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**President Gabriel Khanlian; Vice President Vas Singh;  
Secretary Christine Demirtshian; Treasurer Jason Hector; 2<sup>nd</sup> Signer Jennifer Ibrahim;  
Becky Leveque; Hilda Sarkisyan; David Balen; Brandii Grace, Dr. Bright Aregs**

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**DRAFT MINUTES**

**Porter Ranch Neighborhood Council  
Wednesday, March 8, 2023 6:15 P.M.**

1. Meeting call to order - **President Khanlian**  
President Khanlian called to order the Porter Ranch Neighborhood Council on March 8, 2023 via Zoom webinar at 6:15 p.m. and presided as moderator.
2. Welcome, Discussion of meeting logistic - **President Khanlian**  
President Khanlian informed all in attendance that the meeting is recorded and outlined the responsibilities and protocols for webinars and public comment. Stakeholders were directed to raise their hands to be recognized during public comment and this feature is available at the bottom of the Zoom screen or \*9 by phone.

President Khanlian stated that Agenda materials were emailed to all Board Members prior to the meeting for review and comment.

3. Roll Call and determination of quorum – **Secretary Demirtshian**

Board member Leveque called the roll as follows:

1	Gabriel Khanlian, President
1	Vas Singh, Vice President
1	Christine Demirtshian, Secretary
1	Becky Leveque
1	Jennifer Ibrahim, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Signer
1	Dr. Bright Aregs
1	David Balen
1	Brandii Grace
1	Jason Hector, Treasurer
1	Hilda Sarkisyan
<b>10</b>	<b>Board Members were present and a quorum was attained.</b>

1 = present 0 = absent

4. Pledge of Allegiance

President Khanlian guided the Council to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. President's Comments and Updates - **President Khanlian**

- President Khanlian stated that the PRNC elections are open and visit the website [prnc.org/run2023](http://prnc.org/run2023) to create an account and file your candidacy;
- March 30<sup>th</sup> is the Carnival of Knowledge booth at Chatsworth High School from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Plan on arriving around 4:30 p.m. All are invited to attend and participate.

President Khanlian solicited additional procedural questions or comments from Board Members. Hearing none, Item 5 was closed.

6. Updates from representatives of **Elected Officials, City Departments and City Attorney**

Colin Crews, District Director, Council District 12, Council person John Lee's Office updated the Council on the following:

- A motion was put forth regarding street lighting and mitigation efforts to prevent copper wire thefts and working with LAPD with enforcement action. CD12 has a high number of thefts and we are working diligently to resolve the issues;
- A motion was put forth regarding street resurfacing. Currently there is a moratorium that states once a street has repair work, the entire block must be resurfaced. The motion is to consider ways to effectively repair the street to the satisfaction of the community without resurfacing the entire block. Scheduling of street resurfacing is done annually at the beginning of the fiscal year;
- A motion was put forth to investigate ways to repair sidewalks without disturbing the urban forest by removing trees;
- Mr. Crews stated that he is available to assist the Council.

David Balen requested an update on the status of the name change for Porter Ranch Park. Has there been outreach to the community, as the park is scheduled to open in July. Mr. Crews stated that the process of Recs and Parks is being followed for an appropriate name for a new park and the next phase will be community outreach and input.

Treasurer Hector stated that sidewalk repair, with focus on Rinaldi should be prioritized with possibly a physical walk through. There have been mud slides on the hillsides. Aliso Canyon Park needs addressing with excessive graffiti and water drainage. Treasurer Hector shared information with the Council regarding copper wire thefts on Wilbur and Tampa; junction boxes have been welded shut and new boxes have been installed that require a special tool to open.

Board member Balen thanked Asaad Alnajjar for his expeditious works on abating copper wire thefts.

Board member Grace requested an update regarding “swatting” and filing a false police report that requires a response from the swat team, as she previously requested the possibility of creating a non-response list. Board member Grace stated that she is available for input, comment, and brainstorming on this concern. Mr. Crews stated that there is a concern about such a list that may give confusion when there is a true need for help and he is bringing this concern to the legislative team.

Nyambura Gibson, DONE Representative, updated the Council on the recent Mayoral appointment of Vanessa Serrano as interim General Manager of DONE.

