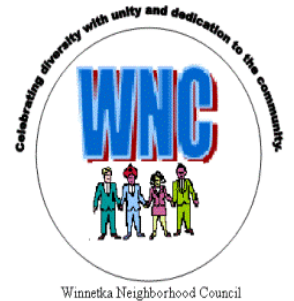


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From: JJ Popowich
 To: WNC Board Members, Public
 Re: WNC Regular Board Meeting Minutes for 04/10/07

1. Pledge of Allegiance, Call to Order, and Board Members Roll Call.

Board Member	Present	Absent	Excused
JJ Popowich	X		
Art Sims	X		
Erick Lace	X		
Jozef Essavi	X		
Armineh Chelebian	X		
Marilyn Robinson	X		
Dwight Burgess	X		
Nina Essavi			X
Nalini Natarajan	X		
Edesa Aghakhanmoshabad	X		
Howard Seflin	X		
Edwina Hollins			X
Lores Rizkalla	X		
Open Seat			
Youth Open Seat			
Total	11		

2. **Explanation of Meeting Rules.**
3. **Approval of Minutes from March meeting.**
4. **Public Comments** – Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board’s subject matter jurisdiction. The public is requested to fill out a “**Speaker Card**” to address the Board on any agenda item before the Board takes an action. The Speaker Card is requested so that the Speaker’s names are complete and correct in the meeting Minutes.
5. **State and local government representatives updates:** Senator Alarcon’s representative, Assemblyman Levine’s representative, Mayor Villaraigosa’s representative, Councilman Smith’s representative, Councilman Zine’s representative, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment representative, and other local or state government representatives that may wish to attend.

- 5.1. Ms. Weissner introduced herself. She said that Mr. Rios asked to thank Ms. Robinson and Mr. Burgess for coming to Zine's cleanup vent. She said that Councilman Smith is asking to pass ordinance allowing the City to shut down illegal businesses operating out of homes (i.e. car repair shops) before the Planning Department has gone through the official process.
- 5.2. Ms. Chelebian asked for clarification on the 50/50 Sidewalk program because we were under the impression we can't participate in this program as a NC.
- 5.3. Ms. Weissner spoke about various community events. She pointed out that the Walk-A-Thon has opportunities for Outreach that we may be able to participate in, in their tribute book.
- 5.4. Mr. Sims expressed that one thing he is concerned about is the legal shops using the public streets to store their vehicles.
- 5.5. Ms. Weissner commented that you can work with the Dept of Transportation.
- 5.6. Ms. Dunne-Reyes pointed out that she has observed that there was a body shop person working on a car on the street behind the Church. She went on to talk about getting apartment owners to provide the bulky item pick up information to their tenants.
- 5.7. Ms. Weissner said that they are making a big push to do this.

6. Discussion and possible action on supporting the Valley Village's annual Showtime Event.

- 6.1. Mr. Popowich introduced the issue. He spoke about last year's event with the purchase of the TV, which he indicated we cannot do again. He went on to say that this year Susan Basler has indicated that they would like our support again and that they have brought their Gold Sponsorship to our attention which is a \$3000.00 sponsorship of Valley Village which includes a table at the event, table signage, a gold recognition recognition in the audiovisual at their event, and a full page ad in their tribute book. He said that we would have to clear this with DONE, but possibly it would be Outreach.
- 6.2. Ms. Basler introduced herself and explained about the program and what they do. She alluded to the issues that occurred last year and Valley Village's understanding that we can't do this again. However, she said that she felt that we could possibly do it as Outreach or a service. She said that we could get authorization of underwriting their audio visual portion.
- 6.3. Mr. Popowich opened the item for discussion.
- 6.4. Ms. Chelebian said that she felt it is the least of what we can do.
- 6.5. Mr. Lace said that he had checked with Steve Buele from DONE and he has indicated that so long as it's a service we can do it. He suggested that we move along with the procedure where we get an email approval from DONE before we commit to this.
- 6.6. Ms. Basler explained what the audio visual package that we purchase would include the audio visual presentation, the creation of, and the technician and equipment.
- 6.7. Mr. Lace made the following motion:

WNC-041007-01: Whereas Valley Village is the largest employer in the community of Winnetka. Whereas the Valley Village Showtime event is attended by a large number of community members and dignitaries. The WNC approves the expenditure of \$3000.00 for the purchase of an audio visual presentation to be played at the Valley Village Showtime Event. In addition to this service we will be provided a Gold Sponsorship which includes branding of the WNC on the audiovisual presentation a full page ad in the program, and table signage as a form of conducting Outreach. . (Lace-Robinson)
- 6.8. Mr. Popowich called the roll.

