



Minutes of the  
**ARLETA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (ANC)**  
**BOARD MEETING**  
**Tuesday, July 28, 2015**  
at 9757 Arleta Avenue Arleta, CA 91331

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

Call to Order at 6:35pm by Hernandez.

Roll Call was taken by Mr. Lopez. Nine board members present, John Hernandez, Mark Lopez, Kelly Magallanes, Sergio Ibarra, Julian Ramirez, Veronica De Lara, Jaime Gallo, Raymond Duran and Guy Newell. One board member absent, Saul Perez. The ANC has a quorum.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Officer Mc Donald.

**II. President's Message**

Nice to see other members for other neighborhood councils at our meeting. Hernandez thanked Vanessa the President and Juan treasurer of Pacoima Neighborhood Council for being here. He wants to start seeing neighborhood councils to start working closely. He participated with Jim Kallas this week at the Panorama City Neighborhood and talked about finding ways to work together. His legacy as a president to being working closely with other NC. The Welcome to Arleta. Gateway sign is moving forward and is currently under the fourth revision along segura associates. There are open seats on the ANC board and he hopes to fill in those seats. We have a couple applicants tonight for the Neighborhood Council. We have National Night Out on August 4, his expectations that everyone attends and he hopes that stakeholders participate as well. Hernandez Welcome everyone this evening.

**III. Comments/ Announcements from Government Officials**

a. Congressman Tony Cardenas- Jenny from Cardenas's office updates, Domestic Violence event to help learn about Federal resources on August 13 from 6p-

8:30p at Sepulveda United Methodist Church 15435 Rayen st, North Hills. Government Day at Panorama Mall on August 15, 2015 from 10-2pm with Nazarian and Cardenas. Job fair Pacoima Charter School, 11016 Norris Ave, Pacoima on September 26 from 9am-1pm.

b. Councilmember Nury Martinez- Elizabeth Jimenez from Martinez's office updates, the traffic signal on Van Nuys and canterburry is now running, the funding for the party car has gone through and it has been active as of July 4th weekend. Movie events in CD 6, lake balboa, van nuys, sun valley. It is a free event and they give out popcorn and hot dogs. If Arleta is interested in another movie night to let CD6 office know. Jim asked when they are going to active the sign light on montague and woodman ave? Elizabeth will follow up and report back. Guy, on the weekend they are selling car on Beachy and Van Nuys.

c. Assembly woman Patty Lopez- Bill from Lopez's office updates, the office has been very busy. The office has a lot of volunteer and interns and added new people. They are having a series of 4 forums, next forum is in September. Started a weekly forums/ task forces regarding labor union, immigration, high speed rail, mobile homes, seniors, health, education, government agencies and legislative forum. They had a couple legislative forums and how the process works. They had a good turnout. They are having Senior scams event September 23 the location hasn't been determine, probably in north Hollywood. The assembly members are in break right now and assemblywoman is trying to visit as many places as possible until she has to go back to sacramento. Assemblywoman has 12 bills and 6 have been moved to the senate and 2 is really close to passing and will be reintroduce again and 1 bill died.

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

Officer James Mc Donald- I feel like I am home every time I come to Arleta. The crime in Arleta has improved and we are down in violent crime by over 27% and overall in part I crime violent/ property crime 28% over last year and to today's date. He thanked the Arleta Neighborhood Council and Neighborhood Watch groups for doing a good job. Mc Donald stated that the work of LAPD cannot be done without the feedback from the community. Last week crime increased a bit, but we are working hard to address it. There's more information in the back for everyone. Raymond- Fireworks, they are still going on? Officer, they try to respond as fasted they can. On July 4<sup>th</sup> every officer is working/ on duty unless they were sick. In addition, it is really hard to prove who is lighting up the fireworks because most of the time they light them on the streets and run. Fireworks are still being light up even after July 4<sup>th</sup>. Guy, Fireworks start from Arleta High school and keeps going like a circle. Guy, how about putting cameras in the streets. Gallo, welcome officer it is not only about the fireworks, but also the stress that you get thinking that your house will light up on fire and the concern of the animals. A second dog that has disappeared. Officer, yes I agree and I am also concern about the water drought and things lighting up on fire as well.

Vanessa President Pacoima Neighborhood Council- Thank you for having me here and I am happy to start working together, so we can be unified. We plan to work on neighborhood watch groups to strengthen those relationships.

Saul perez arrive 6:49pm

## **V. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Juan salas- Community organizer for the Los angeles neighborhood land trust is a nonprofit organization that focuses on creating green and recreational spaces in under severed areas. They get the community involve and get their input before creating/ designing a park. They have monthly meeting where also work on campaigns and recently they have identified a location on van nuys blvd by Arleta High and conducted a survey and 75 % said yes to have a park on that empty lot. He will be attending the community improvement committee.

John Hernandez- State farm agent is having a Blood drive with the support of elected officials at Pacoima City Hall on August 9 from 9-3pm. All blood will go to Children's Hospital Los angeles and for every pint of blood can help 5 children. I have a coordinator Robert Camacho that can provide information and placement. Our goal is to collect 100 and last year it was 75.

## **Board Business**

### **VI. Motion/ Discussion/ Vote on ANC Minutes**

a. June 16, 2015- motion mark/ second motion Kelly to accept the board minutes. Discussion on the motion. Vote: 10 yes- all present board members. 0 No's, 0 abstentions.

b. June 25, 2015-motion mark/ second motion john to accept the minutes. Discussion on the motion- Sergio under board members present. Never mind, I got it. John – guy's name is spelled incorrect (gut) and a correction that Guy Newell is submitting his letter of resignation on the next schedule board meeting. Guy: he will turn in his letter of resignation after the board meeting. Vote: 10 yes- all present board members 0 no's and 0 abstentions.

