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## CITY OF LOS ANGELES, CA



**Granada Hills North NC Board Meeting  
at Saint Euphrasia School Meeting Room,  
11766 Shoshone Ave. Granada Hills, 91344  
Tuesday November 3, 2015 at 6:30 PM**

**Approved 12/1/2015**

**All agenda items are subject to discussion and possible Committee action**

## GRANADA HILLS NORTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance, Welcome/Introductions/Calendar  
*Meeting was called to order by President Michael Greenwald at 6:30 pm. In attendance were board members Sam Andres, Mike Chibidakis, Michael Greenwald, Sid Gold, Bill Hopkins, Ralph Kroy, Betty Moreno, Amanda Nall, Ray Pollok, Rob Sherman, Vanessa Silver, Jan Subar, Jim Summers, Joe Vitti, and Donna Zero. Absent members were, Rahim Kazi, Bill Lillenberg, and Victoria Watson.  
Also in attendance were 27 stakeholders.*
2. Comments from CD 12, LAPD Senior Lead Officers, Elected Official Reps, Government Agencies  
*Joel Farardo, Mayor of the City of San Fernando introduced himself and announced that he was running for the State Assembly. Megan Cottier (CD12) announced that the Granada Hills/Knollwood Community Plan was passed and adopted last week. Steve Klein (Recreation Supervisor, Dept. of Parks and Recreation) stated that no more permits were being issued for O'Melveny Park (only permits for picnic tables with proper insurance as needed). In response to representatives from the Pacers, who were recently refused a permit for the park, he said that the city was looking for places with safer terrain for x-country runners.*
3. Public Comment on non-agenda items (limited to two minutes)  
*Maria Fisk talked about the Granada Hills/Knollwood Community Plan which will guide development in our community. J. Wawe, a coach, stated that his group would like to bring pole lights to the soccer field on Balboa so that the children could practice in the early evenings (Monday thru Friday). Issue was referred to the Public Safety Committee pending notification of affected neighbors..*
4. Approval of the October Board Meeting Minutes  
*Motion to approve the minutes was made by Bill Hopkins and seconded by Rob Sherman. Minutes were approved with one typo correction. Yes-11, No-0, Abstentions-2 (Andress, Gold)*
5. Emergency Preparedness Item of the Month  
*Bill Hopkins presented the item which was a packet with two hand warmers.*
  - A. Motions, possible motions and discussion items for Board Meeting:
    - 1. Executive Committee**
      - a. Motion to approve October Treasurer's Report  
*Motion was approved by a vote of Yes-13, No-1 (Summers), Ineligible -1 (Nall)*
    - 2. Outreach and Publicity Committee Report**  
*There was no report this month.*
    - 3. Planning and Land Use, Report**
      - a. Motion: On a request from the 76 Station at 17000 Rinaldi (corner of Balboa), to expand the current snack shop with 1568 sq. ft. into a mini-mart with 2048 sq. ft., Spanish style. Will demolish existing mechanical bays to make room. Will do away with one fuel island (4 pumps). Will not serve liquor. PLUM recommends to the Board that GHNNC approve the project, pending notification of the only neighbor (west) before the Board meeting, regarding light poles.  
*Yes-15, No-0 Carried unanimously*
      - b. Motion: On the matter of a request by Heritage Christian Schools to change the mix of students at the school on the corner of Shoshone and Rinaldi to add a pre-school. PLUM

recommends approval of the project, as it is within the population limits of the current Conditional Use Permit. Change the current CUP paragraphs 26, 28, 31 to read:

26. The course of instruction offered at the school shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Education Code (#48222) of the State of California required to be taught at [take out "public" and substitute "private"] schools.

28. [Delete in its entirety] The school shall begin classes no later than 8 a.m. or as may otherwise be mutually agreeable with the Los Angeles Unified School District so long as the District operates a public school in the morning hours located between Rinaldi Street, Encino Avenue, Andasol Avenue and the Simi Freeway. Any such agreement shall be signed by both parties and submitted to the Zoning Administrator for inclusion in the same case file.

31. [delete] Student enrollment in Grades 11 and 12 shall not exceed a combined total of 120 for three years beginning Fall 2008 after which time the combined enrollment will not exceed a total of 100.

*Motion to accept was approved. Yes-13, No-2 (Summers, Moreno).*

*At this time, Mike Chibidakis left the room*

*Jan Subar also announced that the Nominating Committee will resume meeting next month. Please send her any referrals.*

#### **4. Citywide Committee Report**

Whereas the Department of Water and Power is proposing a five year, 25% to 30% increase in our utility rates;  
Whereas this \$1.4 billion rate increase will be used to repair the Department's infrastructure, improve the reliability of service, expand the local water supply, transform its sources of power, improve customer service, and support the five year, \$13 billion capital expenditure program;  
Whereas Ratepayers deserve an open and transparent process.

