



**CITY OF LOS ANGELES**  
**GRANADA HILLS SOUTH NEIGHBORHOOD**  
**COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA –**

**Approved Minutes**

**Thursday, July 20, 2017 Time: 6:30 pm**

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

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

<b>President:</b> Dave Beauvais (Senior)	Dawn Lopez (At-Large)
<b>Vice President:</b> Michael Benedetto (Com.Org.)	Deron Lopez At-Large)
<b>Secretary:</b> Julie Carson (At-Large)	Joel Lyle (At-Large)
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Jeffrey Bohrer (At-Large)	Brad Smith, (At-Large)
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)
Justin Kim (Youth Activities)	Michael J. Kabo ( <b>Parliamentarian</b> )
Sally Kolstad (Education)	

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

- I. **Call to order** (Presiding officer) Meeting called to order 6:44 pm
- II. **Roll Call** (Secretary) Secretary took roll call. Eleven of the 18 members were present: Dave Beauvais; Michael Benedetto; Jeffrey Bohrer; Bonnie Bursk; Julie Carson; Justin Kim; Sally Kolstad; Brandon Schindelheim; Rene Trinidad; Andrew Wall; Cindy Wu Freedman. Absent: Jett Dunlap; Don Graham; Dawn Lopez; Deron Lopez; Joel Lyle; Mark Morris; Brad Smith. A quorum was reached at the beginning of the 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. Normally limited to 2 minutes.

Mr. Mansker commented on the bylaws. Suggested change to Government Affairs Committee language re Community Impact statement submissions. Mr. Kuzmin thanked Mr. Beauvais for getting the agenda out early, and objected to the special meeting be held. He also suggested we adopt the policy of a

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notebook for board docs including NPGs. Glenn Bailey clarified something about the submission of CIS statements and reminded folks of the Congress of Neighborhoods coming up Sept. 9

#### IV. Community Speakers

- A. Council District 12: Matthew Vallecilla, introduced himself as the new rep for City Councilman Englander. He was a former aide to Congr. Sherman. He mentioned National Night Out on 8/1/17, 6:00 pm, Northridge Park, the movie will be Lego Batman.
- B. Senior Lead Officer, LAPD: not present
- C. Reports from VANC (Eric Mansker)/LANCC Liaisons (Mark Morris), Budget Reps (Krisna Crawford-Velasco and Cindy Wu Freedman)

Mr. Mansker reported on VANC meeting of June 8 and July 13: there was a discussion on homeless by Michael Feuer. At this time, NC elections still planned for next year; however, the vast majority of NC's have requested they be held in 2019. Budget Advocates Brian Allen and Glenn Bailey gave their report: Mayor's budget team is going to have 2 Budget Advocates on their team. 311 budget has been cut, which impacts 911 traffic. Mr. Beauvais mentioned that we (GHSNC) need a second Budget Advocate.

- D. Presentation by Dept. of Transportation regarding restriping of Louise Ave between Devonshire and Jose Street. (given by Brian Oh).

Proposal re striping (Mr. Oh is lead transportation planner for Vision Zero) the half mile of road in front of Patrick Henry Middle School (PHMS). Vehicle capacity is 700/800 per hour. Their traffic study showed traffic runs at 370/hr – which is less than half its capacity. Crosswalks would be upgraded to high visibility crosswalks (yellow) and a stop sign added in the middle of the road at San Jose.

Public comment and questions: Mr. Mansker objected to narrowing it to one lane & adding bike lane. Mr. Oh stated that it's a safety project, not a bike lane project. Mr. Kuzmin asked about the location of the bike lane. Mr. Oh said parking would be at curb and bike lane would be adjacent (traditional set up). Mr. Kuzmin asked how many kids ride their bikes? Maria Fisk asked if it links up with other bike lanes. Mr. Hovatter said that he agrees with Mr Kuzmin that this is Wilbur Ave revisited, and he also expressed concern with what the principal of PHMS thinks of it.

Comments also by Ms. Kolstad, Mr. Trinidad, Ms. Carson and Mr.Bohrer. Mr. Oh commented that the road diet reduces speed. Mr. Beauvais stated that there would be more wait times at the crosswalks if it goes down to single lane. Beauvais: Our Public Safety Committee should take this up.

- E. Presentation by Office of Community Beautification (Dept. of Public

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Works regarding services available to the community. Ana Huizar) (not present)

**V. Approval of minutes from April 6, 2017 Regular Meeting and May 4, 2017 Regular Meeting.**

**MOTION** to approve the minutes from the April 6 meeting moved by Carson, seconded by Bohrer. Public and board comment: none. Hand vote was taken of the eleven board members present.

**MOTION PASSES:** Ayes, 10; Nays, 0; Abstentions: 1

**MOTION** to approve the minutes from the May 4, 2017 meeting moved by Carson, seconded by Bohrer. Public comment: Mr. Kuzmin commented re Item 8A's motion to postpone Items A, B & C. What were the reasons for postponement? Board comment: Mr Beauvais responded to Mr. Kuzmin. Hand vote was taken of the eleven board members present.

