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## WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

## JOINT HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETING MINUTES

October 16, 2023 Chaminade High School Approved January 22, 2024

Attendance: Aida Abkarians, Steve Randall, Joan Trent, and Brad Vanderhoof

Other Board Members Present: None

Committee Co-chair Aida Abkarians called the meeting to order at 6:20 PM. A quorum was established.

Numbers refer to agenda items.

- 3. Review and Approval of Minutes: The August 2023 minutes were approved.
- 4. Comments from the Co-Chairs: Aida said the Mayor's office has lost two very good and helpful staff members.
- 5. Public Comment: None
- 6. Different solutions to help our unhoused population. Aida said a good job was done removing the encampment at Shadow Ranch Park. Aida also said constant calls to 311 have yielded results and neighbors should be encouraged to start making repeated calls when a single person returns, and it takes many people calling to get action. Aida said the new facility (motel conversion) across the street from Taft High School is very nice and a child care facility is being added nearby. LAUSD has a pre-K program for four year olds, and has promised Mayor Bass unused school properties for affordable housing.
- 7. Resending the letter to LAHSA: Aida will resent the letter previously approved by the Board and explain in a cover letter it is a second request.

Co-chair Aida adjourned the meeting at 7:52 PM.

The next meeting of this committee is November 20, 2023 at Chaminade High School.