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain
JJ Popowich	X		
Art Sims	X		
Erick Lace	X		
Jozef Essavi	X		
Armineh Chelebian	X		
Marilyn Robinson	X		
Dwight Burgess	X		
Nina Essavi			
Nalini Natarajan	X		
Edesa Aghakhanmoshabad	X		
Howard Seflin	X		
Edwina Hollins			
Lores Riskalla	X		
Open Seat			
Youth Open Seat			
Total	11		

6.9. Motion passed 11-0.

7. Discussion and possible action on a request by Elizabeth Wiessner, Field Deputy for Councilmember Smith for \$500.00 to help promote and support the Councilmember’s Citrus Sunday Event.

7.1. Mr. Popowich asked Ms. Weissner to discuss this again.

7.2. She commented that the local collection center will be the Winnetka Recreation Center. She explained the need for this program to support the local food banks. She said that in the past they have done this and it’s been very successful. She commented that this year they will use the recreation centers to do this. They are asking for about \$500.00 to print up flyers for this event.

7.3. Mr. Popowich said he moves that we donate the \$500.00.

7.4. Mr. Seflin asked if our name would appear on the signs.

7.5. Ms. Weissner commented that they wanted to keep it generic for the signs but pointed out that the name would be on the signs as well as on the t-shirts.

7.6. Ms. Natarajan asked for more info on the program.

7.7. Mr. Popowich made the following motion:

WNC041007-04: The WNC allocates \$500. For flyers and outreach material for 2007 Citrus SUNDAY. (Popowich-Sims)

7.8. Mr. Popowich called roll:

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain
JJ Popowich	X		
Art Sims	X		
Erick Lace			
Jozef Essavi	X		
Armineh Chelebian	X		
Marilyn Robinson	X		

Dwight Burgess	X		
Nina Essavi			
Nalini Natarajan	X		
Edesa Aghakhanmoshabad	X		
Howard Seflin	X		
Edwina Hollins			
Lores Raskall	X		
Open Seat			
Youth Open Seat			
Total	10		

7.9. Motion 10-0.

8. **Discussion and possible action to draft a letter in support of North West San Pedro NC’s attempt to allow NC participation in a Citizen’s Advisory Council on large developments in their area. The request, through the LANCC is for all NC’s to endorse NC participation in advisory panels formed by the City Council and the Planning Department and to stress the importance of the City Planning Department working with NCs on large developments within their boundaries. The motion they have submitted for consideration is as follows:**

WNC-041007-12: WHEREAS, using advisory committees selected from the local community or using Neighborhood Councils, and doing actual planning with the assistance of the Planning Department is a model that is good for the City; and

WHEREAS, Neighborhood Councils are in a unique position to assist the City in how it approaches traffic management issues generally.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Winnetka Neighborhood Council endorses and supports the process of planning in the City through the cooperative efforts of the Planning Department and Neighborhood Councils; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Winnetka Neighborhood Council endorses and supports a City-wide examination of traffic policy (including consideration of creating Los Angeles specific traffic generation standards) that includes input and collaboration of Neighborhood Councils; and

The President of the Governing Board of the Winnetka Neighborhood Council is instructed to forward a copy of this resolution and its approval to the Councilmember for the 3 & 12th Districts and to the General Managers Planning Department and the Department of Transportation.

8.1. Mr. Popowich boiled down the issue.

8.2. Mr. Sims said he supports this.

8.3. Mr. Seflin said that he agrees and we can just send this over to them as support.

8.4. Mr. Sims said that he is concerned that many developers come before us and say they are going to do and that they are not enforced.

