



Winnetka Neighborhood Council

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, April 10, 2018, 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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President	Vice-President	Treasurer	Parliamentarian	
JJ Popowich	David Uebersax	Christopher Persaud	Franklin Solis	Joshua Belkin
Board Members				
Steven Fuhrman	Erick Lace	John Poer	Tess Reyes-Dunn	Tamicka Eisley
Ajantha Sriramy	Victor Lerma	Betsaira Aguilera	Judith Giglio	Youth Positon – Vacant

1. **MEET & GREET** (Refreshments) [10 min] _____ # of Guests
2. **CONVENE MEETING**
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** [1 min]
BOARD MEMBER ROLL CALL [2 min]

Board Member	Position	Present	Absent	Excused
Ajantha Sriramy	At-Large	X		
Joshua Belkin	At-Large		X	
David Uebersax	Vice President	X		
Erick Lace	At-Large	X		
Franklin Solis	Parliamentarian	X		
Christopher Persaud	Treasurer	X		
JJ Popowich	President	X		
John Poer	At-Large		X	
Steven Fuhrman	At-Large	X		
Tamika Eisley	At-Large	X		
Tess Reyes-Dunn	At-Large	X		
Vacant	At-Large			
Vacant	At-Large			
Vacant	At-Large			
Youth - Vacant	Youth Rep.			
		9	2	0

NOTE: Time permitting we will be looking at Board member attendance. This may include a consultation with DONE on how we may enact the Board's bylaws which allow for the removal of Board members under certain conditions.

4. **MEETING RULES & ANNOUNCEMENTS** [2 min]

The Board may take action on any item on the agenda, and agenda items may be taken out of order.

5. **APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBERS TO FILL VACANT SEATS**

- Discussion and possible action to consider applicants to fill the three vacant At-Large positions on the Winnetka NC Board. **All applicants who have submitted a written request to be considered before Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 5:00 PM. In order to be considered the applicant must be a Winnetka Stakeholder and must be in attendance at the Tuesday, April 10, 2018 meeting to**

address the Board and answer any questions from the Board. Applicants should be able to provide a 2-3 minute address to the Board regarding why they want to be on the Board. After hearing from all the applicants the Board will take a public roll call vote to appoint the applicant(s). Those applicants with the most votes will be appointed to the Board to complete the remainder of the terms up for election in the following order 2020, 2019, and 2019. Upon appointment, the Board members will be sworn in and take part in the remainder of the meeting.

- Ms. Giglio asked what the rules would be if she became a Board member regarding continuing to carry on her activities in her neighborhood.
 - Mr. Popowich & Mr. Uebersax both explained the conflict of interest rules, and the Brown Act rules. Mr. Popowich provided some examples of situations that may be pertain to both issues to demonstrate.
- Mr. Popowich recognized three of four candidates who were in attendance who wished to be considered for the Board: Judith Giglio, Victor Lerma, and Betsaira Aguilera. A fourth candidate (Samantha Ludwig) expressed interest in serving on the Board, but could not be in attendance at tonight’s meeting. Mr. Popowich asked each candidate to stand and introduce themselves.
 - Mr. Uebersax asked if the seat scheduled to be termed out in 2020, would be termed out in 2021 given that the City extended the 2018 terms to 2019.
 - There was a discussion about what the terms being replaced.
 - The Board will vote for each seat in order of the seat with the longest vacancy first, followed by the next two seats.
 - Mr. Uebersax asked if any of the candidates would like to serve as Secretary, or Assistant Treasurer.
- The first vote, will be to fill the seat vacated by Mathew Gregorchuck with a term ending in 2020:

Board Member	Position	Judith Giglio	Victor Lerma	Betsaira Aguilera	Abstain	Absent
Ajantha Sriramya	At-Large		X			
Joshua Belkin	At-Large					X
Christopher Persaud	Treasurer		X			
David Uebersax	Vice President		X			
Erick Lace	At-Large		X			
Franklin Solis	Parliamentarian		X			
JJ Popowich	President	X				
John Poer	At-Large					X
Steven Fuhrman	At-Large			X		
Tamicka Eisley	At-Large	X				
Tess Reyes-Dunn	At-Large		X			
Vacant	At-Large					
Vacant	At-Large					
Vacant	At-Large					
Vacant	Youth Rep.					
		2	6	1	0	2

- Mr. Lerma is appointed to the Board on a majority vote of 6.
- The second vote will be will fill the seat vacated by Eric Lewis' with a term ending in 2019

Board Member	Position	Judith Giglio	Betsaira Aguilera	Abstain	Absent
Ajantha Sriramy	At-Large		X		
Joshua Belkin	At-Large				X
Christopher Persaud	Treasurer		X		
David Uebersax	Vice President	X			
Erick Lace	At-Large		X		
Franklin Solis	Parliamentarian		X		
JJ Popowich	President	X			
John Poer	At-Large				X
Steven Fuhrman	At-Large		X		
Tamicka Eisley	At-Large	X			
Tess Reyes-Dunn	At-Large		X		
Vacant	At-Large				
Vacant	At-Large				
Vacant	At-Large				
Vacant	Youth Rep.				
		3	6	0	2

- Ms. Aguilera is appointed to the Board on a majority vote of 6.
- This vote will be will fill the seat vacated by Jaime Pelaez with a term ending in 2019. The candidate is Judith Giglio.