- a. Therefore, the DWP Advocacy Committee recommends: That the rate increases not be approved until the Ratepayers have ample opportunity to review and analyze the charter mandated Industrial, Economic, and Administrative Survey;  
That the rate increases not be approved until the Ratepayers have ample opportunity to review and analyze the report of the Ratepayers Advocate and its independent consultant;  
That the Ratepayers Advocate prepare an ongoing list of questions concerning the Department, its finances, and its operations;  
That these questions be prepared with input from Neighborhood Councils and Ratepayers; That the Ratepayers Advocate, with the assistance of DWP, provides timely answers to these questions;  
That the Ratepayers have ample time to review and analyze the answers to these questions;  
That the Ratepayers have ample time to provide input to the City Council;  
That the City Council discuss in an open and transparent manner the governance of DWP, including the recommendation of the LA 2020 Commission;  
That the City Council freeze the cash contributions to the City from the 8% Transfer Fee at \$250 million a year and the City Utility Tax at \$350 million a year, with any excess funds invested in the Power System.  
That the 120 day notification of rate increases, as noted in the MOU, between DWP and NC's shall not commence until the finalized proposals of rate increases are publicly presented by the DWP Board and that the proposed rate increases will be in effect for three years.

*Motion carried. Yes-13, No-1 (Nall)*

- b. GHNNC opposes that LA city apply to host the 2024 Olympic Games  
and further resolves that if the LA City Council and Mayor support the application to host the 2024 that the final application proposal must be approved by a vote of the residents of Los Angeles  
*Motion made to split the original motion to A) opposing the 2024 games and B) that the 2024 application for the Olympics be approved by a vote of LA residents. Yes-11, No-3 (Gold, Kroy, Chibidakis)*  
*Motion A passes. Yes-8. No-4, Abstention -1 (Hopkins)*  
*Motion B passes. Yes-14*

- c. GHNNC write a letter to the Attorney General of the United States investigate the possible illegal actions of the Mayor, City Attorney and Chief of Police by designating Los Angeles a sanctuary city, A copy of this letter be sent to the Mayor, City Attorney and Chief of Police of Los Angeles City.  
*Motion passes with a vote of Yes-13, Abstention- 1 (Gold).*
- d. GHNNC supports the short term rental ordinance regarding the collection of appropriate. GHNNC also recommends that before the ordinance is passed that a study of unintended consequences of the ordinance be explored such as liability, insurance, safety etc. and be developed accordingly.  
*Motion does not pass. Yes-1 (Gold), No-8, Abstention- 4.*

#### **5. Public Safety, Report**

- a. GHNNC requests that D.O.T. Services look at the intersection of southbound Blucher approaching Rinaldi. There is only one lane and a half available for vehicles making left or right turns onto Rinaldi. So the vehicles turning right are unnecessarily being delayed because making a left turn is difficult. It appears there is room to easily widen Blucher to two lanes approaching the intersection which would greatly help. If D.O.T. can come up with a better idea to ease congestion that would also be appreciated.
- b. Motion: Write a letter to LAUSD, CD12, Recreation & Parks, and neighboring residents. The GHNNC recommends that LAUSD immediately cease all athletic events at O'Melveny Park. O'Melveny since its dedication is a "passive park" with no organized events or activities allowed!  
*Ray Pollok and Mike Chibidakis motioned to table discussion of the above until more information is gathered by the Public Safety Committee. It was suggested that the committee move its meeting to a later time (evening) so that more stakeholders can participate.*

#### **6. Emergency Preparedness Report**

*At their last meeting, Bill Hopkins reported that the discussion was about first aid kits and how the contents need to address the situation.*

#### **7. Election Committee Update**

- a. Motion to approve "Stip Sheet"  
*Mike Greenwald asked for approval of the GHNNC Election Stip Sheet verifying the next board election on Saturday, April 9, 2016 from 2-6 pm at the GHNNC office. Motion was approved by a vote of Yes-14, No-0 and Abstention-1 (Kroy)*

#### **8. Committee Comment on Non-Agenda Items**

*Donna Zero and Betty Moreno reported on the Budget Meeting that they attended in Van Nuys. They talked about the Mayor's emphasis on quantifying budget expenses. Copies of the Service Report Card were passed out which contained the website for input on the City budget. Poll is open until December 7.*

#### **Adjournment**

*Meeting was adjourned at 8:42 pm.*