/text phone 818-634-0577; 27286@LAPD.LACity.org; reported that residential burglaries "have really spiked since the beginning of the year . . . especially north of Rinaldi," mainly electronics. "The knock-knock method is still their favorite . . . including the stakeout." He encouraged spreading the word and signing up for e-policing [at www.LAPDOnline.org].

Officer Del Core continued that thieves are targeting late-90's to mid-2000's vehicles, especially imports. Neighborhood Watch's help deter theft. If someone you do not know knocks on your door and/or says they are there to work, do not open the door; tell them to leave the work order on the ground and come back in ten minutes. The best deterrents are alarms and dogs. Also, most graffiti has been by taggers, not by gang members.

- C. Reports from VANC (Eric Mansker)/LANCC Liaisons (Mark Morris), Budget Reps (Krisna Crawford-Velasco and Cindy Wu Freedman)
 Mr. Mansker reported that VANC (the Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils;
 VANC@EmpowerLA.org) discussed online voting. DONE (the L.A. Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment; 818-374-9898; www.EmpowerLA.org) wants "all elections to have self-affirmation, not documentation." DONE is changing Neighborhood Council funding procedures. The LADWP Bill of Rights discussion period was extended 90 days by the City Council.
- D. Michael McMorrow, Minister of the Center For Spiritual Living Rev. McMorrow, Senior Minister of the Center [818-363-8136; RevMike@cslgh.org] and Second Vice-President of the Business Improvement District said the Center has been there since 1978 next door to Leslie's Pools and across from O'Grady's Pub. He said, "we're an open and affirming spiritual community . . . our facilities are open for rentals." Services are Sundays; Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. are non-denominational guided meditations; group meditations are on Wednesday nights. Everyone is invited.
- V. <u>Approval of Minutes</u> from the February 2, 2017 Regular Meeting.

[This Agenda Item was addressed after Item #VI.]

MOTION moved by Mr. Graham, seconded by Mr. Bohrer: The Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council (GHSNC) approves the Minutes of its February 2, 2017 General Board Meeting as written. **MOTION PASSED** by a voice vote; zero opposed; one abstention: (Smith).

VI. Approval of Budget report and Monthly Expenditures for October, November, December 2016. Mr. Schindelheim reported that the City allocated an additional \$5,000 to each Neighborhood Council, of which he added \$2,500 to the Outreach budget and \$2,500 to the Neighborhood Purposes Grants budget. (Later in this meeting, Mr. Beauvais added that the additional \$5,000 must be for a specific purpose and approved by DONE.) He distributed copies of the October, November and December 2016 GHSNC "Monthly Expenditure Reports" and the "[GHSNC] Budget Report FY 2017 – as of December 31, 2016."

FUNDING MOTION moved by Mr. Schindelheim, seconded by Mr. Smith: The GHSNC approves its revised Budget for 2016-2017.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the ten eligible voters present with nine in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Bursk, Dunlap, Kolstad, Dawn Lopez, Lyle, Schindelheim and Smith); zero opposed; one abstained (the GHSNC counts abstentions as "Yes" votes) (Lyle). Mr. Wall was ineligible to vote due to not yet being of age (18) to vote on financial matters.

Board Member Don Graham arrived at this time (6:50), making 12 Board Members present

Mr. Schindelheim reviewed October expenses and encumbrances. The balance was \$24,319.28.

FUNDING MOTION moved by Mr. Schindelheim, seconded by Mr. Benedetto: The GHSNC approves its Monthly Expenditure Report for October 2016.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 11 eligible voters present with all 11 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Bursk, Dunlap, Graham, Kolstad, Dawn Lopez, Lyle, Schindelheim and Smith); zero opposed; zero abstained. Mr. Wall was ineligible to vote due to not yet being of age (18) to vote on financial matters.

Mr. Schindelheim reviewed November expenses and encumbrances. The balance was \$22,524.49.

FUNDING MOTION moved by Mr. Schindelheim, seconded by Ms. Lopez: The GHSNC approves its Monthly Expenditure Report for November 2016.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 11 eligible voters present with all 11 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye"): (Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Bursk, Dunlap, Graham, Kolstad, Dawn Lopez, Lyle, Schindelheim and Smith); zero opposed; zero abstained. Mr. Wall was ineligible to vote due to not yet being of age (18) to vote on financial matters.

Mr. Schindelheim reviewed December expenses and encumbrances. The balance was \$20,108.26.

FUNDING MOTION moved by Mr. Schindelheim, seconded by Mr. Benedetto: The GHSNC approves its Monthly Expenditure Report for December 2016.

Board Member Justin Kim arrived at this time (7:01), making 13 Board Members present.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 12 eligible voters present with 11 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Bursk, Dunlap, Graham, Kolstad, Dawn Lopez, Lyle, Schindelheim and Smith); zero opposed; one abstention (Kim). Mr. Wall was ineligible to vote due to not yet being of age (18) to vote on financial matters.

