



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

**Porter Ranch Neighborhood Council (PRNC)  
General Board Meeting  
Wednesday, 14 September 2016  
Porter Ranch Community School  
12450 Mason Avenue, Porter Ranch 91326**

1. Meeting called to order
  - President Issam Najm called the meeting to order at 6.03PM.
  
2. Welcome
  - President Issam Najm welcomed over sixty stakeholders, along with the ten board members.
  
3. Roll Call
  - Gabriel Khanlian performed the roll call.
 

Here (10)	David Balen, Cheri Derohanian, Susan Gorman-Chang, Gabriel Khanlian, Alex Kim, Andrew Krowne, Becky Leveque, Jennifer Milbauer, Mel Mitchell, and Issam Najm
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4. Motion to Approve meeting minutes of August 18
  - Jennifer Milbauer mentioned a few typographical and grammatical errors.
  - Gabriel Khanlian made a motion to accept the minutes from the August 18 meeting, after the errors were corrected; David Balen seconded the motion, and it passed.
 

Agree (6)	Balen, Gorman-Chang, Khanlian, Kim, Milbauer, and Najm
Abstain (2)	Leveque and Mitchell
Absent (2)	Derohanian and Krowne
  
5. Presentation by and discussion with AQMD staff regarding the implementation of the abatement order to Southern California Gas Company (SCGC) for the Aliso Canyon Facility
  - This Saturday, September 17, beginning at 9AM, the South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD) will host a public hearing board concerning the SCGC Aliso Canyon Storage Facility at the Hilton Woodland Hills, 6360 Canoga Avenue.
  - Dr. Jason Low, Assistant Deputy Executive Officer of the Monitoring and Analysis Division for Science and Technology Advancement for the AQMD, presented a PowerPoint presentation to the PRNC. This served as a preview of Saturday’s hearing board.
  - An order of abatement is an action that requires compliance outside of the rules. There have been thirteen abatements, including
    - FLIR Camera (completed)
    - Posting of SCGC Air Monitoring Results (completed)
    - Permanently seal SS25 (completed)
    - Stop Injection (completed)
    - Provide information regarding estimated natural gas injected into underground reservoir (completed)
    - Provide information regarding estimated amounts of natural gas withdrawn from each well (completed)

- Provide information to estimate amount of natural gas escaped from well (completed)
- Submit plan for enhanced leak detection and reporting well inspection program (ongoing)
- Provide written reports of the joint SED-DOGGR factual investigation (ongoing)
- Submit continuous air monitoring plan for approval (under review)
- Emergency Response Plan Submittal/Air Quality Notification Plan Submittal for Approval (under review)
- Health Study (contested/ongoing)
- Prevent use of Odor Suppressant (ongoing)
- Additional slides reflected:
  - Enhanced leak detection/well inspection program (ongoing)
  - Air Quality notification program (ongoing)
  - Health study (contested/ongoing)
  - Air monitoring plan, including a chart showing the phased approach, including daily, twice weekly, and as needed; as well as an aerial map of the area surrounding SS25.
- Since February 11, AQMD has received merely zero to two complaints per day. However, on April 13, they received over forty complaints.
- Dr. Low reviewed various charts of methane data.
- On September 6, at approximately 5PM, the ARGOS Scientific Sensor recorded an increase in methane for a five-minute period. However, this did not appear on the SCGC sensors.
- Current fixed site measurements, with back up, are stationed at Porter Ranch School and at a community center. The current and next steps involve continuous air monitoring.
- SCGC will continue to come out, increase mobile (and possibly fixed) monitoring, increase surveys, and address the community
- They have been working with UCLA and JPL and other partners who possess remote sensing devices.
- Mel Mitchell mentioned that the “reinjection of the plan” had been discussed multiple times, and asked if there was a plan. Dr. Low replied that he was not familiar with that. It is currently a rolling process.
- Cheri Derohanian asked “how much notice from the reinjection until the time when the public is alerted? How much warning will we receive?” The reply was 24-hours.
- Susan Gorman-Chang mentioned that during the August meeting, Dr. Low mentioned there was a spike in the Highlands area. She asked, “When there is such an elevated number, do you track that down?” Dr. Low replied that Friday morning, between 5.30AM and 6.30AM, there was a 3-minute increase that was restricted to the Highlands area. AQMD has reached out to the Highlands HOA to see if there is any specific activity going on at that timeframe.
- Dr. Low reported that we are currently in Phase 3 (with two monitors); phase 4 (re-pressurization) will be the final cycle, tentatively scheduled for later September. However, with the scheduled re-injection, that may be postponed.
- Tuesday, during the court hearing, it was revealed that they would continue to monitor it for three years. Someone asked why merely three years? Dr. Low did not have an answer.
- Becky Leveque wanted to make certain that residents who reside east of Tampa Avenue are also monitored as are the residents west of Tampa Avenue.
- Becky mentioned that one of the concerns is the lack of trust; is there a community oversight committee? Dr. Low replied that there was a review by the EPA as well as the White House. They are drafting a report. She replied that they are very slow. She is concerned that she continues to see oil spots on her property, lawn furniture, as well as her car. Dr. Low feels that the “wipe test” would probably be the best remedy. As she works in a medical facility, Becky recommended that someone come out and scrape off samples from her car and lawn furniture for closer examination.



