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**Minutes of the Arleta Neighborhood Council
General Board Meeting
Tuesday, August 21, 2018**

President Jaime Gallo called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Board Members Present: John Hernandez, Margaret Shoemaker, Loyce Lacson, Raymond Duran, Gary Gallon, Fernando Moreno, Joshua Duran, Joy Bizar, Guy Newell, Jaime Gallo, Kenneth Nguyen (arrived at 7:47).

Board Members Absent Excused: Mary Oberg, Jesse Ramos **Board Members Absent:** Drew Fischer

President, Jaime Gallo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

President's Message: President, Jaime Gallo thanked Osborne Neighborhood Church and all who participated in National Night Out. It was a successful event.

Comments/Announcements from Government Officials:

Congressman Tony Cardenas – Nigel Sanchez thanked the Arleta Neighborhood Council and Osborne Neighborhood Church for the booth at National Night Out. It allowed them valuable outreach to the community. The Congressman is sponsoring a Job Fair on Thursday, October 25, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. The job fair will be held at the Mid Valley YMCA at Lennox Avenue.

State Assemblywoman, Luz Rivas – Field Representative, Arturo Garcia-Mendoza announced that he will be our new representative. He is getting to know the district. The Assembly Office is located at 9300 Laurel Canyon, 1st Floor Office. The office is open from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. The phone number is 818-504-3911.

He asked that any freeway issues be reported to Caltrans at CSR.DOT.CA.GOV. The more service requests result in more funding.

Jose Galdamez, representative from the **Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (D.O.N.E.)** stated that updated maps of the ANC boundaries have been sent via e-mail from the City Clerk's Office. Mr. Galdamez spoke about Empower L.A. Ignite L.A. (September – November). It is geared to young women to bolster civic involvement. He also cautioned that they have received complaints that there have been e-mails to neighborhood council board members falsely claiming that there are unpaid invoices. Some ask for money and/or gifts. He asked that if we receive anything questionable to send them to NC Support. Regarding the Congress of Neighborhood Councils on Saturday, September 22, 2018 – he requested that anyone attending RSVP. They need to know how many are attending in advance because breakfast and lunch will be served. He added that there is free parking and to download the parking pass when registering for the event.

Jaqueline Serrano, East Valley Area Representative for the Mayor's Office – introduced herself as the representative for our area. She will be based out of the Van Nuys City Hall Office and will also be out in the field. The mayor's priority is the homeless crisis. She spoke about abridged housing and answered questions from board members and stakeholders. She spoke about the Los Angeles Homeless Outreach Portal (LA-HOP), a new, easy-to-use Homeless Services Request App. We can request services by going to LA-HOP.ORG.

General Public Comments:

Yolie Anguiano from the Nature Parkway wants to apply to the ANC for an NPG Beautification Grant to clean up the Nature Parkway. She is also planning to apply at the Mission Hills and Pacoima Neighborhood Councils. She noted that half of the parkway is in Mission Hills and Pacoima residents use the parkway as well.

John Hernandez from State Farm hosted the 6th Annual Blood Drive with UCLA Medical Center last Saturday, August 18th. He wants to recognize board members, stakeholders for donating blood and Osborne Neighborhood Church for bringing them ice for the event. The goal was 100 pints of blood and they came in at 71 pints.

Ricardo Benitez, candidate for State Assembly, spoke about his campaign. He is planning a gas tax repeal and to help the homeless. He says elected officials should be going out to homeless encampments themselves to see first hand what the needs of the homeless are.

Council District 6 – Nury Martinez – Lorena Bernal announced that she is back as Arleta's representative from the CD6 Office. She has been going over all of the requests given to her by Elizabeth Jimenez.

Board Business:

Motion 1/Seconded/Carried – Loyce Lacson – move to approve the ANC Special Board Meeting Minutes dated July 9, 2018. (Second by John Hernandez).
The motion passed unanimously.

