#### Neighborhood Council Governing Board:

**Executive Board:** 

Mikayeel Khan- President & Chair of Executive Committee & Chair of Land Use Committee

Brenda Morales- Vice President

Anna M. Justice- Treasurer & Chair of Budget &

Finance Committee

Roxanne Urquiza- Secretary & Chair of Youth &

Education Development Committee

David Ramirez-Parliamentarian

#### **Board Member:**

Teodora Reyes- Chair of Outreach Committee

Fannie Long- Senior Representative

Rebecca Long-At-Large Representative

Reuben Garcia- Chair of Public Safety & Health Committee

John Hernandez- Retail Business Representative

# MINUTES -CITY OF LOS ANGELESCalifornia



# PACOIMA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

https://www.pacoimanc.com/

**Regular Board Meeting** 

Wednesday, January 17, 2024

6:30 pm - 8:30p.m

Pacoima Community Center 11243 Glenoaks Blvd., Pacoima, CA 91331

#### 1. WELCOMING REMARKS:

### a) Call to order-

-A public meeting of the Pacoima Neighborhood Council was convened on <u>January 17, 2024</u>, at El Nido Pacoima Community Center and called to order at 6:35 p.m.

-Senior Representative, Fannie Long guided the Council to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

# b) Roll Call by Roxanne Urquiza-

Pacoima Neighborhood Council Attendance Form-

NAME-	Present	Not Present
Mikayeel Khan		X
Anna Justice	X	
Fannie Long	X	
Reuben Garcia	X	

John Hernandez	X	
Brenda Morales	X	
Roxanne Urquiza	X	
Rebecca Long	X	
Teodora E. Reyes	X	
David A. Ramirez	X	
Total-	9	1

# **Quorum** was established

2. <u>COMMUNITY/GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:</u> (Representatives from government offices, Police Department, and community-based organizations. *Up to (5) minutes per report, the Chair has the authority to adjust, if necessary, to equal time limits*)

# A. California Congressional District 29

Congressman Tony Cardenas -Not Present-

Field Deputy: Laura Juarez.

# **B.** Los Angeles City Council District 7

Councilwoman Monica Rodriguez -Present-

Field Representative: **Esther Mares**.

#### Announcements-

- -Announced that they were hubs throughout the city to help with homelessness, one being located in Pacoima City Hall
- -Since tax season is coming up the Los Angeles Public Library
  -Offered to help with taxes on January 22nd from 4-5pm
- -Pacoima Beautiful will be having a clean-up at Paxton Park Pedestrian Bridge -On Saturday, January 20th from 9 am-12 pm
- -Announced an accomplishment of collabing with West Yes Valley Homes
  - -Expanded and placed those in motor homes into actual housing
  - -68 vehicles were removed and 99 were housed

The program started in Sylmar and will be pushed into Pacoima soon

-They get enrolled into the program and get housed in their intern house with incentives of visa gift cards if they finish the program (Along with totaling the RV's)

# C. Los Angeles Police Department

# Foothill Division:

Senior Lead Officer Steve Nunez and

-Present-

# Officer Diana Figueroa.

# Announcements-

Officer Diana Figueroa-

Steve Nunez was not able to make it.

- -The main concerns that are happening are hit-and-runs between pedestrians and vehicles since jaywalking is now legal
- -Make sure you are crossing streets to be safe and alert by removing distractions like phones or headphones since you can receive a fine.
- -A recent shooting in Pacoima is still being investigated but once there are updates they will inform us.

# **D.** <u>LAPD Community Safety Partnership</u>

Senior Lead Officer: Luis Garcia and

-Present-

# Nancy Escober.

### Announcements-

Officers Mal Gomez and Steven Underwood came in instead of officers Luis and Nancy.

- -Their unit is focused on youth programming due to the recent increase in gang activities
- -There is also a wrestling program at David M. Gonzales Recreation Center
  - -from ages 6–16 years old
  - -register for a small fee of \$10
    - -A boxing program is planned to come soon
  - -They receive private pt instruction on eating, working out, etc)
- -There have not been any reports of homicides in the gardens but they are having a lot of vigilance in that area
- -As for those who witnessed the homicide that took place in the gardens before, they are giving them resources like therapy for the youth but also the witnesses
- -Resource event on March 23rd
  - -There will be an easter egg hunt
  - -There will also be a wrestling match at the David M. Gonzales Recreation Center

# E. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment

Neighborhood Empowerment

-Present-

Advocate: Joel Gonzalez.