Board Member Brandon Schindelheim left at (7:08), making 12 Board Members present

VII. Board Issues

A. Appointment and confirmation of Brandon Schindelheim as Business Director. [*This Agenda Item was addressed after Item #IV. D.*] Mr. Beauvais relayed that Mr. Schindelheim, who had occupied a Member-at-Large Seat, is okay with this.

MOTION (by Mr. Lyle, seconded by Mr. Graham): The GHSNC appoints and confirms Board Member Brandon Schindelheim as its Business Director.

MOTION PASSED by a roll call vote of the 12 eligible voters present with 11 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Bursk, Dunlap, Graham, Kolstad, Dawn Lopez, Lyle, Smith and Wall); zero opposed; one abstained (Kim) (the GHSNC counts abstentions as "Yes" votes).

B. Neighborhood Purpose Grant for Friends of the Library [see the below Motion].

Copies were distributed of a completed Neighborhood Purposes Grant Application. **FUNDING MOTION** moved by Mr. Beauvais, seconded by Mr. Benedetto: The GHSNC will allocate a Neighborhood Purposes Grant for Friends of the Library in the amount of \$3,000 to purchase books and other materials for the Granada Hills Library.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Rice, a Member of Friends of the Library, thanked the GHSNC for its previous support.

AMENDMENT to the FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Bohrer, seconded by Mr. Lyle): increase the amount of the Grant to \$4,000.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Kim, Mr. Dunlap and Ms. Bursk believed that the GHSNC should not allocate more funding than what was requested. Mr. Bohrer, Mr. Lyle and Ms. Kolstad believed it would be good to allocate more if it is for a worthwhile cause.

AMENDMENT to the FUNDING MOTION PASSED by a hand vote of the 12 eligible voters present with nine in favor; zero opposed; three abstained (the GHSNC counts abstentions as "Yes" votes).

AMENDED FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 11 eligible voters present with all 11 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Bursk, Dunlap, Graham, Kim, Kolstad, Dawn Lopez, Lyle and Smith); zero opposed; zero abstained. Mr. Wall was ineligible to vote due to not yet being of age (18) to vote on financial matters.

C. Special Meeting for discussion and possible board action on By-Laws, March 16, 2017, 6:30 p.m.

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Beauvais, seconded by Mr. Benedetto): The GHSNC will have a Special Meeting for discussion and possible board action on By-Laws, March 16, 2017, 6:30 p.m. **DISCUSSION**: Mr. Kuzmin believed that Bylaws considerations need to be outreached more to Stakeholders. Mr. Beauvais noted that Stakeholders' and Board Members' input could be made at the Special Meeting. Mr. Mansker indicated that DONE never made Bylaws revisions that were supposed to have been made.

MOTION PASSED unanimously by a hand vote of the 12 eligible voters present with all 12 in favor; zero opposed; zero abstained.

VIII. Committee Reports

A. Planning and Land Use Management (PLUM) (Cindy Wu Freedman) Report. Mr. Beauvais indicated that there was no report.

B. Outreach (Mike Benedetto)

Mr. Benedetto reported that there would be an April 7th forum to update about the Southern California Gas Company Aliso Canyon facility.

1. Motion for up to \$100 to host VANC homelessness event on March 27, 2017, to be held in Rawley Hall, GHCHS.

FUNDING MOTION (by Mr. Benedetto, seconded by Mr. Kim): The Granada Hills South Neighborhood Council will allocate up to \$100 to host Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (VANC) homelessness event on March 27, 2017, to be held in Rawley Hall, Granada Hills Charter High School (GHCHS).

DISCUSSION: This event would be co-sponsored with VANC, which represents all 34 Valley Neighborhood Councils.

FUNDING MOTION PASSED unanimously by a roll call vote of the 11 eligible voters present with all 11 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Bursk, Dunlap, Graham, Kim, Kolstad, Dawn Lopez, Lyle and Smith); zero opposed; zero abstained. Mr. Wall was ineligible to vote due to not yet being of age (18) to vote on financial matters.

C. Beautification (Joel Lyle)

Mr. Lyle reported that the Committee did not meet due to lack of a quorum.

IX. Board Member comments and submission of agenda items.

Mr. Smith requested and Ms. Jones agreed to provide a report about the Petit Park pool project. Mr. Graham noted that this was the 20th anniversary of the North Hollywood bank shootout. Mr. Dunlap thanked Board Members for reasoned discussion. Mr. Beauvais thanked Board Members for their attendance; the Special Board Meeting Agenda soon will be distributed.

X. Adjournment

MOTION to **ADJOURN** moved by Mr. Bohrer, seconded by Mr. Benedetto.

MOTION to ADJOURN PASSED by a voice vote with no opposition.

The Meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 8:20 p.m.

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