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**NORTH HOLLYWOOD NORTHEAST
 NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MINUTES**

Wednesday, February 18, 2026
 6:30 pm

Meeting Type:
 Regular Council Meeting

Prepared by:
 Jennifer Clark

President/Chair only votes for tie-breakers or to create a tie

**Council Meetings every third
 Wednesday at 6:30 PM**

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 12311 Vanowen St, North
 Hollywood, CA 91605

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 P.O. Box 15515,
 North Hollywood, CA 91615

This meeting was held in person in accordance with the Brown Act. A livestream was available to allow stakeholders to observe the meeting remotely. Please note that the livestream was for viewing purposes only. Members of the public who wish to provide public comment must attend the meeting in person at the location listed above. Comments submitted via chat or other livestream functions will not be accepted as official public comment.

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

Item #	Topic	Council Member Sponsor
1	<p>Call Meeting to Order - Roll Call</p> <p>President Zaid Diaz-Arias calls the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. Quorum achieved</p> <p>11 Present:, Jennifer Clark, Michael Coleman, Zaid Diaz-Arias, Mel Futrell, Veronica Jimenez Vasquez, Marci Marks, Jennie Palluzzi, and Wendy Sotelo</p> <p>6:34pm: Audrey Krause arrived; 7:10pm left and 7:25pm returned 6:39pm: Reanna Lee arrived; 7:45pm left 7:20pm: Alejandro Jimenez appointed to the Board</p> <p>2 Absent: Excused: n/a Unexcused: Maria Cermeno and SheRise Ford</p>	Pres. Diaz-Arias
2	<p>Chair Welcome & brief review of the NC Rules</p> <p>President Zaid Diaz-Arias gave a Brief Review of NC rules.</p>	Pres. Diaz-Arias

3	<p>Reports by LAPD and LAFD (2 Mins Ea.)</p> <p>Chief Morehouse (LAFD) gave updates on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traffic Collision at Circus Liquor on Vineland/Burbank involving a power pole and Electric Vehicle (EV). PSA that live electrical wires can kill. PSA that EVs on fire have additional hazards in the smoke . • Discussion continued around the extended time needed to put out an EV fire due to battery types and locations. Approx 45 min “fire fight”. One of the best ways to put out the fire is to reduce temperature and immersion into water. And an ask for any research / technology that could further support these efforts given the growth in the amount of EVs in the Los Angeles area. • CERT Trainings are ongoing - check Eventbrite for a location near you. 	Various
4	<p>Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items (2 Mins Ea.)</p> <p>Community Member shared about how to get assistance with parking enforcement.</p> <p>Community Member expressed frustration with the lack of government representatives at these meetings, specifically CD2.</p>	Various
Consent Calendar		
5	<p>Discussion and Possible Action on the following Consent Calendar:</p> <p>A. Approve the January 21, 2026 Council Meeting Minutes.</p> <p>B. Approve a Community Impact Statement for Council File: 26-0162 regarding MyLA311 technical issues, service delivery impacts, work order completion rates, and proposed operational improvements.</p> <p>Position: SUPPORT (Beautification & Public Safety Committee approved)</p>	VP Clark/ Secretary Sotelo
	<p>C. Approve a Community Impact Statement for Council File: 26-0173 regarding illegal off-site signage, protection of the public right-of-way, and proposed amendments to the Los Angeles Municipal Code affecting outdoor advertising companies.</p> <p>Position: SUPPORT</p> <p>D. Approve a Community Impact Statement for Council File: 26-0158 establishing the Hydration Station Initiative Program to expand public access to drinking water and fund the installation of additional hydration stations.</p> <p>Position: SUPPORT</p> <p>Wendy Soltelo moves to approve</p> <p>Michael Coleman seconds</p> <p>Motion passes 8-0-1-1</p>	
Board Business		
6	<p>Discussion and Possible Action: Appoint and confirm Alejandro Jimenez as a Council Member representing a vacant At-Large Community Stakeholder Seat (A1 2029).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board Member Application <p>About the board seats (from NHNENC bylaws): <i>At-Large Stakeholder (3) - Four year term seats that "Stakeholder who is 18 years of age at the time of the election and who lives, works or owns property within the boundaries of the North Hollywood Northeast Neighborhood Council."</i></p> <p>Alejandro Jimenez presented his background and reason for application</p> <p>Public Comment expressed support</p>	Pres. Diaz-Arias/ VP Clark

