



WINNETKA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

20830 Sherman Way, Winnetka, CA 91306

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REGULAR GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, September 9, 2014, 6:30 PM

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

(located next to Canoga Park Bowl)

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. 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.; and might also be posted at: **Canoga Park Bowl**, 20122 Vanowen St., **Express Pack & Ship**, 7657 Winnetka Ave., **Fulton Cleaners**, 20109 Roscoe Blvd., **Gil's Barber Shop**, 20433 Sherman Way.

The public may comment on a specific item listed on this agenda when the Board considers that item. When the Board considers the agenda item entitled "Public Comments," the public has the right to comment on any matter that is not specifically listed on this agenda yet is within the Board's jurisdiction. The public is requested to fill out a "Speaker Card" to address the Board on any agenda item before the Board takes an action. The Speaker Card ensures that each speaker's name is complete and correct in the meeting's Minutes. Public Comment is limited to 3 minutes per speaker, but the Board has the discretion to modify the amount of time for any speaker. Before a Board vote on any item, any member of the public who has not filled out a Speaker Card will be accorded 1 minute to make a statement. This period will last no longer than 5 minutes total.

1. Meet & Greet and Refreshments. [10 min] # of Guests _____
2. Convene Meeting, Board Member Roll-Call & Introductions [4 min]
3. Explanation of Meeting Rules & Safety Announcements [1 min]
4. **Government Representative Updates:** The latest information from representatives of the offices of Mayor Garcetti, Councilman Bob Blumenfield (CM BB), Congressman Brad Sherman (CMN BS), State Senator Fran Pavley (S FP), State Assemblyman Matt Dababneh (ASM MD), the LAPD, LAFD, LAUSD, Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE), Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (BONC), and any other local, state, or federal agencies in attendance. [5 min each, 20 min max]
5. **Public Comments:** 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 government agency. [3 min each, 15 min max]
6. **President's Report** (Lewis) [2 min]
 - DONE update
 - WNC committees have vacancies for community members. Let us know if you are interested in volunteering.
7. **Vice-President's Report** (Lace) [2 min]
8. **Secretary's Report** (Moreno/Pelaez) [4 min]
 - Discussion and approval of the Winnetka NC Minutes for August 12, 2014 **WNC-2014-090914-01** (Correction Item #31- Total amount is \$7465 not \$7565.)
9. **Parliamentarian's Report** (Owen/Robinson) [2 min]
10. **Treasurer's Report** (Popowich/Uebersax) [4 min]

- Update, discussion, and action regarding Winnetka NC finances as needed.
- Presentation of the Treasurer's Report including discussion and possible action to approve the past month's expenditure report. (Popowich) [6 min]
 - Motion: "The Winnetka NC Board has reviewed the August 2014 Monthly Expenditure Report including the US Bank Statement for the month ending in August, 2014. The Board approves the report and authorizes the Treasurer to submit the report to DONE." **WNC-2014-090914-02**

FINANCIAL CONSENT CALENDAR

Any items not agreed to shall be moved to the end of the agenda for further consideration.

11. Discussion and possible action to request funds for the budgeted website improvements. (Lewis) [2 min]

REGULAR COMMITTEE REPORTS & AGENDA ITEMS

Discussion and board action is possible on the following Winnetka NC Committee reports.

12. **Planning & Land Use Management Committee Report** (Popowich) [4 min]

- PLUM Cmte meetings: 3rd Tue of each month, 6:30PM, Winnetka Convention Center.
- Summary of what occurred at the PLUM meeting on 8/19/2014:
- There was a public comment to please repave Ingomar Street, especially the 19700 block, east of Winnetka Ave., bordering Oakdale.
- Most of the 3-hour meeting was discussing the 20424-20432 Stagg St., Winnetka proposed development. Many neighbors (about 20) were in attendance and most spoke. The developer presented their development along with plot maps. The proposed project is the demolition of two existing single-family residences and associated structures, as well as removal of old trees, for the construction of six (6) two-story single-family residential dwellings on individual small lots with 12 resident parking spaces (in addition to 2-car garages), on a combined 39,930 sq.-ft. site. They are seeking a zone change from the existing RA-1 (single family, limited agricultural use) to RD6-1 (residential multiple dwellings). There will be a central, common drive-court, consisting of pavers in lieu of asphalt or concrete, which will be compliant with Fire Dept. regulations. Each home is fee simple (the dwelling plus the land). The houses will not touch one another, but will have 5' side yards (a total of 10' between them); set back from Stagg St. is 16' to the door, but 8' to the front porch; each home will have 30-36' back yards. This zoning request needs no General Plan amendment.