#### Announcements-

-The Empower LA Youth Conference will still be on Saturday, January 27th located at the Los Angeles City Hall from 9 am-4 pm

-Event for women's empowerment will be taking place in March to honor and appreciate the women in our community that has had great achievements

The date and location are to be announced.

-There is a fee of \$200 each for Zoom license

# F. California State Assembly District 39

Assemblywoman Luz Rivas

Field Representative: **Jessica** -Not Present-

Guzman.

# **G.** LAUSD Board of Education

Board Member Kelly Gonez -Not Present-

Field Deputy: Maria Flores.

# H. Office of Los Angeles Mayor:

Karen Ruth Bass. -Present-

Field Deputy: Michelle Vergara.

#### Announcements-

- -Announced that Mayor Bass has now completed her first year and soon she will have her accomplishments reviewed
  - -Through booklets and the office website online
    - -homelessness initiatives with plans
    - -311 how to improve them
- -Announced that there is a vacant seat as chair for their gun department office
  - -Recommendations are welcomed through tips and a survey that can be filled out to hear from the community
- -They are also working towards having more events within the valley

An infrastructure meeting is coming up to speak with bureaus to see presentations or ways to request for services or to better the streets

-Members are invited to the meeting to be able to receive these resources

LA repair- is focusing on the areas of Arleta and Pacoima

- -Have around 700-750 thousand and the money will be decided on in a specific matter (max is 500k and min is around 250k)
- -The community gets to choose where the money is used based on votes and projects
- -Applications close on February 1st and in March the community will get to vote physically and digitally about who gets the money

-Advisory council applications are now closed but if a member from there you may help select the projects that will help better the community

# I. Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors,

**Third District:** Supervisor Lindsey Horvath

Field Deputy: **Savannah Portillo.** -Present-

#### Announcements-

- -Thanked the members that attended to the tabling at their event
  - -Announced that she will be chair and her main focus is helping on homelessness and helping with the housing
- -Whiteman Airport Report-
  - -county department has taken health studies and will be putting in their report on February 5th

LA Homeless Count- many locations are being held around Los Angeles to help out the homeless

- -Volunteers are needed to help out
- -Needed on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. Dates are January 24,25, and 26th
- -Announced that based on the food distribution they had in December they will be trying to continue doing it as a monthly thing
- -Lastly, she wouldn't want to go forward with removing the airport without having a project to replace it with

# J. California State Senate District 20

Senator Caroline Menjivar.

District Representative: -Present-

Katherine Castrejon.

Announcements-

- -Announced there will be an event on January 26, 2024
  - -at 6 pm virtually
- -Touching on the topics of flooding that is been taking place on the I5 Will be partnered up with Luz Rivas and CalTrans

K. Los Angeles City Fire Department

Battalion Chief: Adam W. Knabe -Not Present-

L. Region 1 Budget Advocate:

Kevin Davis -Present-

Announcements-

-Made announcements as a public speaker

M. Department of Health Services Olive

View-UCLA Medical Center

Community Relation Lead: -Not Present-

Brenda Yanez.

3. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's jurisdiction (Up to two (2) minutes per speaker, the Chair has the authority to adjust, if necessary, to equal time limits).

#### -Serrano

-announced that he is running for office and wants transparency in the community

-Also announced that people in Arleta are being kicked out of their homes due to the building of new projects

### -Walter Garcia-

- -Assembly District 43
- -He is motivated to run for office since he grew up in Pacoima and wants to help his community
- -He cares about making our community push forward through homelessness, protecting tents, Whiteman airport, public safety, etc.

#### -Joanna-

- -Announced parking issue of cars parked for months on her street
- I called 311 and parking enforcement and nothing has changed since they move the cars and then put them back
- -Wants a better solution to have safety since she does not have parking by her house she has to park far away and can run the risk of being harmed

# -Jesse Leon-

- -LA Metro- announcement on community meeting that is going to be launching a council -In that meeting, you will be able to meet the whole team which consists of 15 leaders -Discussing plans etc.
- -Church on the way Church on Feb 8th from 6 pm-8 pm
  -having regional community meetings (1 hour and a half meetings)

# -Celeste Rodriguez-

- -Mayor of the City of San Fernando
- -Is running for Assembly District 43
  - -She is dedicated to helping everyone in her community the best she can
- -She plans to have many projects to help families and be able to support them but also to be able to bring resources for them that they may need

