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**NORTH HOLLYWOOD
 NORTHEAST NEIGHBORHOOD
 COUNCIL MINUTES**

Meeting Type:
 Regular Board Meeting

Date:
Wednesday, January 15, 2025
 7:00 PM

Prepared by:
 Jennifer Clark

Meets the 3rd WEDNESDAY
 Every month at 7:00 PM

Location:
LA Fire Station 89
 Community Room
 7063 Laurel Canyon Blvd
 North Hollywood, CA 91605

Enter the LAFD 89 gate to find the
 Community Room at the back of the
 Station property. Ample parking
 available in the station parking lot.

Light refreshments will be provided.

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President/Chair reserves the right to move agenda items to accommodate speakers

President/Chair only votes for tie-breakers

Item #	Topic	Board Sponsor
1	<p>Call Meeting to Order—Roll Call</p> <p>President Zaid Diaz-Arias calls the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Quorum achieved</p> <p>11 Present: Maria Cermeno, Jennifer Clark, Robert Clark, Michael Coleman, Zaid Diaz-Arias, SheRise Ford, Reanna Lee, Jennie Palluzzi, Wendy Sotelo, and Veronica Jimenez Vasquez</p> <p>7:21 pm Kate Martinez arrived;</p> <p>2 Absent: Excused: n/a Unexcused: Mel Futrell & Marci Marks</p>	President Diaz-Arias
2	<p>Chair Welcome & Brief Review of NC rules</p> <p>President Zaid Diaz-Arias gave a Brief Review of NC rules.</p>	President Diaz-Arias
3	<p>Comments by Government Officials (3 Mins Ea.)</p> <p>Andres Garcia, SD20 District Representative gave updates, which included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● CA Legislation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ deadline to submit Bills to be considered is February 21, 2025 	Various

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sponsored California Senate Bill 20 (SB20) of 2025-2026, a bill that aims to protect workers from exposure to crystalline silica. ● IRS deadline to file has been delayed due to Southern CA Wildfire Emergency ● DMV is offering Free Document and Car Registration Sticker replacements to anyone affected by the Southern CA Wildfire Emergency. ● Senior Town Hall scheduled for February 2025 <p>Loreli Vallejo, representative for L.A. City Council District 6 (CD6) and Councilwoman Imelda Padilla gave updates, which included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Homeless Count has been rescheduled, most likely to the end of February due to the Southern CA Wildfire Emergency ● CD6 has partnered with McDonalds to provide a Free Food Distribution due to Southern CA Wildfire Emergency, especially due to extensive Power Outages. ● Homeless Care+ activities: Next Cleanup at Morella/Arminta scheduled 1/23/25 <p>Helena Doub, the EmpowerLA rep (NEA) for the NHNENC, provides relevant information mainly applicable to neighborhood council board members, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Youth Conference in February 2025; Application Due 12-20-24 ● Neighborhood Council Elections - NHNENC is in Region 4 and Candidate Filing begins 2-7-25. Zoom Info Session on 1-29-25 	
4	<p style="text-align: center;">Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items (3 Mins Ea.)</p> <p>Paola Núñez - From SFV (NoHo/Sun Valley areas); Supports Environment Justice especially with a focus on flora & fauna. Director for a NonProfit,Recreate Educate Coadapt (REC) https://www.reclosangeles.com/</p> <p>Jason Enright - Lives in North Hollywood with wife & son. Recommends that NHNENC support recent motion, Council File 25-0006-S16 for a Rent Freeze through January 2026.</p> <p>Brian M. - with Latin Resource Organization (LRO) - Located near Vanowen/Laurel Canyon. FAFSA Help on Saturdays; Free Tax Prep available with options for Drop Off, In Person, or Hybrid. Adult & Youth Services including a food pantry for those who are enrolled.</p>	Various
Consent Calendar		
7	<p>Discussion and Possible Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Review and approve the December 2024 MER. B. Discussion and Possible Action: Review and approve the December 18, 2024 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. C. Discussion and Possible Action: Review and approve the December 18, 2024 Special Board Meeting Minutes. <p>Jennie Palluzzi moves to approve all items in the consent calendar</p> <p>SheRise Ford seconds</p>	Treasurer Coleman / Vice President Clark

