



Minutes of the  
**ARLETA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (ANC)**  
**Discussion notes (no quorum was present)**  
**Tuesday, August 18, 2015**

at Beachy Ave. Elementary School – Auditorium, 9757 Beachy Ave., Arleta, CA 91331

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**1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance**

Per the L.A. City Attorney’s Office, since no quorum was present, there was no call to order and no Meeting was held; this only was a discussion at which comments were heard. No Motions were made or votes taken. President Hernandez started the discussion around 6:40 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ray Duran.

Eight of the 10 Board Members were present, which is not a quorum: Veronica DeLara, Raymond Duran, Jaime Gallo, John Hernandez, Mark Lopez, Kelly Magallanes, Julian Ramirez and Marsha Tostevan. Two Board Members were absent: Sergio Ibarra and Saul Perez. The ANC quorum (the minimum number of Board Members needing to be present to take binding votes on Agendized Items) is nine (see <http://www.ArletaNC.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/03/ANC-Bylaws-Amendments-012614SD.pdf>), so at this time the Board could only take public comments and could not have any official discussions, and could not make any Motions or take any votes. Ten of the 17 Board Seats were filled (by election or appointment). Seven Board Seats (At Large (2), Business, Home/Condo Owner, Seniors, and Youth (2)) were vacant. [To apply, see [www.ArletaNC.org](http://www.ArletaNC.org).] Also attending: 16 Stakeholders and Guests.

**2. Presidents Message**

Mr. Hernandez thanked National Night Out volunteers for the “successful” event.

**3. Report from Public Safety Departments from L.A.P.D Senior Lead Officer or any LAFD representatives. Updates from any other government officials (Congressman**

Cardenas' Office, State Senator Bob Hertzberg 's Office, Assemblywoman Patty Lopez' Office, Lorena Bernal, Councilmember's Nury Martinez's Office, Representative from Monica Ratliff's Office, Dr. Bluestein from Beachy Elementary School any other Government agencies/City Departments.

Lorena Bernal, Field Deputy for L.A. City District Six Councilmember Nury Martinez (office 818-771-0236; Lorena.Bernal@LACity.org; <http://CD6.LACity.org>), reported that some streets have been slurry-sealed "every two years" to extend the life of those streets. September 26<sup>th</sup> there will be a Health Fair at Providence Holy Cross Hospital.

A representative for Congressman Tony Cardenas announced a September 26<sup>th</sup> Job Fair at Pacific Charter School.

Eveline Bravo-Ayala, District Representative for State 18th District Senator Bob Hertzberg (818-901-5588; [Eveline.BravoAyala@sen.ca.gov](mailto:Eveline.BravoAyala@sen.ca.gov); <http://senate.ca.gov/hertzberg>), reminded that cooling centers and a community resources guide are available. The Senator is reviewing hundreds of legislative bills. He sponsored SB405 to help people pay their parking fines. He also "secured \$89 million for the east San Fernando Valley corridor" transportation to alleviate traffic.

Bill Ulmer, Field Representative for State 39th District Assemblymember Patty Lopez (818-504-3911; [William.Ulmer@asm.ca.gov](mailto:William.Ulmer@asm.ca.gov); <http://democrats.assembly.ca.gov/members/a39>), reported that the Assemblymember is working on legislation. There will be a September 23rd 2:00-4:00 senior scam prevention event at Valley Plaza Park in North Hollywood. The High-Speed Rail Authority is considering four routes for the proposed train.

Interim Senior Lead Officer Robert Beaty (LAPD Mission Division; office 818-838-9800; [36574@LAPD.LACity.org](mailto:36574@LAPD.LACity.org); [http://www.LAPDOnline.org/Mission\\_Community\\_Police\\_Station](http://www.LAPDOnline.org/Mission_Community_Police_Station)) reported that "crime is down" in Arleta. Most crime has been Burglary Theft from Motor Vehicles and other thefts; he reminded not to leave valuables in vehicles. Additional lighting can be requested for more security. A Stakeholder said the DWP has "a safety lighting program." A homeless person was jailed for "felony vandalism." Officer Beaty encouraged reporting [call 3-1-1] illegal dumping of mattresses, oil cans and more.

#### **4. General Public Comment on Items Not Listed on Today's Agenda**

Greenhouse Nurseries, Inc.'s Paul Needleman and Mark Whitten described and encouraged people to visit their business along Canterbury between Kagel Canyon and Garber, on DWP property. For 17 years they've sold wholesale to many businesses, "though the neighbors are welcomed." They have the support of the Arleta Lookyloos and the DWP. They have six full-time and two part-time employees, some for 10 years. They said the neighbors like them "and crime went way down" after they started the business. Recently, "the DWP said our buildings

don't comply . . . with their rules . . . after they approved the construction." Mr. Hernandez referred them to Mr. Ramirez.

Stakeholder Hector Avitia would like a cleanup in the Pacoima Wash; he said the path on Fillmore to Woodman is getting trashed. Mr. Hernandez referred him to Mr. Ramirez.

Board Business:

**5. Approval of the Minutes** for the meeting of July 28, 2015.

No Motion was made or vote taken to approve the Minutes because a voting quorum of Board Members was not present at this time.

**6. a Discussion and possible Board action on the treasurer's report.**

Ms. Magallanes distributed and reviewed copies of the ANC "July Monthly Expenditure Report" and receipts for recent expenditures.

**7 b. Approval of the Monthly Expenditure (M.E.R.)**

No Motion was made or vote taken because a voting quorum of Board Members was not present at this time.

**7. Committee reports** of from Executive, Outreach, Community Improvement and Budget Committee

No reports were made.

Presentations/Community information:

**8. Motion/Discussion/Vote** on a possible Board action to purchase a bulletin board for posting ANC business and community events an amount not to exceed 1500.

Ms. Magallanes distributed copies of a quote from School Outfitters. No Motion was made or vote taken because a voting quorum of Board Members was not present at this time.

**9. Motion/Discussion/Vote** on a possible Board action to purchase name plates for Board Members on an amount not to exceed 500.

No Motion was made or vote taken because a voting quorum of Board Members was not present at this time.

**10. Motion/Discussion/Vote** on appointments to the following Committees-  
a. Budget- 1 Board Member and/or up to 2 Stakeholder (5 Members total)

No Motion was made or vote taken because a voting quorum of Board Members was not present at this time.

b. Outreach- 1 Board Member and/or up 3 Stakeholder (5 Members total)

No Motion was made or vote taken because a voting quorum of Board Members was not present at this time.

**11. Motion/Discussion/Vote** on possible Board action to fill vacancies on the Arleta NC.

- a. HomeOwner 1 seat
- b. Business Owner 1 seat
- c. At Large 2 seats
- d. Senior 1 seat
- e. Youth 2 seats

No Motion was made or vote taken because a voting quorum of Board Members was not present at this time.

**12. Board comments** on items not on today's agenda

No comments were made.

Board Business:

**13. Next meeting** of the ANC Board meeting will be September 15, 2015 at 6:30PM at Beachy elementary School.

**14. Adjournment**

At 7:24 p.m. still there was not a quorum and no Board Meeting was held.

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