



## **PACOIMA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

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### **General Board Meeting Agenda Minutes**

**Prepared by: Secretary Michelle Rogel**

Wednesday, January, 23rd, 2019 at 6:15 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

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

Absent: All Board Members Attended

Late: Jessica Urquiza 6:25 p.m. and Jose Miguel 6:46 p.m.

#### **I. WELCOMING REMARKS:**

- a. Call to order 6:16 p.m.
- b. Board roll call by Secretary

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

- a. California Congressional District 29 Congressman Tony Cardenas, Field Deputy: Nigel Sanchez - Discussed about the Valentines for Veterans program that the Congressman is hosting. He also reminded the audience that their office is here to assist with Federal issues such as immigration, IRS, or Veterans Affairs.

b. California State Senate District 18 Senator Bob Hertzberg, District Representative: Eveline Bravo-Ayala. **Did Not Attend Meeting.**

c. Los Angeles Police Department Foothill Division, Senior Lead Officers: Adriana Munguia and Steve Nuñez . **Both Did Not Attend Meeting.**

d. Los Angeles City Council District 7 Councilwoman Monica Rodriguez Field Representative: Susana Carmona. She gave updates on the vacant lot on Van Nuys across the street from Bobos waiting to hear back from Building and Safety as to when it will be cleaned up. Building and Safety are working with City Attorney for criminal charges that have been filed. **Homeless:** There is a “Safe Parking Lot,” pilot opened on Monday, October 1, 2018 where site is at capacity and will receive additional funding from Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP). This is to add case management services, food security program, workforce development, and housing navigation services. **Motions:** 11/27 Los Angeles City Council unanimously approved Councilwoman’s motion calling on Sate of CA to expand its Hate Crimes Laws to protect those experiencing homelessness. Also, businesses who are unlicensed and operating were approved for DWP to cut off utilities and Building and Safety to close/secure unlawfully operating cannabis businesses. **Events:** Save Date Feb. 14 Senior Ball – Location TBD.

e. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, Neighborhood Empowerment: Analyst Kathleen Quinn **Did Not Attend Meeting.** Vanessa Serrano provided the updates on the upcoming election workshop trainings occurring within our area, dates to keep in mind regarding candidate registration Jan. 12 to Feb. 11. Also, there are 2 upcoming events (see your emails for the invites), one being from 10 to noon in Van Nuys for the filing workshop. The second, being Ignite LA 2.0 on Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> focusing on what NC are women in Leadership and empowerment community assessments. Also, to check out EmpowerLA.org or call (818) 379-4899 for more inquiries.

f. LAUSD Board of Education Board Member Kelly Gonez, Field Deputy: Esmeralda Marcial. **Did Not Attend Meeting.**

g. California State Assembly District 39 Assemblywoman Luz Rivas, Field Representative: Arturo Garcia-Mendoza. **Did Not Attend Meeting.** Sent in a Statement to Michelle Rogel and read: “

