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**Granada Hills North Neighborhood Council  
Board Meeting October 29, 2007  
Van Gogh School Auditorium, 17160 Van Gogh Street  
Granada Hills, CA**

1. **Call to Order** by GHNNC Chair Leon Marzillier, Pledge of Allegiance, Chair Comments.

Roll Call: Quorum established with Dale Alloway, Pat Casparian, Jonalyn Cooper, Mary Ellen Crosby, Michael Deering, Sid Gold, Michael Greenwald, Wayde Hunter, Joshua Jordahl, Skip Leifer, Scott Manatt, Leon Marzillier, Natasha Vetlugin, Joe Vitti, Kathy Wagenbach, Anne Ziliak. William Lillenberg arrived late.

2. **Approval of September 24, 2007 Minutes. (Leifer/Vitti) moved to accept the minutes as amended. The motion carried: 15-0-1.**

3. **Approval of December Meeting Date.** After discussion about changing the December

GHNNC board meeting date due to holiday conflicts, **(Greenwald/Crosby) moved to hold the regular board meeting on Dec. 17, 2007. The motion carried: 13-1-2.** Previously, (Cooper/Wagenbach) moved to suspend the December meeting but that motion was ruled out of order because the bylaws require monthly board meetings to be held. The Executive Committee will now research the availability and cost for opening the school for the December 17, 2007 date at an estimated cost of \$180.00.

4. **Public Comment on non-agenda items:**

- Raymond Yue announced the annual Hollywood Xmas Parade on Sat. Dec. 25th beginning near the Hollywood/Highland Metro station.
- Mary Edwards asked for donations of left over Halloween candy for the homeless shelters and for old calendars (appropriate for children) to be used as teaching tools.
- Gail Gunderson, the new principal at Van Gogh, introduced herself.

5. **Treasurer's report** – Scott Manatt presented the budget and cash flow report for the first

fiscal quarter ending Sept. 30, 2007 and the first quarter of 2008. He said there is \$127,360.87 available for funding and suggested the board look for good projects to fund to avoid losing some of that money on July 1st when the

41 City reviews the budget. At that time (the end of three years of budgeting) any  
42 monies over \$100,000 will revert to the City's general fund.

43 Mary Edwards suggested the board reexamine the many community projects  
44 involving schools art and music programs that are constantly in need of  
45 funding. Mary Ellen Crosby suggested funding a newsletter.

46 **6. Financial Officer's report** – Pat Casparian reported that DONE has  
47 confirmed that the

48 approval of the revised 2007/2008 budget. He explained the difference  
49 between the budget and actual expenditures for the fiscal quarter ending  
50 Sept. 30, 2007.

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53 **7. Comments from Elected Reps:** John Bwarie, deputy to Councilman  
54 Greig Smith

55 announced a community clean up on Saturday, Nov. 3, 2007 involving two  
56 locations in Granada Hills. He also spoke about:

57 The DWP rate increase before the City Council. (See Item #9)

58 The telephone user tax of 9% proposed by the Mayor. The monies would fund  
59 8% of the City budget, (18% of the discretionary or mandatory budget items).  
60 Voters will have the chance to approve this in February.

61 The Knollwood traffic signal, which has been delayed due to a conflict in the  
62 approval process with City street services.

63 John did not have any information on the Councilman's vote for the proposed  
64 development for the K Overlay Zone on Mayerling, a decision which went  
65 against the GHNNC recommendation and is in opposition to the Community  
66 Plan.

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68 **8. GHNNC Board Board Vacancies** – Leon announced that board member  
69 Bob Olander, who served as Communications Chair, has resigned due to  
70 conflicts with his job. Skip reviewed the board vacancies that currently  
71 exist: District 1, District 2, Small Business, Student, Neighborhood  
72 Organization, and Resident Associations. Leon asked for assistance from  
73 the board in filling these vacancies.

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75 **9. Support for the NC/LADWP Memorandum of Understanding**  
76 **Oversight Committee** The Executive Committee recommended the  
77 board approve a Letter of Resolution to not recommend the DWP  
78 proposed Water and Power Base Rate Increases, Reliability or Deferred  
79 Maintenance Adjustments, Pass Through or Surcharges Increases.  
80 **(Vitti/Leifer) additionally moved the the board write a letter to**

81 **Councilman Smith detailing issues of concern indicated by board**  
82 **member Joe Vitti**, who attended the October 2007 Congress of  
83 Neighborhoods meeting. At that meeting, Joe stated that 62 NCs took a  
84 stand against the proposed rate increase and recommended support of  
85 the Letter of Resolution. The motion carried unanimously.

