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## ARLETA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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### Minutes of the Arleta Neighborhood Council General Board Meeting Tuesday, September 20, 2022

**I. Call to Order:** Vice- President Burton Hunter called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Board Member present: Raymond Duran (arrived at 7:21 p.m.), Margaret Shoemaker, Loyce Lacson, Gary Gallon, Jesse Ramos, Burton Hunter, Jesus Torres, Brian Patton, Mary Oberg, Marco Valdez Christianna Hartwell.

**Board Members Absent-Excused:** Jaime Gallo, Jose Pumay

The **Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Gary Gallon.

**II. President's Report** – Vice-President Burton Hunter announced that he will be chairing tonight's meeting because President Raymond Duran will be late. President Duran will take over as chair when he arrives.

**III. Report from L.A.P.D. Senior Lead Officer and Report from Government Officials: Senior Lead Officer Tracy Ware** spoke about a "Coffee with a Cop" event that she held this morning at **Sweet Paradise Bakery and Café**. It was a successful event allowing stakeholders to meet and give input to Police Officers. **CD 6** representative, Lorena Bernal attended sharing valuable information with stakeholders as well. Officer Ware gave crime updates for Mission Division and Arleta. Overall crime is down in Mission Division. Crime in Arleta is up, mostly thefts from motor vehicle including catalytic converters. Mission Division will be holding an etching of catalytic converters soon. She stressed the importance of locking our vehicles and securing our property. Officer Ware spoke about a bike ride to be held on September 24<sup>th</sup> for fallen Officer Val Martinez who passed away of COVID. All proceeds will go to his wife and children. **Congress District 29** representative, Lilia Monterrosa gave updates and informed us of a Citizen Workshop to be held on October 15<sup>th</sup> at the Pacoima Boys and Girls Club. She spoke about the student loans forgiveness and the Inflation Reduction Act. **Kelly Gonez, LAUSD District 6** was called upon but was not available. **L.A. Council District 6** – Lorena Bernal gave updates on city services such as street resurfacing, slurry seals, tree trimming, dead tree removal, and stump removal. She spoke about Ordinance 41.18 regarding homeless encampments near schools and daycare centers. The ordinance does not address RV and vehicle dwelling. Lorena gave an update on the homeless count. In addition, Lorena announced an emergency preparedness training in Van Nuys and gave an update on the project on Woodman Ave from Chase St. to Roscoe Blvd. as well as the "Arleta Gateway Sign." **California State Assembly Office District 39** – Jessica Guzman stated that they are still actively assisting constituents with state issues. She gave updates on recent bills and clean-ups of freeway ramps. **Budget Advocate**, Kevin Davis announced that there is a third seat for Budget Advocate for the Northeast San Fernando Valley available. They meet on the first Monday of the month via Zoom at 7:00 p.m. and on the Third Saturday of the month via Zoom at 9:30 a.m.

**IV. General Public Comment:** none

**V. Update regarding the upcoming recuperative care facility at 9120 Woodman Avenue** – Chad Monk gave a presentation to give board members and stakeholders a vision of their facility and program. He answered questions and accepted input from board members and stakeholders.

**VI. Presentation from Siaka Massaquoi** – Siaka Massaquoi announced his candidacy for **State Assembly District 43**. He gave a background as to who he is, his beliefs, and his vision if elected. He answered questions from board members and stakeholders.

Kelly Gonez returned and gave her updates and report.

**Board Business:**

- I. Motion 1/Seconded/Carried** – Mary Oberg – Move to approve the **ANC minutes** for the General Board Meeting dated **August 16, 2022**. (Second by Brian Patton). The motion passed unanimously. (10 yes, 0 no, and 2 absent)
- II. Motion 2/Seconded/Carried** – Margaret Shoemaker – Move to approve the **Monthly Expenditure Report (M.E.R.S)** for the month of **August 2022**. (Second by Burt Hunter). The Motion passed unanimously. (10 yes, 0 no, and 2 absent)
- III. Motion 3/Seconded/Carried** – Loyce Lacson – Move to approve a **Neighborhood Purpose Grant** submitted by **L.A.P.D. Mission Station** for \$5,000.00 to assist with the overall cost of the **Mission Foot Pursuit 5K Run** to be held October 23, 2022. (Second by Margaret Shoemaker). The motion passed unanimously. (10 yes, 0 no, and 2 absent).
- IV. Motion 4/Seconded/Carried** – Loyce Lacson – Move to approve spending up to \$500.00 to support Branford Park’s Halloween Event scheduled for October 29, 2022. (Second by Gary Gallon) The motion passed unanimously. (10 yes, 0 no, and 2 absent).
- V. Motion 5/Seconded/Carried** – Burt Hunter – Move to approve spending \$500.00 for an outreach booth at the American Legion Hall’s upcoming Veteran’s Day Event. (Second by Mary Oberg). The motion passed unanimously. (10 yes, 0 no, and 2 absent)

President Raymond Duran reminded board members of our retreat to be held on October 1, 2022. He reminded board members and stakeholders that the ANC will be meeting in-person beginning in November.

Lorena Bernal, CD 6, spoke about a Girl’s Boot Camp to be held on October 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> for high school girls ages 14 to 18 looking for a career in the Fire Department.

**VI.** Meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.