THE FIRST ON MY LIST IS THAT THE STATE HAS A NEW GOVERNOR AND OUR OFFICE IS LOOKING FORWARD TO WORKING TOGETHER WITH THE NEW ADMINISTRATION IN ORDER TO MOVE THE 39<sup>TH</sup> ASSEMBLY DISTRICT AND THE GREAT STATE OF CA INTO THE FUTURE. THE LEGISLATURE HAS RECONVENED AND THE ASSEMBLYWOMAN HAS INTRODUCED A BILL PACKAGE THAT AIMS TO PROVIDE RELIEF TO HOMELESS FAMILIES THAT ARE LIVING IN LESS THAN ADEQUATE LIVING CONDITIONS IN THE DISTRICT AND IN THE STATE BY INVESTING IN OUR STATEWIDE HOMELESS COORDINATORS IN ORDER TO BETTER IMPLEMENT THE MCKINNEY VENTO ACT WHICH IS A FEDERAL LAW THAT REQUIRES EACH STATE TO ENSURE THAT EACH HOMELESS CHILD OR CHILD A HOMELESS INDIVIDUAL HAS ACCESS TO THE SAME EDUCATION AS OTHER CHILDREN (AB 16). THIS BILL WOULD REQUIRE A LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCY TO ENSURE THAT EACH SCHOOL WITHIN THE LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCY IDENTIFIES ALL HOMELESS CHILDREN AND YOUTHS ENROLLED AT THE SCHOOL AND WOULD ALSO REQUIRE ANNUAL REPORTING. THE BILL WOULD ALSO MANDATE THE STATE DEPT OF EDUCATION TO HIRE ADDITIONAL STAFFERS IN ORDER TO ENSURE THAT LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCIES INCLUDING THE EDUCATION LIAISONS ARE COMPLYING WITH THE PROPOSED REPORTING MANDATES. AND BY LESS THAN ADEQUATE HOUSING WE ARE REFERRING TO THE CHILDREN AND YOUTH THAT ARE, BUNDLED UP INTO GARAGES, OR LIVING IN MOTELS OR CRAMPED LIVING SPACES. THIS IS AN ISSUE THAT THE ASSEMBLYWOMAN IS INCREDIBLY PASSIONATE ABOUT BECAUSE IT IS PERSONAL. SHE LIVED IN A GARAGE WITH HER SINGLE MOTHER AND SISTER FOR TIME AS A CHILD. AND WHEN CHILDREN AND YOUTH HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THEIR LIVING SITUATION THEY ARENT ABLE TO DO THEIR BEST IN SCHOOL. WHEN THEY ARENT ABLE TO DO THEIR BEST IN SCHOOL, THEY STRUGGLE TO FIND A PATH OUT OF SUBSISTENCE AND POVERTY. ANOTHER BILL THAT THE ASSEMBLYWOMAN HAS ALSO INTRODUCED IS AB 182 WHICH WOULD ESTABLISH A SINGLE SUBJECT COMPUTER SCIENCE CREDENTIAL. AND SO AS WE MOVE THROUGH THE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS I WILL BE PROVIDING UPDATES TO THIS BODY AND COMMUNITY WITH THE STATUS OF THESE BILLS. I HOPE TO HAVE FACT SHEETS FOR EVERYONE VERY SOON SO PLEASE STAY TUNED! THE LAST ITEM ON MY LIST IS ABOUT THE FREEWAY SERVICE PATROL. FSP IS A JOINT PROGRAM PROVIDED BY (CALTRANS), CHP AND THE LOCAL TRANSPORTATION AGENCY WHICH IS METRO FOR OUR LOCATION. THE FSP PROGRAM IS A FREE SERVICE OF PRIVATELY OWNED TOW TRUCKS THAT PATROL DESIGNATED ROUTES ON BUSY CA FREEWAYS. THEY OPERATE MON-FRI DURING PEAK COMMUTE HOURS AND ALL DAY IN CERTAIN FREEWAY CONTRUCTION ZONES. EACH YEAR THE FREEWAY SERVICE PATROL ASSISTS NEARLY 650,000 MOTORISTS IN CA HIGHWAY SYSTEM. SO IF YOU GET STUCK ON THE FREEWAY BECAUSE YOUR CAR STOPS RUNNING, THE FSP CAN HELP YOU OUT BY OFFERING YOU A GALLON OF GAS IF YOU RUN OUT, A JUMP START IF YOUR CAR BATTERY IS DEAD. THEY CAN ALSO REFILL YOUR RADIATOR AND TAPE HOSES AND EVEN CHANGE A FLAT. IN ORDER TO REQUEST NON-EMERGENCY VEHICLE ASSISTANCE CONTACT 5-1-1 AND SAY MOTORIST AID