Mr. Gibson also stated that priority has been given to the Porter Ranch April 1<sup>st</sup> return to in-person meetings and DONE is working with the City to secure an approved accessible location. President Khanlian asked if a meeting location contract has been signed. Mr. Gibson stated that AB2449 provides many challenges for a hybrid model. A quorum of Board members must be in-person and not teleconference. If a Board member opts to teleconference, there is a limit of 3 times annually. Teleconferencing for public comment is an option and that process is still developing.

Board member Balen stated that budget season has approached and will PRNC funds be reinstated to the level prior to COVID. Have you spoken to the leadership to advocate for our budgets to be reinstated? Is the budget something that DONE has input? Can you bring this to the current management? We are in transition to in-person and/or hybrid meetings and transitioning out of COVID and there will be more expenses. Can you give us an update and bring it up to the new DONE manager, Ms. Serrano. Mr. Crews stated that he has brought NC budgets to the attention of the General Manager and the answer to your questions is out of my purview.

Board member Grace inquired if there still is an option for virtual Town Hall meetings and other virtual events. What is the current process to request a meeting? Board member Grace stated that racial diversity should be considered in all functions, highlighting that the black background on Zoom meetings, creates inability to see a darker hand that may be raised.

Ronald Nagai was recognized to speak and stated that communication should be taking place with the Mayor’s office and NCs should ask for a budget increase to \$50,000.00.

Glenn Bailey was recognized to speak and stated that in regards to virtual meetings, NCs should check with the City Attorney regarding quorums, noticing and other business protocols and adhere to the Brown Act. AB2449 outlines many of the restrictions.

John Hales was recognized to speak and shared that the middle school has hybrid capabilities in the library and suggested that NCs check with LAUSD for other locations that have that same capability.

President Khanlian inquired about the outcome if a Board member has more than 3 in-person absences. Mr. Gibson stated that the fourth occurrence will be stated as an absence and we are working within the purview of AB2449.

President Khanlian inquired about what kind of excuses can be used? Mr. Gibson stated that examination will be left up to the individual Board to take action.

Treasurer Hector suggested that DONE put out a fact sheet regarding the interpretations of attendance with AB2449. Mr. Gibson stated that guidance will be available and that DONE is following state law and trying to conform to the assembly bill.

Glenn Bailey was recognized to speak and stated that information needs to be provided to NCs. Please read AB2449. There is also SB411 that will take probably 3 months to get through the legislative process.

A discussion took place with many Board members and stakeholders regarding the return to work policy within LA City. Mr. Gibson stated that many offices are on a case-by-case basis to meet deadlines.

President Khanlian solicited additional procedural questions or comments from Board Members. Hearing none, Item 6 was closed.

7. LAPD Devonshire Senior Lead officers

No Action Taken.

8. Updates from Chatsworth - Porter Ranch Chamber of Commerce – **Jheri**

Reney Grace Rodriguez, Executive Vice-President, Chamber of Commerce stated that the Chamber of Commerce has a 100 year history maintaining the traditions that unite our business community. Businesses in our community are growing and we are available to assist.

The Chamber of Commerce puts on two spectacular events every year. Blockfest is April 15<sup>th</sup> with vendors, food trucks, restaurant specials, and we coordinate with the Art District. Parking at Metro and courtesy shuttle services will be provided.

We also conduct the State of Community address in October to discuss the year's events. Porter Ranch has a large manufacturing district and we conduct a round table discussion to solve problems and improve resources.

We are focusing on the health standards of pop-up restaurants and abuse of the system. The question continually arises as to who is responsible if food products are dangerous. We are working with LA County and the city regarding rules and the conditional use permit process for outdoor space.

The Blockfest booth will have a carnival area, jumper, and fabulous food. We will have a beer garden and wine will be served. There will be professional wrestlers for entertainment. Please participate in Blockfest and contact Ms. Rodriguez for PRNC sponsorship.

Board member Grace asked inquired about the name Chatsworth Porter Ranch Chamber of Commerce as demonstrated on the Blockfest flyer. Ms. Rodriguez stated that there has been an official corporate name change and they are utilizing their marketing and web tools to get the word out and carrying over the 100 history to include PRNC for this official name change.

Treasurer Hector suggested that a broad topic economic forum or round table would be helpful for the business community and shopping district.

