



Minutes of the  
**ARLETA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (ANC)**  
**GENERAL BOARD MEETING**  
**Tuesday, December 15, 2015**

at First Assembly of God Church, 9757 Arleta Ave., Arleta, CA 91331

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**I. Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance**

President John Hernandez introduced himself and called the Meeting to order at 6:50 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jesus Barron. Roll Call was taken by the Minutes Writer. Nine of the 12 Board Members were present at the Roll Call: Jesus Barron, Gissell Cordero, Veronica DeLara, Raymond Duran, Jaime Gallo, John Hernandez, Mark Lopez, Kelly Magallanes and Bryan Ramirez. One Board Member arrived later: Julian Ramirez. Two Board Members were absent: Olivia Chavez and Sergio Ibarra. 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 the Board could take such votes. Twelve of the 17 Board Seats were filled (by election or appointment). Five Board Seats (Business, Faith-Based Organizations, Home/Condo Owner, Seniors and Youth) were vacant. [To apply, see [www.ArletaNC.org](http://www.ArletaNC.org).] Also attending: 11 Stakeholders and Guests.

**[DL/JH/ML CONFIRM VACANCIES \_\_; ITEM #X SAYS:**

- a. Homeowner 1 Seat
- b. Business Owner 1 Seat
- c. At Large 2 Seats
- d. Seniors 2 Seats”]

**II. President’s Message**

Mr. Hernandez reported that he is “still working on the gateway sign.” Congressman Tony Cardenas (ofc. 818-781-7407; <http://cardenas.house.gov>) will be at the January [19<sup>th</sup>] Board Meeting.

### **III. Comments/Announcements from Government Officials, including**

#### a. Congressman Tony Cardenas

Jenny Rayas, Constituent Service Specialist for U.S. 29th District of California Congressman Tony Cardenas (ofc. 818-781-7407; Jenny.Rayas@mail.house.gov; <http://cardenas.house.gov>), reported that their open house was “well attended.”

#### b. State Senator Bob Hertzberg

No representative was present and there was no report at this time.

#### c. Assemblywoman Patty Lopez

No representative was present and there was no report at this time.

#### d. Councilmember Nury Martinez

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 emergency preparation information is available. She reported during Item #XIII that **[DL CONFIRM NAME/SPELLING \_\_\_]** El Pansanita Square will be recognized. She thanked people for their sidewalk repair requests.

#### e. L.A.U.S.D. Board Member Monica Ratliff

No representative was present and there was no report at this time.

#### f. Other Government Agencies

Greg Bartz, Community Liaison, DWP (L.A. Dept. of Water and Power) (213-367-2800, Greg.Bartz@ladwp.com; [www.ladwp.com](http://www.ladwp.com)), reported that water conservation, lawn replacement and “water waster” information is available; “they do get followed up on.” Forty percent of DWP employees are available for retirement “right now.”

*Board Member Julian Ramirez arrived at this time, making 10 Board Members present (the ANC quorum is nine).*

Mr. Bartz continued that employment information is available.

### **IV. Report from L.A.P.D Senior Lead Officer and/or L.A.F.D Representatives**

No Officer or Firefighter was present and there was no report.

**V. General Public Comments on Items Not Listed on Agenda.**

There were no public comments at this time.

**VI. Presentation – None**

**Board Business:**

**VII. Motion/Discussion/Vote on ANC Board Minutes**

a. December 15, 2015

It was agreed to Table approval of the Minutes.

**VIII. Motion/Discussion/Vote on the Monthly Treasurers Report, including the Monthly Expenditure Report (M.E.R)**

Ms. Magallanes distributed and reviewed expenses, the ANC “November Monthly Expenditure Report” and receipts, invoices and statements.

**FUNDING MOTION** (by Mr. Lopez, seconded by Mr. Duran): The Arleta Neighborhood Council approves its November 2015 Monthly Expenditure Report.

**FUNDING MOTION PASSED** unanimously by a roll call vote of the eight eligible voters present with all eight in favor (“Yes” or “Aye”) (Barron, DeLara, Duran, Gallo, Hernandez, Lopez, Magallanes, Julian Ramirez); zero opposed; zero abstained. Ms. Cordero and Bryan Ramirez were ineligible to vote due to not yet being of age (18) to vote on financial matters.

**IX. Committee Reports**

a. Executive

Mr. Hernandez reported that he is working on getting the gateway sign Permit.

b. Outreach

Mr. Lopez indicated that there was no report at this time.

c. Community Improvement

Mr. Gallo reported that the Committee may meet on December 21<sup>st</sup>.

d. Budget

Ms. Magallanes indicated that there was no report at this time.

**X. Motion/Discussion/Vote on a 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. Seniors 2 Seats

Mr. Hernandez noted the above available Board Seats.

**XI. Possible Motion/Discussion/Vote to request all documents** submitted on behalf of the ANC Community Improvement Committee by former Chairperson Julian Ramirez including but not limited to all City/County Departments, especially regarding the City of LA sidewalk repair program.

Mr. Hernandez described and brought materials regarding recent communications, including 20 photos of sidewalk repairs needed. He encouraged Julian Ramirez to continue working with the Community Improvement Committee. No Motion was made or vote taken.

**XII. Board Member Comments**

Ms. DeLara encouraged working together to prepare for the Saturday, April 2, 2016 ANC Election. Mr. Lopez reported that he submitted the letter requesting the use of the “old” Firehouse Seven. Mr. Hernandez encouraged using remaining Fiscal Year funds, especially in January – March 2016. Mr. Duran thanked those who helped with the holiday parade and recommended to “buy decorations for next year.” Mr. Gallo encouraged more help next year.

**XIII. General Public Comments**

There were no public comments at this time.

**XIV. Adjournment and Next Board Meeting January 19, 2016 First Assembly of God/Kids Korner.**

Mr. Hernandez declared and the Board agreed to **ADJOURN** the Meeting at 7:19 p.m.

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