	<p>Jennifer Clark moves to approve</p> <p>Wendy Sotelo seconds</p> <p>Motion passes 9-0-0-1</p> <p>Note: EmpowerLA NEA John Darnell led the Oath</p>	
7	<p>Discussion and Possible Action: Review and approve a Community Impact Statement for Council File 26-0600 as it relates to impacts on Neighborhood Councils, including City Clerk recommendations to postpone Neighborhood Council elections and continue reduced Neighborhood Council budgets.</p> <p>POSITION: AGAINST, UNLESS AMENDED (Executive Committee approved)</p> <p>Jennifer Clark moves to approve</p> <p>Audrey Krause seconds</p> <p>Motion passes 8-0-1-1</p>	Parli. Palluzzi
8	<p>Discussion and Possible Action: Review and approve a Community Impact Statement regarding Council Files 00-9999 and 23-1027 concerning City Charter Reform. The CIS would be transmitted to the City Council, Mayor’s Office, and the Los Angeles Charter Reform Commission, and would address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support for the charter reform recommendations advanced by the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) and the Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates; and • Concerns regarding commission governance practices, including adherence to the Brown Act and standards of decorum. <p>Position: SUPPORT (Recommended by the Executive Committee)</p> <p>Supporting Documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LANCC Charter Reform Presentation • Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates Presentation <p>Jennifer Clark moves to approve</p> <p>Jennie Palluzie seconds</p> <p>Motion passes 7-0-1-1</p>	Parli. Palluzzi
9	<p>Discussion and Possible Action: To vacate the below listed board seat due to excessive absences that violate the North Hollywood Northeast Neighborhood Council (NHNENC) Absence policy and Compliance Policy in the NHNENC bylaws Article V Section 7 and Article XIV Compliance Section 2.1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At Large Youth Stakeholder - B1 2027 Appointed (currently held by R. Lee) <p>Note: <i>CM Lee has been absent four times in a 12-month period. The absences were: March, July, November, and December of 2025. Any member that misses three consecutive meetings or four meetings in a 12 month period must be put on the agenda for discussion.</i></p> <p>Jennifer Clark moves to approve</p>	Parli. Palluzzi

	<p>Michael Coleman seconds</p> <p>Motion fails 0-7-1-1</p>	
10	<p>Discussion and Possible Action: To vacate the below listed board seat due to excessive absences that violate the North Hollywood Northeast Neighborhood Council (NHNENC) Absence policy and Compliance Policy in the NHNENC bylaws Article V Section 7 and Article XIV Compliance Section 2.1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Based Organization - A1 2027 Appointed (currently held by V. Jimenez Vasquez) <p>Note: <i>CM Jimenez Vasquez has been absent four times in a 12-month period. The absences were: June, July, and October 2025; and January 2026. Any member that misses three consecutive meetings or four meetings in a 12 month period must be put on the agenda for discussion.</i></p> <p>Jennifer Clark moves to approve</p> <p>Wendy Sotelo seconds</p> <p>Motion fails 0-7-1-1</p>	Parli. Palluzzi
Funding Items		
11	<p>Discussion and Possible Action: Approve the December 2025 and January 2026 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER).</p> <p>Michael Coleman moves to approve</p> <p>Jennie Palluzie seconds</p> <p>Motion passes 6-0-1-2</p>	Treas. Coleman
12	<p>Presentation, Discussion and Possible Action: Approve up to \$500 for painting related tools & supplies for a beautification project proof of concept for the Lankershim Slopes. (Recommended by the Beautification & Public Safety Committee)</p> <p>Wendy Sotelo moves to approve</p> <p>Veronica Jimenez Vasquez seconds</p> <p>Motion passes 7-0-1-2</p>	VP Clark
13	<p>Discussion and Possible Action: Approve up to \$50 for stamps for a letter writing committee project to inform & encourage stakeholders in NHNENC with empty tree wells to adopt a tree for free. (Recommended by the Beautification & Public Safety Committee)</p> <p>Public Comment expressed support</p> <p>Jennifer Clark moves to approve</p> <p>Mel Futrell seconds</p> <p>Motion passes 7-0-1-2</p>	VP Clark
14	<p>Discussion and Possible Action: Approve up to \$1000 for outreach tabling at Arminta Street Elementary School's "Be Part of the Change! From the Palm of Your Hand" City Services Interactive Workshop, including expenditures for refreshments, signage, outreach supplies, and branded NHNENC water bottle bags. (Recommended by the Beautification & Public Safety Committee)</p> <p>Wendy Sotelo moves to approve</p>	VP Clark

	Jennie Palluzie seconds Motion passes 7-0-1-2	
15	<p>Discussion and Possible Action: Approve up to \$1,000 for outreach promotional materials, including branded bags and water bottles.</p> <p>Jennie Palluzie moves to approve</p> <p>Audrey Krause seconds</p> <p>Motion passes 4-1-2-2</p>	VP Clark
16	<p>Discussion and Possible Action: Approve a Neighborhood Purpose Grant application for Hands4Hope of up to \$2,000 for their annual Hope Walk event. (Recommended by the Executive Committee)</p> <p>Jennifer Clark moves to approve</p> <p>Wendy Sotelo seconds</p> <p>Motion passes 6-0-1-2</p>	Pres. Diaz-Arias
Committee Business		
17	<p>Discussion and Possible Action: Review of Standing Rules related to committee operations, including quarterly meeting requirements, current status of all committees, agenda posting requirements, and updated EmpowerLA Neighborhood System (ENS) submission deadlines.</p> <p>Zaid Diaz-Arias moved to table this given time constraints of the location closing hours</p>	Parli. Palluzzi
18	<p>Discussion and Possible Action: Housing & Transportation Committee — review of committee status due to failure to meet quarterly requirements under the Standing Rules (no meeting held since June 2025).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Option A: Appoint a new Committee Chair and direct the Committee to resume regular quarterly meetings in compliance with the Standing Rules. ● Option B: Dissolve the Housing & Transportation Committee pursuant to the six-month inactivity provision of the Standing Rules. <p>Zaid Diaz-Arias moved to table this given time constraints of the location closing hours</p>	Pres. Diaz-Arias
19	<p>Committee Reports (If applicable):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Executive Council ● Beautification & Public Safety Written Report ● Bylaws & Rules ● Cultural Affairs & Minority Empowerment ● Housing & Transportation ● Outreach & Youth Engagement ● Planning & Land-Use Management <p>Zaid Diaz-Arias moved to table this given time constraints of the location closing hours</p>	Committee Chairs

