



**Canoga Park Neighborhood Council (CPNC)
Regular Board Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, November 18th 2015 – 7:00PM
Canoga Park Community Center
7248 Owensmouth Ave, Canoga Park, CA 91304**



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The Canoga Park Neighborhood Council system enables civic participation for All Canoga Park stakeholders who work, live and belong to an organization on an ongoing basis within the boundaries of the CPNC (Nordhoff, De Soto, Vanowen and Shoup). The CPNC is an advisory body to the City of Los Angeles, comprised of volunteers who are devoted to the mission of improving government responsiveness to local communities and their needs).

I. WELCOMING REMARKS- Corinne Ho, President

- a. Call to order & Pledge of Allegiance
- b. Opening Remarks
- c. Board roll call (The Board is composed of 25 members. A quorum of at least 13 members present is required to hold official Board meetings.)

II. COMMUNITY/GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Council District 3 Field Representative: Jenny Portillo
- b. LAPD Topanga Senior Lead Officers Duc Dao/Jesse Mojica
- c. Other Government Departments/Agencies

III. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Committee's subject matter jurisdiction. The public was request to fill out a "Speaker Card" to address the committee on any agenda item before the Committee takes an action. Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker.

IV. PRESENTATIONS:

- a. 2016 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count
- b. Future Zoning Study around the Orange Line in Canoga Park which will look at parking standards for existing business in downtown Canoga Park – Andrew Pennington, Planning Director from Councilmember Bob Blumenfield's Office.

V. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

- a. Review and Adoption of Minutes of October 28th

VI. MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

- a. Discussion and Possible Action – Formation of an Ad-Hoc Committee chaired by Yesenia Cardenas to inquire and coordinate with the California Highway Patrol (CHP) to do a Toy-Drive at the Canoga Park community Centre at a date to be determined during the Holidays. Report from the Ad-Hoc Committee will be done at either December Board Meeting or January 2016). Volunteers will be needed.
- b. Discussion and Possible Action - Reallocation of the amount of \$6,350 from Budget Line 300-Community Improvement Projects to Budget Line 500 Elections.

VII. BOARD & COMMITTEE REPORTS (including discussion and possible action items, if listed):

- a. President- Citywide 2016 NC Elections, QR code on CPNC Printed Materials, CPNC Officers Terms Article VI, Section 4 in CPNC By-LAWS, CPNC Revised Applications for new Board Members.
- b. Vice-President



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VII. BOARD & COMMITTEE REPORTS (including discussion and possible action items, if listed):

- c. Secretary - CPNC Vacancies
- d. Treasurer
 - i. Motion to approve October 2015 Monthly Expenditure Report (MERT)
- e. Committees
 - i. Outreach Committee – Rhonda Spires
 - ii. Elections Committee – Mary Paterson
 - iii. Education Committee – Jessica Irias
 - iv. Ad-Hoc Committee on Community Improvement Projects- Quincy Clemons

VIII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

IX. REQUESTS/MOTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

X. Next December Meeting Dates

XI. ADJOURNMENT

The public is requested to fill out a "Speaker Card" to address the Board on any agenda item before the Board takes an action. Public comment is limited to 3 minutes per speaker, but the Board has the discretion to modify the amount of time for any speaker.

The public may comment on a specific item listed on this agenda when the Board considers that item. When the Board considers the agenda item entitled "Public Comments," the public has the right to comment on any matter that is within the Board's jurisdiction. In addition, the members of the public may request and receive copies without undue delay of any documents that are distributed to the Board, unless there is a specific exemption under the Public Records Act that prevents the disclosure of the record. (Govt. Code § 54957.5)

The Canoga Park Neighborhood Council (CPNC) holds its regular meetings on the 4th Wednesday of every month and may also call any additional required special meetings in accordance with its By-Laws, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment Policies and Procedures and the latest changes to the Brown Act. The agenda for the regular and special meetings is physically posted for public review at The Canoga Park/West Hills Chamber of Commerce, 7248 Owensmouth Ave. and Canoga Park Library 20939 Sherman Way, Canoga Park.; on the CPNC Website at www.canogaparknc.org and using the CPNC e-mail listing.

The Canoga Park Neighborhood As covered entity under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Los Angeles does not discriminate on the basis of disability and upon request, will provide reasonable accommodation to ensure equal access to its programs, services, and activities. Sign language interpreters, assistive listening devices, or other auxiliary aids and/or services may be provided upon request. To ensure availability of services, please make your request at least 3 business days prior to the meeting you wish to attend by contacting the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment at (213) 978-1551 or e-mail NCSupport@lacity.org.

