



Winnetka Neighborhood Council GENERAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, June 13, 2023, 6:30 PM

Winnetka Convention Center,
20122 Vanowen St. Winnetka, CA 91306

(Located next to Winnetka Bowl, ground floor of hotel)

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The Winnetka Neighborhood Council holds its regular meetings on the second Tuesday of every month and may also call any additional required special meetings in accordance with its Bylaws and the Brown Act.

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Instructions on how to sign up for public comment will be given to listeners at the start of the meeting, or per the following:

[1] emailing board@winnetkanc.com, [2] by clicking the 'raise hand' button via Zoom during the period allotted for public comment, or [3] by dialing *9 (if joining the meeting via telephone) to 'raise hand' during the period allotted for public comment when prompted by the presiding officer, to address the Board on any agenda item before the Board takes an action on an item. Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard when the respective item is being considered.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented¹ from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board meeting. Public comment is limited to 3 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board. AB 361 UPDATES: Public comment cannot be required to be submitted in advance of the meeting, only real-time public comment is required. If there are any broadcasting interruptions that prevent the public from observing or hearing the meeting, the meeting must be recessed or adjourned. If members of the public are unable to provide public comment or be heard due to issues within the Neighborhood Council's control, the meeting must be recessed or adjourned.

PUBLIC POSTING OF AGENDAS

The agenda for a regular or special meeting is posted for public review within Winnetka, 91306, at the following location: Winnetka Recreation Center, 8401 Winnetka Ave., CA 91306 and are available on our website at www.winnetkanc.com. Additionally, supporting documents distributed to Board Members pertaining to Agenda Items will be posted for Download as well. You can also receive our agendas via email by subscribing to L.A. City's Early Notification System at the website: <https://www.lacity.org/government/subscribe-agendasnotifications/neighborhood-councils>

1) GENERAL WELCOME [5 min]

2) **CONVENE MEETING and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** [1 min]

3) **BOARD MEMBER ROLL CALL** [2 min]

Board Member	Ju l 12	Aug 10	Sep 13	Oct 11	Oct 13 †	Nov 8	Dec 13	Jan 10	Fe b 8†	Fe b 14	Ma r 14	Apr 11	May 9	May 16†	June 13
Ajantha Sriramya	A	L	A	A	A	A	X	X	X	X	L	X	V	X	A
David Uebersax	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	A	X
Erick Lace	X	A	X	X	X	E	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	A
Judith Giglio	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	A	A	X	X	V	V	A	X
Samantha Ludwig	LE	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Alexander Tsao	A	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	LE	X	X	X
Jonathan Vickburg	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	A	X
Victor Lerma	L	L	LE	L	L	X	A	L	A	L	L	X	X	A	X
Mikhail Maniyan	X	X	X	X	A	X	A	X	A	X	X	X	X	X	X
Elizabeth Chapman	X	X	X	X	A	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Keith Sader	X	X	A	X	A	X	X	A	A	X	A	X	X	X	A
Steven Wheatly	/	/	/	X	X	L	X	L	X	L	X	V	A	A	L
Holden Tsao	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	X	X	A	X	LE	X	X	A
Shania Accius	X	X	X	LE	X	X	X	X	A	X	X	X*	/	/	/
Melissa Pressman	X	X	X	X	E	X	X	X	X	X	X	/*	/	/	/
Marwa Mulk	X	X	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	/

X/V = Present/Virtual, A = Absent, E = Excused, /=Not on the Board at this time, L = Late, LE = Left early, †=Special Meeting

Steven arrived at 8:40

4) **MEETING RULES & ANNOUNCEMENTS:** The Board may take action on any item on the agenda which may be taken out of order.

5) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** We will review and approve the Minutes as available.

A Motion to approve minutes for October 13, 2022 (**WNC-2023-0613-5A**)

B Motion to approve minutes for May 9, 2023 (**WNC-2023-0613-5B**)

Judith motion to approve, Jonathan seconded

Passed by Consensus

C Motion to approve minutes for May 13, 2023 (**WNC-2023-0613-5C**)

Judith motion to approve, Alex seconded

Passed by Consensus

6) **GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES:**

A Updates/reports from officials/representatives of the offices of Mayor Bass, City Council District 3 Councilmember Bob Blumenfield, State Senator Caroline Menjivar, State Assembly Jesse Gabriel, US Congressman Brad Sherman, LA County Supervisor Lindsey Horvath, LAUSD Board Members Scott Schmerelson and/or Nick Melvoin, LAPD and/or CPAB, LAFD, Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE), Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (BONC), Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates (NCBA), Winnetka Chamber of Commerce, other local, state, or federal agencies.