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87 **10. Neighborhood Council Review Commission Report** – Joe Vitti  
88 reviewed some of the recommendations that came out of the NCRC’s 15-  
89 months of work. (Recommendations are posted at [www.ncrcla.org](http://www.ncrcla.org)). The  
90 Executive Committee also suggested posting a link from the GHNNC  
91 website to the NCRC page with the recommendations.

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93 **11. Committee Reports**

94 *PLUM Motions*– Anne Ziliak:

95 **“That GHNNC attend the November 9, 2007 hearing on ENV-2007-**  
96 **4412-CE: ZA-2003-8116: 12000 Blucher and approve the co-location**  
97 **of T-Mobile if the plans comply with GHNNC’s adopted Minimum**  
98 **Standards for a monopine, approved February 23, 2004.”** The motion  
99 **carried unanimously.**

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101 **“That the GHNNC approve funds up to \$200 (for 5 PLUM members @**  
102 **\$40 each) to attend the November 7<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Southern**  
103 **California Planning Congress in L.A.”** The motion carried  
104 **unanimously.**

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- 107 • Also, Anne reported that a planning meeting on the Rinaldi street  
108 case and the planner urged a meeting be held with community for  
109 mitigation. She will report back to the board on how that meeting  
110 goes.
  - 111 • Anne spoke about the Mayerling vote and how the City Council  
112 voted for the developer’s variance despite several board members  
113 address to the Council about the community’s opposition. She said  
114 that neighbors are very angry and dissatisfied with Council office.  
115 Sid Gold suggested PLUM write a letter stating this to the  
116 Councilman. The item was put on the next PLUM committee  
117 agenda.

118 *Public Safety Motions* - Michael Greenwald

119 **“The Public Safety Committee recommends that the GHNNC work**  
120 **with all City, County and State agencies to restore and repave**  
121 **Blucher Ave. north of Rinaldi. We also recommend that a**  
122 **Beautification project be implemented on Blucher north of Rinaldi to**  
123 **at least 200 yards past Odyssey Drive.”** The motion carried  
124 **unanimously.**

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- Mike also noted a complaint regarding KB Homes trailers parked and partially obstructing a city street.
- He updated the board on MWD's promise to work on safety issues on their railroad cars in June or July 2008.

**“That GHNNC work with CD12, DOT, CalTrans and any other agencies to:**

**a.) Restrict any turns onto Balboa Road from San Fernando Road and any left turns from Sierra Highway onto Foothill Blvd between 6:AM and 9:AM.**

**b.) Restrict any left turns onto Balboa Road or Foothill Blvd from N/B Balboa Blvd between 3 PM and 7: PM.”**

**The motion carried: 13-3-1.**

At the next Public Safety meeting, the committee will discuss asking Cal Trans to reconfigure the light at Balboa and Foothill.

*Parks & Beautification Motions*– Mary Ellen Crosby.

**“That the GHNNC provide the funds to purchase additional poppy and wildflower seeds for Bee Canyon Park, not to exceed \$450.” The motion carried: 16-0-1.**

**“That the GHNNC contact the appropriate authorities to request that the auxiliary parking lot at O’Melveny Park be open to the public on weekends and holidays.” The motion carried: 16-1-0.**

*Communications* – Aaron DeVandry was appointed as the new Communications Chair. Aaron spoke about putting together a biannual newsletter.

## **12. Board Member Comment on non-agenda items**

Leon announced a meeting on the Las Lomas project to be held by the Porter Ranch NC on Tues. 11/13 at 7 p.m.

Wayde Hunter reported on the conference he and Anne attended in San Diego on October 16, 2007 for the CA Integrated Waste Management Board Workshop on *Financial Assurances for Landfill Closure*.

## **13. Meeting Adjourned 9:00 p.m.**

Minutes by Pat Kramer, Apple One, modified by Skip Leifer, Recording Officer