- Jennifer Milbauer mentioned that some people received an email regarding a recent leak; however, not everyone received the email. She feels that everyone should automatically receive these emails, rather than depending upon shared data from neighbors and Facebook.
- Andrew Krowne felt that the email notifications were too vague. He feels ACMD should immediately notify residents of leaks. Regarding the PPM tolerances, Andrew wondered where those numbers came from. Dr. Low replied that those numbers are established for the Northern Hemisphere.
- Issam Najm mentioned that ARB Station #1 had consistently higher ratings than other stations. He mentioned that SCGC has criteria that has fourteen-days to react to a leak below a certain level, and five-days to react to a leak above 50,000 PPM. This is not acceptable. If SCGC cannot fix this within five-days, perhaps they should not have gas there. Dr. Low replied that this is the sort of thing that should be brought to Saturday's hearing board.
- Stakeholder Alex expressed concern regarding out-gassing, and if the oil is leaking through the soil. Dr. Low replied that the methane levels (on the west side) are typical.
- Stakeholder Helen asked that since there is a monitor here at the school, do they have a method of alerting the school to evacuate the students? SCGC would alert AQMD, and AQMD would alert the school to evacuate.
- Stakeholder Maureen expressed concern that SCGC could receive an alert that there was a leak the previous day. This could result in the same problems that the firefighters encountered at ground zero on 9/11/01.
- Stakeholder Jason was relieved to hear that there is a fence-line system, per order of a judge. However, it would have been nice of AQMD had installed the fence-line. In addition, AQMD states that they cannot get a perfect seal. Also, it would be nice to see more mobile monitoring. Jason attended the California Air Resources Board (CARB) meeting in Sacramento. He appreciates that they are using drones, rather than people walk around the facility.
- Stakeholder Krissy mentioned that we might be putting a great deal of stress on the twenty wells that are working. How will it be balanced and pressurized when it is merely twenty of 114 wells. Dr. Jason Low replied that stakeholders can acquire additional information on these twenty wells via a link from the PRNC website: <http://www.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=8ed33d61425543869af50eb04442b602>
- Stakeholder Julie Korenstein, former LAUSD board member, asked about the age of the wells, which Dr. Low did not know. She also asked if the tested methane is from our atmosphere or is it new methane? At the time of the leak, there were very high levels of methane. They captured samples, but they did not have sufficient samples to determine if the methane was atmospheric or new.
- Stakeholder Matt mentioned that if a factory or a gasoline station had such an environmental leak, how long would they have to comply? Dr. Low did not know the number off-hand. Matt asked if it would be open-ended or on a case-by-case basis? If the factory or gas station does not comply, they could be shut down.
- Stakeholder Helen expressed concern that someone is financially benefiting from these wells.
- Stakeholder Donna asked what steps have been established to benefit humans rather than corporations. The energy from these wells is sold to other corporations in other areas, and does not benefit the people of Porter Ranch.
- Stakeholder Lane mentioned that gas or methane fields are not safe. Methane is 80=times more potent than carbon dioxide. Her neighbors, students at UCLA, brought much information to her attention. She will have a meeting with JPL very soon; in the interim, she strongly recommends solar as it creates more jobs than coal.
- Stakeholder Mark Reed asked how close is the closest monitoring system to the wells? Dr. Jason Low mentioned that the closest is located at the Highlands Community Center. He then asked why not have monitoring systems at the wells? Then, they would know about leak detections before the air reaches the community.