Tim Ramirez from LAFD, Fire Chief: recent rash of drownings - emphasize pool safety. Fences and gates - supervision while swimming. Learning CPR.

Brush clearance - Notices have gone out regarding fire safety.

Projected brush season - anticipating another bad brush season (map of clearance compliance online)

LAFD.org - information about the fire department. Alerts come from the public information office.
CERT Program - Community Emergency Response Team

Fire Dept cannot issue citations for private parcels that are not within brush zones.

Aaron from Bob Blumenfield's Office: Mason - still clear.

Community Member - Vehicles have been moved into the park & ride at Victory and Winnetka
Aaron - Pierce College has jurisdiction of that lot. Coordination is being planned to outreach to the vehicles in the lot.

Private Parcel on DeSoto and Van Owen - No longer homeless violation. New violation of storing vehicles on the property violation has been sent.

Community Projects:

Runnymede Park - demolition of children's play area has begun. Estimating a 2-5 month 1st phase. After the children's park, additional picnic tables, hydration stations, fitness equipment, etc.

Winnetka Park - tree coverage along the northern perimeter of the park. Planting recommendations are being reviewed. Cameras & lighting - close to being sent out to bid. A switchboard utility box needs to be replaced before the plans can move forward.

Palm Vista Apartment Complex 20120 Sherman Way - 89 unit complex, 44 units are dedicated for vouchers, 45 units are affordable housing. Application has been closed - lottery units. 124 applications were from Winnetka. Move in anticipated in August.

Community Events:

Sat June 17 at Pierce at Rocky Young Park 1pm-6pm - Celebration by Zawadi Cultural Collective for Juneteenth. Music, food, activities - all available.

Wed June 28 9am-12pm - West Valley YMCA - hosting a walk up food pantry 18810 Van Owen Street, Reseda

4th of July - fireworks are all illegal.

4th of July extravaganza - Warner Center Park

June 18 First Summer concert

Mario from DONE: conflict of interest rules.

Neighborhood Council vote - June 18 - come vote.

Congress of Neighborhoods at City Hall Sept 23, 8-3pm

Discussion of trainings

David as Budget Advocate: Budget day is this Saturday - virtual

7) **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Comments from the public on any items not specifically listed on this agenda. Board Members should not address or discuss these comments other than to direct matters to the appropriate Winnetka NC committee or other agency. [3 min each]

Question about homeless issue - concerned about health and safety and community. Works in a ministry that brings the homeless in. Asking the local churches to open their parking lots?

Safe Parking - prior to the tiny cabins. Certain services need to be provided when there is a safe parking setup.

Aaron: Safeparkingla.org

8) **TREASURER'S REPORT:** (Ludwig/Uebersax) Discussion and possible Action regarding the status of Winnetka NC finances, Funding portal, and any additional reports as needed.
A Discussion, review, and approval of Monthly Expense Reports (MER) for May 2023
● **MOTION:** "The Winnetka NC Board has reviewed the May 2023 Monthly Expenditure Report. The Board approves the report and authorizes the Treasurer to submit the report to the City Clerk." (Ludwig//Uebersax) **(WNC-2023-0613-8A)**

Samantha presented May 2023 MER

Samantha motions to approve the May 2023 MER, Jonathan seconded

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Ineligible	Recused	Absent
Ajantha Sriramya						X
David Uebersax	X					
Erick Lace						X
Judith Giglio	X					
Samantha Ludwig	X					
Alexander Tsao	X					
Jonathan Vickburg	X					
Victor Lerma			X			
Mikhail Maniyan			X			
Elizabeth Chapman	X					

Keith Sader						X
Steven Wheatley						X
Holden Tsao						X

(6 yes, 2 abstain, 5 absent)

- B Follow-up discussion and possible action regarding detail of WNC branded items to be purchased per December approval of up to \$5000 to be used as supplies are being expended.
- C Discussion as to preparation of 2023-2024 Fiscal Year Budget.