	<p>8 Ayes: Maria Cermeno, Jennifer Clark, Robert Clark, Michael Coleman, SheRise Ford, Jennie Palluzzi, Wendy Sotelo, and Veronica Jimenez Vasquez</p> <p>0 Nays: n/a</p> <p>1 Abstentions: Zaid Diaz-Arias,</p> <p>2 Ineligible: Kate Martinez; Reanna Lee</p> <p>Motion passes 8-0-1-2</p>	
Board Business		
<p>8</p>	<p>Discussion and Possible Action: Approve a resolution and potential Community Impact Statement to support the continuation of the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program and related Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) initiatives. This discussion will include a review of Council File 24-1600, which highlights the service impacts on the LAFD as detailed in the Board of Fire Commissioners report dated December 17, 2024. The report addresses significant operational challenges, including the elimination of critical civilian positions and a reduction in Overtime Variable Staffing Hours.</p> <p>VP Clark brief overview of what CERT is the summary of details included in the LAFD report in Council File 24-1600.</p> <p>Wendy Sotelo & Jennifer Clark shared their personal experience as a stakeholder taking the CERT training class series and the Firefighter teacher.</p> <p>Jennifer Clark made a friendly amendment to add the following to the resolution & CIS for CF 24-1600, “To fully fund the Los Angeles Fire Department, including reinstating the critical civilian positions.”</p> <p>Wendy Sotelo moves to approve</p> <p>SheRise Ford seconds</p> <p>9 Ayes: Maria Cermeno, Jennifer Clark, Robert Clark, Michael Coleman, SheRise Ford, Reanna Lee, Jennie Palluzzi, Wendy Sotelo, and Veronica Jimenez Vasquez</p> <p>0 Nays: n/a</p> <p>1 Abstentions: Zaid Diaz-Arias,</p> <p>1 Ineligible: Kate Martinez</p> <p>Motion passes 9-0-1-1</p>	<p>VP Clark</p>

<p>9</p>	<p>Discussion and Possible Action: Final planning and discussion for our MLK Day Community Clean Up, taking place on January 20, 2025 at 8 AM, and review final event details, clarify Board member roles and expectations, and identify any additional support or resources needed from the Board to ensure the event's success.</p> <p>SheRise Ford provided a review to meet at 8am at FS89 Community Room and updates for the event. Encouraging sign ups, especially for Food & Tshirt counts. Partnership with Upward Bound and CalTrans’s Clean CA Public Education Campaign, which is providing 100 Clean up Kits - which come with Gloves, Vests, Scales to weigh trash collection.</p> <p>CD2 is not able to participate this year as their office is still in transition with the new Councilmember.</p> <p>Included for the Record - No Action Taken</p>	<p>President Diaz-Arias/ Board Member Ford</p>
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Budgetary Items

