



FULL COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, March 13, 2013, at 6:30 p.m.
Woodland Hills Academy
Multi-Purpose Room
20800 Burbank Boulevard, Woodland Hills, CA 91367

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AGENDA

Call to Order

- **Pledge of Allegiance**
- **Roll Call**
- **Approval of the Record of Proceedings:** February 13, 2013 Full Council Meeting

1. Organization, Operation, Policies, & Procedures:

- **Public Announcements**

L.A.P.D. Senior Lead Officer Brent Rygh
 L.A.P.D. Senior Lead Officer Sean Dinse
 Comments from Councilman Zine's office
 Octaviano Rios, CD3 Field Deputy
 El Camino Real Charter High School Student Liason
 Taft High School Student Liason
 Other elected or public officials or their representatives.

5 minutes

- **Public Comment period**

2 minutes each

2. Organization, Operation, Policies, & Procedures:

Chair, Scott Silverstein
 Vice-Chair, Dennis DiBiase
 Treasurer: Vahid Khorsand
 Secretary: Joyce Fletcher
 Parliamentarian: Sean McCarthy

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3. Items for Which Committee Meetings Have Been Held:

Item no. (1) Scott Silverstein, WHWCNC Chair (13-009)

Discussion and Possible Action:

Motion to approve Scott Silverstein and Dennis Dibiase as second signatories on WHWCNC demand warrants, p-card expenditures, and/or WHWCNC checking account (if applicable).

Item no. (2) William Anderson, Chair Community Services Committee (13-010)

Discussion and possible action:

Motion re: “Smart Meters”, passed at the 2/25/13 Community services meeting.

Based on concerns that have been raised by stakeholders at the February 25, 2013 Community Services Committee meeting regarding the potential health impacts of smart meters, the Committee felt there was a sufficient concern about the use of “Smart Meters” to warrant the following:

1. That the Woodland Hills Warner Center Neighborhood Council request LADWP to attend a upcoming Woodland Hills Warner Center Neighborhood Council Board Meeting to explain in detail the purpose of the smart meter systems.
2. That LADWP representatives answer community concerns about the potential health impacts associated with Smart Meters.
3. Answer the Board’s concerns including but not limited to:
 - a. When the smart metering systems are scheduled to be installed;
 - b. What alternate systems were rejected;
 - c. How the public will be notified about the program; and
 - d. Options should a rate payer choose not to participate.

Item no. (3) Scott Silverstein, WHWCNC Chair (13-008) (continued from 2.13.13 meeting)

Discussion and possible action:

Recommendation by the Chair to permanently incorporate the Code of Civility into the Bylaws of the WHWCNC. The Code of Civility was incorporated into the Bylaws with a sunset provision whereby it automatically expired unless voted on by this Board to extend it and make it permanent.

Item no. (4) Scott Silverstein, WHWCNC Chair
(13-011)

Discussion and Possible Action

Motion to issue the attached letter objecting to the Mayor and City Council's proposal to modify, delay or cancel the next election cycle of the neighborhood councils, and to retain or increase the levels of NC funding.

FUNDING ALERT
3/8/2013

For Immediate
Release
Contact:
jay handal

NC Budget
Advocates

City Proposing Funding Cuts to NC's
Could postpone 2014 elections to Fall or 2015

Potential Funding Cuts Proposed to Help Balance the City Budget

We just got news from the Mayor's Office today that because prop A did not pass, the City is facing a lot of new cuts, including cutting the NC elections next fiscal year unless the NCs fund it themselves with cuts to their yearly allocation. That would require an almost 20% cut to cover the election expenses as currently proposed. Other potential options are to move the elections to the fall of 2014 with partial cuts to the NC yearly allocation or pushing it to spring of 2015 with no cuts to the yearly allocation. There are pros and cons to each of these options.

The Mayor's Office has requested input from the NCs on this asap since they have to finish their budget numbers by the end of the month.

Your input is needed and quickly. Please be prepared to weigh in on the issue

Again, the Mayor is attempting to take away our charter right to democracy by pushing off or eliminating our elections.

As the chair of the budget advocates, it shocks me to hear that the NC system will again be punished for the bad decisions of the elected officials, giving 25% raises at a time when the economy was sinking.

In today's L.A. Times, the Mayor is quoted as saying the deficit is not as bad as they had thought. This comes 2 days after losing Prop "A", which in his and Chief Beck's words, will cost 500 LAPD jobs.....

The budget advocates have known for weeks that the pending deficit of \$220 million dollars was down to less than \$110 million dollars, yet the ads kept scaring the public into voting for Prop "A".

It is time for the NC system to stand up to the Mayor and the elected officials, and mandate they make the really tough decisions on how to fix the city budget without punishing 1800 neighborhood council VOLUNTEERS, while he continues to pay salaries, pension deposits and healthcare for the "city family", the employees of the city, and cutting our services to the bone and endangering lives with slow emergency response.

Please e mail your response asap.

Jay Handal

Co-Chair

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Discussion by the Board regarding committee operations.

Committee Reports:

Budget Committee – Scott Silverstein, Chair
Community Services – William Anderson, Chair
Education Committee*- Melanie Smotrich-King, Chair
Governance Committee -- Gordon Murley, Chair
Outreach Committee – Joyce Fletcher, Chair
PLUM Committee – August Steurer, Chair, Peykan Abbassi, Vice-Chair
Public Safety Committee – John Strand, Chair
Senior Committee*-Kathy Davies, Chair
Warner Center 2035 Plan, Citizens Advisory Committee – Dennis DiBiase, Chair

*subcommittees of the Community Services Committee

This agenda is subject to correction of non-material information.

Announcements.

Next Board meeting will be Wednesday, April 10, 2013 at Woodland Hills Academy, 20800 Burbank Boulevard, Woodland Hills, CA 91367 Multi-Purpose Room.

Meeting dates for the rest of the academic year:

For the upcoming 2012/2013 academic year the proposed Board meeting dates are:

April 10, 2013 May 8, 2013 June 12, 2013

September to June meetings will be held at Woodland Hills Academy, Multi-Purpose Room ("MPR"), 20800 Burbank Boulevard, Woodland Hills, CA 91367 at 6:30 p.m. July and August 2013 meetings are to be held at a venue to be determined at a later date.

(Date, Time, location subject to change or cancellation. Please check the www.whcouncil.org website)

Adjournment of meeting.

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