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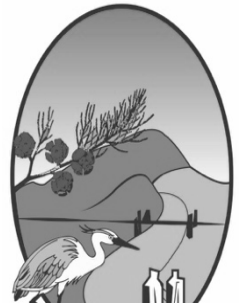
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GREATER CYPRESS PARK NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, July 14, 2026– 7:00 PM

In Person Meeting



DRAFT MINUTES

Board Members	Roll Call
Ash Kramer	Present
Bryan Kramer	Present
Carmen Morales	Absent
Dolores Bernal	Present
Mayra Duque	Present
Olivia Salcedo	Present

Call to Order

1.1 Roll Call. The meeting was called to order at 7:11PM by Bryan Kramer. Five (5) board members were present at roll call: Ash Kramer, Bryan Kramer, Dolores Bernal, Olivia Salcedo and Mayra Duque were present. Quorum was met.

Carmen Morales was absent.

Bryan Kramer said the board wanted to thank Julio Galvez for his time on the board, he mentioned he was retiring from the board and that was a new vacancy on the board.

2.0 Comments from Public Officials **No Public Officials.**

2.1 Public Safety

Bryan Kramer mentioned Officer Spellman from the LAPD could not be in attendance but read an update: Officer Spellman wrote that a clean up will take place along the encampment on Avenue 27 including the impounding of some vehicles. Bryan Kramer

also added that if anyone had other questions for Officer Spellman he could pass them along.

Captain Daniel Lee of Fire station 44 of the LAFD introduced himself and thanked the community; he mentioned he had been at the local fire station for 5 years; he reminded the community with the advent of social media there have been benefits of real time updates and easier access to information but also more misinformation especially when it retains to the devastating fires and the likelihood such fires could strike the community; Mr. Lee reaffirmed that the community is safe and protected from the type of fires that hit the Palisades; he reminded the audience of LAFD Alert and LAFD.org for more information as well as NotifyLA for city emergency alerts; Mr. Lee mentioned despite the city's efforts on anti-fireworks campaigns it was to no avail as many neighborhoods experienced loud fireworks during the 4th of July.

Bryan Kramer asked if the community sees someone lighting fireworks if they can call the police or should they call the Fire Department.

Mr. Lee said that would be a 9-1-1 call because LAFD cannot take a call without a dispatcher adding that all fireworks are a police matter and that all fire workers are illegal. Mr. Lee continued, he mentioned pool safety during the summer at public pools where it is required by law to have CPR instructions, scooping devices; he reminded the community always look for these things at public pools; next he mentioned incidents locally where people called on their neighbors worried over fire risks, he added to always keep a hose ready and fire extinguishers near barbecues or during home construction work.

Public Comment 1-

Olivia Salcedo asked if there were any comparable structures in Cypress Park like the one in the Lineage fire.

Mr. Lee said there were no structures in Cypress Park equivalent to the one in the Lineage fire.

Ash Kramer asked which agency was responsible for air quality issues.

Mr. Lee said environmental hazards require multiple agencies.

Ash Kramer added that she was underwhelmed by the smoke alert from the lineage fire, mentioning that there was not much warning.

Public Comment 2-

Public Comment 3-

**2.2 Elena Chavez, Field Deputy for Councilmember Eunisses Hernandez
Not Present.**

**2.3 Susan Cervantes, Northeast Area Representative from Office of Mayor Karen Bass
Not Present.**

2.4 Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment
Lorenzo Briceño introduced himself as the DONE rep for the NC; Mr. Briceño mentioned that all board members have to take a virtual financial training with August 31st being the deadline, he added the training would have to be retaken again in 2027; Mr. Briceño mentioned there would be a City Planning 101 training on July 23rd at 12 noon, a Neighborhood Council Election Information Session on Saturday July 25th from 10am-12 noon at Piper Technical Center in Los Angeles, and on July 29th there will be a city wide Neighborhood Council Election information virtual session from 6-8pm.

Public Comment 1-

Lastly, Mr. Briceño gave out his contact information: 213 978-1153 as well as his email lorenzo.briceno@lacity.gov

2.5 Hector Rodriguez Field Representative CA 52nd State Assemblymember Jessica Caloza
Not Present.

2.6 100-Acre Partnership
Not Present.

2.7 Other Public Officials
None.

3.0 Public Comments

Public Comment 1-

Public Comment 2-

Public Comment 3-

Olivia Salcedo discussed a matter from the Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance in reference to the Arroyo Seco water reuse project affecting parts of San Pasqual Park mentioning that Pasadena wants to clean the water, trees would need to be removed and it would alter a creek in Highland Park, adding that 10 percent of the water would go to irrigate a golf course and that public comment was still available until Saturday August 1st.

Ash Kramer said she spoke with Marcus from the Veterans group about the incident where a car ran over the flag pole and cracked the memorial plaque, she said he is asking if the Neighborhood Council can help with the flag pole, that he has been paying the electricity for lighting the flag pole out of his own pocket; she added that in the next meeting they would discuss what the Neighborhood council could do to help.

4.0 Community Outreach Discussion

4.1 Bryan Kramer reminded attendees to check out the council website at
<https://cypressparknc.com> for the latest on current and upcoming events in the area.