9) **NON-CONSENT CALENDAR:**

- A Discussion and Action regarding 2023 Neighborhood Council Elections, which will be conducted through a hybrid election model, which provides At-Poll elections along with the option to Vote-By-Mail for every NC:
 - Planning for WNC booth outside the polling place on Sunday, June 18, at the Winnetka Convention Center.

Discussion of a booth on Sunday nearby in compliance with the 100ft ratio.

- DONE and City Clerk’s office coordination.
- Introduction of any Certified Candidates present, outreach, and possible planning for forum.
- B Presentations and Preliminary discussion regarding the following community-based organizations and potential future Budget considerations.
 - LAPD SLO Zamora proposal for an NPG for funding for a muralist to paint the wall in the Penfiled alley. Overall cost is \$12500.00 for the entire wall, using graffiti proof paint. Request is for \$6000, with a match from CD3.

Discussion of the new estimate being \$10,500. New request will be \$5,250.

May be able to use it as a CIP instead of a NPG. If the wall is owned by a private property owner, we may need to get owner signatures.

Aaron - there is no guaranteed match from CD3. Pending the decision of WNC he will present it to the office for consideration.

- Presentation by Randy Kistler, from the West Valley Food Pantry in Woodland Hills, one of the few such facilities which remained open during COVID. The number of people which they support has doubled, with many coming from Winnetka, and they would like to report on what they are doing for the community and request our support.
- Presentation by Noah M. Choudhury, part of the Community Engagement Team for the City of LA COVID-19 Pandemic Reflections Initiative. The See Change Institute, an LA-based research firm, is collaborating with the City of LA to solicit feedback from Angelenos about the possibility of creating a COVID-19 Memorial in our city.
- C WNC Board: Update following the return to In-Person/Hybrid meetings, upcoming vacancies, DONE roster updates; Monthly Profile report, regarding lapsed or unrecorded training; status of those not showing as fulfilling attendance or Committee Membership obligations.
- D Discussion and possible action with regards to issues relating to Winnetka as part of cooperation and outreach with CM Blumenfield and staff.
- E Updated on proposed design, construction/installation schedule, and opening of upgraded playground at Runnymede Park.

10) **REGULAR COMMITTEE REPORTS & MOTIONS** (Including return to Live or Hybrid Meetings):

A Planning & Land Use Management Committee (PLUM) Report (Uebersax)

- NOTICE: Meetings are held as needed on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.
 - ◇ PLUM Committee recommendation to adopt support for presentation at the April 18th meeting regarding the Vesting Zone Change and Vesting Tentative Tract for 20112 Chase Street: Request for the construction use and maintenance of a 5 Lot Small Lot Subdivision for 5 single family homes:
 - (i) VTT-83673-SL-HCA -
<https://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/search/encoded/MjYyODIz0>
 - (ii) ENV-2022-8498-EAF -
<https://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/search/encoded/MjYyODIy0>
 - ◇ Motion to support the project presented with confirmation of City recommendations.
- General update on Committee plans and activity.

David - meeting next week

B Public Works & Transportation Committee (PWT) Report Uebersax)

- Discussion: Meetings as needed currently on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:00
- General update on Committee plans and activity.
- Report on update of the DWP/Neighborhood Council Memo Of Understanding renewal.
- Planning and logistics for participation in the events, including the ongoing Los Angeles River cleanups by LA River Walkers and Watchers (larww.org) and on the last Saturday of each month.

David - meeting next week

C Public Safety Committee (PSC) Report (Vickburg)

- Discussion: Meetings as needed currently on the 4th Wednesday of the month
- General update on Committee plans and activity.

Jonathan - no meeting this month due to inability to make quorum

D Outreach & Social Media Committee (OSM) Report (Ludwig)

- NOTICE: Meetings are held as needed on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM
- General update on Committee plans and activity, including status of pending Newsletter.
- Discussion and possible Action on revising locations for proposed Utility Box murals.
 - ◇ The option remains to try to move forward on this project previously funded in the amount of \$5000.

Samantha - waiting on vendor to get items finalized

- ◇ Another possible action and **Motion**, to process a refund of up to \$3000, and instead fund a portion of the proposed NPG for the Penfield Alley project.
- Discussion and possible Action regarding design and posting of street banners (WNC previously worked with Triple A Flag and Banner, CD3, and/or other City Departments.