### **VII. Motion/ Discussion/Vote on the Monthly Treasurers Report, including the Monthly expenditure Report (M.E.R)**

Treasure, Kelly Magallanes- We had a lot of expenditures this month- we had 2 pages of expenditures. The ended the balance in June 2015 at \$ 82.82. As long as the checks were cut before then they will go through depending when the vendor cashes it. In addition, it took about three weeks for them to issue this year's money, so we had a lot of late bills. National night out, storage and bills have been paid for. We received the 37,000 dollars on July 20<sup>th</sup>. John: When the city of los angeles come back in session, they will discuss how we can use the extra \$5000

and if there's and restrictions or what will happen to the rollover if any. Kelly: they are going to close the Arleta account and re-open a different account. Raymond: If we can purchase the drill bits since they were approved, maybe you were missing the drill bits page. Kelly: since our account was repunished, but yes we will. Everything was paid for and the Board did a great job in turning everything in, thank you. Hopefully this year we can spread the expenses out a little more. Jim Kallas: on page 1 for an amount of \$1600 item #7, what was the spending for ?. Kelly: the tools for the clean-up event. The purchase was decline, so John Hernandez paid out of pocket. They gave me a code, but the city card was decline. They city would reimburse the person who purchase the items. Jim: Is the city now reimbursing people, is that allowed? Kelly: if we get a clearance for the city and they give you a code/ approval then yes.

Motion John, second motion Mark to accept the monthly expenditure report (M.E.R). Vote: 10 yes- all present board members, 0 no's, 0 abstentions

## VII. Committee Reports

a. Executive committee: John is working with other board members on the Arleta gateway sign. I wanted the ground breaking by the end of July, but it is my goal to have a ground breaking at the end of August. I hope all board members are represent with their red shirts next week at National Night out event. I want to thank the outreach committee that has done a great job in preparing. We have a lot of good give aways for August 4.

b. Outreach Committee: Mark Lopez yesterday we had our last outreach planning meeting. I want to thank Dianne, Loyce, Elizabeth (CD 6) for being at our meeting and helping us out with National Night Out on August 4 at 5pm at Branford Park. Please invited your neighbors, friends and family. It is important event because it focuses in public safety and we are going to have our Council woman, Nury Martinez (CD 6), LaUSD board member Monica Ratliff speak. Asking the board to help with set-up time. Please be there at 2pm at Brandford park. We are looking for stakeholders and volunteering to help out with the booths. Like John mention please wear your red shirts and be there. We are going to have raspados, tacos, magician, watermelon eating contest, give aways and music. We are expecting about 500 people it should be a fun event. Veronica: we are also looking for volunteers/ stakeholders, so if you want to help, please let just know. Mark: there are flyers in the back, so you can share. John: please give family and friends flyers as well. John: Dianne has been coordinated with LAPD, L.A.F.D and was able to get us two Walmart gift cards for \$50. In addition, we will be having other gift cards from mikey's café, raspados, state farm, starbucks and more. Stake holder: How do you plan to outreach for this event? Mark: we also had help from CD6 to help us in printing 500 flyers and help us pass them out. Also provided neighborhood watch groups with flyers. Veronica: Martinez office (CD6) has a database that they use to inform people about upcoming events. There are flyers in the back and they were e-mailed. Mark and John: there's a banner that has been put up as well. Sergio: are going to spend the \$5000 that we allocated for the project? John: last

time I checked we had spent about \$4300/ \$4400 and we plan to purchase name badges for all the neighborhood watch groups and us. In addition, we just purchase Lysol wet sheets for the children to clean themselves after the watermelon eating contest. Sergio: are we going to have info cards for outreach purposes? John: yes we are using the same template as last year FY13-14/ sign in sheets.

c. Community Improvement Committee: Julian Ramirez- After 7 months we have the approval of the department of transportation and signed paperwork. There will be 22 replace signs and 8 replace new poles and all. Some of them might not be able to put up because they are on wood poles and they can't do that. John: Mark and I found 30 signs in the storage. Maybe we can use them. Julian: they wanted a18x24 size and I am not sure that those 30 signs are that size, they look smaller. Last year, Beautiful streets services sent a form to fix pot holes/ sidewalks. I sent them 15 places to fix, but I am not sure if they have fixed them. They have patch pot holes/ sidewalks, but what we really need is to take the tree out and fix the side walk the right way. I am not going spend my energy on this, but if you guys have any places then please let me know so I can let them know. John: received an e-mail regarding the 15 places for nominations for bad sidewalks for asphalt and they are looking for our nominations by August 8. Guy: what about Wooddale st.? Julian: I went there and I didn't see anything and remember I gave Martinez pictures of 20 worst sidewalks. Guy: you didn't see anything, kids are always passing through there. Julian: It is in that picture packet already, Trust me I spent 3 days, 3 mornings, 3 hours a day going out and taking pictures of the worst sidewalks and Martinez has the packet.

d. Budget Committee: Kelly Magallanes-We are still looking at \$37000 until we hear about the other \$5000. We are going to be told how to use the additional money. When that happens we will have another meeting and a new budget. They are approved the \$5000, but there will be restrictions. I will have budget meeting when that happens.

#### **IX. Motion/Discussion/Vote**

a. Budget-1 board member and/or up 2 stakeholder (5members total)

John: Is anyone interested in the audience? See none.

b. Outreach= 1 board members and/ or up to 3 stakeholder (5members)

John: Is anyone interested in the audience? See none.

#### **X. 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 2 seats

e. Youth 2 seats

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