- 4.2 Bryan Kramer also reminded attendees to check out Rec Center's website for upcoming sports and classes at Cypress Park Rec Center <https://www.laparks.org/recenter/cypress>.**
- 4.3 Elysian Park Master Plan Survey**
Olivia Salcedo said the link was on the agenda and that the steering committee would devise a plan for Elysian Park improvements.
- 4.4 Office of the City Clerk, Paola Posada, Project Coordinator.**
Not present.
- 5.0 Treasurer's Report.**
- 5.1 Update: Current State of the budget and expenses**
Ash Kramer said the new fiscal year had begun setting a new budget and that the board was able to use their debit card again.
- 5.2 Review and approve Monthly Expenditure Reports for June 2026.**
Ash Kramer said the board had \$3,921.55 and this should be part of the roll over funds.
Ash Kramer motioned to approve the expenditure report; Seconded by Mayra Duque.

Roll Call:

Yes- Ash Kramer, Bryan Kramer, Mayra Duque, Olivia Salcedo and Dolores Bernal.

Motion passes.

6.0 Consent Calendar

Bryan Kramer motioned to approve minutes from board meeting in June; Seconded by Ash Kramer.

Olivia Salcedo asked about signage for 311 and possible locations as discussed in the previous meeting.

Bryan Kramer mentioned the dollar store, the rec center and the intersection of Ave 26 and Figueroa as possible locations.

Mayra Duque said with regards to removal of trash cans in the neighborhood, she and Carmen had tabled the item because they live in the area where the trash cans have been placed and felt that it was making it easier for the unhoused to overrun the trashcans.

Bryan Kramer said they could agendize the trash can issue.

Roll Call:

Yes- Ash Kramer, Bryan Kramer, Mayra Duque, and Dolores Bernal.

Abstain-Olivia Salcedo.

Motion Passes.

7.0 Action Items

7.1 Discussion and Possible Action: Fiscal Year 26-27 DONE Administrative package including annual budget, signers, and cardholder designations.

Ash Kramer asked the board and the meeting if anyone objected to her continuing as board treasurer; all agreed there were no objections. Next Ash Kramer asked for a second signer and Mayra Duque agreed, with Olivia Salcedo agreeing to be an alternate signer. Ash Kramer said she would be first name card holder and that Olivia Salcedo would be the second bank card holder.

Ash Kramer said their budget was \$25,000 with \$4,000 roll-over, \$296 for storage, \$150 for minute taking, live meeting interpretation at \$4,200 which the city reimburses, but Ash Kramer mentioned the reimbursement can take months; Office supplies were at \$12,500, event co sponsorship at \$6,000, election supplies at \$500 and \$6,000 for NPG's leaving \$0 for community projects.

Dolores Bernal asked if web-hosting/Zoom counted as part of the budget.

Ash Kramer said the Zoom license was \$255.61 and that it could be subtracted from Miscellaneous office supplies.

Olivia Salcedo asked what the \$6,000 was for and if it had been used already.

Ash Kramer said it had been used for giveaways, co-sponsoring events, due to them being city entities; Ash Kramer said they would set the budget for the Rec Center at the next meeting.

Olivia Salcedo suggested putting money into community improvement projects by maybe using the rollover money.

Ash Kramer agreed.

Dolores Bernal suggested the funds be allocated for the Veteran's flag pole into the next month.

Public Comment 1-

Ash Kramer said all expenditures were available on their website; the changes would be to add the Zoom license and reimburse the flag pole probably around \$9,000 in which case they would have to partner with CD1.

Ash Kramer motioned to approve Fiscal year packet; Seconded by Mayra Duque.

Roll Call:

Yes- Ash Kramer, Bryan Kramer, Mayra Duque, Olivia Salcedo and Dolores Bernal.

Motion passes.

7.2 Discussion and Possible Action: 1st Live stream of GCPNC Meeting in July 2026.

Bryan Kramer said the meeting was being live streamed though they had no viewers at the moment.

7.3 Discussion and Possible Action: NPG request from Clockshop for up to \$5K.

Bryan Kramer said Clockshop declined to attend and asked to be taken off the agenda.

7.4 Discussion and Possible Action: A Pair of Six Story buildings are being built at 3200-3244 N.

Figueroa Street. Dan Lee, representative of the development company, provides written answers to follow-up questions from last month's meeting.

Bryan Kramer read questions sent to Dan Lee and his responses.

Question: There will be 150 vehicle influx, what safety measures are being done.

Mr. Lee said they would not use the entrance off Arroyo Seco and either Figueroa or River Street would be used.

Question: Will you seek variants or zone waivers.

Mr. Lee responded no but they are obligated to follow noise requirements.

Question: What is the target demographic for the buildings.

Mr. Lee said customers for their self-storage site could come from a 2-3 mile radius and for the multi-family units they were looking at young professionals but that economic factors would come into play.

7.5 Discussion and possible action: Vote on new board meeting for open seat.

Susan Rocha expressed her interest in joining the board; she was interested in being a candidate against noise issues and justice reform.

Bryan Kramer motioned not to approve Susan Rocha; Seconded by Olivia Salcedo.

Roll Call:

Yes- Ash Kramer, Bryan Kramer, Mayra Duque, Olivia Salcedo and Dolores Bernal.

Motion passes to deny Susan Rocha board membership.

8.0 New Business and Ideas for future meetings.

10. Adjournment

Bryan Kramer adjourned the meeting at 8:29 PM.