Board Member	Position	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Ajantha Sriramy	At-Large	X			
Joshua Belkin	At-Large				X
Christopher Persaud	Treasurer	X			
David Uebersax	Vice President	X			
Erick Lace	At-Large	X			
Franklin Solis	Parliamentarian	X			
JJ Popowich	President	X			
John Poer	At-Large				X
Steven Fuhrman	At-Large	X			
Tamicka Eisley	At-Large	X			
Tess Reyes-Dunn	At-Large	X			
Vacant	At-Large				
Vacant	At-Large				
Vacant	At-Large				
Vacant	Youth Rep.				
		9	0	0	2

- Mr. Giglio is appointed to the Board by a vote of 9-0.
- Mr. Popowich swore the new Board members in and seated them at the table.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES [5 min]

- Motion to approve minutes for November 14, 2017 (Popowich) (**WNC-2018-041018-01**)
- Motion to approve minutes for January 9, 2018 (Popowich) (**WNC-2018-041018-02**)
- Motion to approve minutes for February 13, 2018 (Popowich) (**WNC-2018-041018-03**)
- Mr. Popowich tabled this item due to time constraints and his not having finalized (proof read) the minutes for distribution.

7. GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES [5 min each, 20 min max]

- Updates: The latest information from representatives of the offices of Mayor Garcetti, Councilman Bob Blumenfield (CM BB), Congressman Brad Sherman (CMN BS), State Senator Stern, the LAPD, LAFD, LAUSD, Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE), Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (BONC), and any other local, state, or federal agencies in attendance.
- Ms. Serrano, from DONE, announced a roundtable they are holding downtown on different methods for improving outreach and getting community members involved.
 - Mr. Lace asked if there would be any held in the Van Nuys County building.
 - Ms. Serrano mentioned she would check.

8. 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 government agency. [3 min each, 20 min max]

- A representative of John R. Wooden High School – they have a group of students who are participating in a horticultural program at the Pierce College. They will be holding a Garden Party to show case what they have learned and teach others how to plant. The event will be May 16th, from 10 – 1 PM.
- Debora Barnett, a stakeholder, asked why we are not a part of Nextdoor. She said this would be another method of conducting outreach and letting people know.
 - Ms. Reyes-Dunn said that she felt that she had participated in one but she felt that it was too commercial.
 - Mr. Solis asked her to explain what Nextdoor? He said that a lot of us are volunteers and we have our committee meetings and those sometimes conflict with other events.
 - Ms. Barnett, explained that Nextdoor is a way to connect people that live in an area by a neighborhood. She said that she felt this would really help us. They are using it for their Neighborhood Watch group.
 - Mr. Popowich commented it is a social media website that connects people by common interest in specific neighborhoods.
 - Mr. Uebersax added his historical perspective about when a Nextdoor launched they did approach the NC's and offered to allow them to connect to multiple groups for free.
 - Ms. Serrano said that may have changed. She reminded the Board that they are restricted to just listening and really shouldn't answer and discuss unless it's been placed on an agenda.

9. CONSENT CALENDAR: Board members or members of the public may request any item listed on the

consent calendar to be pulled for discussion. If you wish to pull an item for discussion, please advise the Secretary before the meeting or request the item be pulled at the of discussion. [5 min]

10. FINANCIAL CONSENT CALENDAR: Board members or members of the public may request any item listed on the consent calendar to be pulled for discussion. If you wish to pull an item for discussion, please advise the Secretary before the meeting or request the item be pulled at the time it is brought up for discussion. [15min]

- The WNC approves the following items on the Financial Consent Calendar. (Popowich) (**WNC-2018-041018-04**)
 - i. Moore Business Results Invoices (Outreach)
 - March 1, 2018 invoice (WNC 2018 0301) for February 2018 activity expense: \$528.26
 - April 1, 2018 invoice (WNC 2018 0402) for March 2018 activity expense: \$513.30
 - ii. Winnetka Convention Center:
 - Winnetka Convention Center (Monday 02/26/18 PWT-Committee): \$100
 - Winnetka Convention Center (Monday 02/27/18 Outreach-Committee): \$100
 - Winnetka Convention Center (Monday 03/26/18 PWT-Committee): \$100
 - i. Valentino’s expenses for meeting food for the following months:
 - February 13, 2018 meeting in the amount of \$50.00
 - March 13, 2018 meeting in the amount of \$50.00
 - ii. ExtraSpace Storage fees for the following months:
 - March Storage expense: \$221.00
 - April Storage expense: \$221.00
- Mr. Fuhrman moved the motion to approve the Financial Consent Calendar.
- Mr. Lace seconded the motion.
- Mr. Popowich called the roll:

Board Member	Position	Yes	No	Abstain	Not Eligible	Absent
Ajantha Sriramy	At-Large	X				
Joshua Belkin	At-Large					X
Christopher Persaud	Treasurer	X				
David Uebersax	Vice President	X				
Erick Lace	At-Large	X				
Franklin Solis	Parliamentarian	X				
JJ Popowich	President	X				
John Poer	At-Large					X
Steven Fuhrman	At-Large	X				
Tamicka Eisley	At-Large	X				
Tess Reyes-Dunn	At-Large				X	
Victor Lerma	At-Large				X	
Betsaira Aguilera	At-Large				X	
Judith Giglio	At-Large				X	
Vacant	Youth Rep.					
		8			4	2

- Motion passes 8-0.

11. NON-CONSENT CALENDAR

- i. Discussion and possible action to consider allocating up to \$3100 to purchase up to 10 banners to be placed along Sherman Way or Winnetka Ave. **(WNC-2018-041018-05)**
 - The Board did not have enough time to discuss this item. It will be carried over to the following month's agenda.
- ii. Discussion and possible action to consider an NPG request from the Southern California Preparedness Foundation for \$850 to support the Valley Disaster Preparedness Fair to be held on September 29, 2018 from 9:00-3:00 PM at the Northridge Fashion Center Parking lot. The WNC will discuss whether funds can be approved from this year's budget for this project since the project is currently in the planning stages and work is ongoing. **(WNC-2018-041018-06)**
 - The Board did not have enough time to discuss this item. It will be carried over to the following month's agenda.
- iii. Discussion and possible action on a request from the Budget Advocates for funding for their activities and approval of their 2018 White Paper. The Winnetka NC will be voting on the following motion:

Proposed motion: The Winnetka Neighborhood Council hereby supports the work of the Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates and their 2018 White Paper and approve the filing of a Community Impact Statement for Council file 18-0600. **(WNC-2018-041018-07)**

This motion may be amended to add a specific dollar amount to be shifted from the Winnetka NC budget to the Budget Advocates.

 - **The Board did not have enough time to discuss this item. It will be carried over to the following month's agenda.**
- iv. Discussion and possible action to select a new Secretary for the Winnetka NC. The position was vacated by Mathew Gregorchuck effective June 2017. The Board will hear from interested Board members and conduct a vote to select the new Secretary. (15 min) **(WNC-2018-041018-08)**
 - The Board did not have enough time to discuss this item. It will be carried over to the following month's agenda.

12. TREASURER'S REPORT: (Persaud/Uebersax) Update, discussion, and possible action regarding the status of Winnetka NC finances, the WNC checking account, and the Treasurer's bank account Access, plus any additional financial reports as needed other than the MERs.

- Discussion, review, and approve any outstanding Monthly Expense Reports (MER) for September 2017

WNC-2018-041018-09: "The Winnetka NC Board has reviewed the September 2017 Monthly Expenditure Reports. The Board approves the report and authorizes the Treasurer to submit the report to the City Clerk." (Persaud/Uebersax) (This item was tabled in October to address the

\$0.94 “Foreign Transaction Fee”

- Mr. Uebersax reviewed the MER with the Board and addressed the issue of the \$.94 cents.
- Mr. Solis asked if we would ever get an invoice for the \$.94.
- Mr. Uebersax said he does not expect to get one. However, he worked with the City Clerk to figure out how to address it and the memo was the best idea they could come up with. He also shared that many NC’s had this problem.
- Mr. Fuhrman asked for clarification whether the fee is from the bank or the company. He pointed out that most are from banks.
- Mr. Uebersax said it is not from our bank. Unfortunately we no longer see bank statements so we cannot locate exactly who it comes from with. They did work with the NC Funding staff and this is the best determination they could come up with.
- Mr. Bailey, a Budget Advocate, commented there are about 100 neighborhood councils that have experienced this problem. He believes the WNC dealt with this in the most professional manner possible. None of the other NC’s went to this length. He hopes that the City Clerk will come up with a simpler way of dealing with this.
- Budget Advocate – said that the City Clerk will authorize the expenditure if it’s over the amount and you can document it.
- Mr. Lace moved the motion as written.
- Ms. Eislely seconded the motion as written.

