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Canoga Park Neighborhood Council

Board Meeting

Minutes

Wednesday, May 22, 2024

7:00 PM

7248 Owensmouth Ave, Canoga Park, CA 91303

- I. **Call to Order:** Canoga Park Neighborhood Council President, Ray Cole, called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.
- II. **In Attendance:** Ray Cole, Mireira A. Morán, Duane Galila, Corinne Ho, Jessica Sandoval, Christine Fitzpatrick, Kyla Edrington
Absent: Ronald Clary, Brian Mallasch, Elmer Garcia, Bryan Islas
Late Entry: Mary Paterson (7:11)
Early Departure: None.
Courtesy Seats: None.
- III. **General Public Comment:** None.
- IV. **Community & Government Reports:**
1. Los Angeles Fire Department, Battalion 17 – Battalion Chief Lopez and Officer Jamal – Oral Report Given.
 2. Los Angeles Police Department, Topanga Division – Senior Lead Officer Jose Moreno & Officer Dao - Oral Report Given.
 4. City of Los Angeles, Council District 3 – Bob Blumenfield’s Office – Field Deputy Steve Jaramillo – Written Report Sent in and Read
 5. City of Los Angeles, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment – Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate Prabhjot Chamber – Oral Report Given.

V. **Presentations:**

1. Stephan Wallace, Asset Protection for Target – Back to School Event July 24th, 2024.

Action Items:

1. Kyra Edrington moves to appoint Anna Measles as the Faith-Based Organization Representative to the Canoga Park Neighborhood Council Board. Seconded. **ADOPTED.**

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| Brian Mallasch | Absent |
| Bryan Islas | Absent |
| Corinne Ho | Yes |
| Duane Galila | Yes |
| Edward Barkett | Yes |
| Elmer Garcia | Absent |
| Kyra Edrington | Yes |
| Mary Paterson | Yes |
| Mireira A. Morán | Yes |
| Ray Cole | Yes |
| Ronald Clary | Absent |
| Jessica Sandoval | Yes |
| Christine Fitzpatrick | Yes |

2. Corinne Ho, moves to approve the CPNC Monthly Expenditure Reports (MER'S) for January 2024 MER, February 2024 MER, March 2024 MER, April 2024 MER, December 2023 MER, November 2023 MER, October 2023 MER, September 2023 MER, August 2023 MER, July 2023 MER, June 2023 MER. Seconded.

ADOPTED.

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| Brian Mallasch | Absent |
| Bryan Islas | Absent |
| Corinne Ho | Yes |
| Duane Galila | Yes |
| Edward Barkett | Yes |
| Elmer Garcia | Absent |
| Kyra Edrington | Yes |
| Mary Paterson | Yes |
| Mireira A. Morán | Yes |
| Ray Cole | Yes |
| Ronald Clary | Absent |
| Jessica Sandoval | Yes |
| Christine Fitzpatrick | Yes |

3. Corinne Ho, moves to appoint Edward Barkett, as the 1st Card Holder.

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| Brian Mallasch | Absent |
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| Bryan Islas | Absent |
| Corinne Ho | Yes |
| Duane Galila | Yes |
| Edward Barkett | Yes |
| Elmer Garcia | Absent |
| Kyra Edrington | Yes |
| Mary Paterson | Yes |
| Mireira A. Morán | Yes |
| Ray Cole | Yes |
| Ronald Clary | Absent |
| Jessica Sandoval | Yes |
| Christine Fitzpatrick | Yes |

4. Mary Paterson, moves to appoint Ray Cole, as the 2nd Card Holder.

Seconded. **ADOPTED.**

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| Brian Mallasch | Absent |
| Bryan Islas | Absent |
| Corinne Ho | Yes |
| Duane Galila | Yes |
| Edward Barkett | Yes |
| Elmer Garcia | Absent |
| Kyra Edrington | Yes |
| Mary Paterson | Yes |
| Mireira A. Morán | Yes |
| Ray Cole | Yes |
| Ronald Clary | Absent |
| Jessica Sandoval | Yes |
| Christine Fitzpatrick | Yes |

5. Corinne Ho, moves to appoint Duane Galila, as the Alternate Signer.

Seconded. **ADOPTED.**

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| Brian Mallasch | Absent |
| Bryan Islas | Absent |
| Corinne Ho | Yes |
| Duane Galila | Yes |
| Edward Barkett | Yes |
| Elmer Garcia | Absent |
| Kyra Edrington | Yes |
| Mary Paterson | Yes |
| Mireira A. Morán | Yes |
| Ray Cole | Yes |
| Ronald Clary | Absent |
| Jessica Sandoval | Yes |

