

Minutes of the
ARLETA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (ANC)
General Meeting of the Board
Tuesday, February 19th, 2013
at Beachy Ave. Elementary School, 9757 Arleta Ave., Arleta

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance and introductions.

Council President Sergio Ibarra called the Meeting to order at 7:53 p.m. Roll call was taken by Minute Taker Irving Sandoval

Board Members Present:

David Avalos	John Hernandez	James Kallas	Henry Ng
Cyndee Riding	Jack Lindblad	Juan Gonzalez	Esperanza Gutierrez
Celia Vasquez	Kelly Magallanes	Sergio Ibarra	Christian Guerra
Eberardo Sanchez			

Board Members absent:

Luisa Chajon

13 Board Members were present. A quorum is nine, so the Board could make Motions and take votes.

2. Presidents Message.

President Sergio Ibarra announced it was the 10th anniversary of the ANC.

3. General public comments on items not listed on today's agenda.

Speaker: Dianne Hand, stakeholder, Announced the transfer of Captain Scott Quinn from Fire Department of station 7. His last day will be on Saturday, February 23. He is to be presented with a cake and a thank you card on that day. She also updated the board on the groundbreaking of the new Station 7 which has been delayed until probably July or sometime in the summer. She would like to see the city regulate illegal vending in the area the issue should be discussed in a future public safety community meeting.

Speaker: Al Piantanida, Arleta Community Watchdogs, He announced the LAPD Mission Division Open House will be held on May 18 from 10:00am to 3:00pm with a station tour going on from 10:00 - 2:00pm. Volunteers are needed. The Arleta Neighborhood Council will have a table at the event. He also suggested the ANC have a candidate forum for the CD6 candidates so the community can get to know these candidates.

Speaker: Mark Lomeli, field representative for School Board Member Nury Martinez, He reported on the concerns expressed by Arleta residents on the possibility of a charter school co-locating on the Arleta high campus. Nury Martinez and staff were able to find a loophole in the proposition that prevented this from moving forward. Beachy Elementary and Vena Elementary will both be recipients of new marquees with funding approved by Nury Martinez. Contact info: mark.lomeli@lausd.net (213) 241-6388.

4. Board comments on items not on today's agenda.

Speaker: Celia Vasquez, a math teach at Arleta High. will send out thank you letters to Nury Martinez for helping the charter school relocate.

Speaker: James Kallas advised the board take up the issue of an orphan area on Rincon Street

on Laurel Canyon Blvd near Congressman Cardenas Office. This area was planned to be taken by Sun Valley, Pacoima, or Arleta. A meeting was to take place in which the neighborhood councils of those cities would discuss a possible action. No meeting ever took place but Sun Valley and Pacoima did not want to take the area. This issue was agendized in Mr. Kallasøtime as president but no action was taken. He recommended the board agendize the issue and write a letter to D.O.N.E. stating they agreed to take the area

5. Report from L.A.P.D senior lead officer Lee Perry and any other government officials. Officer Perry was in attendance but had an emergency to tend to and was not able to make his report.

Speaker: Gabriela Marquez, Tony Cardenas Staff. The updated direct contact information on congressman Tony Cardenas office. District Office Phone (818) 504-0090

Gabriela Marquez-Field Representative. email: Gabriela.Marquez@mail.house.gov

Tania Ordonez-Field Representative, email: Tania.Ordonez@mail.house.gov

Brian Gavidia-Field Representative, email: Brian. Gavidia@mail.house.gov

Speaker: Lorena Bernal, Field Deputy Tony Cardenas Office. She reported that red curbs are being repainted. The crosswalk on Woodman between Nordhoff and Osborne was going to be removed in 2007 due to lack of use. Since then it has been used by pedestrians and now there are new signals in to make it even safer to cross the street. There are also a number of new bike lanes in Arleta: on Nordhoff from Woodman to Orion and Van / Nuys between Parthenia and Beachy. Board member James Kallas asked about the status of the trash cans being left on the Obeck Street. If any homeowner repeatedly leaves trash cans out in the street for longer than 72 hours then a citation will be issued.

Speaker: Cesar Huerta, field deputy for Assemblymember Raul Bocanegra.

District Office (818) 504-3911. Mr. Huerta reported Cal-Trans has been removing graffiti from Sound Walls. He mentioned how communications with Cal-Trans has improved. Now Claudia Mejia attends almost every meeting to update the public on Cal-Trans projects.

