

Arleta Neighborhood Council (ANC)
General Board Meeting **DRAFT** Minutes
Tuesday, November 21 , 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Location of meeting: Osborne Neighborhood Church, Fellowship Hall,
13501 Osborne St., Arleta, CA 91331

- I. Call to Order, by ___ANC Board President, Raymond Duran___ at ___6:41 p.m._**
Roll Call Board members PRESENT: Raymond Duran, , Burton Hunter, Jesse Ramos (6:49pm), “Geo” Escobar, Gary Gallon, Christiana Hartwell, Jose Pumay, Robert Yaffe.
(8. quorum of 9 not acquired).
- Board member ABSENT :** Jaime Gallo (ill), Jesse Torres. (Sandra Sanchez has dropped off the Board.)
(Official Board Meeting did not commence at tonight’s meeting because Board quorum was not reached.)

II. President’s Report - None

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

- No LAPD or LAFD personnel present.
- **Sacramento 43rd District Assembly Member Luz Rivas** was present & introduced herself. The current Sacramento Legislative Session has ended and she is glad to be able to be back here at home for more than a few days a week. Because of her science background, she has pressed to stir-up interest in continued education. She helped co-author and present SB 411. With Assembly District 43 having acquired funding, she has worked with CD6 (& others) to notify her of gaps in funding for local projects, which she can advocate for to fill in the gaps. Funding for community college building projects and for supplementing attendance programs. Mentioned an affordable housing building in Panorama City with a health center services unit on the ground floor.
Questions about appalling highway conditions; SB411 implementation barriers in LA; Skateboard park funded but no progress yet seen; Tonopa Tunnel closure; efforts to keep homeless off the streets; SB1 lowering voting threshold for property tax increases – circumventing Prop. 13;
She mentioned a March 5th ballot measure to provide mental health facilities for homeless – and the Governor’s plan for a CA Legislative amendment connected with this ballot measure.
- **Council District 6 (CD-6)** Imelda Padilla’s office, Field Rep. for Arleta, **Marcela Quintanilla**. Answered some of the questions posed as concerns in previous ANC meetings: Funding was secured to move ahead soon with the Welcome To Arleta sign. Bus shelters, sidewalks repaired (sidewalk to be installed on the Woodman corridor between Roscoe & Branford. Report if you see overgrown trees on City property. Street project at intersection of Arleta & Branford should be complete in the Fall of 2024. Cannot put speed humps on major street thoroughfares as a speed reduction measure.

Q.- Homeless Encampment issues at certain locations have become fixtures for 3-5 years.

A.- At those locations are still being worked on. Many restrictions on what they can and what they can’t do.

Q.- Fallen palm fronds clean-up and any new tree planting?

A.- More funding coming for tree trimming of low-hanging branches only. More is responsibility of Urban Forestry Dept. (Please report issues that need attention.)

Q. – Illegal Dumping and Tonopah tunnel closure.

LAPD Toy Drive Car Show & Miracle At Mission event with Mission Division Toy Give-Away (fliers on table).

Rebecca & Christopher Hernandez – new members with **CD-6**, leading a homeless encampment team. Another outreach team that focuses on substance abuse. Blue uniformed team members will go out beginning in January to connect with homeless individuals New Direction, More-Care-Plus. starting a health commission. Call Christopher to report if we see RV's, tents, mattresses, over-all blight. He will give directions on what to do next to prompt follow-up. Questions posed by: Ray Duran, Burt, Robert Yaffe, a stakeholder, Jesse Ramos.

No other officials available to address the meeting.

General Public Comment

Lionel Mares – Introduced himself as a newly elected Budget Advocate Some NC's are lobbying by sending letters to the City Attorney regarding her interpretation of the 2/3 issue with SB 411. Encouragement for all NC's to address the same. Then pass copies of those letters on to BONC, City Council, as well as to the City Attorney's office. Surveys about who (or what attributes) we want to see installed as DONE General Manager. (at close of meeting Lionel mentioned that Luz Rivas is running for election to the seat of Tony Cardenas.)

Loyce Lacson – Update on Community Police Advisory Board (CPAB). They meet on 3rd Wednesday of each month. Club devices for securing autos may still be available thru Mission Div. Police station. Must request one – and provide vehicle make & model, License #, and who it is registered to. SWAT Team arrested people at illegal gambling facility going on at south side of Woodman & Osborne. Flop room for drug users was also found there.

No further Public Comment

No ANC Board business was conducted at this meeting due to lack of quorum.

I. Meeting Adjournment at 7:58 pm

Time allocations for agenda items are approximate and may be shortened or lengthened at the discretion of the Chairperson.