- David Balen added that there were fourteen-days of a very high level of benzene. What do we have to look forward to for our children? David's daughter was pulled from school because of the increase benzene levels.
  - Cheri Derohanian is very concerned about her children's asthma; it was recommended that she appear at Saturday morning's meeting at the Hilton Woodland Hills.
6. Presentation from Government Representatives
- Nicole Vartanian from Congressman Knight's office reported that the House of Representative's session restarted last week and will continue through the end of the September. The following bills may be of interest to Congressman Knight's constituents:
    - HR 5936 – Veterans Care Agreement and West Los Angeles Leasing Act of 2016 (co-sponsor)  
<https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/house-bill/3484>  
Authorizes the Department of Veterans Affairs to use enhanced-use leases at the West LA VA campus, which will go a long way to address homelessness for veterans in the LA County. This passed the house, and Representative Knight voted Yea.
    - HR 5587 – Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century  
<https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/house-bill/5587> ·  
Reauthorizes and reforms the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act and will help more Americans enter the workforce with the skills they need to compete from high-skilled, in demand jobs. It will create clear pathways to education and training for students eager to pursue careers in vital technical fields. This passed the house, and Representative Knight voted Yea.
    - HR 3590 – Halt Tax Increases on the Middle Class and Seniors Act  
<https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/house-bill/3590>  
Amends the Internal Revenue Code to roll back the increased threshold for determining the amount of the tax deduction for medical expenses. Currently, individual taxpayers under age 65 may only deduct those medical expenses that exceed 10% of their adjusted gross income. This bill reduces that percentage to 7.5% for all taxpayers for years beginning after December 31, 2015. This passed the house, and Representative Knight voted Yea.
    - HR 5226 – Regulatory Integrity Act of 2016  
<https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/house-bill/5226>  
This bill directs each executive agency to make publicly available on the agency website or in the rule making docket on Regulations.gov a list of each pending agency regulatory action, the date the agency began to develop or consider the action, its status, an estimate of the date it will be final and in effect, a brief description of such action, and each public communication about the action issued by the agency. Each agency shall publish the information required within 24 hours after such communication is issued and maintain the public availability of such information for at least 5 years after the action is finalized. This passed the house, and Representative Knight voted Yea.
    - HR 5620 -- VA Accountability First and Appeals Modernization Act of 2016 (cosponsor)  
<https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/house-bill/5620>  
This bill authorizes the VA to remove or demote a VA employee based on performance or misconduct and provides that specified federal employee performance appraisal provisions should not apply to such removals or demotions. The VA may remove such individual from the civil service or demote the



individual through a reduction in grade or annual pay rate. This passed the house, and Representative Knight voted Yea.