Ms. Rodriguez stated that VIKA and the Valley Economic Alliance provides business support services and there is a weekly newsletter on their website for business mentoring. The Chamber of Commerce also posts on their website community and business events and flyers.

Asaad Alnajjar was recognized to speak and inquired if the Mayor, the new City Attorney, and the Comptroller could be invited to speak at a Chamber meeting?

Ms. Rodriguez stated that these officers are still in the process of establishing and setting up their offices and Board members can attend any City Council meeting and also write to the Mayor. Mayor Bass is strongly addressing homelessness as there is a waste in non-profits and trying to establish what is working and what is not succeeding. That in itself is a big task to find workable solutions and reduce crime. Street outreach is being conducted and the cycle repeats itself without proper direction to permanent housing. An individual's possession called "survival gear" is displaced when an individual is placed in temporary interim housing. There are no available spots for permanent housing. Once released, they return back to the street, commit thefts to rebuild their survival gear and the process repeats itself.

Ron Nagai was recognized to speak and addressed pop-up vs. brick-and-mortar businesses. Restrictions are put on brick-and-mortar businesses such as smoke filtration, bathrooms, sanitation, trash, and maintaining their exterior sidewalk. Pop-up business walk away from their temporary locations after completing their business day and walking away from the sidewalk stained trashed area.

Ms. Rodriguez stated that she has been working with enforcement regarding health issues, and the state is formulating guidelines how food can be distributed. Grants should be available to encourage and assist pop-ups to transition into brick-and-mortar. The industry is over regulated with restrictions and pathways should be available to get into a permanent market place.

President Khanlian solicited additional procedural questions or comments from Board Members. Hearing none, Item 8 was closed.





9. Public comments on items NOT on the Agenda and within the Purview of the Board – **2 Minutes per person**

Asaad Alnajjar was recognized to speak and stated his support of International Women’s Day today on March 8<sup>th</sup>. The department of Public Works is hosting an event to celebrate NAAHM on April 28<sup>th</sup> for National Arab American Heritage Month and all are invited to City Hall to celebrate.

Judith Daniels was recognized to speak and stated that VANC meets tomorrow night and they are celebrating their 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Janice Hahn is scheduled to speak on the history of NCs. Ms. Daniels stated that a \$50,000.00 budgets should be restored and they have agendized this topic for discussion. In May, the City Attorney will be a featured speaker. Also the Chair of the Ethics Committee will speak on the lobbying ordinance. Please visit the VANC website for old agendas and recordings at VANC34.org.

President Khanlian solicited additional procedural questions or comments from Board Members. Hearing none, Item 9 was closed.

10. Treasurer’s Report – **Treasurer Hector**

Treasurer Hector screen shared the February Report:

Beginning Balance	\$27,055.07
Total Spent	\$3,231.34
Remaining Balance	\$23,823.73
Outstanding	\$0.00
Commitments	\$1,477.91
Net Available	\$22,345.82

President Khanlian solicited additional procedural questions or comments from Board Members. Hearing none, Item 10 was closed.

11. Motion to approve January 2022 MER – **Attachment A - Treasurer Hector**

Board member Balen made the motion to open Item 11 for discussion that was seconded by President Khanlian.

- Board member Leveque inquired about election expenses, as this item is not agendized for discussion;
- Treasurer Hector stated that there are no expenses to date and \$1,000.00 was previously approved by the Board for expenses;
- Vice-President Singh stated that election date is June 10<sup>th</sup>;
- President Khanlian stated that outreach is being conducted and Board member Ibrahim is the election chairperson. There are two candidate applications at this time and Council

person John Lee has placed the PRNC openings on his newsletter. PRNC.org/run2023 is available to create an account and file a candidacy;

- Board member Balen stated that there are 5 open positions at this time.

Treasurer Hector made the motion to approve the February MER that was seconded by Board member Balen.

Board member Leveque called the vote as follows:

yes	Gabriel Khanlian, President
yes	Vas Singh, Vice President
yes	Christine Demirtshian, Secretary
yes	Becky Leveque
yes	Jennifer Ibrahim, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Signer
yes	Dr. Bright Aregs
yes	David Balen
yes	Brandii Grace
yes	Jason Hector, Treasurer
yes	Hilda Sarkisyan
<b>10</b>	<b>10 “yes” votes 0 “no” votes. Motion passed.</b>

President Khanlian solicited additional procedural questions or comments from Board Members. Hearing none, Item 11 was closed.