8.5. Mr. Seflin supports this motion.

8.6. Mr. Burgess seconded the motion.

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain
JJ Popowich	X		
Art Sims	X		
Erick Lace			
Jozef Essavi	X		
Armineh Chelebian	X		
Marilyn Robinson	X		

Dwight Burgess	X		
Nina Essavi			
Nalini Natarajan	X		
Edesa Aghakhanmoshabad	X		
Howard Seflin	X		
Edwina Hollins			
Lores Raskall	X		
Open Seat			
Youth Open Seat			
Total	10		

8.7. Motion approved: 10-0.

9. Discussion and possible action on joining Granada Hills South NC to host a debate between LAUSD School Board Candidates Tamar Galtazan and John Lauritzen on May 8th. The details of this event are not clear at this time and Lauritzen has not agreed yet to the debate.

9.1. Mr. Popowich explained that at this point it would be most likely in name only and not financial. He also pointed out that this Mr. Lauritzen has not even agreed to participate.

9.2. Ms. Chelebian asked why we don't support do debates for many different seats that affect us.

9.3. Mr. Popowich said that we can do this but we would have to vote on each event separately because we would have to allocate funds and man it.

9.4. Ms. Robison said one thing that took a lot time because we were working with Time Warner and that took a lot of time.

9.5. Mr. Zelzer, a stakeholder, commented that he is a long time resident of the Winnetka Community. He said that next year he is running for Assembly District 40. He said that next week he is meeting with Ms. Galtazan to work on issues. He went on to say that his platform is on environmental issues and issues that focus on community issues.

9.6. Ms. Rizkalla what he has done in the community in the past.

9.7. He went on to say that he was a Navy public relations officer and has participated in some local community events.

9.8. Mr. Sims made a motion to support this event.

9.9. Ms. Chelebian commented Lauritzen is backed by the Union and Galtazan is backed by the Mayor so we shouldn't spend any money on this.

9.10. Mr. Sims said it's not money, it's about hearing from what they say.

9.11. Ms. Natarajan seconded the motion.

WNC-041007-05: The WNC supports the idea of the debate.

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain
JJ Popowich	X		
Art Sims	X		
Erick Lace			
Jozef Essavi	X		
Armineh Chelebian	X		
Marilyn Robinson	X		
Dwight Burgess		X	
Nina Essavi			

Nalini Natarajan	X		
Edesa Aghakhanmoshabad	X		
Howard Seflin		X	
Edwina Hollins			
Lores Raskall	X		
Open Seat			
Youth Open Seat			
Total	8	2	

9.12. Motion passed 8-2.

10. **Discussion and possible action on forwarding the letter created for Councilmember Zine last month on the priorities for the WNC to DONE in response to DONE's request for NC priorities. This includes a request to add Outreach as a major priority to the letter.**

10.1. Mr. Popowich introduced.

10.2. Mr. Popowich made the following motion:

WNC-041007-06: The WNC will send the same letter sent to Councilmember Zine to DONE.

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain
JJ Popowich	X		
Art Sims	X		
Erick Lace			
Jozef Essavi	X		
Armineh Chelebian	X		
Marilyn Robinson	X		
Dwight Burgess	X		
Nina Essavi			
Nalini Natarajan	X		
Edesa Aghakhanmoshabad	X		
Howard Seflin	X		
Edwina Hollins			
Lores Riskalla	X		
Open Seat			
Youth Open Seat			
Total	10		

10.3. Motion passed 10-0.

11. **Discussion and possible action on a request from Wendy Moore to move our web site hosting services from Freeservers to another hosting company at the discretion of the President. This will include instructions to the WNC Treasurer to enter the WNC debit card as the primary payment form. After reviewing our current web hosting service it was discovered that they are Linux based and do not support SQL programming which our developer prefers. The estimate for cost should not be much different.**

11.1. A discussion on this was held and Mr. Popowich explained what web hosting was. Mr. Seflin asked if Ms. Moore would provide a list.

11.2. Mr. Popowich made the following motion:

WNC-041007-07: The WNC grants the President discretion to work with our web site developer to choose a new server.