Stakeholder concerns included:

- fencing; concern over wood and vinyl (its longevity); suggest cinder block wall; should be 6-feet tall.
- property line needs to be surveyed (current fencing is not correct);
- amount of overgrowth currently on the two lots
- wild life living on the lots
- pests and the wild life affecting neighboring lots after the start of development;
- parking: this section of Stagg (near Delco and Mason) is already overparked
- Would like to see more guest parking on-site.
- handicapped parking;
- traffic issues, especially at the intersection Stagg and Mason, where there is no stop sign or signal. Some suggest that access to Mason be blocked off, or limited.
- the zoning change from RA-1 to RD6-1 will set a bad precedent
- increased need for water, as we are in a severe drought;
- 2-story homes in a 1-story home neighborhood.

Some are very happy to see the development as it will improve the neighborhood. Note from the developer that the lot sizes are about 6,000 sq. ft., which is about 1,000 sq. ft. larger than is permitted by the RD6 zone. R1 zone is 5,000 sq. ft; R6 is 6,000 sq. ft.

- Cmte. members had concerns over parking, the fencing, traffic, protecting redeemable mature trees, driveway pads as guest parking (pads are 19' long), rain water capture and grey water systems, the landscaping plan, roof shape to be solar-panel friendly, the watering of the curb-side trees be common irrigation, replacement trees be a minimum of 15-gallon, price of each home/lot will be \$600-650,000, and the homes are about 2400 sq. ft.

13. After discussion, the PLUM Cmte unanimously recommended that the WNC approve the developer's request for support of the project located at 20424-20432 Stagg St., Winnetka (LA City Planning Commission Case #: APCS-2014-937-ZC-ZV-ZAA), upon the following conditions:

- 1) The perimeter wall be a 6-foot high block wall, transitioning to 42" high on either side of the front portion of the property at Stagg Street;
- 2) Regarding the future landscaping plan, replacement trees be planted with a minimum size of 15-gallons. If in fact any of the existing trees can be preserved, and if these are quality trees in fair condition, these trees shall be preserved and maintained;
- 3) The irrigation of the trees fronting the property on Stagg St., between the sidewalk and the curb, be part of the common area irrigation;
- 4) The property's CC&R's state that each garage be cleared sufficiently as to allow two (2) cars to be parked inside the garage, with two (2) more car parking spaces outside the garage on the 19-foot driveway of each residence, as the neighborhood is already over-parked;
- 5) The developer work with the Fire Dept. to see if any guest spaces can be made available in the common drive area; and
- 6) The developer make use of water conservation measures to include the use of: grey water; interlocking pavers; use of drought-tolerant planting; planter beds with water-capture ability, and the like.

- Motion:

14. A continuing agenda item is the property at 20460 Sherman Way (SE corner at Mason), aka The Winnetka Pit. New property owner Stephen Gregorchuk spoke of his ideas for the corner:

- Putting in a Starbucks or something similar; wants an anchor business;
- This is zoned C4; he can build 45' high, but with commercial & residential mixed use, can build up to 50' high. He can get up to 57 units on the site right now. The lot is 140' x 140' (19,600 sq. ft.). There would be all off-street parking, and it would have 3 accesses. There would be no windows facing south to maintain neighbors' privacy, and these units would face a central courtyard.
- The neighbors in attendance spoke up about what they do want: no residential; commercial is fine; limit height so 45'; no packed-in-like-sardines residential units.

15. Update re property located at 19731-19737 W. Stagg St., and 7733 Corbin Ave.: The Planning Commission denied the developer's 16-unit request, but granted the developer more time to come back with revised plans. Case #: ENV-2013-3411-EAF. A neighbor stated that the house on Corbin has recently been demolished. Discussion and possible action regarding . (Popowich) [5 min]

16. **Public Safety Committee Report** (Lerma) [4 min]

- Public Safety Cmte meetings: 3rd Tues of each month, 6:30PM Limerick Avenue Elementary School, 8530 Limerick Ave., Winnetka.,
 - PS Cmte Report
17. Discussion and possible action regarding how the WNC will spend the funds approved for CD3 NC Disaster Preparedness and Public Safety Event and remain in compliance with DONE regulations. . (Lewis) [5 min]