PROVIDE THEM WITH THE DETAILS OF YOUR LOCATION.” (Time Ran Out, where Michelle Ended Statement provided, didn’t read rest)

h. Office of Los Angeles Mayor, Mayor Eric Garcetti Field Deputy: Jaqueline Serrano. She mentioned, that Metro is holding 10 Community Open House Workshop Meetings Metro is seeking input on NextGen Bus study starting January 8th. The meetings will discuss bus routes for Metro and Metro representatives are looking for community feedback. Please share with your network. Provided the upcoming workshop being held in Pacoima. Also, ShakeAlertLA App now available to download for free. The City of Los Angeles, under the oversight of Mayor Eric Garcetti and built on the ShakeAlert system developed by the U.S. Geological Survey has released ShakeAlertLA, a mobile app that sends alerts to users within Los Angeles County that an earthquake of greater than magnitude 5.0 or level IV intensity has been detected and that they may soon feel shaking. The app is available for both Apple and Android devices and available in both English and Spanish. You can also use this app to prepare for an earthquake, get details on recent earthquakes, and find help after an earthquake.

**Certificate of Recognition:** To our Board Member, John Hernandez for the work he did in Pacoima community for the Blood Drive.

i. Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, Third District Supervisor Sheila Kuehl, Field Deputy: Jessica Orellana. **Did not Attend Meeting.**

j. Region 1 Budget Advocate Foothill Trails NC President Kevin Davis. Kevin the white papers are where we make budget recommendations to the LA City Council, and the work they do to advocate for NC on our behalf. Check ncba.com for further information.

### **III. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: (10 minutes)**

1. Vanessa May - Spoke on updates for the Liquor Licenses, how the Bodega got a license for wine, and still we have no grocery market. That you can email her at [May.Vanesssa.d@gmail.com](mailto:May.Vanesssa.d@gmail.com)

### **IV. ADMINISTRATIVE/MOTIONS/UPDATES (50 minutes)**

- a. **Review and possible Board action on submitted Board Member Applications – vacant seat.** *No open seats. Discuss April 27, 2019 elections. Moved by Elisa and seconded by*

*Mikayeel. Juan shared, “that last week, I and the Outreach team Elisa and Michelle went to go see about having Elections at a local restaurant. “Tacos El Gordo,” on Paxton and Herrick, the owner is willing to let us use half of the restaurant to register any of the current PNC and anyone interested in joining the Board/answer community questions about our Board.”*

- b. Motion/Discussion/vote for the approval of the January 2019 MER prepared by Treasurer Juan Salas.** *Moved by Elisa and seconded by Alex. Passed unanimously.*
- c. Motion/discussion/vote for the approval of the December 2018 minutes prepared by Michael Gonzales.** *Moved by Jennifer and seconded by Anna. Passed unanimously.*
- d. Education Committee LAUSD/UTLA Strike Update by Mike Gonzales.** *He stated, “the district is trying to make it seem like it is only about a pay raise, when the teachers are striking for what students need. The teachers are fighting for what students need like a nurse at every school, librarians, counselors, green spaces, for smaller class sizes, and less testing. Most of the parents have been keeping their kids at home during the strike.”*
- e. Motion/discussion/vote for the approval of At-Large Representative and Vice President Teresa Ramirez’s resignation.** *Moved by Jennifer and seconded by Teresa. Passed unanimously.*
- f. Motion/discussion/vote for nominations and election of a Vice President for the Pacoima NC.** *Moved by Alex and seconded by Elisa. Mike Gonzales was nominated got the seat. Passed unanimously.*
- g. Outreach update presented by Outreach Chair.** *Michelle Rogel said, “Before I begin I want to thank my Outreach team, Juan Salas our Treasurer and Elisa Avalos for working so hard in the*

*Outreach Committee. I want to go over:*

**Website:** *Anyone has flyers for community events, please let Outreach know to let our Pacoima community know of events they can attend.*

**Facebook:** *Flyers/Events/Meetings for the community to attend \*\*115 followers (old one has 800 or so total).*

**PNC Flyers:** *Anyone who can assist in creating Spanish flyer to hand out to the community regarding our meetings? Please let us know.*

