



Pacoima Neighborhood Council

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General Board Meeting Agenda Minutes

Wednesday, September 18, 2019 — 6:15 p.m- 8:30 p.m.

Prepared by Secretary: Jessica Urquiza

Pacoima Community Center 11243 Glenoaks Blvd. Pacoima, CA 91331

Attended: (11) Elisa Avalos, Mikayeel Khan, Anna Justice, Jessica Urquiza, Reuben Garcia, John Hernandez, Fannie Long, Imelda Foley, Oscar Chavez, Rebecca Long, Mireyari Pacheco.

Absent: (2) Alex Morales, Ivonne Paulino.

I. Welcome and Introductions:

- a) *Meeting called to order at 6:25 p.m*
- b) *Board roll call by Secretary.*

II. COMMUNITY/GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

a) **California Congressional District 29**
Congressman Tony Cardenas

Field Deputy:

If you find yourself with issues with Medicare social security immigration case and want to follow up the office can help. Van Nuys blvd in panorama city. Congressman is hosting his annual congressional app challenge open to middle school and high school students. The point is to create an app of choice to help animals, elderly etc. First place winner

will have their app displayed for a year & invited to a reception at Washington DC.

b) California State Senate District 18

Senator Bob Hertzberg

District Representative: Eveline Bravo- Ayala

Legislature changed some laws to make road blocks and construction of homeless housing easier. It was heard that homeless building households would take years in the making. Different levels of government were being asked what we could do in the legislature to make a law effective. Mental health has been placed in different places. Athletes lose their own image.

c) Los Angeles Police Department, Foothill Division

Senior Lead Officers Adriana Munguía and Steve Nunez:

Officer Nunez: senior lead officer for Pacoima crime we are #4 overall in the city of Los Angeles and we are 10% crime reduction & only 4 homicides. Big issue is now homeless encampment on Bradley and Paxton which has become a state issue and is no longer a city issue.

d) Los Angeles City Council District 7

Councilwoman Monica Rodriguez:

Field Representative Susana Carmona

Paxton and Bradley, we are trying to come up with a solution. Councilwoman made an ordinance to enhance fire safety in areas where it is a high fire zone. LAFD in Hansen Dam working to improve emergency access for horses in case of fires. 3 sets of maps with different routes and trails. Street lights are being vandalized. Clean up on Osborne place.

e) Department of Neighborhood Empowerment

Neighborhood Empowerment Analyst:

*Training reminders, email certificates to rosters.empowerla.org. Karen is available to meet with us one on one regarding any PNC questions. Congress of neighborhoods happening at September 28, 2019 all day happening at city hall and get to meet board members from other councils. The mayor will be speaking.
Karen.hernandez@lacity.org*

f) LAUSD Board of Education

Board Member Kelly Gonez

Field Deputy: Esmeralda Marcial: Absent

g) California State Assembly District 39

Assemblywoman Luz Rivas

Field Representative Brenda Yanez

Office is able to help the community with any issues they may be having with the DMV or cal trans you can reach out to the office to have the issue addressed. Assemblywoman has 8 of her own bills that passed assembly and senate. Cal trans issues 118 west freeway off ramp Glenoaks there was a fire and one of the vacant homes located there, the state cannot do anything about the vacant home because it is private property. First annual senior wellness expo at LA Mission college which are seminars September 21, 2019 from 12-4 p.m. Assemblywoman is having coffee and cookies for legislative updates in Granada Hills.

h) Office of Los Angeles Mayor

Mayor Eric Garcetti

Field Deputy: Caroline Menjivar

Caroline is the New east valley representative for the mayor. Mayor youth council, youth from every geographical area of city come together and put them to engage civically such as census, speaking skills how to engage with school board members. Congress of neighborhoods, open to leaders in the community to hear what the city is doing what other councils are doing. Emergency preparedness, ready your LA neighborhood build plans with you according to your environment. Mayor will be starting a sanitation strategy starting October 1, 2019 on how to clean up homeless encampments.

i) Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, Third District

Supervisor Sheila Kuehl

Field Deputy Jessica Orellana: Absent

j) Region 1 Budget Advocate

Foothills Trails NC President Kevin Davis: Absent

SPECIAL GUESTS:

Raquel Beltrán: is pleased to be here as the General Manager for Neighborhood Empowerment. Mission of the department: promote civic engagement to make government more responsible to neighborhood needs. Raquel has public administration experience by working with elected officials. Electives she has worked with 3 council members all in San Diego. One on one working with neighborhood councils or partnerships with neighborhood

councils. Engagement and advocacy approaches. Wants to improve city hall relationships with neighborhood councils.

III. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Nick Fox: LA City department of cultural affairs also Silver Lake Neighborhood Council. We have an arts festival in Pacoima the entire month of October called current La food focused on food insecurity, food deserts and homelessness. The project is happening at Roger Jessup Park. They are activating 1 park in every district of the city. October 5,6,20, & 26. Packing lunches working with mend for the homeless community. Would like if the Neighborhood Council participates.

Charles Nelson: Pacoima Neighborhood Watch Captain came to extend an invitation to the Pacoima Neighborhood Council. There will be a 311 neighborhood walk which is about how to access surfaces. Wants to ensure that everybody knows how to use the 311 by cellphone and email so he would like to find a way for people in the community to easily access. Councilwoman will be out breakfast will be provided and they will be going out to the community to pass fliers out and will be soliciting block captains and members. December 11, 2019 they will be having a seminar to do a training.

Annie Davis: states she can relate to the things she has heard during the meeting. She has been in contact with Councilwoman Monica Rodriguez. She she received a response on the issue where Glenoaks Blvd. is a dump. Many homeless are there with trailers and more 18 wheeler trucks are being used. Annie takes pictures and sends Councilwoman Monica Rodriguez the photos.

Janelly: A working class student asks the board to re-evaluate the approach that is taken toward homelessness. She also spoke about the misconduct of current board member Oscar Chavez who stated negative comments toward the LGBTQ community online. She would like the board and community to re-evaluate why there should be a member on our board who states negative comments.

Ernesto Ayala: Former board member, expressed his opinion that it is not correct toward the negative comments made by board member Oscar Chavez online.

Michelle Rogel: Michelle apologizes toward the previous presenters and the negative comments they encountered online. How we can grow as a community not to divide or separate each other. It's all about collaboration and how we can grow as a community.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE/MOTIONS/UPDATES:

a) Review and possible Board action on submitted Board Member Applications- vacant seats, Current Vacancies:

- i. Community Based Organizational Representative.
- ii. School Representative- Michael Gonzalez filled an application for this seat.

John Hernandez motions, Fannie Long seconds.

All board members were in favor of approving Michael Gonzalez's application for the School Representative seat. Unanimous vote, item "a" passes.

b) Motion/Discussion/vote for the approval of the August 2019 MER prepared by Treasurer Anna Justice.

John Hernandez motions. Elisa Avalos seconds.

All board members were in favor of approving the August 2019 MER. Unanimous vote, item "b" passes.

c) Motion/Discussion/vote for the approval of the August 2019 Minutes prepared by Secretary Jessica Urquiza.

John Hernandez motions. Elisa Avalos seconds.

All board members were in favor of approving the August 2019 Minutes. Unanimous vote, item "c" passes.

d) Motion/Discussion/vote for the possible approval of allocating Roll over funds to the Outreach Expenditure Budget.

Item was tabled on the September 18, 2019 General Board Meeting.

e) Motion/Discussion/vote for the possible approval of up to \$200.00 to purchase a microphone speaker and a speaker stand.

Item was tabled on the September 18, 2019 General Board Meeting.

f) Motion/Discussion/vote for the possible approval of having the PNC Retreat October 5th, October 12th, or November 16, 2019 from 8:00 a.m- 11:00 a.m.

Item was tabled on the September 18, 2019 General Board Meeting.

V. ADJOURNMENT

- a) *Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.*