**MOTION PASSES:** Ayes, 10; Nays, 0; Abstentions, 1

**VI. Approval of Budget report and Monthly Expenditures for April, May and June, 2017.**

**MOTION** to approve April 2017 Budget Report and Monthly Expenditures moved by Schindelheim, seconded by Kim. Public and Board comments: none.

Roll call vote taken of the eleven board members present. Ayes: Beauvais, Benedetto, Bursk, Carson, Kim, Kolstad, Schindelheim, Trinidad, Wall, Wu-Freedman; Nays: None; Abstentions: Bohrer

**MOTION PASSES:** Ayes, 10; Nays, 0; Abstentions, 0.

**MOTION** to approve May 2017 Budget Report and Monthly Expenditures moved by Schindelheim, seconded by Benedetto. Public and board comments: none.

Roll call vote taken of the eleven board members present. Ayes: Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Bursk, Carson, Kim, Kolstad, Schindelheim, Trinidad, Wall, Wu-Freedman; Nays, zero; Abstentions, zero.

**MOTION PASSES:** Ayes, 11; Nays, 0; Abstentions, 0.

**VII. Approval of fiscal year 2017-18 budget and accompanying documents.**

**MOTION** to approve Fiscal Year 2017-18 budget and accompanying documents and allocations for various budget categories moved by Mr. Schindelheim,

seconded by Mr. Kim. Mr. Schindelheim read aloud the allocations for each category. Public comment: None. Board comments by Ms. Wu-Freedman.

Roll call vote of eleven board members present: Ayes: Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Bursk, Carson, Kim, Kolstad, Schindelheim, Trinidad, Wall, Wu-Freedman; Nays, zero; Abstentions, zero.

**MOTION PASSES:** Ayes, 11; Nays, 0; Abstentions, 0.

**VIII. Board Issues**

1. Approval of a Neighborhood Purpose Grant for the Disaster Prevention Awareness event scheduled for October 7, 2017, in the amount of \$850.00. Funds to go to the Disaster Preparedness non-profit and will be used for items in the Disaster Preparedness Kit given to each family at the event, and for food

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served at the event. [will be held at Northridge Fashion Center]

**MOTION** to approve this NPG moved by Mr. Beauvais, seconded by Mr. Benedetto. Public comments: Mr. Kuzmin commented about posting of agenda and objected to approval of this item because there was no timely ENS notice sent out. Also there is no NPG available for the public to view. Board comment: Mr. Schindelheim said this is a great event.

Roll call vote taken of the eleven board members present. Ayes: Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Bursk, Carson, Kim, Kolstad, Schindelheim, Trinidad, Wall, Wu-Freedman; Nays, zero; Abstentions, zero.

**MOTION PASSES:** Ayes, 11; Nays, 0; Abstentions, 0.

2. Motion to support the Granada Hills Street Faire scheduled for October 7, 2017 in the amount of \$2500.00. Funds to go to the Granada Hills Foundation, a non-profit organization who is sponsoring the event. Funds will be used for rental of event equipment, permits, parking control and security costs. GHSNC will have a reserved location at the Street Faire to provide outreach and public engagement.

Mr. Beauvais proposed postponement as he can't vote because he is on the Foundation Board for the Street Faire. If he recuses himself, we wouldn't have a quorum.

**MOTION** to postpone moved by Mr. Benedetto, seconded by Mr. Trinidad. Public Comment: Mr. Kuzmin stated that we should disclose board members' relationships to Chamber of Commerce. No Board comment.

Hand vote taken of the eleven board members present. Ayes, 10; Nays, 0, Abstentions: 1 (Bursk)

**MOTION PASSES** 10/0/1

3. Motion to support the Congress of Neighborhood Councils (Sept. 9, 2017) in the amount of \$500.00. Funds will be used for seminar materials, printing, and food served at the Congress.

**MOTION** moved by Ms. Wu-Freedman, seconded by Mr. Trinidad. Public Comment: Mr. Kuzmin supports this donation to the Congress of NC. Mr. Mansker made comments. Board comment: Mr. Bohrer asked if we knew what other NC's are giving? Mr. Beauvais stated the usual amount is \$500.

Roll call vote taken of the eleven board members present. Ayes: Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Bursk, Carson, Kim, Kolstad, Schindelheim, Trinidad, Wall, Wu-Freedman; Nays, zero, Abstentions, zero.

**MOTION PASSES:** Ayes, 11; Nays, 0; Abstentions, 0.

4. Approval of a Neighborhood Purpose Grant from the Granada Hills Charter High School Decathlon Team in the amount of \$3500.00. Grant will be used to defray curriculum, classroom materials and transportation costs for team competitions in 2018. [add "Academic" to the motion]

**MOTION** to approve this NPG moved by Mr. Beauvais, seconded by Mr. Bohrer. Public Comment: Mr. Kuzmin objected because he believes agenda failed to be posted as required. Mr. Mansker asked what our previous donation was? Also, was this NPG requested by GHCHS? Board comment: Mr. Bohrer suggested adding the word "Academic" before "Decathlon." Since it was for clarification

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purposes, no vote was needed on his suggestion.

