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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

ONLINE AND TELEPHONIC SPECIAL BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, December 15, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

In conformity with the September 16, 2021 enactment of California Assembly Bill 361 (Rivas) and due to concerns over Covid-19, the West Hills Neighborhood Council meeting will be conducted entirely with a call-in option or internet based service option. All are invited to attend and participate.

This special meeting of the West Hills Neighborhood Council will be conducted online via Zoom Webinar and telephonically. All are invited to attend and participate.

- **To attend online** via Zoom Webinar: Paste the following link into your browser: <https://zoom.us/j/98920654217>
- **To call in by phone**, dial (669) 900-6833, then punch in this Webinar code when prompted: **989 2065 4217**, then press #.

Comments on matters not on the agenda will be heard during the Public Comment period. Those who wish to speak on an agenda item will be heard when the item is considered

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.

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| <p><u>Opening Business</u></p> <p>Call to Order</p> <p>Roll Call – Establish Quorum</p> <p>Pledge of Allegiance</p> | | <p>Co-Chairs: Mrs. Charlene Rothstein Dr. Faye Barta</p> <p>Secretary: Mr. Brad Vanderhoof</p> <p>Co-Chair: Dr. Faye Barta</p> |
| <p><u>Public Comment</u></p> <p>Comments & statements from stakeholders or interested parties on subjects <u>NOT</u> on this meeting's agenda. (<i>Requires Speaker Card</i>)</p> <p>*The Council affords an opportunity to members of the public to address the Council on items of interest that are within the Council's jurisdiction. The Council is not permitted to take action on items that are not identified on the agenda. The Council reserves the right to limit speakers' time if necessary to provide an adequate opportunity for all to be heard.*</p> | | <p>Dr. Faye Barta</p> |

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| <p><u>Old Business</u></p> <p>22-0096 - Discussion and possible action possible action on filling a vacant seat on the West Hills Neighborhood Council Board vacated by Tariq El-Atrache (10 Minutes Max)</p> | | <p>Mr. Steve Randall, Co-Chair Ad-Hoc Board Vacancy Committee Mr. Saif Mogri, Co-Chair Ad-Hoc Board Vacancy Committee</p> |
| <p><u>Adjournment</u></p> | | |

Public Input At Neighborhood Council Meetings: Members of the public who call in by telephone are requested to dial *9, 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 only when the respective item is being considered. 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 prevented 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 2 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

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Reconsideration and Grievance Process: For information on the WHNC’s process for board action reconsideration, stakeholder grievance policy or any other procedural matters related to this Council, please consult the WHNC Bylaws. The Bylaws are available at our website, www.WestHillsNC.org.

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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (WHNC) BOARD VACANCY APPLICATION

Date: September 8,2022

Applicant's Name: Jeffery Burnett **Occupation:** John Deere Heavy equipment repair

Home Address: [REDACTED]

Work Address (if Applicable): _____

Home Phone: _____ **Mobile Phone:** [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Stakeholder Status (Check all that apply): () I live in West Hills, () I work in West Hills,
() I own property in West Hills, () I have a child enrolled in a school in West Hills,
() I belong to a religious organization in West Hills, () I belong to a community organization in West Hills, () OTHER: _____

How did you hear about the WHNC? When I moved to the community in 2010 I had heard about the neighborhood councils in the valley. I'm not 100% sure how I heard. When I moved to the community I searched on-line for more info.

How often do you attend WHNC meetings? I have not attended any of the meetings. Due to I have been pretty happy with the goings on around the community.

Why do you wish to participate on the WHNC Board? I have had a interest in joining the WHNC for a few years and just never felt the time was right. Now I feel the time is right and I more mature with how the community operates and things around the community

What are your goals for the community? I would like feel like me being in the construction industry that I can another out look on some of the projects that are being reviewed. Also to bring maybe some new ideas or how to improve on policies or projects

What skills do you have that might be especially useful for the WHNC? I have a good understanding of how councils work and how municipalities operate. I work well with others and can also contribute to what ever the project might be. I also have to think outside of the box on a regular bases. I am a also a small business owner and very much support local business and will go out of my way to support

Are you prepared to contribute at least ten (10) hours a month to community service through the council? YES

What areas of community service particularly interest you? The cleanliness of the community and keep the community a community people want to live in and move to. keeping it safe for people to walk and kids to play

Do you have any interests that might conflict with Neighborhood Council responsibilities?
no

(If you need more space, use the reverse side.)

WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (WHNC) BOARD VACANCY APPLICATION

Date: 10/10/2022

Applicant's Name: Laurence R. Goldman **Occupation:** Attorney

Home Address: [REDACTED]

Work Address (if Applicable): _____

Home Phone: [REDACTED] **Mobile Phone:** [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Stakeholder Status (Check all that apply): I live in West Hills, I work in West Hills,
 I own property in West Hills, I have a child enrolled in a school in West Hills,
 I belong to a religious organization in West Hills, I belong to a community organization in
West Hills, OTHER: _____

How did you hear about the WHNC? Bill Rose. He told me of the vacancy and thought I would be interested.
I am. I am a past member of the West Hills Neighborrhodd Council.

How often do you attend WHNC meetings? I have not attended many meetings.

Why do you wish to participate on the WHNC Board? I have always been interested in knowing what is
taking place in my neighborhood and being part of the solution when there are issues.

What are your goals for the community? To insure West Hills is a great pace to live and work.

