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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

JOINT BOARD AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE ONLINE AND TELEPHONIC MEETING AGENDA

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2021 @ 6:00 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 Homelessness Committee will be conducted online via Zoom Webinar and telephonically. All are invited to attend and participate.

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1.	Call to order	1 Minute
2.	Establish a quorum	1 Minute
3.	Review and approve September 20, 2021 Minutes	5 Minutes
4.	Comments from the Co-Chairs	5 Minutes
5.	Public comment	10 Minutes
6.	Discussion and possible action on the West Hills Neighborhood Council Homelessness Committee, allocating \$250 for refreshments for the participants in the Homeless Count 2022	10 Minutes

- Guest speaker, Ms. Corrine Ho Community Relations Coordinator for Service Planning Area 2
- We would need a volunteer from the Homelessness Committee to organize this event. Event has already been approved by the Committee and the Board
- 7. Meeting adjournment Next meeting is December 13, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

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JOINT HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETING MINUTES

September 20, 2021 Telephonic and Web Meeting Revised September 20, 2021

Attendance: Aida Abkarians, Esperanza Butler, Saif Mogri, Steve Randall, Myrl Schreibman (arrived 6:15 PM)

Joan Trent, and Brad Vanderhoof

Other Board Members in Attendance: Tariq El-Atrache

Guests: Briana Godina, Corinne Ho (LAHSA SPA 2), Zach Volet, and Christina Walsh

Committee Co-chair Aida Abkarians called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM. A quorum was established.

The August meeting minutes were approved.

Chair Comments: None

Public Comment: Zach Volet said there was a Brown Act violation at the last WVNAH meeting.

Numbers refer to agenda items.

6. Meeting with the following regarding new laws and regulations, housing encampments in the Valley and distributions of the HHH money • Ron Galperin – LA City Controller • Councilmember John Lee • Ken Craft • Kari McNamee – LAPD Senior Lead Officer • Jesse Gabriel – 45th District Assemblymember • Scott Schmerelson – LAUSD School Board Member • Tanaz Golshan – Mayor's Office, West Valley Field Representative • Brad Sherman's Office, Representative: Aida said city officials want a face-to-face meeting when that is allowed (probably December). Zach Volet said the list does not include anyone doing homeless outreach directly. Christina Walsh said it is important to invite unhoused people to speak.

Mryl Schreibman arrived.

Tariq El-Atrache and Mryl Schreibman discussed a previous suggestion to include individuals experiencing homelessness on the committee.

- 7. West Hills Neighborhood Council participation in the 2022 Homeless Count: Corinne Ho discussed the homeless count. The count is mandated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The count will take place at night in January 2022. It is a point in time count. The difference for this count is it will be digital and data will be downloaded immediately using an app. Corinne then gave a short history of the Los Angeles Housing Services Authority (LAHSA). The target is 40 volunteers in West Hills. It is not clear if a deployment site will be needed. Corrine answered questions concerning the accuracy of the count.
- 8. Report on the West Valley Neighborhood Alliance on Homelessness WVNAH is an alliance of community leaders and Neighborhood Councils in the West San Fernando Valley. The focus of the alliance was on issues surrounding homelessness for educational and informational purposes. However, the WVNAH has become political and our Council cannot be involved in political organizations: Aida Abkarians said the group is becoming political and the City Attorney needs to advise if neighborhood council groups can participate. Christina Walsh described WVNAH as an advocacy group.

Committee Co-chair Aida Abkarians adjourned the meeting at 7:01 PM.

The next meeting of this committee is on Monday October 18, 2021 at 6:00 PM. Webinar and telephonic. Page l