



**Pacoima Neighborhood Council**

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**General Board Meeting Agenda Minutes**

**Wednesday, January 15, 2020 — 6:15 p.m- 8:00 p.m.**

**Prepared by Secretary: Jessica Urquiza**

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

**Attended:(13)** Elisa Avalos, Mikayeel Khan, Anna Justice, Jessica Urquiza, Reuben Garcia, John Hernandez, Fannie Long, Imelda Foley, Mireyari Pacheco, Michael Gonzales, Alejandro Morales, Oscar Chavez, Mireya Pacheco.

**Absent:(1)** Rebecca Long

**I. Welcome and Introductions:**

- a) *Meeting called to order at 6:15 p.m*
- b) *Board roll call by Mikayeel Khan*

**II. COMMUNITY/GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- a) **California Congressional District 29**  
**Congressman Tony Cardenas**  
**Field Deputy: Michelle Vergara**

*Detention center concern from stakeholder regarding conjunction passing or not, are there health resources available to the children in the detention center? Governor signed on January that no private entity could build a*

*for profit prison detention center within the city limits. Closely monitoring any updates or information received and will make sure to make it public.*

**b) California State Senate District 18  
Senator Bob Hertzberg  
Absent**

**c) Los Angeles Police Department, Foothill Division  
Senior Lead Officers Adriana Munguía and Steve Nunez:**

*Senior lead officer Munguía, Happy new year and welcome hopefully 2020 is better in communication and working together. Foothill ended on a great note 7.2% less in crime. Unfortunate homicide on foothill and Vaughn. January 25, 2020 license plate detail at Kohl's at Laurel Canyon and February 01, 2020 on Laurel Canyon and Osborne at target. Replace for free the screws of the rear license plates. Replaced with tamper proof screws and thanks the Pacoima Neighborhood Council for the support of the license plate replacement.*

*Stakeholder Mireya Pacheco asks officer Munguía if there is any way that there could be more supervision around streets because she witnessed a motorcycle robbery and gasoline robbery, officer Munguía states to call 911 for robberies and for more patrolling.*

**d) Los Angeles City Council District 7  
Councilwoman Monica Rodriguez:  
Field Representative Susana Carmona**

*There is a new caseworker, Cristian Tafoya and will take some of our cases if we call in. Safe program stats, 108 participants enrolled 40% seniors 60% experienced homelessness for the first time and out of all those. Sylmar armory is a women's bridge housing with 85 beds. Everything will be ready by April. In February there will be groundbreaking for summit youth supporting housing in lake view terrace helping veterans and their families. Speed humps applications are open if we want to request speed humps at DOT website. Next month will be holding senior Valentine's Day ball. It is resources for seniors food and dancing for everybody happening at Palacio Torres in Sylmar. Pacoima mural has been completed on Paxton and San Fernando road, completed in early November. Operation bright spot, a new program Councilwoman Monica Rodriguez has been funding for to clean up repaint red curbs and anything along the main corridor. Arleta detention center is now called minor shelter, Councilwoman Rodriguez is opposed to this as well as opposed to creating the detention center.*

e) **Department of Neighborhood Empowerment**  
**Neighborhood Empowerment Analyst: Karen Hernandez**

*Karen Hernandez and colleague Jose joining the Pacoima Neighborhood Council. Briefly touching on the by laws and funding as well as other updates for the PNC. Starting with the bylaws there is a memo from the General Manager, Karen Hernandez has provided the PNC Board members with hard copies, deadline for bylaws amendment changes April 15, 2020. Karen has provided a hard copy with the bylaws. José states that if we are considering bylaw amendment changes are coming to a deadline and suggests to take action early on to discuss the bylaws themselves. Amendment process guide was included in the Packet distributed by Karen. You do not need to be a citizen to participate in the board. The neighborhood council is an inclusive system. Karen states quorum is 9 as well as the responsibilities of every board member as well as other key points stated in the bylaws. Karen encourages to look at other council bylaws for reference. Last, funding policy, important to submit the form so it is reviewed by city clerk, board was provided with copies of the funding policies. Interest in planning and planning processes we are all welcome to attend plan check meetings.*