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Ajantha Sriramya	At-Large	X				
Joshua Belkin	At-Large					X
Christopher Persaud	Treasurer	X				
David Uebersax	Vice President	X				
Erick Lace	At-Large	X				
Franklin Solis	Parliamentarian	X				
JJ Popowich	President	X				
John Poer	At-Large					X
Steven Fuhrman	At-Large	X				
Tamicka Eislely	At-Large	X				
Tess Reyes-Dunn	At-Large				X	
Victor Lerma	At-Large				X	
Betsaira Aguilera	At-Large				X	
Judith Giglio	At-Large				X	
Vacant	Youth Rep.					
		8	0	0	4	2

- Motion passes 8-0.
- Discussion, review, and approve any outstanding Monthly Expense Reports (MER) for February 2018

WNC-2018-041018-10: “The Winnetka NC Board has reviewed the February 2018 Monthly

Expenditure Reports. The Board approves the report and authorizes the Treasurer to submit the report to the City Clerk.” (Persaud/Uebersax)

- Mr. Bailey, a Budget Advocate, commented he finds it objectionable that Moore Business Results charged late fees and interest. He commented that she knows the situation and that it is her job to work with the NCs to help them through the process. He is not aware of any other webmasters that charge late fees and interest.
- Mr. Uebersax commented that she has been very patient with us while we worked to keep her paid and especially after all of the hurdles and changing requirements to get the new Treasurer access to the system.
- Mr. Popowich commented that he understands that Ms. Moore is running a business and not a charity. He pointed out that she is under no obligation to “help” us and that she has every right to charge us late fees when we can’t pay our bills. That is our problem not hers. He also commented that he understands Mr. Bailey’s views, but he just doesn’t agree.
- Mr. Lace moves to approve the motion as written.
- Ms. Eislely seconded the motion as written.

Board Member	Position	Yes	No	Abstain	Not Eligible	Absent
Ajantha Sriramy	At-Large	X				
Joshua Belkin	At-Large					X
Christopher Persaud	Treasurer	X				
David Uebersax	Vice President	X				
Erick Lace	At-Large	X				
Franklin Solis	Parliamentarian			X		
JJ Popowich	President	X				
John Poer	At-Large					X
Steven Fuhrman	At-Large	X				
Tamicka Eislely	At-Large	X				
Tess Reyes-Dunn	At-Large				X	
Victor Lerma	At-Large				X	
Betsaira Aguilera	At-Large				X	
Judith Giglio	At-Large				X	
Vacant	Youth Rep.					

- Motion passes 7-1-0.
- Discussion, review, and approve any outstanding Monthly Expense Reports (MER) for March 2018

WNC-2018-041018-11: “The Winnetka NC Board has reviewed the March 2018 Monthly Expenditure Reports. The Board approves the report and authorizes the Treasurer to submit the report to the City Clerk.” (Persaud/Uebersax)

- Mr. Uebersax reviewed the MER.
- Mr. Lace moved the motion as written.

- Ms. Easley seconded the motion.
- Mr. Popowich noted that AJ had to leave. He confirmed with Ms. Serrano, from DONE, that they can vote with only six eligible because we have a quorum. The rule is you can vote as long as you have a majority of the quorum eligible to vote.
- Mr. Popowich called the roll.

Board Member	Position	Yes	No	Abstain	Not Eligible	Absent
Ajantha Sriramyia	At-Large					X
Joshua Belkin	At-Large					X
Christopher Persaud	Treasurer	X				
David Uebersax	Vice President	X				
Erick Lace	At-Large	X				
Franklin Solis	Parliamentarian			X		
JJ Popowich	President	X				
John Poer	At-Large					X
Steven Fuhrman	At-Large	X				
Tamicka Easley	At-Large	X				
Tess Reyes-Dunn	At-Large				X	
Victor Lerma	At-Large				X	
Betsaira Aguilera	At-Large				X	
Judith Giglio	At-Large				X	
Vacant	Youth Rep.					
		6	0	1	4	3

- Motion passes 7-1-0
- Mr. Bailey, a Budget Advocate, commented that it's getting close to the end of this fiscal year. He said he would like us to take advantage of the option to commit funds on the portal so that it shows the amount that is available for the rest of year. This will give you a better picture of the recurring expenditure.
- Mr. Popowich showed the Board the area on the MERS that he was referring to.
- There was a discussion about how we can do this.
- Discussion and possible action regarding the Assistant Treasurer position. **(WNC-2018-041018-12)**
 - Mr. Popowich opened up discussion on this item.
 - Mr. Lace nominated Mr. Lerma
 - Mr. Solis seconded the nomination.
 - Mr. Popowich asked if this was something that he really wanted to do this. He suggested that Mr. Lerma talk to Mr. Uebersax about the duties before committing.
 - Mr. Lerma commented he thinks he has a good idea.
 - There was a discussion about when he could actually perform these functions considering

the training that needs to be completed.

