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#### WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

# JOINT BOARD AND EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE ONLINE AND TELEPHONIC MEETING AGENDA WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 2021 @ 3:30 P.M.

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1. Call to order and introductions:

5 Minutes

- Aida Abkarians, Education Chair
- Sandi Bell, Public Health Chair
- Stephen Bell, Secretary Public Health
- Steve Randall, Zoom Host/Member
- Joan Trent, Myrl Schriebman, Marie Javdani, Tariq El-Atrache, Henlie Sakamoto, Eddie Ruano, Members
- 2. Review and approval of February 24, 2021 Minutes

5 Minutes

3. Comments from the Chair

5 Minutes

4. Public Comment

10 Minutes

5. Discussion and possible action on the approval of the following Neighborhood Purpose Grants (NPG's):

30 Minutes

- Pomelo Community Charter Aida and Henlie
- Justice Street Academy Charter Steve
- Hamlin Charter for Enriched Studies Sandi and Stephen
- Capistrano Avenue Elementary School Joan
- Nevada Avenue Elementary School Steve
- Haynes Charter for Enriched Studies Marie
- Welby Way Elementary Aida
- 6. Adjournment Next meeting Wednesday, April 28, 2021

1 Minute

7.	Review and approval of February 24, 2021 Minutes	5 Minutes
8.	Comment from the Chair	10 Minutes
9.	Public Comment	10 Minutes
10.	Current health issues – Covid 19 and Vaccines	10 Minutes
11.	Discussion and possible action on a letter to Councilmember John Lee regarding vaccination of the essential workers, such as paramedics, firefighters and police officers.	10 Minutes
12	Adjournment – Next meeting Wednesday, April 28, 2021	1 Minute

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YOUTH AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE DRAFT MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2021

Attendance: Aida Abkarians, Steve Randall, Sandi Bell, Stephen Bell, Joan Trent,

Myrl Schreibman, Marie Javdani, Brad Vanderhoof, Daniel Osztreicher,

Mrs. Andrea Ferber, Principal, Pomelo Community Charter

Mr. Corley, Administrator of LAUSD Local District Northwest

Mrs. Maggi Espada Hernandez, LAUSD Parent

Mr. Aaron Schwartzbart, Motor Gospel Ministeries Program

- 1. Meeting called to order @ 3:30 P.M.
- 2. Mr. Corley, addressed the issue of Racism at LAUSD. Mrs. Espada, Parent from LAUSD, discussed about the issue and how her children at this part of the Valley have been faced with the ugliness of Racism and prejudice, especially at schools. Mr. Corley, stated LAUSD has started special educational programs in conjunction with the Museum of Tolerance, for all the School Principals, teachers and staff. The Teachers will teach their students about diversity and acceptance. Mrs. Ferber, noted that the classes she participated as a principal were very useful and helpful. Mrs. Espada thanked Mr. Corley and was very happy to see this change in education. Aida stated that the Neighborhood Council would gladly organize a forum with the help of LAUSD to educate the public about racism. Joan Trent suggested not to call it racism, she said it is a very negative word and that we should find a more positive word to bring the public to the forum. She suggested the word diversity. Mr. Corley agreed and noted that LAUSD would be very happy to work with West Hills Neighborhood Council on organizing the diversity forum to educate the families.

Mrs. Espada thanked the Council and Mr. Corley and Mr. Corley asked for her information

3. Before Mr. Corley left, we introduced him to Mr. Aaron Schwartzbart, the founder of Motor Gospel Ministries, on helping the youth to drive more responsibly without excess speeding. Mr. Corley and Aaron exchanged information before Mr. Corley left. Mr. Shwartzbart told us about his program in which he helps youths at risk, who like to drive fast without thinking what the outcome of reckless driving can be. Motor Gospel Ministries, educates and helps the kids not to get into problem with the law enforcement and be responsible adults when they get their license. Aaron takes the kids to race tracks and the kids can experience speed driving on the race tracks with real race cars. The program has been very successful and has helped many young drivers. Aaron would like to go to schools and teach the students on how to drive responsibly.

Myrl suggested he needs to find a celebrity to do advertisement for his program and be the face of the program. Aaron liked the idea and Myrl suggested he could help him make better videos to show the students and possibly find him a celebrity. Steve noted that it would be very difficult task to teach the young drivers not to speed and that most young driver like to speed. Aaron said that is why he wants to get the schools involved so the kids know there is a place for them to go and speed drive and get it out of their system. Aida suggested to Aaron to talk to Mr. Hussy the Principal at El Camino High School and Mari suggested he should get in touch with Chaminade High School, Mari will get information for Aaron for Chaminade.

Aaron thanked the opportunity to introduce his program to the Neighborhood Council Education Committee and the opportunity of getting to LAUSD.

- 4-There was no public comment.
- 5-Minutes of February 3, 2021, were approved as amended.
- 6-Neighborhood Purpose Grants discussion was postponed to next month. Sandi stated that Enadia Way declined the grant due to being very busy with Covid issues. Daniel asked if the grant could be given to pre schools in the neighborhood. Steve stated that preschools are private and we have to give grants to public schools that don't charge the families of the students.
- 7-Meeting was adjourned at 4:45 P.M.