- Congressman Knight will open the Service Academy nominations this fall. This Congressional Nomination is open to all 17-21 year old men and women that are residents of California's 25<sup>th</sup> Congressional District that plan on attending college next fall. The Service Academy Information Day will be held Saturday, September 17, beginning at 10AM at the Dianne Van Hook University Center, College of the Canyons. This is a great learning opportunity for those interested in applying to the academies, as well as high school students who are considering applying during their senior year. The nominations coordinator, as well as representatives from each of the five academies, will be there.
- Dusty Russell from Senator Fran Pavley's office reported that the state legislature session ended August 31. Governor Brown has until September 30 to either sign or veto bills (except bills in extraordinary sessions or urgency bills).
- Senator Pavley has had fourteen bills presented to the Governor this year. Her legislation focuses on a wide-range of issues, including advancing the clean energy economy, addressing environmental issues, achieving greater accountability for charter schools, support for state parks, victim's restitution, birth control access, and improving services for guide dog owners.
- Three key legislation of interest to Porter Ranch stakeholders is as follows:
  - The comprehensive inspections (required by Senator Pavley's SB 380 legislation) of all remaining 114 wells at Aliso Canyon before SCGC can bring the facility back on-line continue to make progress. In addition to the rigorous testing, SB 380 requires the Division of Oil, Gas and Geothermal Resources (DOGGR) to hold a public meeting before injections are able to resume at the Aliso Canyon facility. According to DOGGR's September 2<sup>nd</sup> progress report (the most recent available):
    - 20 wells have passed all required testing
    - 15 additional wells are still being verified by DOGGR
    - 79 wells have been temporarily taken out of operation and isolated from the gas reservoir. (SB 380 requires - within 1 year - that these wells to be fully tested/verified before returning to service or be permanently sealed.)
  - SB 887: New statewide standards for natural gas storage [Status: On Governor Brown's desk] Will establish a series of new standards for natural gas storage across the state. New standards are aligned with the regulations DOGGR is now pursuing through the rulemaking process. Interested residents are encouraged to participate in the rulemaking process by submitting comments to the draft regulations through DOGGR's website.
  - SB 62: Office of the Safety Advocate (CPUC) [STATUS: On Governor Brown's desk] Will establish an Office of the Safety Advocate within the California Public Utilities Commission to improve safety management and performance of public utilities.
  - SB 32: Extending state climate pollution reduction targets [Status: Signed into law]
    - Builds on the success of Senator Pavley's landmark 2006 legislation (the CA Global Warming Solutions Act) that set a statewide greenhouse gas reduction target of 1990 baseline levels by 2020 and authorized a market-based system to achieve the goal. SB 32 extends the target to 40% below the baseline 1990 levels by 2030.
    - Since 2006, California has attracted significant investments in clean energy. In 2015, the state's clean energy sector grew by 18%. California issued more clean energy patents than any other state. There

are over 43,000 businesses, with 500,000 employees in California pushing the needle towards clean energy.

- Supervisor Antonovich’s Field Deputy Jarrod DeGonia mentioned that today’s \$4m court agreement is big news. They have already received many calls to their office. This \$4m is just one part of the many criminal investigations. There are also investigations by the Attorney General as well as other agencies. Mr. Antonovich’s staff have been holding weekly meeting to discuss this progress.
  - Jennifer Milbauer mentioned that she is concerned about dead honeybees (as well as other dead animals and birds). Jerry works with local veterinarians, and will take this honeybee information back to Supervisor Antonovich’s office.
  - Becky Leveque agreed that the \$4m judgment is very small.
  - Cheri asked if there was one person in Supervisor Antonovich’s office who deals with the Aliso Canyon issue. Jeremy replied that it is a team effort, and this issue is priority one.
  - David Balen asked where would the \$4m go? \$280k goes to the county fire department for reimbursement. A stakeholder Lane interrupted to say that the \$4m goes to the state.
7. Presentation from Chatsworth Chamber of Commerce Representative (Larry Parsons) regarding impact of gas leak on local businesses and an upcoming local event
- Larry Parsons, owner of Color Me Mine, 19839 Rinaldi Street, thanked everyone and mentioned that the business owners of Porter Ranch saw a 50% drop in sales, but they were able to stay in business. Some people suggested that they close their doors until the Aliso Canyon problem was over, yet their landlords would still need to be paid. SCGC provided the business owners with an air purifier; but unlike homeowners, they did not receive any compensation. Businesses must file a lawsuit against SCGC to get money.
  - Becky Leveque suggested that perhaps we can post something on the PRNC website to promote “Color Me Mine” and other local businesses.
8. General Public Comments
- Sunday, September 25, will be the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Family Festival at Mason Park, 10500 Mason Avenue, 11AM to 5PM. There will be music, entertainment, food, kid’s rides, and activities, with free admission. Unfortunately, PRNC will not have a booth this year.
  - Glenn Bailey, president of the Northridge East Council, spoke about the Congress of Neighborhood Councils, to be held at City Hall on Saturday, September 24. With PRNC’s many new board members, he encouraged everyone [including stakeholders] to attend. This event will include forty workshops and unlimited networking opportunities with over 750 attendees from the 96-neighborhood councils. A continental breakfast and lunch will be provided.
  - It is too late for this year, but if each council gave \$500, that could cover the cost for next year.
  - At 4.30PM, there will be a post-Congress mixer at Pit Fire Artisan Pizza, 108 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street.
  - Alexandra from Food and Water Watch mentioned that fracking was performed at Aliso Canyon two years ago. Since then, everything SCGC said has been a lie (including health risks to the community, blackouts, etc.). This past weekend, people smelled gas, which resulted in headaches, rashes, bloody noses, etc. Later this week, her team will meet with Mayor Garcetti. As people are continuing to become sick, she would like PRNC to write a letter to Governor Brown requesting that Aliso Canyon be permanently shut down.
  - Stakeholder Matt mentioned that a grant had been passed; yet money has not yet been seen.