11.3. Mr. Sims seconded.

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain
JJ Popowich	X		
Art Sims	X		
Erick Lace			
Jozef Essavi	X		
Armineh Chelebian	X		
Marilyn Robinson	X		
Dwight Burgess	X		
Nina Essavi			
Nalini Natarajan	X		
Edesa Aghakhanmoshabad	X		
Howard Seflin	X		
Edwina Hollins			
Lores Riskalla	X		
Open Seat			
Youth Open Seat			
Total	11		

11.4.

12. Discussion and possible action on a motion to allow WNC Board Members to make administrative decisions that allow for the efficient operation of the WNC yet, do not negatively impact the stakeholders of Winnetka, without first having discussion and approval of the entire WNC Board (i.e. creating WNC email boxes for each Board member).

12.1. Mr. Seflin explained the history of this motion. He said that our current server has the ability to provide us email addresses. He pointed out that everyone else has these. He pointed out that he had asked Mr. Popowich to create an email address and he had responded that Mr. Popowich said that his needed to be discussed.

12.2. Ms. Chelebian commented that this is a good idea, but that the motion is very broad in this nature and may cover too much.

12.3. Mr. Seflin said we can make it specific to email boxes.

12.4. Ms. Rizkalla said that there are issues in many other organizations with various rules. She said that there may be situations that come up where someone could misrepresent the council. She said that we need to have some basic rules.

12.5. Mr. Popowich commented that he agreed and this is what he has always feared.

12.6. Ms. Rizkalla said we should set some very basic rules.

12.7. Mr. Popowich suggested the following:

WNC-041007-08: The WNC grants the President the discretion to create email boxes for the WNC Board members and those emails will be governed by the following rules:

Emails shall be used for WNC official business only.

Emails sent by WNC Board members shall not contain any offensive language, images, or audio-visual items.

Emails shall not be used by WNC Board members for campaigning.

Emails shall not be used by WNC Board members to support any candidate for any public.

Emails by WNC Board members shall not provide the appearance that any position taken by the email address holder represents the views, opinions, or a decision of the Board.

Any disputes arising from this policy will be discussed in a public meeting by the Board and the Boards action shall be deemed final.

12.8. Mr. Sims seconded the motion

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain
JJ Popowich	X		
Art Sims	X		
Erick Lace			
Jozef Essavi	X		
Armineh Chelebian	X		
Marilyn Robinson	X		
Dwight Burgess			X
Nina Essavi			
Nalini Natarajan	X		
Edesa Aghakhanmoshabad	X		
Howard Seflin	X		
Edwina Hollins			
Lores Riskalla	X		
Open Seat			
Youth Open Seat			
Total	9	0	1

12.9. Motion passes

13. Discussion and possible action on the following motion requested for consideration by the LANCC:

041007-13: Whereas: Currently, Neighborhood Councils lack the legal right to appeal discretionary development approvals such as tentative tract map decisions, variances, and conditional use permits. As currently written, the appeals rights provisions of the Municipal Code undermine the important role that Neighborhood Council's play in the development process.

Whereas: The City Attorney has taken the position that Neighborhood Councils cannot appeal because they are part of the City structure, even though they are only advisory in nature. However, the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) grants the right of appeal to city officials, including the Mayor and City Council members, as well as granting the Advisory Agency (Planning Department) the right to appeal tentative tract maps, an entitlement needed for larger condominium projects.

Virtually all development entitlements may be appealed through the administrative process by any interested or aggrieved parties – which includes individuals, businesses, homeowner associations and in some instances, City officials. Neighborhood Councils are unfairly excluded from this broad class of potential appellants.

The purpose of this resolution is to give Neighborhood Councils the same rights every other affected group of stakeholders has in this city, rights that many official, decision making city officials already also have.

Therefore: Be It Resolved that the LANCC requests the Neighborhood Councils consider a process by which the LAMC is amended in order to give to Neighborhood Councils the right of appeal on planning and zoning matters.