12. Motion to file a CIS (Community Impact Statement) for Council File #23-0600 (Mayor’s Proposed Budget FY 23/24) with the previously approved letter as the text of the CIS – **Treasurer Hector – Attachment B**

Treasurer Hector made the motion to open Item 12 for discussion that was seconded by Vice-President Singh.

Treasurer Hector screen shared the CIS and opened a discussion:

- Board member Grace stated her support of the CIS and also stated that the funding amount should be raised and would like to amend the CIS;
- Colin Crews, Judith Daniels, Ronald Nagai, Glenn Bailey and Board members Bright and Leveque all stated their support of the amended motion to request funding of \$50,000.00;
- President Khanlian stated that Council should be reinstated back to pre-pandemic levels.

Board member Leveque made the motion to amend the CIS to request funding of \$50,000.00 that was seconded by Board member Grace.

Treasurer Hector requested to amend the previous motion that has not been voted and approved to \$48,000.00 and to include verbiage in the CIS to focus on the savings and partnership with the city. We are the messengers that disperse knowledge and we are doing the city job, assisting our community members and working with police and fire departments;

- Board member Balen stated that we are volunteers and perform jobs representing the city and the bridge with the community. Board member Balen suggested requesting funding of \$70,000.00 - \$80,000.00 - \$100,00.00 in the current economy to be able to take care of our community;
- Judith Daniels was recognized to speak and stated that tax dollar contributed by the community is a small amount given to NCs and budgets are not representative of tax dollars and a very small token.

Board member Bright requested to amend the previous motion that has not been voted upon and approved to \$75,000.00 that was seconded by Board member Balen.

- Treasurer Hector stated that the CIS requires justification for the newer amount and the maker of the motion should provide that new language;
- Board member Bright stated that the first paragraph should incorporate language regarding the \$75,000.00 and the second paragraph should address current inflation levels;
- Treasurer Hector clarified that the letter has already been sent and the maker of the motion needs to provide the language;
- Treasurer Hector stated that the letter should include specific verbiage “due to inflation and the needs of the community we need a bigger budget to work with, we are asking the city for \$75,000.00” and remove the pandemic statement. Treasurer Hector stated that the letter will be amended as stated and remove the pandemic language;
- Board member Leveque suggested including verbiage regarding the increase in the population and tax base;
- Board member Grace stated that due to the decline in interest and membership, requesting \$50,000.00 may be a safer option; but stated her support of the motion;
- Asaad Alnajjar was recognized to speak and stated that the Board should defer to Treasurer Hector as he is familiar with the formula for success. There is always the mid-year request to propose another letter and adjusting the numbers may be a lost cause;
- Treasurer Hector stated that this is a state wide project and does not want to appear greedy and undermine the neighborhood councils and disagrees with higher numbers;
- After discussion many in attendance stated their support of amended motion to request funding of \$75,000.00;
- Ronald Nagai stated that the address on the CIS is incorrect and that Mayor Bass should be addressed as “The Honorable....”
- Board member Leveque stated that the requesting funding should remain at \$50,000.00 and not cause attention and remain in similarity with other NCs.



- Treasurer Hector stated that the current CIS needs to be rewritten and re-agendized and addressed as a special meeting.

Mr. Gibson, DONE Representative, stated that the voting process should proceed backwards. The last motion is called, if approved, the motion passes. If the last motion fails, then proceed to the prior motion, and so forth.

Treasurer Khanlian called the motion to authorize Treasurer Hector to amend the CIS letter with verbiage to reflect current inflation and remove the pandemic language. Board member Leveque called the vote as follows:

yes	Gabriel Khanlian, President
yes	Vas Singh, Vice President
yes	Christine Demirtshian, Secretary
yes	Becky Leveque
yes	Jennifer Ibrahim, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Signer
yes	Dr. Bright Aregs
yes	David Balen
no	Brandii Grace
yes	Jason Hector, Treasurer
yes	Hilda Sarkisyan
<b>9</b>	<b>9 “yes” votes 1 “no” vote. Motion passed.</b>

President Khanlian called for a 5 minute break at 8:25 p.m.