- Ms. Serrano suggested we wait until Mr. Lerma has been trained, but we keep the current card holder until the end of the fiscal year.
- Mr. Bailey, a Budget Advocate, recommended that we adhere to what Ms. Serrano suggestion. He commented that it's better to keep the card holder as is until the end of the fiscal year so that we can have uninterrupted access to our funds. He also pointed out that the Funding program requires each NC to have an alternate signer – so a Treasurer, an Assistant Treasurer, a Card Holder, a Second Signer, and an Alternate Signer. Finally he mentioned there will be a full funding training at Topanga Police Station on April 23, 2018 from 6-8 PM.
- Mr. Uebersax said he feels we can move forward
- Mr. Popowich proposed the following:

The WNC appoints Mr. Lerma as the Assistant Treasurer effective June 1, 2018, or upon his completion of the full funding training program, whichever comes first. Mr. Uebersax will continue as the card holder until additional Board action.

- Both Mr. Lace and Mr. Solis agreed to the formal motion

Board Member	Position	Yes	No	Abstain	Not Eligible	Absent
Ajantha Sriramy	At-Large					X
Joshua Belkin	At-Large					X
Christopher Persaud	Treasurer	X				
David Uebersax	Vice President	X				
Erick Lace	At-Large	X				
Franklin Solis	Parliamentarian	X				
JJ Popowich	President	X				
John Poer	At-Large					X
Steven Fuhrman	At-Large	X				
Tamicka Eisley	At-Large	X				
Tess Reyes-Dunn	At-Large				X	
Victor Lerma	At-Large				X	
Betsaira Aguilera	At-Large				X	
Judith Giglio	At-Large				X	
Vacant	Youth Rep.					
		7	0	0	4	3

- Motion passed 7-0
- Mr. Bailey, a Budget Advocate asked Mr. Popowich to agendize an Alternate Signer. There was a discussion about the duties of the AS.

13. REGULAR COMMITTEE REPORTS & MOTIONS

- **Planning & Land Use Management Committee (PLUM) Report** (Popowich) [45 min]
- NOTICE: The PLUM Committee Meeting: 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM

- i. Discussion and possible action on the PLUM Committee's recommendation regarding the development of 20116 Sherman Way, Winnetka, CA of a 99-unit apartment building with

191 on-site parking spaces, including 10% of the units (10 units) designated as Very Low Income Housing Units (LA City Planning Case #s: DIR-2017-779-DB-SPR and ENV-2017-780-CE).

The Winnetka NC Planning and Land Use Management Committee recommends the Winnetka NC Board conditionally approve the proposed project located at 20116 Sherman Way, Winnetka, CA of a 99-unit apartment building with 191 on-site parking spaces, including 10% of the units (10 units) designated as Very Low Income Housing Units (LA City Planning Case #s: DIR-2017-779-DB-SPR and ENV-2017-780-CE), as long as the developer agrees to abide by the following required conditions:

1. Parking be assigned by unit to the effect that two units are not assigned to the same tandem parking spaces
2. A requirement that the current tenants be notified one year in advance of the eviction date.
3. The property owner return to the Winnetka NC with trash management plan that includes sufficient bins for the size of the project given the feeling that two bins are insufficient, a schedule of trash pick-up that mitigates trash overflow, and a covenant with the trash pickup provider that minimizes the time that the bins are left in the public right way
4. The property be outfitted with solar panels sufficient to significantly power the property. The WNC requests the developer to return with their solar plan.
5. The excavation, construction and construction waste removal adhere to the hours of 8 am to 6 PM, and that the owners create a communication plan that notifies the NC and neighbors with 500 feet, regarding the schedule for construction by mail. Furthermore the developer be required to notify the following schools of construction schedules: Sutter, Stanley Mosk, Fulbright, and St. Martin.
6. The developer return to the Winnetka NC with a landscaping plan for the front of the property that includes larger trees, and sufficient vine cover that extends above the first story to prevent as much as possible any "canvasses" for graffiti.
7. The Winnetka NC would like to see more earth tone colors than the bright colors presented.

(WNC-2018-041018-13)

- **The Board did not have enough time to discuss this item. It will be carried over to the following month's agenda.**

- ii. Discussion and possible action on the Winnetka NC PLUM Committee recommendation to take an oppose position against SB827: Transit Rich Housing Bonus. The following excerpt from the legislative proposal provides an overview of the legislation's intent:

The following is an excerpt from the legislative proposal: "This bill would ~~authorize a~~ *require a local government to, if requested, grant a development proponent of a* transit-rich housing project ~~to receive~~ a transit-rich housing ~~bonus.~~ *bonus if that development meets specified planning standards,*

including complying with demolition permit requirements, local inclusionary housing ordinance requirements, preparing a relocation benefits and assistance plan, any locally adopted objective zoning standards, and any locally adopted minimum unit mix requirements.”