SI REQUIERE SERVICIOS DE TRADUCCION, FAVOR DE NOTIFICAR A LA OFICINA 3 dias de trabajo (72 horas) ANTES DEL EVENTO. SI NECESITA AYUDA CON ESTA AGENDA, POR FAVOR LLAME A NUESTRA OFICINA AL (213) 485-1360 oro e-mail NCSupport@lacity.org.

In compliance with Government Code section 54957.5, non-exempt writings that are distributed to a majority or all of the board in advance of a meeting, may be viewed at 7248 Owensmouth Avenue, Canoga Park, CA 91304 or at our website: www.canogaparknc.org by clicking on the link provided on the Home Page, or at the scheduled meeting. In addition, if you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda, please contact the CPNC Secretary at (818) 414-2700 or at secretary@canogaparknc.org.



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PROCESS FOR RECONSIDERATION in accordance with Article VIII Meetings, Section 4 of the current CPNC By-Laws:

“The Board may reconsider and amend its action on items listed on the agenda if that reconsideration takes place immediately following the original action or at the next regular Neighborhood Council meeting. The Board, on either of these two (2) days, shall: (1) make a Motion to Reconsider and, if approved, (2) hear the matter and take an action. If the Motion to Reconsider an action is to be scheduled at the next meeting following the original action, then two items shall be placed on the agenda for that meeting: (1) a Motion to Reconsider the described matter and (2) a [Proposed] Action, should the Motion to Reconsider be approved. A motion for reconsideration can only be made by a Representative who has previously voted on the prevailing side of the original action taken. If a motion for reconsideration is not made on the date the action was taken, then a Representative on the prevailing side of the action must submit a memorandum to the Secretary identifying the matter to be reconsidered and a brief description of the reason(s) for requesting reconsideration at the next regular meeting. The aforesaid shall all be in compliance with the Brown Act.”

PROCESS FOR FILING A GRIEVANCE in accordance with Article XI Grievance process of the current CPNC By-Laws:

“A. Process. Any person or group adversely affected by the decisions or policy of the CPNC may file a written grievance with the Board. Within ten (10) working days, the Board shall then refer the matter to the grievance committee, who shall have ten (10) working days to meet with the person submitting the grievance and to discuss ways in which the matter may be resolved. The committee shall prepare a written report for the Board outlining their recommendations for resolving the grievance. The Board must then address the report at the next regular or special meeting.

“B. Appeal. In the event that a grievance cannot be resolved through this grievance process, the matter may be referred to the Department for consideration or dispute resolution in accordance with the Plan.

“C. Matters which can be grieved. The formal grievance process is not intended to apply to Stakeholders who simply disagree with a position or action taken by the Board at one of its meetings. Those grievances can be discussed at Board meetings. This grievance process is intended to address matters involving procedural disputes, e.g. the Board's failure to follow these bylaws or its Standing Rules.”

BROWN ACT REVISION AND LANGUAGE IN THE BYLAWS

The City Attorney wishes to bring to your attention a recent amendment to the Brown Act* that takes effect on July 1, 2008, and impacts the wording of board agendas and also impacts how the records, which are reviewed by board members in anticipation of a meeting, are to be made available to the public. This information is intended to provide you with guidance in preparing the agendas for the Neighborhood Councils.

The pertinent amendment is contained in Government Code section 54957.5 paragraph (b) reads as follows:

“(b) (1) If a writing that is a public record under subdivision (a), and that relates to an agenda item for an open session of a regular meeting of the legislative body of a local agency, is distributed less than 72 hours prior to that meeting, the writing shall be made available for public inspection pursuant to paragraph (2) at the time the writing is distributed to all, or a majority of all, of the members of the body.

(2) A local agency shall make any writing described in paragraph (1) available for public inspection at a public office or location that the agency shall designate for this purpose. Each local agency shall list the address of this office or location on the agendas for all meetings of the legislative body of that agency. The local agency also may post the writing on the local agency's Internet Web site in a position and manner that makes it clear that the writing relates to an agenda item for an upcoming meeting.

(3) This subdivision shall become operative on July 1, 2008.”

Typically, board members receive an agenda and written materials to review in advance of a meeting (the "agenda packet"). Government Code section 54957.5 clarifies that once the writings or agenda packet are delivered to a majority of the members on the board, the records, unless specifically protected from disclosure by the Public Records Act, must be made immediately available upon request. If written materials are submitted to the board after the posting of the agenda, then the agency shall designate a location (and an optional website link) where the public may view the records. Therefore, Neighborhood Councils should provide for easy access to the records by making them available on the website in addition to a physical location. It will be important to insure that upon distribution of the agenda packet to a majority or all of the board members, the documents are promptly placed in the correct location and posted on the website.”