What skills do you have that might be especially useful for the WHNC? _____
Leadership skills and involvement in the community. I am a past president of the West Hills Property Owners Association.
I am a Past President of the Beverly Hills Bar Association. I am a Past Chair of the Board of Trustees of West Hills
Hospital. I was a nominee for Fernando. I am on the Foundation Board Of the LAPD Topanga Station.

Are you prepared to contribute at least ten (10) hours a month to community service through the council? Yes

What areas of community service particularly interest you? _____
I am willing to work on any community that needs assistance.

Do you have any interests that might conflict with Neighborhood Council responsibilities?
No

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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (WHNC) BOARD VACANCY APPLICATION

Date: 09/07/2022

Applicant's Name: William Kreke **Occupation:** Self Employed (pet services)

Home Address: [REDACTED]

Work Address (if Applicable): Same

Home Phone: [REDACTED] **Mobile Phone:** [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Stakeholder Status (Check all that apply): I live in West Hills, I work in West Hills,
 I own property in West Hills, I have a child enrolled in a school in West Hills,
 I belong to a religious organization in West Hills, I belong to a community organization in
West Hills, OTHER: In addition to Woodland Hills and Calabasas I operate my business in West Hills

How did you hear about the WHNC? Facebook

How often do you attend WHNC meetings? I have only viewed on line meetings and have not attended
in person.

Why do you wish to participate on the WHNC Board? I would like to take a more active roll in my
community. Many of my clients live in West Hills, I hear and share their concerns of increased: crime, traffic, and
homelessness. I am a team player and I would like to help create solutions instead of critiques.

What are your goals for the community? Help create a welcoming safer community. I would like to be a part
of a body that helps create a community that is attractive for people to: live, work, and establish family roots.

What skills do you have that might be especially useful for the WHNC? In my prior work experience
I have held leadership roles in public relations and communications. As a business owner I'm concerned with the
economic direction of our community and as a resident I am most concerned with the quality of life issues in West Hills.

**Are you prepared to contribute at least ten (10) hours a month to community service through the
council?** Yes

What areas of community service particularly interest you? Public Safety, Business Development,
Community Outreach Programs, and events that help engage people (clean up events & neighborhood watch)

Do you have any interests that might conflict with Neighborhood Council responsibilities?
None

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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (WHNC) BOARD VACANCY APPLICATION

Date: August 21, 2022

Applicant's Name: Miriam Schimmel **Occupation:** Attorney (and Krav Maga instructor)

Home Address: [REDACTED]

Work Address (if Applicable): _____

Home Phone: _____ **Mobile Phone:** [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Stakeholder Status (Check all that apply): (x) I live in West Hills, () I work in West Hills,
(x) I own property in West Hills, (x) I have a child enrolled in a school in West Hills,
() I belong to a religious organization in West Hills, () I belong to a community organization in
West Hills, () OTHER: _____

How did you hear about the WHNC? I am aware of the WHNC and its activities through the emails I receive,
and because my neighbors are on the Board.

How often do you attend WHNC meetings? I have not attended any WHNC meetings to date.

Why do you wish to participate on the WHNC Board? I would like to become involved in the community,
specifically to try and help foster and implement activities that enhance our community. More specifically, I would like to
work with our community to improve all aspects of our neighborhood in ways that encourage people to drop polarizing
and "extremist" behaviors in order to interact and work together in a positive manner for the greater good of the city.

What are your goals for the community? My goals are to try and serve our community by listening to and
working with residents and business owners to facilitate actions that improve living and working here. I frequently read
social media posts by people in our community that only complain and criticize others about issues such as local crime,
unsafe driving, homelessness, mental health and/or drug use in our community. I would like to attempt to improve those

What skills do you have that might be especially useful for the WHNC? I have practiced law for over
25 years, as well as served as a volunteer temporary judge in Los Angeles County. I am motivated to moderate different
viewpoints/opinions to seek resolution of issues in as fair a manner, and as much in the best interests of the majority, as
possible. I am also a great listener and effective communicator.

**Are you prepared to contribute at least ten (10) hours a month to community service through the
council?** Yes.

What areas of community service particularly interest you? Community safety, youth programs, outreach
programs for all ages, and anything that fosters business development.

Do you have any interests that might conflict with Neighborhood Council responsibilities?
None that I can think of.

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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (WHNC) BOARD VACANCY APPLICATION

Date: 11/20/2022

Applicant's Name: Malihe Shamayeli **Occupation:** Certified Public Accountant

Home Address: [REDACTED]

Work Address (if Applicable): _____

Home Phone: _____ **Mobile Phone:** [REDACTED]

Email: _____

Stakeholder Status (Check all that apply): () I live in West Hills, () I work in West Hills,
() I own property in West Hills, () I have a child enrolled in a school in West Hills,
() I belong to a religious organization in West Hills, () I belong to a community organization in
West Hills, () OTHER: _____

How did you hear about the WHNC? West Hills Council Web Page

How often do you attend WHNC meetings? I recently moved to the neighborhood and haven't had the chane to
attend a meeting yet.

Why do you wish to participate on the WHNC Board? I would like to take an active role in preserving the
beauty and sense of community through active participation in my local government

What are your goals for the community? Strong property value growth while maintining a low crime rate.

What skills do you have that might be especially useful for the WHNC? I am a certified public
accountant, with strong analytical skills.

**Are you prepared to contribute at least ten (10) hours a month to community service through the
council?** Yes

What areas of community service particularly interest you? Althgouh I am prepared to contirbute to my
community in any way needed, I am particularly intrested in helping stakeholders resolve problems by connecting them with
the right people in government.

Do you have any interests that might conflict with Neighborhood Council responsibilities?
I do not.

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