For more info please review the following legislation:

https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB827

- The Winnetka NC Planning and Land Use Management Committee recommends the Board strongly oppose SB 827 on the following grounds: This bill would effectively eliminate the ability of local jurisdiction (cities and communities) to have a significant say in the development and character of its communities. This bill promotes increased density without any consideration for the surrounding community. Furthermore the bill also has draconian language that essentially removes the rights of tenants and property owners encourages mass evictions leading to greater homelessness problems throughout the City. **(WNC-2018-041018-14)**
 - ***The Board did not have enough time to discuss this item. It will be carried over to the following month's agenda.***
- **Public Safety Committee (PSC) Report** (Solis) [15 min]
NOTICE: The PS Committee Meeting: TBD (Location to be decided)
 - i. Discussion and possible action on a request to approve an Neighborhood Purpose Grant (NPG) in the amount of \$5000.00 for the California Highway Patrol – Woodland Hills station's Senior Volunteer Program. These funds would be earmarked for the purchase of equipment and educational materials for the Age Well Drive Safe Program for Seniors. **(WNC-2018-041018-15)**
 - ***The Board did not have enough time to discuss this item. It will be carried over to the following month's agenda.***
 - ii. Discussion and possible action on the status of the Winnetka NC Public Safety Committee. The Board will be discussing the future plans for the Committee. This may involve a discussion to appoint a new chair, and/or vice chair. The purpose of this discussion is not solely to assess and help the committee move forward in a manner that will ensure productivity and address the stakeholders concerns. **(WNC-2018-041018-15)**
 - ***The Board did not have enough time to discuss this item. It will be carried over to the following month's agenda.***
- **Public Works & Transportation Committee (PWT) Report** (Uebersax) [25 min]
NOTICE: The PWT Committee Meeting is held at the Winnetka Convention Center
 - i. Discussion and possible action regarding the 2018 Spring Clean Event. to be held on Saturday, April 21, 2018, from 10am (set up and snacks at 9am) to 2pm, with food served following. The Board will be discussing how we will allocate the \$1000 in funding in the following manner: \$200 each for Supplies, Drinks/Snacks, and \$600 or remainder for food, most likely pizza. This allocation schema may be changed at the meeting and the discussion may involve authorizing additional funds (including an adjustment to the

WNC Budget) to account for the purchase of an additional canopy. (**WNC-2018-041018-16**)

- Mr. Popowich read the item and asked Mr. Uebersax to comment.
- Mr. Uebersax pointed out we approved this earlier in the year. However, since then they have had a lot of interest from stakeholders and they may have more people than expected. He felt that having a third canopy may allow us to accommodate a second location in Runnymede Park area. He shared that we have had rally points at other locations in the past like Quimby Park.
- Mr. Popowich pointed out we have \$250 in the current budget for a canopy.
- Mr. Lace moves that we approve the following motion:

WNC-2018-041018-16: The Winnetka NC confirms the \$1000.00 will be expended in the following categories: \$200 each for Supplies, Drinks/Snacks, and \$600 or remainder for food, most likely pizza, with the addition of \$250.00 for the purchase of a pop-up canopy which is already approved in the budget. In the event the canopy does not consume the full \$250.00 the PWT is authorized to expend the remainder for any of the other categories listed, including flyers.

- Ms. Svetlana Pravina, from Councilmember Blumenfield’s office announced they will provide cleaning supplies.
- Mr. Popowich discussed the Penfield Alley situation. He explained the alley is a dead end alley, and there are overhanging trees that the homeless people use the trees to hook up their canvasses and as it becomes very hard for police to see the homeless at night. He asked if Pravina, if there was any issue with the NC cutting the trees that overhang into the public right-of-way from the private property on the right [north side] of the alley during the Spring Clean event.
- Ms. Pravina said she would check.

