



CITY OF LOS ANGELES
GRANADA HILLS SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING APPROVED MINUTES

Thursday, March 16, 2017, Time: 6:30 pm

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

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Dave Beauvais (Senior)	Dawn Lopez (At-Large)
Vice President: Mike Benedetto (Com. Org.)	Deron Lopez At-Large)
Secretary: Julie Carson (At-Large)	Joel Lyle (At-Large)
Treasurer: Brandon Schindelheim (At-Large)	Anthony Matthews (Parks and Cultural Arts)
Jeffrey Bohrer (At-Large)	Mark Morris (Faith-Based)
Bonnie M. Bursk (Commercial Prop. Owners)	Rene R. Trinidad (Homeowners)
Jett Dunlap (At-Large)	Andrew Wall (Students)
Don Graham (At-Large)	Cindy Wu Freedman (MaL-CI)
Sally Kolstad (Education)	Michael J. Kabo (Parliamentarian)

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All agenda items are subject to discussion and possible board action.

- I. Call to order** (Presiding officer) called meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.
- II. Roll Call** (Secretary) Present at start of meeting: Beauvais; Benedetto; Bohrer; Bursk; Carson; Kolstad; Lopez, Dawn; Lopez, Deron; Matthews; Morris; Wall. Absent: Dunlap, Graham, Kim, Lyle, Schindelheim, Smith, Trinidad. Wu-Freeman arrived at 7:09 pm. Quorum present at the beginning of meeting.
- III. Public Comment:** Community and Public Comment on non-agenda items. The Public may present concerns to the Board on any issue of interest in the Community. The Board will not be able to discuss or take action on any matters brought up during public comment. However, issues raised during public comment may be agendized for discussion at a future board meeting.

Mansker: Comment on bylaws. Beauvais reminded that public comment is for nonagendized items. Kuzmin: there is one member who has not completed Ethics training. Sally Kolstad is listed as not completed and is ineligible to vote.

IV. Board Issues:

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Discussion and possible Board Action on the following sections of the By-Laws:

- A. Art. V. Governing Board, Section 1. (Option 1): Reduce current board of 11 special seats and 10 At-Large seats to 16 At-Large seats and 1 Community Interest At-Large seat for a total of 17 seats. Moved by Beauvais and seconded by Bohrer

Public comment: none. Board comment: Bursk: combine with option 2 discussion. Lopez, Deron: each member can bring up whatever they want. Benedetto: prefer #2. Morris: It's okay and then a member could be appointed to a special interest seat. Mr. Beauvais reads Option 2, as it's hard to discuss them separately. Carson: comments regarding allowing every stakeholder to vote for every seat. Bohrer: in agreement. Bursk: we should keep special interest seats for diversity so we don't end up with all homeowners, for example. Benedetto: want to keep faith based.

Motion passes by roll call vote, 8/4/0: Aye/Yes: Beauvais; Benedetto; Carson; Kolstad; Lopez, Deron; Matthews; Morris; Wu-Freeman. No: Bohrer; Bursk; Lopez, Dawn; Wall. No abstentions.

- B. (Option 2) Combine special interest seats to 5, increase At-Large seats to 12, keep 1 Community Interest At-Large for a total of 17 seats. The following would be combined: Community Interest seat to include Faith Based and Cultural and Arts seats. Business seat to include Commercial Property Owner Seat. Education seat to include Student and Youth Activities seat. Eliminate Seniors seat. Keep Homeowners and Renters seats as is.
- C. If Option 2 is adopted, amend Attachment B, Governing Board Structure and voting as follows: combine definitions for seats in accordance with above. Allow all stakeholders to vote for each position on the board, including special seats. Add language to convert any special seat that is not filled by election to an At-Large seat for that term. Seat to be filled by At-Large Candidate with next highest vote count who did not win election. If there is no such Candidate, then fill the seat by appointment. This language to be inserted immediately after the Director definitions in Article V. 1.
- D. Section 2, Quorum. If option 1 or 2 above is selected, change quorum to (9) of (17) Directors. Moved by Matthews, seconded by Bohrer. Public comment/Board comment: Matthews: odd # for quorum if 17

Motion passes by a roll call vote, 12/0/0. Aye/Yes: Beauvais; Benedetto; Bohrer; Bursk; Carson; Kolstad; Lopez, Dawn; Lopez, Deron; Matthews; Wall; Wu-Freedman. None opposed, no abstentions.

- E. Section 10, resignation. Add the following: "Resignations should be made in writing, and are effective upon receipt by the Board of Directors." Public comment: (Bohrer: is blank right now.). Moved by Bohrer, seconded by Beauvais. Moved by Matthews, seconded by Morris the following

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amendment: Resignations shall be made in writing and are effective in 24 hours of receipt by the Board President, unless withdrawn in the meantime.
Public comment: Mansker: should be effective at the meeting.

Motion passes by a roll call vote, 12/0/0. Aye/Yes: Beauvais; Benedetto; Bohrer; Bursk; Carson; Kolstad; Lopez, Dawn; Lopez, Deron; Matthews; Morris; Wall; Wu-Freeman. None opposed; no abstentions.

Amendment is now main motion. New amendment proposed by Wu-Freeman and seconded by Matthews: Board President shall notify the board by email within 72 hours after the resignation becomes effective.

Public comment: Mansker: resignation should be announced at meeting. Board comment: Kolstad – is that good with the President – is it enough time? Bursk: shouldn't burden the bylaws with petty stuff. Lopez, Dawn: I agree. Further discussion: of course it should be announced at the next meeting – doesn't necessarily have to be in the bylaws.

Motion passes by a roll call vote, 6/5/1. Aye/Yes: Benedetto, Bohrer, Matthews, Morris, Wall, Wu-Freeman. No: Bursk; Carson; Kolstad; Lopez, Dawn; Lopez, Deron. Abstention: Beauvais

F. Art. VII, Committees and their duties. Reaffirm the April 3, 2015 By-Law changes by the previous Board and make them part of these recommendations.

Motion moved by Beauvais and seconded by Bohrer.

Public comment: Mansker: commented on DONE and why they didn't take care of this back in 2015. Board comment: none.

Motion passes by roll call vote, 11-0-1. Aye/Yes: Beauvais; Benedetto; Bursk; Carson; Kolstad; Lopez, Dawn; Lopez, Deron; Matthews; Morris; Wall; Wu-Freedman. No: zero. Abstention: Bohrer

Mr. Beauvais asked if there were any other changes we want to make. Morris: Re Article 10 - do we need to revise what stakeholders have to show to vote? Beauvais: we'll change to show 16 at large and no special interest seats. Bohrer: We need a rule change on abstentions and make them real abstentions. Kuzmin: reminded everyone that a default from DONE went into the bylaws re abstentions. Benedetto: three consecutive absences or 5 in any 12-month period, board can consider removal. Board may consider removal by 2/3 of board under code of conduct. Removal under "Roberts Rules for just cause: which include absences. Bohrer: There's an issue about recording us before the meeting starts. Possibly agendize it, if needed.

Adjournment. Motion to adjourn moved by Morris, seconded by Bursk. Passed unanimously by acclamation. (time not recorded).

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