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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

JOINT BOARD AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE ONLINE AND TELEPHONIC MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, March 23, 2022 @ 8:00 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 meeting of the West Hills Neighborhood Council Bylaws Committee will be conducted online via Zoom Webinar and telephonically. All are invited to attend and participate.

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This meeting is open to the public. 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.

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- 1. Call to Order and Establish Quorum
- 2. Approval of Minutes of the February Meeting
- 3. Comments and Announcements from the Chairs
- 4. Public Comment
- Discussion and Possible Action to Amend the WHNC Standing Rules:
 ARTICLE VII COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES Section 3: Committee Creation and Authorization
- 6. Discussion and Possible Action to Amend the WHNC Standing Rules Regarding Censure; Article V, Governing Board, Section 8/9 Censure or Removal of Governing Board Members (As amended 01-17-2016)
- 7. Discussion and Possible Action on Amending WHNC Standing Rules Article XIV Compliance, Section 3: Self-Assessment. The current standing rule is below.

There shall be two assessments of the Board, one by stakeholders and one by board members, which shall take place within 30 days of the end of each fiscal year.

Recommendation; Remove the Standing Rule to comply with WHNC Bylaws.

The next meeting of this committee will be held on Wednesday, April 27, 2022 at 6:30 PM.

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JOINT BYLAWS AD HOC COMMITTEE/BOARDMEETING MINUTES February 24, 2022 Telephonic and Online

Revised February 24, 2022

The Committee shall take official action by a simple majority of yes and no votes cast by the committee members present at a duly noticed regular or special Bylaws Committee meeting, not to include abstentions. There shall be no proxy voting.

Attendance: Aida Abkarians, Faye Barta, Sandi Bell, Dan Brin, Bob Brostoff, Carolyn Greenwood, Saif Mogri, Steve Randall, Char Rothstein, Anthony Scearce, Myrl Schreibman, Joan Trent, Brad Vanderhoof, and Christina Walsh

Absent: Bonnie Klea

Other WHNC Board Members in Attendance: Kent Mariconda, Rosi Mariconda, and Bryan Newman Co-chair Bob Brostoff called the meeting to order at 6:37 PM. A quorum was established.

Numbers refer to agenda items.

2. Approval of October 2021 and January 2022 Regular and January 25 and 26 Special Meeting Minutes:

The October 2021 minutes were approved in January.

The January 2022 minutes were approved.

The January 25, 2022 special meeting minutes were approved.

The January 27, 2022 special meeting minutes were approved as amended.

- 3. Comments from the Chairs: Bryan Newman and Kent Mariconda asked to join the committee.
- 4. Public Comment: None
- 5. Bylaws Package for Submission to DONE

Roll Call Vote:

Aida Abkarians – Yes, Faye Barta – Yes, Sandi Bell – Yes, Dan Brin – Yes, Bob Brostoff – Yes, Carolyn Greenwood – Yes, Bonnie Klea – Absent, Saif Mogri – Yes, Steve Randall – Yes, Char Rothstein – Yes, Anthony Scearce – Yes, Myrl Schreibman – Yes, Joan Trent – Yes,

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Alec Uzemeck – Yes, Brad Vanderhoof – Yes, Christina Walsh – No

Yes -14, No -1, Abstain -0, Absent -1, Recusal -0

The Bylaws amendment package will be sent to the Board.

6. Amend the WHNC Standing Rules: ARTICLE VII COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES - Section 3: Committee Creation and Authorization: Kent Mariconda presented his proposal, "Priority of New Members to Serve on Committees."

The item was tabled to March. Kent Mariconda will prepare a revised draft.

- 7. Creation of a "Vetting Process" for Board Officers: No action taken.
- 8. Addition of the Vote Count to Board Agenda Items coming from Committees

Roll Call Vote;

Aida Abkarians – Yes, Faye Barta – Abstain, Sandi Bell – Yes, Dan Brin – No, Bob Brostoff – Yes, Carolyn Greenwood – Abstain, Bonnie Klea – Absent, Saif Mogri – Yes, Steve Randall – Yes, Char Rothstein – No, Anthony Scearce – Yes, Myrl Schreibman – Abstain, Joan Trent – Yes, Alec Uzemeck – No, Brad Vanderhoof – Yes, Christina Walsh – No

Yes -8, No -4, Abstain -3, Absent -1, Recusal -0

The proposed Standing Rule will be sent to the Board.

- 9. Proposals for Bylaws or Standing Rules Amendments: Randall said the Standing Rules for censure contradicts the Bylaws. Christina Walsh asked that the WHNC reaffirm its mission statement.
- 10. Co-chair Bob Brostoff adjourned the meeting at 9:27 PM.