- Stakeholder Richard is concerned about the study regarding the cause of the leak. It has been eleven months; why is this taking so long? This is not rocket science. It is mentioned that since this is a criminal investigation, nothing will be released until the investigation is completed.
- Stakeholder Judith from the Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (VANC) mentioned that Susan Gorman-Chang and Cheri Derohanian have attended their meetings. Thursday, November 10, beginning at 5.30PM, VANC will host a planning forum at CBS Studios open to all board members. Among the discussed topics will be Basic Planning 101 as well as the Neighborhood Integrity Initiative. There will be hor d'oeuvres and a cash bar. You must RSVP in advance, as CBS requires names on a list to get into the parking structure.
- Stakeholder Jason mentioned that the Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup> meeting of the LA City Council includes an agenda item asking what investments should be made [alongside universities, utilities, stakeholders, and the Department of Energy] to achieve a 100% renewable energy portfolio for the LADWP. As this is on the agenda, it is unknown when this topic will be discussed.

**BREAK**

9. Discussion and Election of stakeholder to fill vacant At Large Board Member position. Seven applications were received
- Four of the seven candidates are present:
    - Asaad Alnajjar has lived in Porter Ranch for fifteen years and has worked for the City of LA's Office of Public Works for 27-years, including the construction of the traffic system. Among his many projects are the widening of the 405, the train to the ocean, and solar panels along Porter Ranch Drive. He is a certified Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) professional who reports directly to Mayor Garcetti regarding emergency protection.
    - He recommends a Great Streets Program for Rinaldi, including modifying the streetlights to include Wi-Fi, adding furniture, and solar panels at the bus stops (as he did for the bus stop at the corner of Rinaldi and Porter Ranch Drive).
    - Mel Mitchell asked if Asaad has enough time to devote to the PRNC; Asaad replied that he will retire in February 2020, and feels that he has sufficient spare time to handle PRNC responsibilities.
    - David Lasher is a notary and a former marine who will be the only veteran on the board. He holds a BS, Public Administration from USC, and is a former CERT trainer. He is very concerned about crime; last year, gang members ransacked his home. His children attend Patrick Henry Middle School and Granada Hills High School.
    - Sue Hammerlund has lived in Porter Ranch for 34-years and previously served on the PRNC board. She is a retired teacher, after 38-years with the LAUSD. She has 25-years experience as a disaster response volunteer with the Red Cross. September 2001 was spent at the Pentagon, and she has recently been sent to Puerto Rico and Seattle to tend to their disaster relief efforts. She will not request funding for the Red Cross, as that would be a conflict of interest. She is interested in children, libraries, and animals (domestic and wild). She and her husband will move to Tennessee in 10-months, so she may be a "short-termer".