Roll call vote taken of the eleven board members present. Ayes: Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Bursk, Kim, Kolstad, Schindelheim, Trinidad, Wall, Wu-Freedman; Nays: zero; Abstentions: Carson.

**MOTION PASSES:** Ayes, 10; Nays, 0; Abstentions, 1

5. Summary of approved By-Law changes, discussion item only (Julie Carson). Ms. Carson reviewed the changes in board member number, quorum, abstention rules, resignation, among other changes. Public comments. Mr. Kuzmin objected that the draft submitted with our NC application wasn't the same as the one approved. Board comments by Mr. Beauvais, Ms. Carson and Mr. Bohrer.

## IX. Committee Reports

### A. Planning and Land Use Management (PLUM) (Cindy Wu Freedman)

1. Motion regarding Accessory Dwelling Units:

California State law (Government Code Section 65852.2, subsequently amended by AB 2299 and SB 1069) allows for municipalities to draft and adopt their own local Accessory Dwelling Unit Ordinances. In response to State law, the City of Los Angeles is in the process of drafting of an ordinance that complies with State standards. According to Item No. 19- A, August 31, 2016, one of the provisions of the motion; 3) Direct the Department of City Planning to initiate a new code amendment and possible amendment to the Housing Element to conduct a comprehensive, open, and transparent review and process of, and propose revisions to Sections 12.24.W.43 and 12.24.W.44 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code with regard to second dwelling units to provide ministerial standards that alleviate barriers to their construction as required by the City's General Plan Housing Element while taking into account the unique characteristics of each geographic are of the city that may result in certain limitations and prohibitions, in compliance with Government Code 65852.2."

Considering the above directive, GHSNC Planning and Land Use Management Committee recommends to the GHSNC Board of Directors that the Department of City Planning sponsors citywide public forums in order to provide public input and before any changes are made to the City's current adopted ADU/second unit standards.

**MOTION** was moved by Ms. Wu-Freedman, seconded by Mr. Benedetto. Public comment and Board comment: None.

Hand vote was taken of the eleven board members present. Ayes, 10; Nays, zero; Abstentions, 1 (Schindelheim).

**MOTION PASSES:** Ayes, 10; Nays, 0; Abstentions, 1.

2. Motion regarding "Q" conditions- to request city planning & CD12 to provide a list for commercial properties of Q condition placing before and current the community plan revision and rational to the change.

**MOTION** was moved by Ms. Wu-Freedman, seconded by Mr. Benedetto.

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Public comment. None. Board comment: Mr. Benedetto asked if this isn't already part of the GH Community Plan? John Seletos (stakeholder member of PLUM Committee explained the motion and Q conditions.

Hand vote taken of the eleven board members present. Ayes, 11; Nays, zero; Abstentions, 0.

**MOTION PASSES:** Ayes, 11; Nays, 0; Abstentions, 0.

3. Motion regarding PLUM Committee outreach: to request from GHSNC general fund not to exceed \$750 to send out mailers to notify neighbors of land use issues & council file such as items discussed.

**MOTION** moved by Ms. Wu-Freedman, seconded by Mr. Beauvais. Public comment: Mr. Kuzmin is supportive, but thinks \$750 is not enough & would like more specifics about how they'll outreach. Mr. Mansker, Mr. Seletos also weighed in with comments. Board comment: Mr. Bohrer agrees with Mr. Kuzmin that we need to raise the amount.

**MOTION AMENDMENT** moved by Mr. Bohrer, seconded by Mr. Trinidad to raise the amount to \$1200. Public comment and Board comment: none. Roll call vote on the amendment of the eleven board members present.

Ayes: Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Bursk, Carson, Kim, Kolstad, Schindelheim, Trinidad, Wall, Wu-Freedman; Nays: zero; Abstentions: zero

**AMENDED MOTION PASSES** 11/0/0 and becomes the main motion.

Roll call vote of the eleven board members present on the **AMENDED**

**MOTION.** Ayes: Beauvais, Benedetto, Bohrer, Bursk, Carson, Kim, Kolstad, Schindelheim, Trinidad, Wall, Wu-Freedman; Nays, zero; Abstentions, zero.

**AMENDED MOTION PASSES:** Ayes, 11; Nays, 0; Abstentions, 0.

## **B. Outreach (Mike Benedetto)**

1. Motion for up to \$850.00 to cover upgrade the quality of the kits. Previous quote was for 26 units, but minimum order is now 48 units. New kits will include GHSNC logo.

**MOTION to POSTPONE** to August regular meeting moved by Mr. Benedetto, seconded by Mr. Beauvais. Public and board comment: none. Hand vote taken of the eleven board members present. Ayes, 11; Nays, zero; Abstentions, zero.

**MOTION TO POSTPONE PASSES** 11/0/0.

## **X. Board Member comments and submission of agenda items.**

Deferred to next meeting.

## **XI. Adjournment**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN** moved by Mr. Kim, seconded by Mr. Bohrer.

**MOTION PASSES** by voice vote.

**MEETING ADJOURNED** at 8:43 p.m.