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**

*Happy new year. Assemblywoman back in the capital of Sacramento. She will be back in the district Friday Saturday Sunday. This is the second week of legislative session. Assemblywoman was busy and has introduced 2 different bills and she will continue to introduce bills. Two different types of legislation she introduced, #1. AB1858 CA youth empowerment act, the first statewide youth advisory board to the state government. 40 CA commission are vising important issues throughout the state but none existent for youth. Youth don't have the opportunity to have a say in laws that are taking place, the voices of 12.5 million Californians under age of 24 are not being heard.*

*2. AB1845. Bill ultimately ending homeless crisis. Addressing housing insecurity. Event Viva y Salud Health Fair at Pacoima City Hall January 25, 2020 from 10 am to 4 p.m Assemblywoman will be a guest speaker for the health fair, everyone is welcome. Homeless count will be taking place this month, January.*

Register at [theycountwillyou.org](http://theycountwillyou.org) to count people who are experiencing homelessness.

**h) Office of Los Angeles Mayor  
Mayor Eric Garcetti  
Field Deputy: Caroline Menjivar**

*Happy new year, mayors office census is doing outreach to ensure we spread how important the census is. Mayor created an Accentive program training Thursday for the census in north Hollywood dinner get fed have name email and get paid. Census gives \$100 just to speak to our families about the census, organizations get \$500 for helping with the census if you talk to 25 people about the census. CERT community response team firefighters show you how to be better prepared in emergencies. Firefighters train you on how to better prepare for emergencies. At the end of the course individuals get a backpack with helmets, gloves, a flashlight etc. Caroline would love to partner with the Pacoima Neighborhood Council and other organizations..*

**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**

*As budget advocate: finalizing the white paper which is the annual report on recommendations for improvements of city budget, currently looking for a new advocate, Anne Job had to step down as advocate. June 27, 2020 annual budget meeting. Kevin suggests: #1 consider in the future, default representatives per their bylaws is PNC President and Treasurer, but if we would like to send different representatives it is fine for that meeting as long as informed early on.*

**III. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:**

- *Eddie Gonzalez: Gives Thanks the board and the community for the 2019 Pacoima Parade. Thanks for the support looking to make Parade bigger. Thanks the councilwoman and everyone for the continued support. The parade was a success with a beautiful weather which the community enjoyed.*

- *Loyce Lacson: represents Arleta neighborhood watch. In the fall of 2016, 4 neighborhood watch groups in Arleta got together and wrote to the Mayor regarding homeless problems, more than 50 people at the neighborhood watch meeting but young man with mayor didn't answer questions. Liaison did not attend the meeting. Homeless situation has not been resolved and Loyce has a petition to contact the mayor once again.*
- *Lisa Hart Neighborhood Council Ability Alliance not present,*

#### **IV. ADMINISTRATIVE/MOTIONS/UPDATES:**

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

- Mireya Pacheco: Good evening. I would love I have been in this community for 10 years. I started to learn about the development of children and my passion was to continue learning. My daughter when she started going to school I started getting involved in being a volunteer in school and other organizations that are here in the community. I have learned so much that I have lost many fears. One of my fears was talking in public. I had no idea of my abilities now I have discovered that I I can do more than what I thought. This has empowered me and knowing other moms like I in the community where they have supported me and have empowered me more that I would love to serve the community like my community has given me. I know I can do more because I can do more.*

*Michael Gonzales motions, Mikayeel Khan seconds the motion.*

*Item "i" passes unanimously.*

*All board members agree for Mireya Pacheco joining the Pacoima Neighborhood Council as a renter representative.*

- Motion/Discussion/vote for** for the approval of the removal of board member Alejandro Morales from the Pacoima Neighborhood Council pursuant to Bylaw Article V, Section 9 due to excessive absences, specifically absences on 09/18/19, 10/16/19, 11/20/19.