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#### PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

- 1- Review and approval of the February 24 minutes for Public Health.
- 2- Comments from the Chair, Johnson and Johnson Vaccine has been approved and will soon be distributed to the public.
- 3-Sandi will have the letter to Councilmember John Lee. for the vaccination of the first responders, ready for next meeting.
- 4- Meeting adjourned at 5:15 P.M.

# Neighborhood Purpose Grant, 2020/2021

#### **Pomelo Community Charter**

In anticipations of students returning to school, we want to focus on creating a pleasant environment. Being in nature is always uplifting and a positive experience.

We will continue to beautify our school grounds and our neighborhood and use the grant for our garden, soil, plants, seeds and we sill also supply each classroom with a living oxygen giving indoor plant to bring nature inside and add vibrancy to our classrooms.

#### Capistrano Elementary School

Our Mural will be used to beautify and brighten our school campus, with the concept of happy children, expand the joy of cultural awareness and diversity and to bring joy to all children, staff and visitors to our campus.

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Capistrano Ave. Elementary School

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Nevada Ave. Elementary School

Principal: Tanya Knott

# Neighborhood Council Funding Program APPLICATION for Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG)



This form is to be completed by the applicant seeking the Neighborhood Purposes Grant and submitted to the Neighborhood Council from whom the grant is being sought. All applications for grants must be reviewed and approved in a public meeting. The Neighborhood Council (NC), upon approval of the application, shall submit the approved application along with all required documentation to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment.

SEC	Name of NC from which you are seeking this grant: TION I- APPLICANT INFORMATION					
1a)	Organization Name	Federa	I I.D. # (EIN#)	State of I	ncorporation	Date of 501(c)(3) Status (if applicabl
1b)	Organization Mailing Address	City			State	Zip Code
1c)	Business Address (If different)  PRIMARY CONTACT INFORMATION:	City			State	Zip Code
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2)	Type of Organization- Please select one:		501(c)(3) Nor Attach IRS E	n-Profit (	Email other than religious	s institutions)
3)	Name / Address of Affiliated Organization (If applicable)		City		State	Zip Code
	TION II - PROJECT DESCRIPTION  Please describe the purpose and intent of the gra	ant.				

5) How will this grant be used to primarily support or serve a public purpose and benefit the public at-large. (Grants cannot be used as rewards or prizes for individuals)

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LC	TION III - PROJECT BUDGET OUTLINE						
6a)	Personnel Related Expenses		Reques	ted of NC	Total Project	ed Cost	
b)	Non-Personnel Related Expenses		Reques	ted of NC	Total Projecto	ed Cost	
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")	Have you (applicant) applied to any other Neighborhood Councils requesting funds for this project?  No Pes, please list names of NCs:						
()	Is the implementation of this specific program or purpose described in box 4 above contingent on any other factors or sources or funding? (Including NPG applications to other NCs)						
	Source of Funding		Amount		Total Projecto	ed Cost	
)	What is the TOTAL amount of the grant fundi	ng requested wit	h this applic	ation:			
a)	Start date: 10b) Date Fund	s Required:					
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JC	follow-up form to the Neighborhood Council	(After completion					
C	TION IV - POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTERE		tillont of No	giiboiilood	Linpowerment		
a)	Do you (applicant) have a former or existing r  ☐ No ☐ Yes - Please describe both		a Board Mer	nber of the	NC?		
	Name of NC Board Member			Relationsh	ip to Applicant		
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11b) If yes, did you request that the board member consult the Office of the City Attorney bef filing this application? ☐ Yes ☐ No *(Please note that if a Board Member of the interest and completes this form, or participates in the discussion and voting of this NP					the NC has a co		
	will deny the payment of this grant in its entir	ety.)					
C	TION V - DECLARATION AND SIGNATURE				1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1		
	I hereby affirm that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided herein and communicated otherwise is truly and accurately stated. I further affirm that I have read Appendix A, "What is a Public Benefit," and Appendix B "Conflicts of Interest" of this application and affirm that the proposed project(s) and/or program(s) fall within the criteria of a public benefit project/program and that no conflict of interest exist that would prevent the awarding of the Neighborhood Purposes Grant. I affirm that I am not a current Board Member of the Neighborhood Council to whom I am submitting this application. I further affirm that if the grant received is not used in accordance with the the terms of the application stated here, said funds shall be returned immediately to the Neighborhood Council.						
2a)	Executive Director of Non-Profit Corporation	or School Princip	oal - REQUIR	RED*			
	PRINT Name	Title		Signature	-	Date	
b)	Secretary of Non-profit Corporation or Assista	ant School Princ					
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Dear Councilman Lee,

The West Hills Neighborhood Council is proactive in promoting measures to protect our community from COVID 19 and safely expedite a return to prepandemic status.

It has been brought to our attention that a significant number of first responders are refusing to be vaccinated for COVID 19. It is our position that this no longer a personal choice when health risks threaten others. Of special concern is that the most vulnerable can unknowingly be exposed to a deadly virus by first responders, as well as by home health workers.

We are proposing that all city first responders who are not fully vaccinated be prohibited from providing direct care services to the public. In addition, licensing agencies for home health agencies should prohibit workers who are not fully vaccinated, from giving direct patient care.

Although providers have the option to refuse vaccinations, the persons to whom they are rendering care, most often do not. We believe that legislative measures and reasonable incentives are required to protect the public. We are asking you to support this proposal and present to City Council for approval.