6. Update from Metro on the East Valley Transit Corridor Study.

Speaker: Ashley, Metro Outreach Team. Metro will have community meetings on:

Saturday, March 16, 2013, 10am-12pm at Panorama High School

Tuesday, March 19, 2013, 6-8pm at The City of San Fernando Regional Pool Facility

Thursday, March 21, 2013, 6-8pm at Arleta High School

Wednesday, March 27, 2013, 4-6pm at Marvin Braude Constituent Service Center

7. Presentation from a representative of the Southern California Gas Company on the Installation of digital meters.

The Gas Company is retrofitting all Gas meters for residents. This would eliminate the manual reading of meters and would now be done automatically and provide a much more accurate reading. The Gas Company expects all homes to be retrofitted within the next 5 years. Homeowners will be notified 30 days in advance about a company employee coming to retrofit the meter. The process takes about 15 minutes. Now customers will be able to look up their gas usage online. There will be an opt out program for customers who don't want their meters retrofitted. For more information visit socalgas.com or call 1-800-427-2200

8. Approval of the minutes for the meetings of December 18, 2012.

A stakeholder expressed concern over the minutes not being posted on the ANC website.

MOTION (by Juan Gonzalez, second Kelly Magallanes) to accept the minutes for the meeting of December 18.

MOTION PASSED 12 in favor, 1 non - favor, 0 abstaining

9. a. Discussion and possible board action on treasurer's report 9b. Monthly Reconciliation

9c. Approval of the Quarterly Reconciliation Report.

MOTION (Jack Lindblad, Second by Eberardo Sanchez) to accept credit card reconciliation form for the month of February

MOTION PASSED 13 in favor, 0 non - favor, 0 abstaining.

The Quarterly Reconciliation Report will now be done monthly and will be presented at the next meeting.

10. a. Committee reports from outreach, Improvement and Budget, and Adhoc Elections Committee. 10b. Appointment of new members to the Outreach, Improvement and Budget Committees.

Community Improvement Committee report from Jack Lindblad. The committee has not heard from the DWP regarding its Tujunga Spreading Grounds study.

10.b MOTION (Sergio Ibarra, Second by Eddie Sanchez) to appoint Celia Vasquez to Community Improvement Committee and budget committee

MOTION PASSED 13 in favor, 0 non - favor, 0 abstaining

MOTION (John Hernandez, Second by Eberardo Sanchez) to appoint David Avalos, Esperanza Gutierrez and Christian Guerra to the Community Improvement Committee

MOTION PASSED 13 in favor, 0 non - favor, 0 abstaining

MOTION (Sergio Ibarra, Second by John Hernandez) to appoint Juan Gonzalez to budget Committee.

MOTION PASSED 13 in favor, 0 non - favor, 0 abstaining

11. Arleta Community Sign Update and Meeting Schedule of the Community Improvement Committee.

The report was made by Jack Lindblad and Eberardo Sanchez. A banner has been designed by Eberardo Sanchez that would serve as a temporary Arleta sign. Mr. Lindblad wanted to make a motion to request money for the banner but the item was not agendized.

Improvement Community Meetings take place on the 4th Monday of every month.

12. Update on the Arleta Storage outstanding bill. At the January 15th, 2013 the board approved the expenditure not to exceed \$1400 for the monthly cost of the storage at \$88 per month

Council President Sergio Ibarra has tried paying the bill twice before but it was declined on both occasions. The fees have been mounting since October The expenditure was not in the new budget and could not be paid automatically. There is also an outstanding bill to the Mission Community Station of \$400.

13. Discussion and possible action on complaint filed with the Department of

Neighborhood Empowerment by Mr. Guy Dionne on January 31, 2013, and forwarded by the Department on February 6, 2013. Article XI, Section C of the ANC bylaws deems that the complaint be acknowledged, and that the board form an ad-hoc grievance committee populated by three randomly selected stakeholders from a pool of names to investigate and make a recommendation to the board on their findings. Article VII, Section III grants the president of the ANC the authority to appoint all committee chairpersons with majority vote of the board.

MOTION (Cyndee Riding, Second by Henry Ng) to receive and acknowledge grievance report from D.O.N.E

MOTION PASSED 8 in favor, 0 non - favor, 5 abstaining

MOTION (Juan Gonzalez, Second by Eddie Sanchez) to contact Valley Alliance Neighborhood Councils to provide assistance in the Grievance process.