18. Public Works & Transportation Committee Report (Uebersax) [4 min]

- PWT Cmte meetings: 4th Mon of each month, 7PM, Limerick Avenue Elementary School, 8530 Limerick Ave. Winnetka
- PWT Cmte Report

19. Ad Hok Business Relations Committee (Lace) [4 min]

- RE: RaiseLA : Resolved: That the Winnetka Neighborhood Council write a letter to the City Council and in particular to our Councilman in support of the item before the Council in support of the hotel workers: That in hotels of more than 125 rooms, the minimum wage be \$15.37: that there be guarantees for receiving tips: and that workers be granted 5 sick days per year.

20. Outreach & Social Media Committee Report (Lewis) [4 min]

- OSM Cmte meetings: 4th Tue of each month, 7:00PM, Winnetka Convention Center.
- Community committee members needed. Contact the board president if interested.
- OSM Cmte Report

21. Youth Advocacy Committee Report (Owen) [2 min]

- YA Cmte meetings: 4th Thur of each month, 6:30PM, Winnetka Child Care Center, 8361 Winnetka Ave., Winnetka
- YA Cmte Report

22. Discussion and possible action regarding how the WNC will spend the funds approved for Winnetka Park Halloween event and remain in compliance with DONE regulations. (Popowich) [5 min]

ADDITIONAL NEW & RETURNING AGENDA ITEMS

Discussion and board action is possible on the following agenda items.

23. Discussion and possible action regarding the concepts of having the City utilize water and energy forecasting and budgeting to preserve both natural resources as well as the community's sustainability . (Poer) [4 min]

ADDITIONAL COMMITTEE AND REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

Discussion and board action is possible on the following reports.

24. Budget & Finance Committee (Uebersax) [2 min]

25. Executive Committee (Lewis) [2 min]

26. Rules, Elections, & By-Laws Committee (Lewis) [10 min]

27. LA City Council District 3 Beautification Action Team Liaison (Ross-Blumer) [2 min]

28. LA DWP Committee/Memorandum of Understanding Cmte Representative (Uebersax) [4 min]

- LADWP Cmte/MOU Cmte meetings: 1st Sat of each month, 8:30AM, 6501 Fountain Av., Hollywood

- 29. LA Neighborhood Councils Coalition (LANCC) Representative** (Uebersax) [4 min]
 - LANCC meetings: 1st Sat of each month, 10:00AM, 6501 Fountain Ave., Hollywood
- 30. LA Public Works Liaison** (Uebersax/vacant-alt) [2 min]
- 31. Neighborhood Watch Representative** (Owen) [2 min]
- 32. Mayor's Budget Representatives** (Lerma & Uebersax) [2 min]
- 33. Reserve Animal Control Officer (RACO) Liaison** (vacant) [2 min]
- 34. Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (VANC) Representatives** (Lewis/vacant-alt) [2 min]
 - VANC meetings: 2nd Thur of each month, 6:30PM, Sherman Oaks Hospital, 1st fl. Conference rm.
- 35. Good of the Order** [2 min]
- 36. Future Agenda Items & other Calendar Events** [2 min]
- 37. Adjournment Time:** _____

Members of the public may request and receive, without undue delay, copies of any documents that are distributed to the Board, unless there is a specific exemption under the Public Records Act that prevents the disclosure of the record. (Govt. Code § 54957.5)

The Winnetka Neighborhood Council complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act and does not discriminate on the basis of any disability. Upon request, the Winnetka Neighborhood Council will provide reasonable accommodations to ensure equal access to its programs, services, and activities. Sign language interpreters, assistive listening devices, or other auxiliary aids and/or services may be provided upon request. To ensure the availability of services, please make your request at least 3 business days (72 hours) prior to the meeting you wish to attend by contacting the Neighborhood Council Secretary at 818-718-0629, or please send an e-mail that states the accommodations that you are requesting to mmoreno@winnetkanc.com.

SI REQUIERE SERVICIOS DE TRADUCCION, FAVOR DE NOTIFICAR A LA OFICINA 3 Dias de trabajo (72 horas) ANTES DEL EVENTO. SI NECESITA AYUDA CON ESTA AGENDA, POR FAVOR LLAME A NUESTRA OFICINA AL (310) 562-3268.

PROCESS FOR RECONSIDERATION

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.