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| Christine Fitzpatrick | Yes |
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6. Ray Cole moves to approve the Administrative Packet for Fiscal Year 2023-2024. Seconded. **ADOPTED.**

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| Brian Mallasch | Absent |
| Bryan Islas | Absent |
| Corinne Ho | Yes |
| Duane Galila | Yes |
| Edward Barkett | Yes |
| Elmer Garcia | Absent |
| Kyra Edrington | Yes |
| Mary Paterson | Yes |
| Mireira A. Morán | Yes |
| Ray Cole | Yes |
| Ronald Clary | Absent |
| Jessica Sandoval | Yes |
| Christine Fitzpatrick | Yes |

7. Ray Cole moves to approve up to \$500 for usage of the Canoga Park Community Room. Seconded. **ADOPTED.**

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| Brian Mallasch | Absent |
| Bryan Islas | Absent |
| Corinne Ho | Yes |
| Duane Galila | Yes |
| Edward Barkett | Yes |
| Elmer Garcia | Absent |
| Kyra Edrington | Yes |
| Mary Paterson | Yes |
| Mireira A. Morán | Yes |
| Ray Cole | Yes |
| Ronald Clary | Absent |
| Jessica Sandoval | Yes |
| Christine Fitzpatrick | Yes |

8. Ray Cole moves to appoint up to three Community Impact Statement (CIS) Filers for the Canoga Park Neighborhood Council. Anna Measles, Jessica Sandoval, Mireira A. Moran. Seconded. **ADOPTED.**

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| Brian Mallasch | Absent |
| Bryan Islas | Absent |
| Corinne Ho | Yes |
| Duane Galila | Yes |

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| Edward Barkett | Yes |
| Elmer Garcia | Absent |
| Kyra Edrington | Yes |
| Mary Paterson | Yes |
| Mireira A. Morán | Yes |
| Ray Cole | Yes |
| Ronald Clary | Absent |
| Jessica Sandoval | Yes |
| Christine Fitzpatrick | Yes |

8. Kyra Edrington moves to file a Community Impact Statement (CIS) to CF23-1114 to authorize the use of teleconferencing for Neighborhood Council meetings, including board meetings and committee meetings, in accordance with the rules established by Senate Bill 411 and the subsequent motion passed by the City Council on November 1, 2023. The special teleconferencing rules available to Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils are necessary because of increased community engagement and accessibility..

Seconded. **ADOPTED.**

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| Brian Mallasch | Absent |
| Bryan Islas | Absent |
| Corinne Ho | Yes |
| Duane Galila | Yes |
| Edward Barkett | Yes |
| Elmer Garcia | Absent |
| Kyra Edrington | Yes |
| Mary Paterson | Yes |
| Mireira A. Morán | Yes |
| Ray Cole | Yes |
| Ronald Clary | Absent |
| Jessica Sandoval | Yes |
| Christine Fitzpatrick | Yes |

Adjournment:

Canoga Park Neighborhood Council President, Ray Cole,
adjourned the meeting at 10:47 pm.

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Minutes Prepared by Mireira A. Morán, Canoga Park Neighborhood Council Secretary

NOTES:

The following is intended as a reference only and not a part of the official minutes.

LAFD Battalion 17 Announcements

Upcoming Weather Alert:

- **Storm Warnings:** Three storms are predicted, and they are part of an atmospheric river. Residents are advised to plan accordingly.
- **Sandbag Availability:** Sand and sandbags are available at Station 106 on Roscoe. All other stations are also stocked with sand. Please ensure not to block the apparatus bay when picking up supplies.

Safety Concerns:

- **Earthquake Activity:** A notable uptick in seismic activity was recently observed.
- **Fire Hazards:** Recent fires have been linked to lithium-ion batteries, notably cheaper or counterfeit ones lacking safety checks, prone to overheating, and potential fires.

LAPD Updates

Crime Reports:

- **Violent Crimes:** Four incidents were reported this week, totaling 27 year-to-date.
- **Property Crimes:** 256 incidents reported, with a significant rise in auto-related crimes, especially involving Chevy Silverados and older model Toyotas (Corollas) and Hondas (Accords).
- **Catalytic Converter Thefts:** This continues to be a prevalent issue.