13. Discussion and possible action to send letter and file CIS (Community Impact Statement) In Support of Council File #23-0154 (McOsker--Park Gate Closure Program/RAP/LAPD/Personnel Dept./Security Services Div.). – **Leveque – Attachment C & D**

Board member Leveque made the motion to open Item 13 for discussion that was seconded by Treasurer Hector.

Board member Leveque screen shared the CIS and opened a discussion:

Board member Grace stated that not closing and locking gates of parks in later hours increases community participation and promotes healthy usage. Board member Grace cited other cities that don't lock and close their parks called “parks after dark” that invites more usage in later hours and discourages and reduces crime with community participation. Parks should remain open 24 hours.

Board member Leveque stated that the purpose of the CIS to adhere to the rules and regulations of the community specific plan.

After discussion many Board members expressed concern regarding illegal activities in parks in late hours such as drugs, gun violence, homeless issues, street racing, prostitution, illegal drinking, and individuals who have fallen from the cliffs. Many Board members suggested adding Aliso Canyon and 50 Acre Park to the CIS.

President Khanlian solicited public comment.

Asaad Alnajjar, Chair of the Safety Committee for the Devonshire area, was recognized to speak and stated that parks have been historically closed at sunset prior to COVID. The CIS is to provide staffing for park closure, not altering the hours of operation.

Ronald Nagai was recognized to speak and stated that crime needs to be addressed in community parks in residential neighborhoods.

Board Member Grace stated that allowing the parks to remain open will deter criminals and make the space more inviting and active for the community. The CIS is requesting additional staff services; however, allowing the parks to remain open will save on staff funding.

Board member Leveque stated that the CIS is proactive to reinstate the curfew laws of the PR Specific Plan and enforce public safety for nearby homes.

Board member Hector called the vote with the amendment to add Aliso Canyon and 50 Acre Park that was seconded by Vice-Chairperson Singh:

yes	Gabriel Khanlian, President
yes	Vas Singh, Vice President
yes	Christine Demirtshian, Secretary
yes	Becky Leveque
yes	Jennifer Ibrahim, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Signer
yes	Dr. Bright Aregs
yes	David Balen
no	Brandii Grace
yes	Jason Hector, treasurer
yes	Hilda Sarkisyan
<b>9</b>	<b>9 “yes” votes 1 “no” vote. Motion passed.</b>

14. Discussion and possible action to file CIS in support of CF 23-0167 (LEE-Sidewalk Repairs/Preserve Mature Street Trees/BSS/UFD/City Forest Officer) – **Treasurer Hector – Attachment E**

Treasurer Hector made the motion to open Item 14 open for discussion that was seconded by Vice-President Singh.

Treasurer Hector screen shared the CIS and opened a discussion:

Treasurer Hector expressed concern that potentially 10,000 mature street trees are scheduled to be removed and stated that alternate creative methods of repairing uplifted sidewalks should be investigated while preserving the existing trees. Sustainable solutions could be investigated such as increasing the size of the tree wells and best practices and would benefit the community with continuous parkways. Special attention should focus on Renaldi. Treasurer Hector stated that he distributed additional CIS verbiage to Board members prior to the meeting.

Treasurer Hector made the motion to approve the CIS with the additional text component that was distributed by email that was seconded by Vice-Chairperson Singh.

Board member Leveque called the vote as follows:

yes	Gabriel Khanlian, President
yes	Vas Singh, Vice President
yes	Christine Demirtshian, Secretary
yes	Becky Leveque
absent	Jennifer Ibrahim, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Signer
yes	Dr. Bright Aregs
yes	David Balen
yes	Brandii Grace
yes	Jason Hector, Treasurer
yes	Hilda Sarkisyan
<b>9</b>	<b>9 “yes” votes 1 “absent” vote. Motion passed.</b>

15. Discussion and possible action to approve a Request Of Action letter to Councilmember John Lee to submit testimony to CPUC regarding Aliso Canyon Closure – **Brandii Grace – Attachment F**

Board member Grace screen shared the request of Action letter and opened a discussion. Board member Grace stated that she met with CAG prior to writing the Request of Action letter.

Board member Grace made the motion to open Item 15 for discussion that was seconded by Vice-President Singh.