13.1. Mr. Popowich explained the issue

13.2. Mr. Essavi seconded motion

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain
JJ Popowich	X		
Art Sims	X		
Erick Lace			
Jozef Essavi	X		

Armineh Chelebian	X		
Marilyn Robinson	X		
Dwight Burgess	X		
Nina Essavi			
Nalini Natarajan	X		
Edesa Aghakhanmoshabad	X		
Howard Seflin	X		
Edwina Hollins			
Lores Riskalla	X		
Open Seat			
Youth Open Seat			
Total	10		

13.3. Motion passes:10-1

14. Discussion and possible action on the following Committee reports & recommendations:

- **Finance Report (including Treasurer’s Report) (Lace)**
 - Discussion and possible action on budget planning for the 2007-2008 Fiscal Year.
 - Mr. Lace gave out the information for the monthly report. He also announced that we are changing banks per DONE to US Bank. He asked all Committee Chairs to provide what they need for next year.
 - Mr. Essavi asked if we had heard anything from the City that the previous funds that we have are going to be taken from DONE.
 - Mr. Lace said that is not clear. He said that the funds are always spent from the previous years. However, there is always the risk that the Mayor can come along.
 - Ms. Chelebian suggested that we earmark these funds for projects now.
 - Ms. Chelebian asked that we vote some funds for her.

WNC-041007-03: The WNC approves \$500 for the Interfaith Committee.

Mr. Sims seconded

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain
JJ Popowich	X		
Art Sims	X		
Erick Lace	X		
Jozef Essavi	X		
Armineh Chelebian	X		
Marilyn Robinson	X		
Dwight Burgess	X		
Nina Essavi			
Nalini Natarajan	X		
Edesa Aghakhanmoshabad	X		
Howard Seflin	X		
Edwina Hollins			
Lores Riskalla	X		
Open Seat			
Youth Open Seat			
Total	11		

- Motion passes 11-0

- **Interfaith Committee (Chelebian)**

- Discussion and possible action on expanding the Interfaith Committee from 11 members to a total of 13 members.

- Ms. Chelebian said that they had their first meeting. She said Pastor Eric Thomas, from Christ Community Church attended and was appointed along with Marsha Novak from the Valley Interfaith Council. She said that she had met with the LAPD Interfaith Council representative and he will have to discuss the offer of a seat with his superiors before he can commit to the committee. She has also met with a local Hindu temple and they have appointed Ms. Natarajan. She is still contacting other organizations.

She said that she does not think they will have a meeting this month pending more outreach.

Ms. Chelebian asked that we have add a seat to allow Sikhs to have a separate representative since they are a separate religion

WNC-041008-09: The WNC will expand the Interfaith Committee to 13 from 11 members. (Chelebian)

- Seconded by Mr. Popowich

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain
JJ Popowich	X		
Art Sims	X		
Erick Lace			
Jozef Essavi	X		
Armineh Chelebian	X		
Marilyn Robinson	X		
Dwight Burgess	X		
Nina Essavi			
Nalini Natarajan	X		
Edesa Aghakhanmoshabad	X		
Howard Seflin	X		
Edwina Hollins			
Lores Riskalla	X		
Open Seat			
Youth Open Seat			
Total	10		

- Motion passed 10-0

- **Outreach & Events Committee Report: (Edwina Hollins)**

- Discussion and possible action on a motion by the Outreach & Events Committee to vacate all committee seats with the exception of the Chair & Vice Chair and appoint new Committee members at the April 10th meeting.

- Mr. Seflin suggested we table it.
- Mr. Popowich asked why there was a need to vacate the positions on the committee when we can't even fill the committee seats at this time.
- Mr. Sims said that those on the committee felt that people didn't have the opportunity to serve on the committee.
- Mr. Seflin pointed out that the vacant seats on the committee are still vacant.
- Mr. Popowich clarified the By-Laws.
- There was a long discussion by all sides on what to do. The issue is that the Committee felt that not enough people were given an opportunity to participate and be appointed. Some felt that dissolving the committee and removing the

few that were appointed would be wrong. Other's felt that the Chair should finish filling her committee as it was intended to be filled without removing people.

- Mr. Sims made the following motion:

WNC-041007-10: The WNC Board agrees that the previously appointed committee members be vacated and that a posting occur to fill all positions available on the committee with the exception of the Chair & vice Chair.