**Clean-Ups:** *Tentative for Sat. Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> or Sat. March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Any location suggestions feel free to let Elisa know to add to her list. On back board there is red pen please dot location where you would like to see one. Any PNC volunteers? Any community volunteers?*

**Special Olympics Event (Approved 4k):** *Tentative for late March or April on a Sat. Ms. Laura Mayo will showcase flag football on their end (Tri-Valley). Working with Regional Center (Chatsworth) for list on few non-profits who service PAC area so our residents can get more assistance. Any PNC volunteers? Any community volunteers or offices?*

**Sign In Sheet Contact Lists:** *Thank you Mikayeel Khan our board member/Land Use Chair for helping in working on this, so we can start doing email blasts to those interested in PNC. We created roster sign-in sheets (although not required for anyone to sign), and all last 6 months of events and Board meetings are within the spreadsheet.*

**Monthly Reminders:** *We will continue to remind all government offices/community reps regarding our monthly meetings and please continue to update on what your office is currently working on, so that the board/community knows.*

**Light Pole Banners:** *Still pending on CD-7 office, spoke to Susie Carmona prior to the meeting, she said it needs to be looked at from her office to place all 17 light pole banners. PNC already paid nearly 5k for this.*

**PNC Meet Greet Mixer:** *(Pre-approved budget packet) Any suggestions on location where they serve mini appetizers, ice cream, or smoothies, or juices and have the ability to fit long table to set up our information booth, please let us know.*

**Pictures Taken:** *There are about 700 pictures from events and meetings that need to be sorted through to share onto our facebook.*

**Nominations For Certificates:** *Please let us know about someone who deserves recognition so we can let one of our elected offices know/and or give a PNC certificate directly.*

**PNC Representation:** *Attended over 100 meetings and community events within last 8 months. That's 2 outreach team mates evening meetings and 1 outreach team mate attending morning one's, plus at minimum 1 weekend event per month.*

**Outreach Suggestions:** *Feel free to let us know what we can do to improve our services to you. Sorry if I forgot anything off of our list. Lastly, she stated thank you to you all the community for allowing us to continue to help make change, let us know how we can help you better."*

- h. Discussion regarding a new meeting space.** Details to follow.  
*A man in the audience (no name provided) stated, "why are you not in City Hall?" Susie Carmona (CD-7) said we could have our meetings there, but it needs to be on a Tuesday vs. our Wednesday usual day. John Hernandez said, "It we go into CD-7 we need to do paperwork/process for this change." Elisa shared that, "I spoke to Pacoima Charter Principal Ms. Fajardo and she stated PNC is welcome to have their meetings, that we can have a storage unit as well and can have space from 5 or 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. if we want." Jose said he will talk with Pacoima Charter to have future meetings and thanked Elisa.*
- i. Announcement regarding registration drives for potential candidates to the PNC.** *Juan mentioned "Tacos Gordo," on Herrick/Paxton in the only open parking shopping center will be where PNC can help anyone do their application and answer questions. Might be Thursday or Friday the week prior to deadline from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. It will be announced on our Facebook page as well.*

- j. Motion/discussion/vote for the approval of \$250 for the March VANC Mixer at CBS Studios for Thursday, March 14 from 6-9 p.m.** *Michelle asked if this is open to the public/community and it will not be, only to other Neighborhood Councils. Moved by Jennifer and seconded by Elisa. 15 votes Yes (whole board) and 1 No (Michelle). Passed unanimously.*
- k. Motion/discussion/vote for the possible approval of up to \$1150 in payments to Aaron Devandry for web services.** *Juan and Jose explained the city recommendations and history behind this matter. Moved by Jennifer and seconded by Elisa. 10 votes Yes and 6 No. Passed unanimously.*

**VII. ADJOURNMENT 7:50 p.m.**