Board Member	Position	Yes	No	Abstain	Not Eligible	Absent
Ajantha Sriramya	At-Large					X
Joshua Belkin	At-Large					X
Christopher Persaud	Treasurer	X				
David Uebersax	Vice President	X				
Erick Lace	At-Large	X				
Franklin Solis	Parliamentarian	X				
JJ Popowich	President	X				
John Poer	At-Large					X
Steven Fuhrman	At-Large	X				
Tamicka Easley	At-Large	X				
Tess Reyes-Dunn	At-Large				X	
Victor Lerma	At-Large				X	
Betsaira Aguilera	At-Large				X	
Judith Giglio	At-Large				X	
Vacant	Youth Rep.					
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- Motion passes 7-0-0
- ii. Discussion and possible action to partner with Councilmember Blumenfield to plant trees in specific areas of Winnetka, along the parkways. Councilmember Blumenfield is committing half of the expected \$39,040 cost. The Committee is recommending the Board approve funding this project for up to \$19,520, between the 2017-2018 and 2018-2-19 Budget Years. Councilmember Blumenfield's Field Deputy Svetlana Pravina will be on hand to discuss the program. **(WNC-2018-041018-17)**
- Mr. Ubersax introduced Ms. Pravina and the motion that the PWT approved. Mr. Uebersax pointed out we have a lot of unspent money and this is a program we can participate in. He did point out that the figures above may be changing as a result of a miscommunication to the President for the agenda.
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 - Ms. Pravina said the program will plant 38 trees along Wilbur Elementary School which is located in an area the City has deemed as pollution impacted. There is a total of 78 trees they want to put in. The process will involve changing the landscape in this area by cutting out tree boxes in the sidewalk or park way. Within Winnetka this will include 41 trees spread out along Saticoy and Roscoe streets.
 - Mr. Popowich confirmed they want the WNC to contribute half of \$78,080 in costs out of our \$42,000 dollar budget.
 - Mr. Persaud indicated he may have a conflict since he lives in the area.
 - Mr. Lace said he would like to participate. However, he can't see the Winnetka NC spending this amount of money. He questioned the ability to plant 39 trees in that intersection.
 - Ms. Pravina commented that it is the entire intersection.
 - Mr. Lace shared the experience around Limerick. The City did the same thing but failed to get the neighborhood involved. The trees were planted and then no one wanted them, no one maintained them, and they are dying and being removed.
 - Ms. Pravina asked for confirmation of the location and what happened.
 - Mr. Lace described the area and explained the tree wells that were cut in the sidewalk. People have actually tripped and fell in the wells where trees are no longer there.
 - Ms. Pravina said that they reach out to the businesses and property owners with an opt out form – it explains what they are doing and that there is a 3 year commitment by the property owners must maintain it. She went on to say that before they do this they ensure that the sidewalk will meet the ADA requirements. The contract itself includes funds for the contractor that will maintain the trees (water, trim, pruning, and replacement if they die or damage within the three years).
 - Mr. Lace said the only concern he has is that the public in that area support it.
 - Mr. Fuhrman said he has several questions. What is the size of the trees
 - The size will be 15 gallons. The arborist has explained this will grow best. The wells are five feet by five feet. This well size will help prevent sidewalks from lifting. She also

mentioned that they will be losing a lot of trees due to a fungus and beetles.

- Mr. Fuhrman asked about irrigation.
- Ms. Pravina commented that according to the City Plants, a quasi-City organization will provide three years of maintenance which includes irrigation. After that they are expected to be able to survive on their own without specific watering.
- Mr. Fuhrman expressed concern about the trees being mature enough to survive on the rainfall that we get. He has trees that are six years old that do get watered and they don't look like they are surviving.
- Ms. Pravina commented the City arborist has confirmed these tree species will survive.
- Mr. Fuhrman suggested that the tree wells be designed to accept gutter run off. There was a discussion about this idea.
- Ms. Pravina commented the tree wells are part of the storm water runoff infrastructure to allow the storm water to percolate back into the water table. She went on to say that the funding is not included in this.
- There was a discussion about the funding for this and whether this can be done this year or at a later time. Ms. Pravina said they can bring it up and maybe in the future it could be done depending on cost.
- Mr. Giglio said that her concerns have been addressed.
- Mr. Lerma asked if the roots would damage the sidewalk.
- Ms. Pravina commented these trees are specifics that are on the published list by the City Arborist that can be planted in the parkway that will not lift the sidewalk.
- Mr. Lerma asked about twenty year down the line and whether the City will trim the trees.
- Ms. Pravina commented the reason they are approaching the adjacent landowners because technically these trees are on their property and they would be responsible for trimming them.
- Mr. Popowich pointed out that his trees are dying one by one due to lack of sufficient water. He expressed concerns requiring the landowners to maintain the trees which require permits and so on. He doubts they will water it as they can't even clean the sidewalks half. Finally he is concerned about the funds and where we would get this type of budget.
- Mr. Ubersax said the he has mixed feelings about the project. He shared his experience in a previous NC with a similar process. He stressed working with the merchants is critical so they understand the benefit and not to worry about it temporarily block signs. He said the biggest item on here is a three year commitment for the trees going to a non-profit. However, it's not going to the City Urban Forestry department which is responsible or the maintenance. He went on to comment that if the City had managed their funds better they wouldn't need to ask to take money from the NC. He feels this is a big ask.

