



Board Meeting Minutes
Canoga Park Neighborhood Council (CPNC)
7:00 PM, Wednesday, December 2, 2020
Virtual Meeting held via Zoom



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Kyra Edrington

At-Large Rep.

Nauman Khan

Faith-Based Rep.

Helen Morales

Youth Rep.

Jessica Beas

Schools Rep.

Jitzel Vasquez

Youth Rep.

1. Welcoming Remarks – Mary Paterson, President

a. Called to Order at 7:11 PM.

b. Board Roll Call (Kendra Kimball):

Board Members Present: Jessica Beas, Thema Bryant-Davis, Ronald Clary, Quincy Clemons, Michael Davis, Kyra Edrington, Jessica Gonzalez, Daniel Griffith, Nauman Khan, Kendra Kimball, Brian Mallasch, Helen Morales, Vincent Neill, Mary Paterson, Steve Slutzah, Jitzel Vasquez

Board Members Excused: Leonel Fuentes, Carey Martinez, Michelle Miranda, Stuart Vaughan, Kalyani Vasan

Board Members Absent: None

c. With 16 members declared present, a quorum was declared.

d. Status of Compliance of CPNC Board Members for Ethics, Funding, Code of Conduct Training: The following board members have one or more expired training certifications: Quincy Clemons, Kyra Edrington, Vincent Neill, Stuart Vaughan [excused]; other board members declared they have completed their trainings

e. Opening remarks (Mary Paterson): General check-in of board members to assess well-being during these difficult times.

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- **Blake Clayton** – Representative from Supervisor Sheila Kuehl's office: Report on current COVID incidence and hospitalizations in the community; Bridge Housing project in Canoga Park schedule to open in January 2021
- **Jenny Portillo** – Representative from LA City Council Member Bob Blumenfield's office: Updates give on homelessness, illegal gambling establishments; upcoming zoning meeting. December 10 will be an open house/holiday party at the Councilmember's office, with a drive-through donation event for toys/canned goods
- **Tara Vahdani** – Representative for LAUSD School Board Member Scott Schmerelson 's office: update on LAUSD COVID testing program; online programs available for children, such as Twinkle Time; report on grant received by Canoga Park Elementary School
- **Robert Garcia** – Principal, Canoga Park High School: Report on modernization grants from measure Q funds
- **Gary Fordyce** – Representative from the Budget Advocate group: Report on city budget and plans to close budget gap

3. Presentation

Cristina Vega, Community Engagement Specialist: Presentation given on Aliso Canyon Disaster Health

4. Public Comments

- *Michelle Cornelius:* speaking in support of having the council file a CIS in support of reopening the West Valley Animal Shelter
- *Carolyn [last name not available]:* speaking in support of having the council file a CIS in support of reopening the West Valley Animal Shelter
- *Paula Sand:* speaking in support of having the council file a CIS in support of reopening the West Valley Animal Shelter
- *Kathy [last name not available]:* speaking in support of having the council file a CIS in support of reopening the West Valley Animal Shelter
- *Gary Fordyce:* supports filing of the CIS statement on reopening the West Valley Animal Shelter
- *Max [last name not available]:* speaking in support of having the council file a CIS in support of reopening the West Valley Animal Shelter

5. Board Business

- a. Motion to approve the minutes of the October 2020 Board meeting.
Moved by Thema Bryant-Davis, seconded by Michael Davis.
Discussion: The word "Incompliant" should be change to "Noncompliant."
Motion to amend item as discussed. Moved by Steve Slutzah and seconded by Ron Clary. Motion passed. Vote on amended motion: motion passed.
- b. Motion to approve the October MER.
Moved by Steve Slutzah and seconded by Ron Clary. Roll call vote: 12 Yes. 0 No. 0 Abstain. 4 Ineligible. Motion passed.
- c. Motion to approve \$1500 for a three-part Racial Equity Policy Training .
Moved by Ron Clary and seconded by Daniel Griffith
Discussion regarding city's own plan for similar training and appropriateness of hiring another employee from Pepperdine University.
Roll call vote: 11 Yes. 1 No. 0 Abstain. 4 Ineligible. Motion passed.
- d. Motion to approve up to \$1,000 for Wish Upon an Angel to purchase food for 143 Canoga Park Seniors who utilize the CP Senior Center which will pay for two cans of vegetables and a small pie per person to supplement the offerings by the center.
Motion tabled.



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- e. Motion to accept payment from Michelle Miranda in the amount of \$30 for reimbursement of Facebook transaction error charged on 9/30/2020.
Moved by Kendra Kimball and seconded by Nauman Khan.
Roll call vote: 12 Yes. 0 No. 0 Abstain. 4 Ineligible.
- f. Motion to modify/approve required CPNC election worksheet.
Moved by Jessica Gonzalez and seconded by Michael Davis.
Motion passed.
- g. Tree removal notification based on local construction project: board members will examine this issue further. No action taken at this time

6. Board/Committee Announcements

- Brian Mallasch: Next Land Use Committee Meeting is planned for December 14

6. Adjournment

Moved by Thema Bryant-Davis and seconded by Ron Clary. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 pm.



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