20	<p>Liaison Reports (2 Mins):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● NCEPA Liaisons ● NCSA Liaisons ● Homelessness Liaisons ● C-PAB Liaisons ● Budget Representatives (NCBA) ● PlanCheck NC Liaisons ● LA Charter Reform Liaison ● VANC Liaisons ● LANCC Liaison ● Congress of NCs Liaison ● DWP Advocacy and MOU Oversight Liaisons ● Park Advisory Board Liaison ● Film Liaison <p>Zaid Diaz-Arias moved to table this given time constraints of the location closing hours</p>	Liaisons
Concluding Business		
21	<p style="text-align: center;">Reports by Government Officials (2 Mins Ea.)</p> <p>Lorelie (CD6) gave updates Dayana Ramos (CD2) gave updates</p> <p>Discussion included comments regarding consistent attendance at these meetings by Government Representatives, especially our Councilmembers offices; and respect for commitments made to the Neighborhood Council especially in regards to attending/speaking/presenting.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">No Action Taken</p>	Pres. Diaz-Arias
22	<p style="text-align: center;">Council Member Announcements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● North Hollywood Monthly Community Clean-Up Days - Held every 2nd Saturday from 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM. Upcoming clean-up: Meet at Lankershim & Strathern https://tinyurl.com/NoHoCleanUp ● "Be a Part of the Change! From the Palm of Your Hand" - Saturday, March 7, 2026 from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. * RSVP & More Information available here and Flyer available here. * ● "Walk & Talk North Hollywood" - March 10, 2026 from 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM New outreach community engagement series. Come join the Neighborhood Council as we discuss concerns in the community while walking block by block at various days/times throughout the year. Let's take steps together towards helping North Hollywood be its best! Meet at the SE corner of Lankershim & Sherman Way near 7170 Lankershim. Note: We will leave promptly at 11:15 AM. To register & be notified of future dates, please visit: tinyurl.com/WalkTalkNoHo ● VANC34.ORG Virtual Meeting Thursday March 12, 2026 6:30 PM w/ Mayor Bass ● LA Charter Commission Meetings - Feb. 24, 26, March 3, 6, 10, 12, 17, 19 https://reformlacherter.lacity.gov/commission-meeting-schedule <p style="text-align: center;">No Action Taken</p>	Council Mems.
23	<p style="text-align: center;">Adjournment</p> <p style="text-align: center;">President Diaz-Arias adjourns the meeting at 7:57 pm</p>	Pres. Diaz-Arias

Call to Order: 6:32pm		Vote Count - NHNENC FEBRUARY 2026 BOARD MEETING												
Adjourned: 7:57pm		(Y=Yes, N=No, Ab=Abstain, I=Ineligible, R=Recuse)												
Board Member	Attendance	5 (A-D)	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	18
Maria Cermeno	No													
Jennifer Clark	Yes	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Michael Coleman	Yes	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	
SheRise Ford	No													
Mel Futrell	Yes	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y			
Veronica Jimenez	Yes	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Audrey Krause	Yes - Arrived Late 6:34 pm	Y	Y	Y					Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Marci Marks	Yes	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Jennie Palluzzi	Yes	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	
Wendy Sotelo	Yes	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Ab	Y	
YOUTH - Reanna Lee	Yes - Arrived Late 6:39 pm	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	I	I	I	I	I	I	
*Zaid Diaz-Arias (Abstain.Default as Chair)	Yes	Ab	Y	Ab	Ab	Ab	Ab	Ab	Ab	Ab	Ab	Ab	Ab	
		PASSES	PASSES	PASSES	PASSES	FAILED	FAILED	PASSES	PASSES	PASSES	PASSES	PASSES	PASSES	TABLED
Vote Count Totals		8/0/1/1	9/0/0/1	8/0/1/1	7/0/1/1	0/7/1/1	0/7/1/1	6/0/1/2	7/0/1/2	7/0/1/2	7/0/1/2	4/1/2/2	6/0/1/2	
		Note: Agenda Items 17, 18, 19, 20, and 22 Tabled (due to time constraint of meeting location)												

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