MOTION PASSED 11 in favor, 0 non - favor, 2 abstaining

14. Update on the Mayor's Budget Survey. The Budget advocated must attend meetings at City Hall and other locations around the city.

Item was tabled at this time

15. Next meeting of the ANC Board meeting will be on March 19, 2013 at 6:30pm at Beachy Elementary School.

16. General Public comment on Items Not Listed on Today's Agenda.

No Comments were made at this time.

17. Board Comments on items not on Today's Agenda.

Cyndee Riding expressed disappointment toward James Kallas.

Jack Lindblad felt the board could do a much better job of working together.

John Hernandez would like to see the board make a positive influence in the community

Sergio Ibarra thanked James Kallas for challenging him to become a better president.

Henry Ng disliked the meeting going overtime.

James Kallas would like to see the board stay on top of things. He believes he is perceived as a ðbad guyð for asking questions. He wants honesty and transparency on the board.

18. Adjournment

Council President Sergio Ibarra **Adjourned** the Meeting at 9:54 p.m.

Minutes of the
ARLETA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (ANC)
Special Joint Meeting of the ANC Board and
Elections Adhoc Committee
Tuesday, February 19th, 2013
at Beachy Ave. Elementary School, 9757 Arleta Ave., Arleta

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance and introductions.

The meeting began at 6:45. Roll Call was taken by minute taker Irving Sandoval.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Sergio Ibarra

Board Members Present:

Cyndee Riding	Sergio Ibarra	Eddie Sanchez
Jack Lindblad	Kelly Magallanes	James Kallas
John Hernandez	Henry Ng	Juan Gonzalez

Board Members Absent:

Luisa Chajon

9 Board Members were present. A quorum is nine, so the Board could make Motions and take votes.

2. President's Message (2min)

Dedicated the meeting to former board member Lamar Shelby. Asked everyone to participate in a moment of silence for Mr. Shelby who is ill.

3. General Public Comment on Items not listed on today's Agenda.

Speaker: Richard Valdez. Candidate for City Council 6, Introduced himself. He has worked in Real Estate for 16 years. He has worked at a homeless shelter and a group home. If he's elected he would like to have more Town Hall meetings to make himself accessible.

For more info on Mr. Valdez and his campaign visit. ValdezForCityCouncil.com

Speaker: Dr. Stephen Bluestein, Principal of Beachy Elementary. Announced that the school has opened a California state preschool on the campus. The Board of Education has given all elementary schools in LAUSD funding to hire two aides. They will start on March 1 and will not be armed. The purpose is to provide more adult supervision on campus.

Speaker: Michael J. Hillen, stakeholder, Spoke against the proposed park at Arleta and Devonshire. He is opposed to the park because traffic is bad in the area.

Speaker: Tawny P. Favela, stakeholder, Voiced her opposition to the proposed park because she feels the park is being dumped on the neighborhood without proper information. Came to the board to voice her opposition because the area does not have a representative.

4. Discussion and possible board action on the applications for all open board positions

5 Arleta high students applied for open board positions. President Sergio Ibarra verified the identities of the candidates. David E. Avalos, Esperanza Gutierrez, and Christian Guerra were verified. Celia Vasquez, a math teacher from Arleta High

School, applied for the at - large position. Former board member Guy Dionne applied to rejoin the board.

These are the results:

MOTION (by Cyndee Riding, Second by Eddie Sanchez) to appoint Christian Guerra to Youth Representative

MOTION PASSED 9 in favor, 0 non - favor, 0 abstaining

MOTION (by Kelly Magallanes, Second by Jack Lindblad) to appoint Celia Vasquez to the at-large position

MOTION PASSED 10 in favor, 0 non - favor, 0 abstaining

MOTION (by James Kallas, Second by Juan Gonzalez) to appoint Guy Dionne to the at-large seat on the Arleta Neighborhood Council.

MOTION FAILED 2 in favor, 5 non - favor, 4 abstaining

MOTION (Cyndee Riding, Second by Juan Gonzalez) to appoint Esperanza Gutierrez to the community based organization representative

MOTION PASSED 11 in favor, 0 non - favor, 0 abstaining

MOTION (John Hernandez, Second by Eddie Sanchez) to appoint David Avalos to youth representative.

MOTION PASSED 12 in favor, 0 non - favor, 0 abstaining

.5. Adjournment

The meeting Special Joint Meeting of the board was adjourned at 7:52