- A stakeholder commented he is aware of the list. He said we are not asking whether these are deciduous trees or not. He also pointed out that the private businesses will benefit due to the improved ambience and asked if they would be assessed anything to pick up the cost for this benefit.
- Ms. Pravina commented the businesses will not be assessed. She understands that there will be an improvement in the area but it's for all people to benefit. She went on to say that some of this is funded by grant from the DWP for free trees.
- Mr. Fuhrman asked why there is a cost of the trees that are free.
- Ms. Pravina commented that the DWP free trees is providing 17 trees and that's because they will shade a building. The requirement is a shaded tree.
- Mr. Baily asked how this could be voted on for both fiscal years.
- Mr. XXX commented that if we are going to spend more than \$5000 without a contract.
- Mr. Uebersax moved that we commit \$5000 for the funding for this FY. He went on to say we can discuss this next. Year
- There was a discussion about whether this could be done now without an NPG. An NPG is normally required in order to process this.
- Ms. Pravina commented they had done this last year with Tarzana. According to her Jeff Brill has approved this plan and will allow the transfer.
- There was another discussion about Mr. Brill coming up with rules that are not normally allowed. The Budget Advocates said we could buy the trees and brand them and plant them.
- The WNC approves the modification of the budget to move \$5000 from the newsletters in Outreach to fund the purchase of \$5000 worth of trees for this project.
- Mr. Popowich moved to tabled this item until the City Clerk can send a representative to the WNC to explain how we can accomplish this, or until the City Clerk can provide a written confirmation of what can be done that we can hold them to.
- Motion seconded by Lace.
- Mr. Popowich brought the meeting to a close due to the time.
- **Outreach & Social Media Committee (OSM) Report** (Eisley) [15 min]
NOTICE: The OSM Committee Meeting: TBD (Location to be decided)
 - i. Discussion and possible action on funding for the Winnetka Movie night, tentatively scheduled for the Saturday before school resumes in August 2018. The NPG will in the amount of \$5,000. **(WNC-2018-041018-18)**
 - **The Board did not have enough time to discuss this item. It will be carried over to the following month's agenda.**

- ii. Update, discussion and possible action on the status of the Winnetka NC newsletter. The newsletter will focus on the: Spring Clean, Movie Night- Save the Date, Elections, Winnetka fun facts, Open Seat on Board and possible items from stakeholders, as well as normal Committee updates. This may include a discussion to approve funding for the newsletter an amount ranging from \$4000 to \$6000 dollars. (WNC-2018-041018-19)
 - **The Board did not have enough time to discuss this item. It will be carried over to the following month's agenda.**
- **Youth Advocacy Committee (YAC) Report** (Lace) [15 min]
 NOTICE: The YAC Committee Meeting: TBD (Location to be decided)
 - i. Discussion and possible action on an update from the Committee regarding the status of obtaining the 2018 NPG for the local schools. NPGs need to be signed and obtained before the end of the fiscal year. This may include action to approve funds for any NPG received at the meeting in accordance with the budget. (WNC-2018-041018-20)
 - Mr. Popowich introduced the topic.
 - Mr. Lace explained that we had \$1800 set aside to allow for culminations from last year, and another \$1800 for culminations for this years. We were advised we could not pay for a past event, and therefore the \$1800 for culminations for the past year is available to be used for other items.

Mr. Lace said the first set of NPGs is for \$300 for each school within the Winnetka Community for the following schools: Sutter, Stanley-Mosk, Winnetka, Limerick, Sunnybrae, and Fulbright for the end of school year culmination event. In return we receive recognition at the culmination.

Mr. Lace said that Fulbright, Winnetka, Limerick have requested the \$300 be set allocated for the purchase of books.

 - Sutter, Sunnybrae, and Stanley Mosk have requested \$300 each for funding of the STEM program to seed their new Science Center.
 - This will benefit 3700 families in the Winnetka Community.
 - Mr. Popowich read the Fulbright and Sunnybrae School.
 - Mr. Lace said that Sunnybrae would provide a
 - Mr. Uebersax moved to approve the items.
 - Mr. Popowich seconded.
 - Ms. Serrano advised the Board that these items cannot be approved tonight because they were not agendized properly. Each request must be listed separately and voted on separately, with each item showing the specific dollar amount.
 - Mr. Popowich said we will agendize it properly.
 - ii. Discussion, with no action, regarding the NPG request from the Teen Court program. This discussion will be to determine if the Youth Committee to provide an update on a previously agendized item and whether or not the Committee intends to take any action regarding this request.

- **The Board did not have enough time to discuss this item. It will be carried over to the following month's agenda.**

- **Budget & Finance Committee (B&F) Report** (Uebersax) [20 min]
NOTICE: The B&F Committee Meeting: TBD (Location to be decided)
 - i. Report this month
- **Rule, Elections & By-Laws Committee (REB) Report** (Uebersax) [5 min]
NOTICE: The REB Committee Meeting: TBD (Location to be decided)
 - i. No Report this month
- **Budget Advocate/Budget Rep Report** (Green)

2. OFFICER & LIAISON REPORTS

- President's Report (Popowich) [5 min]
- Secretary's Report (Vacant/Green) [4 min]
- LA City Council District 3 Beautification Action Team Liaison Report: (No Rep) [5 min]
- LA DWP Memorandum of Understanding Oversight Committee Report (Uebersax) [5min]
- LA Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) Report: (Uebersax): [5 min]
- LA Public Works Liaison Report: (Uebersax) [5 min]
- Reserve Animal Control Officer (RACO) Liaison Report (Vacant) [5 min]
- Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (VANC) Report: (??) [5 Min]

3. GOOD OF THE ORDER [2 min]

4. MEETING ADJOURNED