Motion 2/Seconded/Carried – Guy Newell – Move to approve the Monthly Treasurer’s Report (M.E.R.) for the month of July 2018. (Second by Margaret Shoemaker). The motion passed unanimously.

Motion 3/Seconded/Carried – John Hernandez – Move to approve up to \$300.00 to purchase food and beverages for the L.A.P.D. Mission Station Car Show/Open House. The ANC shall have a booth for outreach at the event. (Second by Ray Duran). The motion passed unanimously.

Motion 4/Seconded/Carried – Ray Duran – Move to approve a Community Impact Statement (as amended) on the extension of LAMC 85.02: Vehicle Dwelling. (Second by Margaret Shoemaker). The motion passed with 9 yes votes and 1 abstention. (Joy Bizar cast the vote to abstain).

Motion 5/Seconded/Carried – Ray Duran – move to approve a Community Impact Statement (as amended) on the presence of Green Zones in Single-Family Residential neighborhoods permitted under LAMC 85.02. (Second by Margaret Shoemaker). The motion passed with 9 yes votes and 1 no vote, with Joy Bizar voting “no.”

Motion 6 Seconded/Carried – Ray Duran – Move to approve a Community Impact Statement (as amended) on Sidewalk Vending Council File 12-1493. (Second by Margaret Shoemaker). The motion passed unanimously.

Motion 7/Seconded/Carried – Loyce Lacson – move to approve a letter to Arleta High School requesting neighbors be considered when celebrating Homecoming and other school activities. (Second by Guy Newell). The motion passed with 9 yes votes and 1 no vote, with Joy Bizar voting “no.”

Budget Representative – President Jaime Gallo announced that there is one opening for a Budget Representative for the ANC. He stated that this position is open to stakeholders as well as board members. There were no volunteers.

ANC Board Vacancies: Jaime Gallo announced that there are three vacancies on the ANC Board. He asked if anyone was interested in filling the following board seats:

School Representative Seat (1 seat) – There were no other applicants from a school within the boundaries of the ANC.

Renters Seat (2 seats) – There were no applicants.

ANC Events in September: President Jaime Gallo listed the upcoming September events and asked for board members and/or stakeholders to attend as well as assist with set-up, tear-down, and maintaining the outreach booth.

September 15, 2018 – L.A.P.D. Car Show/Open House (9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.)

September 22, 2018 – Congress of Neighborhoods (7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.) – need to register and print parking pass.

September 29, 2018 – Emergency Preparedness Fair (9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.)

General Public Comments: none

Committee Reports:

Outreach Committee – Raymond Duran thanked all who attended/participated in National Night Out.

Community Improvement Committee (CIC) – no report.

Board Member Comments:

Board Members thanked everyone for their attendance at National Night Out and for their attendance at meetings with a special thank you to Osborne Neighborhood Church for their ongoing partnership with the ANC not only at meetings but with co-sponsoring events such as National Night Out, Community Clean-ups, etc.

Fernando Moreno stated that he is glad to be back.

John Hernandez stated that this Saturday, August 25th, there will be a Ritchie Valens Festival celebrating the unveiling of the “Ritchie Valens Memorial Highway.”

John also announced that the Pacoima Chamber of Commerce will be hosting a taco lunch fundraiser at 13420 Van Nuys Blvd. from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 29, 2018. The cost is \$10.00 per plate.

Joy Bizar is pleased that they are honoring Ritchie Valens. She spoke about the challenges of the homeless.

Jaime Gallo praised Raymond Duran for all of his hard work to make National Night Out successful. His detailed planning prior to the event made it easy for the event to be even more successful than those in the past.

A stakeholder asked who she can call to complain about homeless encampments in the early hours of the morning outside her window at home. She lives in North Hollywood. John Hernandez assisted her in finding the appropriate City Council member to contact.

Loyce Lacson announced that the Arleta Senior Lead Officer, Tracy Ware will be unavailable for the month of September because she has been assigned to a Special Task Force.

Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.