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SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, April 4, 2016 - 6:00 P.M.

LOCATION: FIRE STATION 87, COMMUNITY ROOM CENTER

10124 BALBOA BOULEVARD

GRANADA HILLS, CA 91344

These minutes state who attended the meeting and the actions taken. For more detailed information, the full audio is online at EmpowerLA.org.

1. Introduction (5 minutes) Commission President Shaffer presided over the meeting.
2. Call to Order and Commission roll call (1 minute) Meeting called to order at 6:27 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Shaffer
Lipmen
Grant
Rubio

ABSENT

Atkinson
LaFarga

There was a quorum of 4 Commissioners.

3. 6:30pm Approval of the Minutes of the Regular of 03/21/16. Click on the link to view a copy of the documents.) <https://empowerla.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/Board-of->

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Neighborhood-Commissioners-Regular-Meeting-Minutes-Draft-03.21.161.pdf (3 minutes)

Public Comment

Wayne from Encino

Action: Motion to approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting of March 1,2016.

VOTE	Mover	Grant	Second	Rubio
Commissioner	Ayes	Nays	Abstention	Absent
Atkinson				x
Grant	x			
Lipmen	x			
LaFarga				x
Rubio	x			
Shaffer	x			
Total	4			2
Motion	Carries	X	Fails	

- 6:32pm Verbal updates from representatives of the Mayor and Los Angeles City Council. (10 minutes).

Public Comment

Wayne from Encino

- 6:36pm Verbal updates from representatives of the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates. Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates provide input to the City on the City’s Budget. Additional information regarding the Budget Advocates is available at <http://ncbala.com/>. (10 minutes).

Glenn Bailey – Annual Budget Day, Saturday. June 25, 2016. More details to come.

Public Comment

Wayne from Encino
 Glenn Bailey

- 7:02pm Discussion with various North Valley area Neighborhood Council representatives who wish to report concerns, operations, and best practices. Neighborhood Council representatives should complete their questionnaires in advance of the meeting. This matter will last a maximum of 20 minutes and the time will be divided among those representatives wishing to speak. (Click on the link to view a copy of the document.) <https://empowerla.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/Best-Practices-Questionnaire.pdf> (20 minutes).

Public Comment

Garry Fordyce
Glenn Bailey
Vanessa Serrano
Glen Wilson
Wayne from Encino
Mary Armentienos

7. 7:17pm General Public Comments - Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. This agenda item will last a total of 15 minutes and no individual speaker will be allowed more than three minutes. (15 minutes)

Public Comment

Mary Armentienos
Anita Goldbaum
Glenn Bailey
Garry Fordyce
Martha Kopy
Larry Abram
Wayne from Encino

8. 7:35pm General Manager's Report. (10 minutes)
1. Briefing on Departmental activities.
 2. Staffing, budget and other operational matters.
 3. Civic U 2.0.

Report given by Mike Fong in lieu of General Manager Grayce Liu.

Elections are underway. Thank you to the Neighborhood Councils for your hard work and efforts in outreach and engaging stakeholders in the NC election process.

The Neighborhood Council grievance portal is now open to accept submissions. Please direct anyone who wishes to file a grievance with your Neighborhood Council to the portal for processing and review.

The Office of the City Attorney has provided clarification regarding restrictions on providing Neighborhood Purpose Grants to a non-profit or public school which a board member's child attends. P

Neighborhood Councils are encouraged to submit Community Impact Statements on Council Files including CF 16-0093 which relates to a proposed ballot measure to amend the Los Angeles City Charter and Administrative Code to restructure the governance of the Los Angeles Department of Water & Power (DWP).

Public Comment

Glenn Bailey
 Garry Fordyce
 Wayne from Encino
 Terrence Gomes

9. 7:42pm Discussion and possible action to create an Ad Hoc Committee for the EmpowerLA Awards.

Public Comment

Wayne from Encino
 Glenn Bailey

Action: Motion to table to next meeting.

VOTE	Mover	Grant	Second	Lipmen
Commissioner	Ayes	Nays	Abstention	Absent
Atkinson				x
Grant	x			
Lipmen	x			
LaFarga				x
Rubio	x			
Shaffer	x			
Total	4			2
Motion	Carries	X	Fails	

10. 7:54:pm Discussion and update on a request to the City Council to open a council file to evaluate a policy and/or ordinance to provide Neighborhood Councils with priority in the use of shared space at city facilities for board and committee meetings and office space. (Click on the link to view a copy of the Motion.)(Council File # 16-0298.)
<https://empowerla.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/Motion-Neighborhood-Councils-Shared-Space1.pdf>

Public Comment

Garry Fordyce
 Wayne from Encino

11. 8:06pm Discussion on the request from City Council President Herb Wesson that Neighborhood Councils, Alliances, and citywide committees agendize and submit Community Impact Statements regarding the Department of Water and Power (DWP) Reform. (Click on the link to view a copy of Council President Herb Wesson’s Letter.)
<https://empowerla.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/DWP-Reform-Letter-Council-President-Herb-Wesson.pdf>

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Garry Fordyce
 Wayne from Encino
 Terrence Gomes

12. 6:45pm Discussion and possible action to adopt a policy requiring Neighborhood Council Boards to keep written Minutes and post the Minutes to their website. (Click on the link to view a copy of the Proposed Minutes Policy.) <https://empowerla.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/CA-Proposeed-Policy-3-17-16.pdf>

Public Comment

Glenn Bailey
 Garry Fordyce
 Wayne from Encino

Action: Motion to table to next Meeting.

VOTE	Mover	Grant	Second	Lipmen
Commissioner	Ayes	Nays	Abstention	Absent
Atkinson				x
Grant	x			
Lipmen	x			
LaFarga				x
Rubio	x			
Shaffer	x			
Total	4			2
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13. 8:16pm **PUBLIC HEARING:** Discussion and possible action to provide further clarification for the Neighborhood Council Stakeholder definition regarding the term “substantial and ongoing” for the Community Interest Stakeholder. (20 minutes)

Public Comment

Wayne from Encino
 Garry Fordyce

14. 8:22pm Commission Business - Comment from Commissioners on subject matters within the Board’s jurisdiction. (15 minutes)

1. Comment on Commissioners’ own activities/brief announcements.
2. Brief response to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising their general public comment rights/ask staff questions for clarification.

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3. Introduce new issues for consideration by the Commission at its next meeting and direct staff to place on the agenda.
4. Ask staff to research issues and report back to the Commission at a future time.
5. Discussion and possible action to discontinue the Ad Hoc Committee on Outreach.

Public Comment

Wayne from Encino

15. 8:38pm General Public Comments - Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. This agenda item will last a total of 15 minutes and no individual speaker will be allowed more than three minutes. (15 minutes)

Public Comment

Terrence Gomes
 Garry Fordyce
 Glenn Bailey
 Corrine Ho
 Wayne from Encino

16. 8:45pm Adjourn.

ACTION: Motion to adjourn.

VOTE	Mover	Grant	Second	Lipmen
Commissioner	Ayes	Nays	Abstention	Absent
Atkinson				x
Grant	x			
Lipmen	x			
LaFarga				x
Rubio	x			
Shaffer	x			
Total	4			2
Motion	Carries	X	Fails	