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Granada Hills North Neighborhood Council

Meeting Agenda

Monday November 29, 2004 6:00 PM

Van Gogh Street School

17160 Van Gogh Street, Granada Hills, Ca. 91344

Special

General Meeting

All Stakeholders

6:00 pm

Same Location

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Special General Meeting for all Stakeholders

Regular Monthly Meeting to Follow

November 29, 2004

6PM

(Minutes in italics)

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Board of Education Disclaimer and Directors Roll Call. (for both meetings)

Meeting was called to order by Mike Greenwald, Chairman at 6:10pm. Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the LAUSD disclaimer was stated. Directors Roll Call was taken by Donna Zero, Recording Secretary and is attached. Meeting is being tape recorded.

Special General Meeting- *was called to approve recommendations by the By-Laws committee. Mary Anna Kienholz presented the report (see Attachment A) to all members. Additional changes included:*

- *Article 6.6 (page 7) - a request by Dave Bendikson that IEA (Independent Election Administrator) be spelled out. Mary Anna Kienholz accepted the amendment Vote - Aye 17, No 0, Abstain 1.*
- *Article 7.1 (page 9) Joe Vitti asked to amend the following (changes in bold) For this time only those Directors who received three year terms in the first election will be asked to serve four years". Elections will be held every two years, therefore for this time only, those Directors who received 3 year terms in March 2003, will serve a 4 year term until March 2007. Vote- Aye 27, No 3, Abstain 1.*

Special Meeting Adjourned at 6:55 pm

Minutes recorded by Donna Zero, Recording Secretary

Minutes approved on 1/31/05

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Pledge of Allegiance, Disclaimer statement and Directors' Roll Call were performed at the previous Special meeting which took place just prior to the regular meeting.

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PROCESS FOR RECONSIDERATION: Within 10 days of a Council Board decision, any Stakeholder may request, in writing, a reconsideration of a Board decision. In order to be considered the request must state the Stakeholder's name, address, and contact phone number, and the title and date of the Board's resolution or motion. It must also specify the exact reason(s) for their objection to the decision and include any documentation available to support the Stakeholder's position for the objection. The Stakeholder must also sign a declaration stating that all information provided, including any accompanying statements or documents are true, correct, and complete to the best of his/her knowledge and belief. If such reconsideration does not interfere with the timely forwarding of that decision to any legislative or governmental body or agency, the Council shall agendaize the item for possible reconsideration at their next meeting. If a Director wishes to change his or her vote, the Board will reconsider the issue.

Regular Monthly Meeting called to order at 6:56pm

1. Public Comment on Non Agenda Items (Will be limited to 2 minutes per speaker).
2. Acceptance of previous meeting minutes. 8/25/03, 7/26/04 and 10/25/04.

Motion by Scott Manatt to approve the minutes of the 10/25/04 meeting as edited. Editing included spelling corrections. Item #5 replace Group with Organization. Item #8 add "in the north valley" after councils and remove the ' on City's. Items 14, 16, and 17 correct spelling to Anne and item #3 (approval of 8-30-04 minutes) was deleted. Vote- Aye 17, No 0, Abstain 0. Mike Greenwald and Donna Zero will try and go over the tapes for the 8/30/04 meeting for corrections.

3. Presentation by Devonshire Division.

Sergeant Rick Gibby spoke on behalf of Dario Del Core, SLO, Devonshire Division. Officer Del Cord has to leave the meeting early. Sgt. Gibby stated that crime was down in the Devonshire Division but to be on guard during the holiday season. Motion was made to provide money to purchase new chairs for the Devonshire Division (Homicide Division). Motion was deferred to later in the meeting.

4. Board Business:

Discussion on August 30 minutes.

Review of Standing Committees. Conflict of Interest Statements and formation of a Grievance Committee

Mike Greenwald passed out a list of current committees and members. The list was corrected by the board. These corrections included:

Communications Committee- add Dave Bendikson, Mary Anna Kienholz, Dave Parikh and Becky Bendikson. Election Committee- add Ralph Kroy. Outreach and Publicity- spelling correction Mark Oerum... Safety Committee - add Scott Manatt and Jim Summers. Planning and Land Use- add Jeannie Plumb

Mike Greenwald thanked Mary Anna Kienholz for all her hard work on the By-Laws. She agreed to Chair the Policy and Rules Committee. Vote on her nomination - Yes 19, No 0, Abstain 0.

Scott Manatt declined to remain as City Information Officer (CIO). Mike Greenwald moved to appoint Kim Thompson as CIO.

It was noted by Becky Bendikson that since this was not an agenda item, it could not be voted on. Mike Greenwald asked to have Kim appointed on a temporary basis until the next meeting.

Formation of a Grievance Committee-Mike Greenwald noted that there was no reference to a grievance Committee in the By-Laws. Sid Gold stated that it should be referred to the Policy and Rules Committee for guidelines. Mary Anna Kienholz stated that a standard grievance form exists and is brought to the Board. Mike Greenwald stated that Article 12 of the By-Laws talks about how grievances are filed and that a copy goes to DONE. It was mentioned that Donna Zero had the forms but she has no recollections of ever receiving them. Mike Greenwald suggested that someone from the city should meet with Policy and Rules. Motion by Dave Parikh to move the discussion to Policy and Rules. Vote- Aye 19, No -1, Abstain 0.

