

# WESTLAKE NORTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (WNNC) GENERAL BOARD MEETING

Thursday, April, 6, 2017 • 7pm

CENTRAL CITY NEIGHBORHOOD PARTNERS

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## WNNC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President, Sandra Villalobos - Bus. Rep.

VP. Vacant

Treasurer, Rocky Valenzuela

Secretary, Harold (Mac) R. McCarthy, At large

Ashley Hawkins, At Large Eric Contreras, At Large

Ivonnenanette Machado, At Large

Bus. Rep, Vacant

Aurora Pineda, CBO Rep

Margarita Alvarez Gomez, CBO Rep

Res. Rep. Vacant

Karina Rodriguez, Res. Rep.

Res. Rep, Vacant Sen. Rep, Vacant

Andrew Gamero, Youth Rep

Ventura Mendez Florencio, Youth Rep

### 1. Call To Order

- a. 6:13 pm President Sandra Villalobos called the meeting to order
- b. Quorum achieved
- c. Absent: Eric Contreras

## 2. Community Government Reports & Announcements

- a. Betty Barberena, EV Carshare Outreach Manager shared that a community forum will be held for a careshare program designed to service low income families. It'll take place on April 27th 6pm - 8pm. The electric car as well as food and refreshments will be at the forum.
- b. Veronica, Executive Director of CCNP introduced the Vision Zero Initiative. It's an initiative to reduce traffic fatalities 20% by the end of the year and to eliminate traffic deaths altogether by 2025.
  - i. Events will take place June 5-10th and include various aspects such as gathering community feedback, chalk writing on sidewalks, community walks that promote reduced speed, and perhaps closing a lane on 6th Street and designating it as a bicycle lane for that week.
  - ii. In addition Veronica asked for board participation in the form of sponsoring an activity at the event, participation at the community resource fair, and helping to get the word out about the initiative. She added that she's open to getting on the agenda next month and submitting a formal sponsor request form.

# 3. Community Presentation

- a. Bylaws President Villalobos shared that there are a lot of changes that need to be made to the bylaws. The desire to make changes must be communicated by a May 1st deadline. Mr. McCarthy agreed to red-line some items in the bylaws and then meet with Ms. Alvarez Gomez the week of April 17th to begin identifying bylaw changes.
- Beautification/Planning & Land Use President Villalobos will report on this item next week.
- c. Outreach Committee Karina Rodriguez shared that there was nothing to report.
- d. **Budget & Finance** Rocky Valenzuela shared that there was nothing more to report other than the \$5,000 that needs to be allocated.
- e. Crime Prevention/Public Safety Committee This committee did not meet, but Mr. Valenzuela is still looking for more members to join this committee. Officer McKenzie added that she is awaiting crime statics so she didn't have an update.
- f. Youth/Education Committee No additional news outside of Denim Day and Community & Health Fair

# 8. NC Alliances & Liaison Reports

- a. Film Liaison Board Member, Eric Contreras is the film Liaison, but has not been in present at the last three meetings. President Villalobos shared that a letter will be sent to him concerning his absence.
- b. Purposeful Aging Liaison Nothing to report
- c. Homeless Liaison Ms. Machado brought up her concern regarding homelessness and illegal vendors. President Villalobos suggested that Ms. Machado attend a homelessness training that the city is doing starting April 17th, one day a week for three weeks.
  - i. Officer McKenzie added that there are current talks to legalize illegal vendors. Veronica, Executive Director of CCNP pointed out the experimental project taking place at McArthur Park Metro Station. Metro, CCNP and the vendors are coming together to create a market place. Vendors are agreeing to remain on the platform thereby freeing the sidewalk for pedestrians. In turn the vendors can stay and sell their product for a \$5 weekly fee.
  - ii. President Villaboso suggested inviting Hugo Ortiz to the next meeting to answer questions concerning this topic.
- d. Neighborhood Council Sustainability Nothing to report.

#### 9. Announcements

 Bertha Wooldridge from Westlake Protectors Neighborhood Watch would like to speak at the next meeting about National Night Out.

## 10. Adjournment

a. Meeting adjourned at 7:31 pm.