Samantha - no meeting next month

Juneteenth event - we can host a booth at the event

E Rules Elections & By-Laws Committee (REB) Report (Lace)

- NOTICE: Meeting TBD

- Update and discussion regarding costs for translation of Bylaws into Spanish.

F Youth Advocacy Committee (YAC) Report (Lace)

- NOTICE: The YAC Committee Meeting as needed.
- General update on Committee plans and activity.

G Budget & Finance Committee (B&F) Report (Ludwig)

- NOTICE: Meeting TBD

11) REPORTS, APPOINTMENT AND CONFIRMATION OF LIAISONS:

A LA DWP Memorandum of Understanding Oversight Committee Report

B LA Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC)

C Los Angeles Budget Advocate

D Community Impact Statement Signatories

E Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (VANC)

F West Valley Neighborhood Alliance on Homelessness

G LA City Council District 3 Beautification Action Team Liaison

H Sustainability Alliance

I Emergency Preparedness

J Data Liaison

K Grievance Panel

12) GOOD OF THE ORDER [2 min]

13) MEETING ADJOURNED

9:28

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- The Winnetka NC Board Secretary via email at secretary@winnetkanc.com, or
- The Winnetka NC President at 818-992-1650, or via email at duebersax@winnetkanc.com.

PUBLIC ACCESS OF RECORDS

In compliance with Government Code section 54957.5, non-exempt writings that are distributed to a majority or all of the board in advance of a meeting may be viewed at Winnetka Recreation Center, 8401 Winnetka Ave., CA 91306 and are available on our website at www.winnetkanc.com or at the scheduled meeting. In addition, if you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda, please contact the Winnetka NC Board Secretary via email at ECHAPMAN@WINNETKANC.COM or email duebersax@winnetkanc.com.

RECONSIDERATION AND GRIEVANCE PROCESS

The Board may reconsider and amend its action on items listed on the agenda if that reconsideration takes place immediately following the original action or at the next regular meeting. The Board, on either of these two days, shall: (1) Make a Motion for Reconsideration and, if approved, (2) hear the matter and Take an Action.

If the motion to reconsider an action is to be scheduled at the meeting following the original action, then two items shall be placed on the agenda for that meeting: (1) A Motion for Reconsideration on the described matter and (2) a {Proposed} Action should the motion to reconsider be approved. A Board member who has previously voted on the prevailing side of the original action taken can only make a motion for reconsideration.

If a motion for reconsideration is not made on the date the action was taken, then a Board member on the prevailing side of the action must submit a memorandum to the Secretary identifying the matter to be reconsidered and a brief description of the reason(s) for requesting reconsideration at the next regular meeting. The aforesaid shall all be in compliance with the Brown Act.

PROCESS FOR FILING A GRIEVANCE

Any grievance by a Stakeholder must be submitted in writing to the Secretary of the Board of Directors. The Secretary shall then within no more than 30 days refer the matter to an ad-hoc grievance panel comprised of 3 Stakeholders who are randomly selected by the Council Secretary from a list of Stakeholders who

have previously expressed an interest in serving from time to time on such a grievance panel. The Secretary will coordinate a time and a place, not to exceed 10 days, for the panel to meet with the person(s) submitting a grievance and to discuss ways in which the dispute may be resolved.

Thereafter, a panel member shall promptly prepare a written report to be forwarded by the Secretary to the Board to be heard at the next board meeting outlining the panel's collective recommendations for resolving the grievance. The Board of Directors may receive a copy of the panel's report and recommendations prior to any meeting by the Board, but the matter shall not be discussed among the Board members until the matter is heard at the next regular meeting of the Board pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act.

This formal grievance process is not intended to apply to Stakeholders who simply disagree with a position or action taken by the Board at one of its meetings. Those grievances can be aired at the Board meetings. This grievance process is intended to address matters involving procedural disputes, e.g., the Board's failure to comply with the Board's Rules or Bylaws, or its failure to comply with the City's Charter, the Plan, local ordinances, state law, and/or federal law.

In the event that a grievance cannot be resolved through this grievance process, the complainant has the right to appeal the matter to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment for consideration or dispute resolution.

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