Possible formation of Bureau of Street Services Committee to recommend and track needed projects.

It was discussed whether to form a separate committee or if it should come under Planning and Land Use or Public Safety. It was also suggested that a member from both Public Safety and Planning and Land Use be on the committee. Motion was made by Becky Bendikson to form a separate committee (Vote- Aye 7, No 13, Abstain 0). Motion was then made by Sid Gold for a subcommittee to be developed by Planning and Land Use and Public Safety. Vote- Yes 18, No 0, Abstain 2. Note that the chairs from both committees will make sure that there are representatives from each committee on the new subcommittee.

Approval of storage area generously donated by Knollwood Realty.

Knollwood Realty has offered our Council a corner in their conference room to store our materials. Mike Greenwald has asked Susan Tipton to purchase a file cabinet. The site has been approved and the proper paperwork has been filed with DONE. What is needed is consensus from the Council. Sid Gold made a motion to accept the offer of space in Knollwood Realty and the purchase of the file cabinet. Vote- Aye 17, No 1, Abstain 1. An acceptance petition was passed around for council signatures. This will be given to Jackie Mendez.

Motion was made by Mike Greenwald to form an ad hoc committee to locate more permanent office space and to discuss the need for it. Vote- Aye 18, No 0, Abstain 1. Dave Parikh accepted chairmanship of the committee. Other committee member is Joe Vitti

Committee Reports. (Information and possible Board actions)

Election Committee: March election progress

The committee did not meet in November (no quorum). There was an informal meeting with Tom Soong to go over procedures. Back-Up procedures will be presented at the next meeting. The school site will be available for the elections.

Planning and Land Use Committee: Aliso Canyon, support of HPOZ survey, Nextel Cell site at 16231 San Fernando Mission Blvd. ZA-2004-2065 and Verizon Cell site at 11050 Woodley Ave ZA-2004-4669. Proposed sphere of influence amendment:

Anne Ziliak reported that Granada Highlands is being considered for HPOZ. The recommendation is stuck in city council due to funding cuts. Our council has been asked to write a letter of support to consider moving forward on a survey for the houses that may qualify. Motion made by the committee to write the requested letter. Vote Aye- 16, No 0, Abstain 3.

Nextell Cell site at 16231 San Fernando Mission Blvd. Motion to accept committees recommendations Vote- Aye-19, No-0 Abstain -0.

Cell Tower site at Woodley – committee asked to add 2 more palms and enclose the equipment shed with greenery. The safety of the tower location at the SE corner of Kennedy HS was questioned. Our committee can only comment on location and design, not safety. Motion to accept the design additions. Vote aye- 18, No 0, abstain 1.

Motion made by Mike Greenwald “Planning and Land Use Committee will address sphere of influence document and work with other Neighborhood Councils to that end. Vote Aye-18, No-0, Abstain 0.

Public Safety Committee: North Los Angeles Traffic Planning, Balboa Traffic Study, LAPD Crime Stats (Sgt. Gibby) Devonshire Division Chairs, Hospital Signs on 118, Little League Floodlights.

Planning is going on on a North Los Angeles traffic study, especially the increasing traffic on the 5 Freeway. Councilman Greig Smith is working on a traffic study for Balboa Blvd. Input from our council members is requested.

ON the November 29, 2004 Public Safety Report, two motions Item #2) were made concerning the Balboa Traffic Study. Both motions were accepted and passed with the following additions; Motion #1 “study will include but not limited to...” Vote- Aye 19, No 0, Abstain 0. Motion #2 “...include candidates statement with election mailing with a budget of \$4000.” Vote- Aye 18, No 0, Abstain 1.

Item #4 on the Public Safety Report requested \$3875. for new chairs for the Devonshire Division. Vote- Aye 18, No 2, Abstain 0.

5. Board Comment.

Mike Greenwald requested a waiver of the agendized rule for allow Wade Hunter to speak on Sunshine Canyon. Vote- Yes 17, No 0, Abstain 0

Wayde Hunter spoke on the need to form an ad hoc committee to respond to the SEIR addendum by Jan. 12, 2005. Recommendations of the committee to be brought to the next meeting. Vote- Aye-18, No 0, Abstain 0. The committee will consist of Wayde Hunter, Donna Zero, Mary Edwards, Ralph Kroy, Mary Ellen Crosby and Sid Gold.

An interview with Mary Ellen Crosby about the parks and GHNNC will air on Dec. 6 at 7:30PM

Dec. 2, 2004 at 6:30 pm there will be a meeting on the new high school for Granada Hills. Meeting is at Patrick Henry MS

A meeting to break up the water district will be held on Nov. 30 at 6pM at the Santa Clarita County Chambers.

6. Public Comment.

None

7. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 9:05pm

Minutes submitted by Donna Zero, Recording Secretary

Minutes approved on 2/21/05