



ARLETA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Attention: Arleta NC
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**Minutes of the Arleta Neighborhood Council
General Board Meeting
February 15, 2022**

I. Call to Order: President Raymond Duran called the meeting to order at 7:28 p.m.

Roll Call: Board Members Present: Raymond Duran, Jaime Gallo, Margaret Shoemaker, Loyce Lacson, Jose Pumay, Gary Gallon, Jesse Ramos, Burton Hunter, Jesus Torres, Brian Patton, Mary Oberg, Christianna Hartwell.

Board Members Absent Excused: Marco Valdez

The **Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Raymond Duran

II. President's Report: Raymond Duran reported that we hope to start with hybrid meetings next month while following safety guidelines. President Duran spoke about crime in our community – while crime is down, many crimes are not being reported so they are not included in the crime statistics. Victims of crime need to insist that a police report is filed.

III. Report from L.A.P.D. Senior Lead Officer, and Report from Government Officials:

Michelle Vergara from the **mayor's office** gave an update on the North East San Fernando Valley: Covid numbers are down, she will assist in finding testing and vaccinations, Metro resumed with the fare system in January. The mayor's office has launched a "Student to Student Success Program."

L.A.U.S.D. District 6, Kelly Gonez reported: Spring semester continues to require vaccinations and face masks. L.A.U.S.D. has launched a search for a superintendent. Student vaccination requirements will begin in the 2022-2023 school year. A stakeholder asked if the budget will allow for school police to be at high schools and cited recent assaults in our schools. Ms. Gonez stated that the budget remains cut and no increase in the budget is planned. A concerned stakeholder asked Kelly to study data with regards to vaccines for children.

L.A. Council District 6 – Lorena Bernal reported that the Sun Valley Office remains closed. They are working from home and continue to do community patrols and respond to constituents. Street lights are still being vandalized. It takes 56 to 60 days for street light repairs. There have been delays in Sanitation trash bin pick-ups. They are launching a new program for the next three months – 3 p.m. to 11 p.m. to collect illegal dumping. The main focus in Arleta is the alleys. The Department of Urban Forestry is removing dead trees. The Bureau of Street Lighting is considering a pilot program using Solar lights. Lorena thanked everyone that contributed to the toiletry drive for human trafficking victims. Vena Elementary School is doing a sock drive for human trafficking victims.

Jessica Guzman representing **State Assembly Office District 39** stated she is available to assist with state related matters. She gave an update on COVID-19 and spoke about upcoming community events including the homeless count initiative, legislative updates, and pop-up vaccination clinics.

Board Business:

V. Motion 1/Seconded/Carried – Loyce Lacson – Move to approve the ANC General Board Meeting Minutes dated January 18, 2022. (Second by Jaime Gallo). The motion passed unanimously. (10 yes, 2 absent).

VI. Motion 2/Seconded/Carried – Margaret Shoemaker – Move to approve the Monthly Expenditure Report (M.E.R.) for the month of January 2022. (Second by Mary Oberg). The motion passed unanimously. (10 yes, 2 absent).

VII. Motion 3/Seconded/Carried – Christianna Hartwell – Move to approve a Community Impact Statement on [Council File 21-1465](#) – Relative to violent and property crimes originating from or occurring within the corridors populated with recreational vehicles. (Second by Burt Hunter). The motion passed unanimously. (10 yes, 2 absent).

VIII. Motion 4/Seconded/Tabled – Loyce Lacson – Move to approve a Community Impact Statement (CIS) on [ENV- 2022-623-CE](#) and [ZA-2022-621-CUB](#) – Relative to a Conditional Use Permit for the sale and service of beer and wine for onsite consumption with and existing restaurant at 13755 W. Roscoe Blvd., Panorama City, CA 91402. (Second by Margaret Shoemaker).

VIII. Motion 5/Seconded/Carried – Mary Oberg – Move to table Motion 4 regarding the Conditional Use Permit at 13755 W. Roscoe Blvd. (Second Christianna Hartwell). The motion passed unanimously. (10 yes, 2 absent).

IX. Motion 6/Seconded/Carried – Loyce Lacson – Move to approve an increase in costs for Google Business E-Mails from \$6.00 per person per month to \$12.60 per person per month. (Second by Mary Oberg). The motion passed unanimously. (10 yes, 2 absent).

X. Motion 7/Seconded/Carried – Loyce Lacson – Move to approve Burton Hunter as a third and alternate signer for Board Action Certificates (BAC). (Second by Jaime Gallo). The motion passed. (9 yes, 1 abstention, 2 absent).

XI. Motion 8/Seconded/Carried – Jesse Ramos – Move to approve a Neighborhood Purpose Grant submitted by “Shift Our Ways Collective” for an expense of up to \$1,500.00 to fund a “Back Yard Sharing Initiative.” The motion passed. (8 yes, 2 no, 2 absent).

X. ANC Committee Reports:

Outreach Committee – No report

Community Improvement/Land Use Committee – No report.

Loyce Lacson reported that she attended the **Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (VANC)** meeting last Thursday. The “Re-envisioning of Whiteman Airport” issue was discussed. All 22 of the neighborhood councils in attendance voted to keep Whiteman Airport open. She noted that this is not just a Pacoima issue. Whiteman Airport is a Civil Air Patrol and a FEMA airport in addition to all of the other services that benefit the San Fernando Valley. She stated that this is not a plan to “Re-envision Whiteman Airport” – they want to close it.

The meeting adjourned at 9:56 p.m.