Board member Leveque expressed concern with the statements in the letter and the absence of footnotes and links to the statements that need to be included as references as not to be accusatory. Board member Leveque also inquired if there was a team or committee that composed the letter or if it was composed as an individual. Board member Bright concurred with Board member Leveque.

Patti Gleuck was recognized to speak and stated that she would share links with Board member Grace regarding the studies mentioned in the letter. Ms. Gleuck stated that some of the wells are located on city property and there is an urgency to communicate with the city attorney.

Ron Nagai was recognized to speak and stated that letters should outreach to Board members and the community prior to distribution to the Council person.

Asaad Alnajjar was recognized to speak and stated that this concern should not be addressed to the city of Los Angeles but to county supervisors requesting their support.

Board member Grace stated that she would revise the letter with footnotes and references and made the motion to approve the Request of Action letter that was seconded by Vice-President Singh.

Board member Leveque stated that she would like to review the revised letter with the references attached prior to a vote and Board signature. This is a significant letter that represents this board and board involvement should take place.

Board members Balen and Bright concur with Board member Leveque and stated that a committee should have been composed and the letter should not have been written by one individual.

Board member Grace stated that she would amend the letter inserting references and find out the deadline for filing and perhaps a special meeting could be conducted to meet the deadline. Board member Grace stated that the request for special meetings prior were cancelled due to lack of quorum.

Board member Grace made the motion to approve the letter and add references of varies information sources to the letter that was seconded by Vice-President Singh.

Board member Leveque stated that she would like to see the amended letter prior to voting and signature.

Board member Balen requested clarification on the PRNC input; until a committee is composed of PRNC members, the letter is not valid. Going outside of the PRNC, meeting with CAG should not have taken place.

Board member Bright stated that the letter should be withdrawn today and re-agendized at the next general meeting.

Ronald Nagai was recognized to speak and stated that the letter should be addressed to the Governor; however, the community should have had input on the letter.

President Khanlian stated that a special meeting was called to discuss this item that was never conducted due to lack of quorum.

Board member Grace removed the motion for approval and will forward materials and studies to President Khanlian and is resigning from the PRNC @ 9:46 p.m.

16. Motion to approve February 8 2023 Meeting Draft Minutes – **Secretary Demirtshian – Attachment G**

President Khanlian made the motion to approve the February 8, 2023 Minutes that was second by Board member Sarkisyan.

President Khanlian called the vote as follows:

yes	Gabriel Khanlian, President
yes	Vas Singh, Vice President
yes	Christine Demirtshian, Secretary
yes	Becky Leveque
absent	Jennifer Ibrahim, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Signer
abstain	Dr. Bright Aregs
yes	David Balen
absent	Brandii Grace
abstain	Jason Hector, Treasurer
yes	Hilda Sarkisyan
<b>6</b>	<b>6 “yes” votes 2 “absent” 2 “abstain”. Motion passed.</b>

17. Motion to approve \$250 to Chatsworth Porter Ranch Chamber of Commerce for a booth at BLOCKFEST 2023 on April 15, 2023 from 10am – 6pm – **President Khanlian – Attachment H & I**

President Khanlian made the motion to open Item 17 for discussion that was seconded by Board member Balen.

President Khanlian screen shared the Blockfest flyer.

Board member Balen stated that Board members should specify their volunteer hours, if there is not enough participation, the PRNC should not contribute \$250.00.

Board member Leveque stated that there should be a sign-up sheet to volunteer in 2 hour intervals.



President Khanlian took a straw poll of volunteers; Board members Balen, Leveque, Demirtshian, and President Khanlian committed. Board member Bright will need to verify his class schedule prior to volunteering.

President Khanlian will reach out to the Chamber of Commerce to secure endorsement and outreach for PRNC and Board member Leveque will send out a doodle pool to confirm participation.

Treasurer Hector called the vote as follows:

yes	Gabriel Khanlian, President
no	Vas Singh, Vice President
no	Christine Demirtshian, Secretary
no	Becky Leveque
absent	Jennifer Ibrahim, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Signer
yes	Dr. Bright Aregs
no	David Balen
absent	Brandii Grace
no	Jason Hector, Treasurer
yes	Hilda Sarkisyan
<b>3</b>	<b>3 “yes” votes 5 “no” votes 2 “absent”. Motion failed.</b>

President Khanlian left the meeting at 10:04 p.m.