*Mikayeel Khan motions, Jessica Urquiza seconds the motion.*

*A recommendation to table the item has been made by Reuben Garcia.*

*Discussion has begun and Alejandro Morales has been asked to give a brief discussion as to why he has been absent.*

*Imelda Foley motions to table this item, Mikayeel Khan seconds the item.*

*Item "ii" passes with a majority board member vote.*

- Elisa Avalos, Michael Gonzales, and Jessica Urquiza voted no.***
- iii. **Motion/discussion/vote** for the approval of the removal of board member Oscar Chavez from the Pacoima Neighborhood Council pursuant to Bylaw Article V, Section 9 due to excessive absences, specifically absences on 06/19/19, 10/16/19, 11/20/19.

***Mikayeel Khan motions, Anna Justice seconds the motion.***

***A recommendation to table the item has been made by Mikayeel Khan.***

***Discussion has begun and Oscar Chavez has been asked to give a brief discussion as to why he has been absent.***

***Imelda Foley motions to table this item, Mikayeel Khan seconds the item.***

***Item "iii" passes with a majority board member vote.***

***Michael Gonzales voted no.***

- b. **Motion/Discussion/vote** for the approval of the October 2019 MER prepared by Treasurer Anna Justice.

***Mikayeel Khan motions, Reuben Garcia seconds the motion.***

***Item "b" Passes unanimously.***

- c. **Motion/Discussion/vote** for the approval of the minutes for November 2019 prepared by Secretary Jessica Urquiza.

***Elisa Avalos motions, Imelda Foley seconds the motion.***

***Item "c" Passes unanimous with a majority board member vote, Mikayeel Khan opposes the item vote.***

- d. **Motion/Discussion/Vote** to approve a sponsorship not to exceed \$500 for refreshments, coffee, and pastries for approximately 150+ people attending the Immigration Panel Discussion and Resource Fair that will be held in Pacoima for the community free of charge. Chicas Mom would like to partner with the Pacoima Neighborhood Council so that they can host a booth throughout the event in March from 10 a.m - 1 p.m. The Pacoima Neighborhood Council will have a table to outreach, will be placed on the event flier and will have a formal introduction during the event. ( The reason why the amount of money has been changed from \$300 to \$500 is because the amount of individuals and organizations attending the event has increased.

***Michael Gonzales motions, Jessica Urquiza seconds the motion.***

***Item "d" Passes unanimously.***

- e. **Motion/Discussion/vote** for the approval to purchase up to \$9,500 to purchase 100 emergency backpacks. The backpack is a 4-person backpack with up to 3- day supply to be distributed at various PNC events. This item was tabled on the November 20, 2019 General Board meeting.

*Elisa Avalos motions, Imelda Foley seconds to table the item.*

*All board members in favor for tabling item "e".*

- f. **Motion/Discussion/vote/** for the possible approval of having the PNC retreat January 25, 2020 from 8:00 a.m- 11:00 a.m. (The PNC Retreat was tabled for discussion on the November 20, 2019 general board meeting. Board member Mikayeel Khan created a survey stating the retreat date above).

*Elisa Avalos motions, Jessica Urquiza seconds the motion.*

*Pacoima charter will hold the retreat.*

*Item "f" passes with a majority board member vote.*

*Michael Gonzales voted no.*

- g. **Motion/Discussion/vote** for the possible approval of support letter for Landscape company building project on the corner of Foothill and Vaughn. (This Item was approved on PNC general board meeting on November 20, 2019 Agenda Item IV d)

*Reuben Garcia motions, Elisa Avalos seconds the motion.*

*Item "g" passes with a majority board member vote.*

*Imelda Foley votes no.*

- h. **Motion/Discussion/vote** for the possible approval of fleece board member jackets up to 1,000.00.

*Elisa Avalos motions, Anna Justice seconds the motion.*

*Unanimous vote. Item "h" passes.*

## **V. ADJOURNMENT**

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