- Cheri Derohanian added that Sue was fundamental in getting new benches, as well as the science and computer labs at the Castlebay School.
- Jason Hector holds a BS, Biochemistry from CSUN and is an independent real estate broker who works from his home. He would like to be involved with the Land Use Committee. He believes that PRNC has the potential to handle the methane mitigation funds. He attends many meetings, and would like to see more art brought to the community. He appreciates that Dr. Jason Low attended this evening's meeting, yet feels that someone from DOGGR should address the PRNC.
- Stakeholder Ellen, Lane, and Helen (?) advocated for Jason because he has supported PRNC by appearing at so many meetings.
- Jason won with six votes (Asaad received two votes, and Sue and David each received a vote).

10. Swearing in of new board member

- Issam Najm administered the oath of office to Jason.
- Susan Gorman-Chang assembled everyone for the group photo of the new board.

11. Motion to Approve reimbursements as follows

Date	Item	Payee	Amount
July 26	Water, Plates, and Napkins from Costco	Gabriel Khanlian	\$ 34.48
July 26	Pizza from Big Mamas/Papas	Gabriel Khanlian	125.00
August 9	Photocopies from FedEx Kinko's	Gabriel Khanlian	349.89
August 9	Pizza from Big Mama's/Papa's	Gabriel Khanlian	160.00
August 10	Water from Ralph's	Gabriel Khanlian	15.60
August 24	Pizza from Big Mamas/Papas	Issam Najm	164.92
April 20	Note/Minute Taker – April	Apple One	254.10
May 18	Note/Minute Taker – May	Apple One	184.80
June 15	Note/Minute Taker – June	Apple One	115.50
July 20	Note/Minute Taker – July	Apple One	138.60
July 22	Annual Post Office Box	USPS	348.00
August 3	Communications/Website – July	Moore Business Results	729.51
September 1	Communications/Website – August	Moore Business Results	1,171.11
		TOTAL	<u>\$3,791.51</u>

- Treasurer Andrew Krowne mentioned that there has been no treasurer and budget for the past few months; hence board members Gabriel Khanlian and Issam Najm have been paying out-of-pocket for expenses. In addition, vendors such as Apple One, Moore Business Results, and the USPS have been paid.
- Alex Kim and a stakeholder mentioned that \$1,900 for two months (30% of the budget) seemed excessive to support the website via one vendor. The stakeholder does not know of another council that spends that much for web services.
- If anyone has any issues, it was recommended that they come to the retreat tentatively scheduled for Saturday, October 8.





12. Discussion and possible action to approve payments of one or more of the following funding commitments made by the past board but not paid for

To Be Paid	Not Yet To Be Paid	Notes
\$ 500		This is for the Booster Club of Nobel School’s 5k-10k Run. Someone showed the event’s t-shirt, reflecting PRNC sponsorship. This should have been in the 2015-16 budget, but it was not.
	\$ 500	Sponsorship of the Senior Dance; this expenditure was pulled.
800		NPG for Sponsorship of 9 <sup>th</sup> Annual Valley Disaster Preparedness Fair, October 1 Glenn Bailey reminded everyone that this should be voted on tonight, as an NPG cannot be approved after the event.
	1,000	LAFD Fire Station 28 for Supplies; This expenditure was tabled, pending further investigation. PRNC does not have the paperwork, and there is confusion regarding the status. It is unknown if these items were already purchased.
<b>\$1,300</b>	<b>\$1,500</b>	<b>TOTALs</b>

- Becky Leveque submitted a direct expense for Minuteman Press; however, this request has not yet been agendized.
- Cheri Derohanian made a motion to accept the \$1,300 in NPG funding commitments; Susan Gorman-Chang seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

13. Motion to authorize the PRNC treasurer to approve payments for recurring charges for notes taker, communications contractor, mailbox, constant contact, onecallnow, and host gator.com through the end of the 2016-17 fiscal year

- David Balen made a motion to accept this agenda item; Becky Leveque seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

14. Motion for the PRNC to Partner with North Hills West NC, Girl Scout Cadet Troop #3706, and Monroe High School Leadership Volunteer Students for the Purpose of Entering the City’s Clean Streets Project/Contest

- Cheri Derohanian expressed great passionate about this beautification project to improve the curb-appeal of the schools.
- The winner will be awarded \$25k, yet there will be no cost to the PRNC.
- Cheri Derohanian made a motion for PRNC to support this agenda item; Alex Kim seconded the motion, and it passed.

