



**ARLETA NEIGHBORHOOD
COUNCIL**

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**Minutes of the
Arleta Neighborhood Council**

General Board

Meeting

Tuesday, October 17, 2017

President Jaime Gallo called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call:

Board Members Present:

John Hernandez, Jaime Gallo, Margaret Shoemaker, Loyce Lacson, Max Foster, Raymond Duran, Gary Gallon, Joshua Duran, Joy Bizar, Guy Newell, Kenneth Nguyen, Jesse Ramos, Eloiza Sanchez, Fernando Moreno, Drew Fischer, Raul Pineda

Board Members Absent Excused: Jesse Ramos

President's Message: President, Jaime Gallo called Senior Lead Officer Tracy Ware up to the front to thank her for her performance as the Senior Lead Officer for Arleta. Her efforts and vigilance at working to improve the quality of life and keep our community safe were recognized citing her work at Branford Park and recent arrests in Arleta.

Comments/Announcements from Government Officials:

Assemblyman Raul Bocanegra – field representative, Cristina Coria announced that the Assemblyman's office has moved to 9300 Laurel Canyon Blvd. (1st floor), Arleta 91331. The phone number is (818) 504-3911. She stated that they have received several calls about the homeless encampments at freeway onramps and underpasses. They are working with Council

District 6 to resolve the problems. She also reported on recent Assembly Bills – AB1206 and AB466.

Council Member Nury Martinez – Lorena Bernal reported on Urban Forestry trimming trees and speed humps that have been submitted for Arleta. The window to submit requests for speed humps has been closed for now. There is an event on November 1, 2017 at Panorama City Library – Story-telling with the Councilwoman. In addition, there will be a Halloween event at Panorama Recreation Center. Lorena answered questions from board members and stakeholders.

L.A.P.D. – Arleta Senior Lead Officer, Tracy Ware – reported that she is moving forward with progress at Branford Park. Captain Torres has been told he cannot site vendors at the park. They are looking into getting “No Vending” signs for the park.

RV issues – signs approved for “no parking from 2 a.m. until 6:00 a.m. at Gruen, Gain, and Remington.

Officer Ware gave an update on recent crimes in Arleta and answered questions from board members and stakeholders.

There will be a 5k run/walk this Sunday, October 22, 2017 at LAPD Davis Academy 12001 Blucher Ave. Granada Hills.

Senator Bob Hertzberg arrived and was given time to speak with the board members and stakeholders. He spoke about the issue of storm water and storm water fees creating water for the community. He answered questions from board members and stakeholders.

DONE Representative, Vanessa Serrano introduced the new DONE representative for the ANC, Jose Galvanan. They spoke about upcoming events and announced that the deadline for submitting input regarding the East San Fernando Valley Corridor - Van Nuys Bld. to Sylmar Metrolink is October 31, 2017.

General Public Comment – None

Board Business:

Motion 1/Seconded/Carried – Loyce Lacson – move to approve the ANC General Board Meeting minutes dated September 19, 2017. (Second by Guy Newell)
The motion passed unanimously.

Motion 2/Seconded/Carried – Margaret Shoemaker– move to approve the ANC Monthly Treasurer’s Report including the Monthly Expenditure Report (M.E.R.) for September 2017. (Second by John Hernandez). The motion passed unanimously.

Motion 3/Seconded/Carried – Margaret Shoemaker – move to submit a letter of concern to Senior Lead Officer Francisco Pimentel regarding Branford Park and the deteriorating quality of life there. (Second by Loyce Lacson) The motion passed unanimously.

Motion 4/Seconded/Carried – Max Foster – move to approve an expense of up to \$500.00 to fund a “Town Hall” meeting to be held in 2018. Planning to be conducted by the Executive, Outreach, and Community Improvement Committees. (Second by Margaret Shoemaker). The motion passed with 12 yes and 1 no, the no vote by Joy Bizar.

Motion 5/Seconded/Carried – Raymond Duran – Move to approve the purchase of a new tablecloth for the ANC. Cost not to exceed \$500.00. (Second by Gary Gallon). The motion passed with 12 yes and 1 no, the no vote by Joy Bizar.

Vacancies on the ANC Board:

President Jaime Gallo announced that there is one vacant seat on the ANC Board – School Representative. He asked if there was anyone interested in applying for the School Representative Seat. There were none.

Committee Reports:

Executive Committee – nothing to report

Outreach Committee – nothing new to report this time.

Community Improvement Committee – Jaime Gallo reported that they held a meeting last week and are still working on getting a private security company.

Budget Committee – no recent meetings. The ANC has reached 15 years as a certified neighborhood council. The treasurer distributed 15-year anniversary pins to board members.

Board Member Comments:

Guy Newell stated he feels our meetings should end by 8:00 p.m.

Max Foster announced that he must resign because he will no longer qualify for the seat he holds (renter).

Drew Fischer thanked everyone for coming and stated that he was disappointed that there was not a lot of participation by the ANC at the recent Disaster Preparedness Fair.

Joy Bizar commented about the importance of speaking up as she did regarding the increase in gas prices.

Several board members thanked Max Foster for his service to the ANC and as a Firefighter.

Jaime Gallo spoke about the importance of attending meetings and ANC functions.

General Public Comment: None

The meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.