



**Issam Najm, President; Susan Gorman-Chang, Vice President; Gabriel Khanlian, Secretary;
Andrew Krowne, Treasurer; David Balen, Signer;
Asaad Alnajjar; Jason Hector; Alex Kim; Becky Leveque; Jennifer Milbauer**

**Porter Ranch Neighborhood Council (PRNC)
Special Board Meeting
Tuesday, May 30, 2017
Porter Ranch Community School (PRCS)
12450 Mason Avenue, Porter Ranch 91326**

APPROVED FINAL MINUTES

1. Meeting called to order
 - President Issam Najm called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.
2. Welcome
 - President Issam Najm welcomed 2 stakeholders, along with seven board members.
3. Pledge of Allegiance
 - Tabled as there was no flag present.

4. Roll Call

- Gabriel Khanlian performed the roll call and a quorum was declared.

Here (7)	Asaad Alnajjar, David Balen, Susan Gorman-Chang, Gabriel Khanlian, Alex Kim, Issam Najm, Jason Hector
Absent (3)	Andrew Krowne, Becky Leveque, and Jennifer Milbauer

5. Motion for up to \$3000 for weed cleaning on sidewalks and tree wells on Reseda, Sesnon, Wilbur, Tampa and Rinaldi.
 - Jason Hector made a motion.
 - Asaad Recused himself.
 - Jason wanted to clarify that there has to be an amended motion to only cover Tampa, Wilbur and Sesnon.
 - Alex made an amended motion for weed cleaning on Tampa, Wilbur and Sesnon. David Balen seconded the motion
 - Susan asked if all of Wilbur and Tampa will be cleaned or a part of it.
 - Jason stated that it will be all of it.
 - Pete, from Beautification Committee, stated that both sides of Wilbur will be cleaned from Tampa to Rinaldi, the curves and sidewalks will be cleaned, weed wacked, leaf blown, raked and sprayed.
 - Issam asked why Rinaldi is getting removed from the motion and Sesnon is still getting cleaned if we are looking at a community wide benefit.
 - Alex stated that Rinaldi will be a second stage due to price and budget.
 - Issam asked why not remove Sesnon and keep Rinaldi as Rinaldi is more visible and has more traffic.
 - Jason stated that Rinaldi is not that bad and it is a budgetary issue. If motion was amended to do all of it, the total is \$4500.
 - David stated that Rinaldi is taken care of by the Master HOA. Master HOA handles Rinaldi.
 - Gabriel asked what part of Sesnon is on the final phase one cleanup.



- Pete stated from Tampa East to the dead end.
- Jason stated that there are no weeds West of Tampa. All weeds are cleaned up by the HOAs and the Gas Company.
- Susan asked what part of Tampa is getting cleaned.
- Jason clarified that Rinaldi to Sesnon on Tampa, Rinaldi to Wilbur and Tampa, Sesnon from Tampa East to the canyon.
- Issam wanted to make a couple of comments for the record. He stated that this is the wrong thing to do, on principle, which he has used in every vote, funding vote, when it came to issues other than the PRNC and the City. On principle, taxpayer dollars should not be used to do the work of a private entity. These sidewalks are the responsibly of private individual homeowners who are not doing their job and the city is not making them do their job. For us to step in and use public money to do the job that a handful of homeowners are responsible for and will benefit from, is not a good and correct use of the money we are entrusted with, and urged the Board to consider on principle that this is the wrong thing to do. We also do not know how the city feels about it, but that is something we will have to go through with Bureau of street services and city clerk, whether they will allow it or not, but that is up to them. He stated that this is wrong on principle.
- Susan asked if there will be any pushback by other residents regarding why their street weren't cleaned.
- Jason stated that the original plan was to get all the streets cleaned but the budget didn't allow us to do so. Everything else is clean and the last one that is bad is Reseda which is the next phase.
- David said if a homeowner contacts us to why their street wasn't cleaned, we can thank them for letting us know and we can add them to the next phase. Also, in regards to what Issam stated, he said, we are all tax payers, all the people who live up here are tax payers. The money that comes from the city is tax payers money and we are doing right for the community with tax payer money by cleaning the streets. The city would not have that money unless we paid the ridiculous high taxes we pay to live up here and we need to do good things for our community. If we do not utilize the funds, the money goes back to the city. At this point, this is a good position to utilize these funds for the community.
- Lori stated that this is a great thing for the community. This is a beautification project for the community. She cries every time she drives up Reseda. Its ridiculous. This used to be the job of the city then got transferred to the homeowners. Homeowners either are not aware that it is their responsibility to clean the sidewalks or just ignoring it. Either way, it's the right thing to do until the homeowners are aware that the sidewalks are their responsibilities. After the cleanup, a letter should be sent out to homeowners, advising them of what was done and explain that it is their responsibility to clean sidewalks in front of their residents and property.

Aye (5)	Balen, Gorman-Chang, Kim, Hector, and Khanlian
No (1)	Najm
Recused (1)	Alnajjar

6. Motion to approve the purchase of 1,000 "Remember These Come From Trees" stickers. Cost for 1,000 is \$175 including tax & shipping.
 - Susan saw this at UCLA downtown campus and this is a sustainability thing from field experience. When you place stickers on toilet paper dispenses and towel dispensers, it saves about 100 pounds a year as people are more mindful. She said we can partner up with the Education Committee and maybe do little projects in schools and business and this can put our foot in the door to discuss sustainability.
 - Susan made the motion and David seconded it.
 - David asked what the size of the sticker is.



- Susan said about 2.5" x 4"
- David asked if there would be a backlash if we stick them on things
- Susan said that we would not place them on anything unless we have permission. We would ask schools and businesses before placing them
- Issam stated that we can have them at the board meetings
- Asaad wanted to know if PRNC will be mentioned on the stickers
- Susan said they are pre made stickers and they are cheap as they are produced in bulk.
- Jason mentioned that he is a part of the outreach committee and he feels that we should have stickers that mention PRNC which would help with outreach. He sits on the outreach committee with Alex and will bring it up at the next meeting.
- Lori, stakeholder, thought that it was a great idea to have PRNC on it and we should price it out.
- Susan said she will contact the company to ask.
- Gabriel said we can consider making our own stickers and designs with PRNC logo on it
- Issam said we can proceed with this motion as the amount is small. As a backup, if we pass it, to check with the company and see how much it will cost to customize it for the future.

Aye (7)	Balen, Gorman-Chang, Kim, Hector, Alnajjar, Najm and Khanlian
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7. Board Members Comments & Announcements.

- David announced that there is a 5k run in the community this weekend. The school, Toll Brothers, Shapell, Mitch Englanders office will be holding it. It is a community fundraiser event for the school and costs \$35.
- Jason said, Issam and Jennifer are doing the email blasts now. Is this automatic for the committees or do committees have to email to be on the blast.
- Issam stated that it is automatic. If there is a meeting scheduled on the calendar for the following week, email blast will be sent out on Fridays for the following week. As long as the meeting is on the calendar, it will be included.

8. Meeting Adjournment

- President Issam Najm adjourned the meeting at 6:57PM.