Aye (9)	Balen, Derohanian, Gorman-Chang, Khanlian, Kim, Leveque, Milbauer, Mitchell, and Najm
Abstain (1)	Krowne
Not Yet Eligible (1)	Hector

15. Discussion and review of draft budget, make modifications as agreed upon during discussion and possibly take action to adopt the PRNC budget for 2016-17

- It is imperative that the budget be discussed this evening. Otherwise, we will need to hold a special meeting.



- The proposed FY 2016/17 budget is as follows:

100	Operations	Notes Taking	\$ 2,760	\$ 8,984	24.28%
		Mailbox	348		
		Food & Water for Meetings	2,100		
		Business Cards	250		
		Photocopies for Meetings	400		
		Board Retreat	526		
		Past Board Commitments That Were Not Paid	2,600		
200	Outreach	Website (hostgator.com)	144	13,316	35.99%
		Constant Contact (e-Blast)	576		
		One Call Now	96		
		Moore Business Communications	10,500		
		Outreach Event 1	1,000		
		Outreach Event 2	1,000		
300	Community Improvement	Community Improvement Project 1	5,000	13,000	35.14%
		Community Improvement Project 2	4,000		
		Community Improvement Project 3	4,000		
400	Neighborhood Purpose Grants (NPG)	NPG 1	850	1,700	4.59%
		NPG 2	850		
		Grand Total	\$37,000	\$37,000	100.0%

- Cheri Derohanian felt that the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment might be happier if we allocate more money to “Outreach” rather than “Community Projects”.
- Currently, there are approximately 3,800 people (as of June 2016) subscribed to the Constant Contact e-Blast distribution.
- Cheri Derohanian made a motion for PRNC to approve the proposed 2016/17 budget; Gabriel Khanlian seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

#### 16. Committee Assignments

- This agenda item was tabled until a future meeting.

#### 17. Board Member Comments and Announcements

- Becky Leveque mentioned that Friday, October 14, beginning at 5PM, the Supporters of Law Enforcement in Devonshire (SOLID) would host their annual Pasta Dinner at St. Nicolas Church, at the corner of Plummer and Balboa Boulevards. SOLID funds things that the city does not pay for, including holsters for tasers.
- Mel Mitchell proposed a town hall meeting to discuss measure M, the Los Angeles County sales tax that would fund a mix of transit and other transportation projects throughout the county. Does PRNC want this general town hall meeting? Or perhaps it should be a special meeting? Perhaps this may be agendaized in the October meeting.
- Susan Gorman-Chang mentioned that the Sustainability Committee will meet in November; the Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance advances sustainability and resilience across LA through advocacy, sharing of best practices, and community action.



- Jennifer Milbauer proposes a special meeting to discuss and draft a letter to Governor Brown (as requested by Alexandra from Food and Water Watch) requesting that Aliso Canyon be permanently shut down; Jennifer will coordinate this with Issam.
- Jason Hector would like DOGGR to attend a future meeting of the PRNC. In addition, perhaps we should form special committees to deal with the various stakeholder concerns throughout Porter Ranch.
- SCGC reached out to Issam and the other presidents of the three or four local neighborhood councils; they suggesting forming an Advisory Council Committee. This may be agendized for the October meeting.
- Issam mentioned that he has a business trip to Sacramento on Thursday, October 6. While there, he will meet with Governor Brown’s special energy advisor.

18. Meeting Adjourned

- President Issam Najm adjourned the meeting at 10.02PM.