Community Events:

- **Tip a Cop Event:** Twenty percent of the proceeds on April 6 will benefit the Special Olympics fund. The event will be held at Warner Ranch Park, sponsored by the Woodland Hills Chamber, and will feature music and food. Celebrity host Jay Leno will MC the event.
- **Catalytic Converter Etching:** Due to high demand (200 cars registered for this Saturday), another etching event is planned for 3-4 months. Updates will be available on our Facebook page.

Mall Security Enhancements

Staffing and Uniform Update:

- **Security Personnel:** Approximately 200 security officers are stationed at the mall.
- **Uniform Change:** Recent updates to uniforms aim to increase visibility. A dedicated unit has been established to enhance security, specifically on the mall premises.

Community Initiatives by Caroline Menjivar

Upcoming Events:

- **Tacos and Taxes:** Scheduled for this Saturday, an event combining tax help with a community meal.
- **Care Court Town Hall:** An informational session addressing mental health issues and solutions for the unhoused population.

Legislative Leadership:

- **Current Session Leadership:** Senator Menjivar has spearheaded 21 legislative bills this session, focusing on diverse issues affecting the community.
- **Key Legislative Efforts:**
 - **Youth Housing:** Initiatives aimed at providing housing solutions for transitioning youth.
 - **Small Business Support:** The Commercial Lease Transparency Bill (SB1124) and additional measures (SB1122) to support small businesses have been introduced.
 - **Environmental Legislation:** Lead fuel ban (SB1193) and other significant environmental improvements.
 - **Health and Welfare:**
 - Reintroduction of mental health benefits at CSU (SB11).
 - Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) program enhancements (SB944).

- Numerous other bills focused on improving community health and welfare, including SB953, SB954, SB959, SB987, SB1027, SB1033, SB1057, SB1069, SB1079, SB1103, SB1112, SB1132, SB1170, SB1281, SB1323, SB1492, and SB1497.

Council Offices and Community Announcements

Job Fair Announcement:

- **Date and Time:** Saturday, March 2nd, 2 PM
- **Location:** Canoga Park
- **Purpose:** To help residents find employment and assist with clearing records. Further details are pending from Ray.

Boys and Girls Club of West Valley (BGC) – 2024 Engagement:

- **Current Status:** Expansion due to increased participation from 16-18 teens to over 45 teens.
- **Next Steps:** Hosting Zoom calls to discuss how to serve middle school kids best. Look out for upcoming flyers detailing events in 2024.
- **BGC Celebration Week:** Scheduled for June, this week will celebrate engagement and connection with community members. Council participation is hoped for once again.

Outreach at Golf Tournament:

- Discussion or decision pending further details.

Department of Neighborhood Empowerment Announcements

Upcoming Events:

- **Women’s Leadership Event:** Preparing to celebrate Women’s History Month on March 28 at City Hall. Registration links and nomination forms for recognizing outstanding community women will be provided soon.
- **Bylaws and Community Impact Statements (CIS) Workshops:**
- **Recent Activities:** Workshops on Bylaws and CIS were held, providing a review and Q&A session. Recordings will be available for later viewing.

Homelessness Liaison Role:

- **Purpose:** To serve as a bridge between the council and the department. A form for liaisons is available to initiate follow-up actions.
- **Meeting Format:** A mix of virtual and in-person meetings is anticipated, including an upcoming in-person meet and greet in downtown Los Angeles.

Office of the City Attorney

Training for Neighborhood Council Presidents:

- **Schedule:** Tomorrow at 6 PM via Zoom.
- **Focus:** Training will cover aspects of the Brown Act, with a designated section for questions.

Bylaws Amendments Update

Discussion of Bylaws Amendments:

- **Recent Approval:** Amendments presented at the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (BONC) on February 20th were approved. These include a change in board size and quorum requirements.
- **Compliance Concerns:** Discuss bylaws compliance with mandatory provisions and potential implications for further approvals.

Stakeholdership Review Process:

- **Procedure:** If a board requests a review of stakeholdership, the process is handled through the city clerk, with established protocols to be followed by the department representative.

Follow Your Heart Project

Conditional Use Permit Discussion:

- **Address:** 21812 Sherman Way.
- **Current License:** Allows the sale of beer and wine with food.

- **Proposed Change:** To obtain an additional use permit for off-site sales of beer and wine.
- **Community Support:** Endorsed by Ron from the land use committee, highlighting the business's long-standing reputation and the minimal floor space dedicated to alcohol displays. Emphasis on natural and health-conscious products like kombucha and organic beer and wine.