#### -Kevin Davis-

- -Announced a summary of how much money is going into just 6 projects over the next years
- -Civic center- \$1.5 billion
- -Los Angeles River- \$1.5 billion
- -Expand and Modernize the Convention Center- \$1.5 billion
- -Upgrade the City Parks- \$2 billion
- -Upgrade the City Sidewalks- \$5 billion
- -Complete the Clean Water Act- \$8 billion

#### -LaDonna Dicamillo -

- -Regional Director of High-speed rail authority-
- -Planning to separate areas so you will not have to stop for the train to pass
  - -all the environmental work has been done and checked
- -Transportation construction will be redirected to help manage traffic areas
  - -long term issues will cause business displacements
    - -They appreciate any changes or new impacts that may affect the community
- -Plans for it to be out by Spring around early April
  - -any feedback through email or contact info is appreciated

#### -Carmenlina Minasova-

- -Running for District 6 and District 43
  - -She wants to help the community change and be better
- -Not only by helping families but also by giving them the help they need and are not being given

# 4. ADMINISTRATIVE/MOTIONS/UPDATES:

# a. Motion/Discussion/vote for the approval of Monthly Expenditure Reports (MER's) for: November 2023 by Anna Justice. (5 Minutes).

-Motioned by Anna Justice.

-Second motion by Brenda Morales.

-Motion passed.

# b. Motion/Discussion/vote for the approval of Monthly Expenditure Reports (MER's) for: December 2023 by Anna Justice. (5 Minutes).

-Motioned by Reuben Garcia.

-Second motion by Anna Justice.

-Motion passed.

# c. Motion/Discussion/vote for the approval of November 2023 minutes. By Roxanne Urquiza. (5 Minutes).

-Motioned by Fannie Long.

-Second motion by Reuben Garcia.

-Motion passed.

# d. Motion Motion/Discussion/vote for the approval of business cards for the council members that don't have any up to 500.00. By Anna Justice. (5 Minutes).

-Motioned by Anna Justice.

-Second motion by Brenda Morales.

-Motion passed.

e. Motion/Discussion/Vote for or approval of ID badges up to 650.00 for the council members. By Anna Justice. (5 Minutes).

-Motioned by Fannie Long.

-Second motion by Teodora Reves.

-Motion passed.

f. Motion/discussion/vote for the approval of "I Love Pacoima Neighborhood Council" stickers up to 600.00. By Anna Justice. (5 Minutes).

-Motioned by Anna Justice.

-Second motion by Teodora Reyes.

-Motion passed.

g. Motion/discussion/vote for consideration of a Community Impact Statement (CIS) for Council File: 14-1371-S13, request from Ashley Gonzales from LAANE. A template prepared by Ashley from LAANE for Pacoima NC's Community Impact Statement is attached. - By David Ramirez. (15 Minutes).

-Motioned by Anna Justice.

-Second motion by David Ramirez.

-Motion passed.

(Visual graph of votes for all motions)

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NAME-	Yes	No
Mikayeel Khan	ABSENT	

Anna Justice	X	
Fannie Long	X	
Reuben Garcia	X	
John Hernandez	X	
Brenda Morales	X	
Roxanne Urquiza	X	
Rebecca Long	X	
Teodroa E. Reyes	X	
David A. Ramirez	X	

# 5. BOARD MEMBER AND COMMITTEE COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

#### **Board Member Comments/Announcements-**

**Fannie Long-** Encourage to get into the Community Police Advisory Board (Meet every second Thursday of every month at Branford Japanese place)

**Reuben Garcia-**Thank you for coming and we look forward to having a great year to help the community become better

**Housing, Economic Development, and Land Use Committee** – No upcoming meeting **Meeting Outreach Committee** – The Social Media was gained back in December. The upcoming meeting will be on February 21st from 5:30-6:30 pm. Thank you for inviting us for tabling

**Bylaws Committee -** The deadline is 4/1/2024 to submit amendments for bylaws and a draft will be worked on to be looked over.

**Arts & Culture Committee** –Working on getting a mural in Pacoima in honor of Gabriel Fernandez.

**Public Health and Safety Committee** – To stay safe when being out even if crime is being unreported since it's still unsafe.

**Youth and Education Development Committee-** Reaching out to schools and trying to help them with projects or funding.

President's Report- No Announcement

Vice-president's Report- Thank you for coming and we appreciate hearing from you.

**Treasurer's Report-** Thank you for being here and announcement to pair up on projects.

Secretary's Report- Thank you for being here and hope you received helpful resources.

# 6. ADJOURNMENT

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