<p>10</p>	<p>Discussion and Possible Action: Report and possible action to ratify the emergency expenditure of \$1,000, authorized under the Emergency Authorization section of the City Clerk Funding Policy, for supplies in response to recent winds, wildfires, and 24-48 hour power outages in North Hollywood. The expenditure covered nonperishable foods, flashlights, portable chargers, masks, water, and other essential items. The President will report the details of the emergency and the expenditure to the governing board for ratification through a Board Action Certification (BAC) to be entered into the meeting minutes.</p> <p>President Zaid Diaz-Arias gave a summary of the actions that led to his authorizing the Emergency Expenditures.</p> <p>Jennifer Clark summarized the Emergency Supply Distribution Event which included thanking the following Board Members for participating: Maria, Jennie, Zaid, SheRise, Wendy & Reanna.</p> <p><u>Jennifer Clark moves to approve</u></p> <p><u>SheRise Ford seconds</u></p> <p><u>8 Ayes:</u> Maria Cermeno, Jennifer Clark, Robert Clark, Michael Coleman, SheRise Ford, Jennie Palluzzi, Wendy Sotelo, and Veronica Jimenez Vasquez</p> <p><u>0 Nays:</u> n/a</p> <p><u>1 Abstentions:</u> Zaid Diaz-Arias,</p> <p><u>2 Ineligible:</u> Kate Martinez; Reanna Lee</p> <p>Motion passes 8-0-1-2</p>	<p>President Diaz-Arias</p>
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11	<p>Discussion and Possible Action: Approve the reimbursement of \$78.71 to Board Member Maria Cermeno for the purchase of flashlights. This expenditure was authorized under the Emergency Authorization section of the City Clerk Funding Policy in response to the recent winds, wildfires, and power outages in North Hollywood.</p> <p>SheRise Ford moves to approve</p> <p>Jennie Palluzzi seconds</p> <p>8 Ayes: Maria Cermeno, Jennifer Clark, Robert Clark, Michael Coleman, SheRise Ford, Jennie Palluzzi, Wendy Sotelo, and Veronica Jimenez Vasquez</p> <p>0 Nays: n/a</p> <p>1 Abstentions: Zaid Diaz-Arias,</p> <p>2 Ineligible: Kate Martinez; Reanna Lee</p> <p>Motion passes 8-0-1-2</p>	President Diaz-Arias/ Board Member Cermeno
12	<p>Discussion and Possible Action: Approve up to \$100 for the following office supplies: Sheet protectors for Three ring binders, Three ring binders, clip boards, and Door Stopper(s)</p> <p>Jennie Palluzzi moves to approve</p> <p>Robert Clark seconds</p> <p>8 Ayes: Maria Cermeno, Jennifer Clark, Robert Clark, Michael Coleman, SheRise Ford, Jennie Palluzzi, Wendy Sotelo, and Veronica Jimenez Vasquez</p> <p>0 Nays: n/a</p> <p>1 Abstentions: Zaid Diaz-Arias,</p> <p>2 Ineligible: Kate Martinez; Reanna Lee</p> <p>Motion passes 8-0-1-2</p>	VP Clark
Committee Business		
13	<p>Discussion and Possible Action: Stakeholders or Council members interested in becoming members of any committee will be allotted 2 mins to speak. (Review Vacancies)</p> <p>Michaela Huck self nominated for the Minority Empowerment & Cultural Affairs Committee. Chair Diaz-Arias appointed her to the committee. The NHNENC moved to ratify the appointment.</p> <p>Zaid Diaz-Arias moves to approve</p> <p>SheRise Ford seconds</p>	Committee Chairs

	<p>9 Ayes: Maria Cermeno, Jennifer Clark, Robert Clark, Michael Coleman, SheRise Ford, Kate Martinez, Jennie Palluzzi, Wendy Sotelo, and Veronica Jimenez Vasquez</p> <p>0 Nays: n/a</p> <p>1 Abstentions: Zaid Diaz-Arias,</p> <p>1 Ineligible: Reanna Lee</p> <p>Motion passes 9-0-1-1</p> <p>Audrey Krause & Paola Núñez both expressed interest in the Beautification & Public Safety Committee. Chair Clark asked them to attend the next meeting to check it out and then would discuss appointments at that point.</p>	
15	<p>Committee Reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Executive Board next meeting 1/21/25 8pm at Valley Plaza Rec Center ● Cultural Affairs & Minority Empowerment next meeting TBA ● Bylaws & Rules next meeting TBA ● Planning & Land-Use next meeting end of January ● Ad-Hoc Elections ● Outreach & Youth Engagement next meeting 2/5/25 6:30pm ● Beautification & Public Safety next meeting 2/4/25 8pm at Valley Plaza Rec Center 	Committee Chairs
Concluding Statements		
15	<p style="text-align: center;">Board Member Announcements</p> <p>SheRise Ford requested adding an agenda item to the February Council Board meeting to discuss the virtual option for meetings.</p>	Board Members
16	<p style="text-align: center;">Adjournment</p> <p style="text-align: center;">President Diaz-Arias adjourns the meeting at 8:23 pm</p>	President Diaz-Arias

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