# 18. Updates re Community Air Monitoring – **Don Gamiles – Argos – 5 minutes**

Board member Balen requested the most current website information from Mr. Gamiles.

Mr. Gamiles updated the Council on the following:

- Continued efforts are being conducted to get instruments out in the field;
- Approvals are continually being pursued with government agencies;
- There are now two full time staff members;
- There is a new generation on the website that is more user friendly;
- Thanks to Board member Balen for his assistance on gaining site permissions;
- Every Thursday at 8:30 a.m. there is a meeting to discuss data and resources;
- We are in contact with UCLA and beginning to work together and supplement each other;
- The full system set up is very close;
- Every monitor is ready to go and we are now working on deployment through the city process;
- Fire station 28 on Corbin has real time monitoring along with a monitor at the park on Porter Ranch Drive;
- There are 3 mountings on telephone poles.

Treasurer Hector requested a list of monitor locations.

Treasurer Hector solicited public comment.

Ronald Nagai was recognized to speak and stated that the CAG presentation should be agendaized earlier in future agendas.

Asaad Alnajjar was recognized to speak and updated the Council on future monitor installments and stated that the initial data is looking very good and the community has a data base for all gases and components. The initial lamp post installation got the program off to a good start.

19. Updates by Budget Advocates / reps – **5 minutes**

Glenn Bailey sent a written report to update all NCs last Thursday. The Budget and Finance Innovation Committee met with Mayor Bass on February 18<sup>th</sup> and covered financial topics and working on additional priorities to submit. Homelessness, housing, pensions, emergency preparedness, Olympics, and NCs are her priorities. Mayor Bass is aware of NC budgets. The DONE budget and the recording of the meeting is on the web at [budgetadvocates.org](http://budgetadvocates.org). Please note your 2024 calendar for budget day, Saturday June 17<sup>th</sup>.

Treasurer Hector requested clarification on budget priorities in Region 2. Mr. Bailey stated that any NC can submit priorities to the Mayor along with a copy to the budget advocate. That is my best advice.

Board member Balen requested clarification on the items that were presented to Mayor Bass and did she respond to budget changes? Mr. Bailey stated that there was a time limit of 45 minutes and the discussion regarding emergency preparedness and homelessness took a large portion of the time.

20. Updates from Board Members and Committees

- Vice-President Singh stated that the Congress of Neighborhood is scheduled for September 23, 2023 and they are requesting NCs to sponsor events. PRNC has participated in the past;
- Board member Balen spoke on the Land Use Committee and will coordinate with President Khanlian as there are outstanding issues;
- Treasurer Hector stated a discussion should take place regarding the park and pavilion and there is a need for a meeting with community members. There are also problems with drainage in the parks at this time with serious erosion. The sidewalks on Rinaldi are also a major concern. Outreach to the community should be conducted regarding the availability of 311 and other reporting agencies;
- Board member Sarkisyan stated that the council should incorporate the schools on local functions that the PRNC sponsors. The Carnival of Knowledge is March 30<sup>th</sup> and we will utilize school children with the give-aways on the spin the wheel function and handing out the prizes. This will be the opportunity to communicate with the families;



- Board member Leveque stated that the Neighborhood Watch Meeting will be in-person on March 14<sup>th</sup> at St. Euphrasia Catholic Church at 6:00 p.m.;
- Treasurer Hector stated that lighting outage due to rain caused multiple accidents on Wilbur and Chatsworth. Councilman Lee's office was very instrumental in getting a stop sign at that intersection;
- Board member Balen stated that Thursday, March 23<sup>th</sup> there will be a coffee with the cops at 11850 Balboa Blvd. at 11:00 a.m.;
- Board member Leveque has tickets for the April 22<sup>nd</sup> for pancake breakfast and invited the community to participate;
- Board member Sarkisyan stated that John, Senior Lead Officer, will be coming to her office to talk about safety to realtors.

21. Next meeting will be held on April 12, 2023. This meeting will most likely be held in person at the Vineyards Community Room. More information will be provided as information is received in the coming days.

22. Meeting Adjournment – **President Khanlian**

Treasurer Hector adjourned the meeting at 10:45 p.m.