- Ms. Natarajan seconded the motion:

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain
JJ Popowich		X	
Art Sims	X		
Erick Lace			
Jozef Essavi	X		
Armineh Chelebian		X	
Marilyn Robinson			X
Dwight Burgess		X	
Nina Essavi			
Nalini Natarajan	X		
Edesa Aghakhanmoshabad	X		
Howard Seflin		X	
Edwina Hollins			
Lores Riskalla		X	
Open Seat			
Youth Open Seat			
Total	4	5	1

- Motion fails 4-5-1
- *Discussion and possible action on a request from the Outreach & Events Committee to merge with the Youth & Education Committee.*
 - Mr. Lace asked to discuss this committee and have it remain as a separate committee.
 - Mr. Essavi asked why this had come up to have it merged.
 - Mr. Lace said that there are so many aspects that this will have to be dealt with between the Youth Committee and many other committees.
 - Mr. Sims said it came from Outreach.
 - Mr. Popowich suggested that we keep it as a separate committee.
- *Discussion and possible action on a request for funds for additional banners for promotional events*
 - Mr. Popowich tabled because no dollar amount was available.
- *Update on plans for additional Outreach material and the next WNC Quarterly newsletter.*
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- **Planning & Land Use Management (PLUM) Committee report (Popowich):**
 - *No meeting since there is no pending projects to discuss.*
- **Public Safety Committee Report: (No Chair At This Time) – No Meeting Held**
 - *Discussion and possible action to vacate all committee seats with the exception of the Chair & Vice Chair and appoint new Committee members at the April 10th meeting.*

- Mr. Popowich explained why he considers this different than the earlier discussion regarding Outreach.

WNC-041007-11: The WNC will vacate all positions on the Public Safety Committee, with the exception of the Chair and Vice Chair and allow Mr. Essavi to re-fill the committee. (Essavi)

- *Seconded by Mr. Sims.*

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain
JJ Popowich	X		
Art Sims	X		
Erick Lace			
Jozef Essavi	X		
Armineh Chelebian	X		
Marilyn Robinson	X		
Dwight Burgess	X		
Nina Essavi			
Nalini Natarajan	X		
Edesa Aghakhanmoshabad	X		
Howard Seflin		X	
Edwina Hollins			
Lores Riskalla			X
Open Seat			
Youth Open Seat			
Total	8	1	1

- *Motion passes: 8-1-1*

- **Public Works & Transportation Committee Report:** (Chelebian)

- *WNC-PWT-032207-01: “The Public Works & Transportation Committee of the Winnetka Neighborhood Council moves to request that Councilmember Dennis Zine approve the installation of faux red brick motifs to provide crosswalk beautification and enhance the Sherman Way median strip boundaries at the following intersections: Sherman Way / DeSoto Ave; Sherman Way / Corbin Ave.*

Furthermore, the Public Works & Transportation Committee of the Winnetka Neighborhood Council recommends the installation of faux red brick motifs in the crosswalks of the following intersections for the beautification of the Winnetka Business District. Winnetka Ave / Saticoy St; Saticoy St / Oso Avenue. (Motion by art Sims, Second by Edwina Hollins. Motion passed 5-0)

- Ms. Chelebian explained the motion.
- Mr. Popowich moved that we accept the motion as follows:

WNC-041007-11 : The WNC approves WNC-PWT-032207-01as is.

- Mr. Sims seconded.

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain
JJ Popowich	X		
Art Sims	X		
Erick Lace			
Jozef Essavi	X		

Armineh Chelebian	X		
Marilyn Robinson	X		
Dwight Burgess	X		
Nina Essavi			
Nalini Natarajan	X		
Edesa Aghakhanmoshabad	X		
Howard Seflin	X		
Edwina Hollins			
Lores Riskalla	X		
Open Seat			
Youth Open Seat			
Total	10	0	0

- A stakeholder asked how we can post signs to keep them off the sidewalks.
 - Mr. Burgess advised the stakeholder should address this with the Public Safety Committee.
- *The Public Works & Transportation Committee of the Winnetka Neighborhood Council moves to participate in Big Sunday and allocate up to a maximum of \$1,500 for the purchase of refreshments for the volunteers, supplies for the cleanup and beautification of Sutter Middle School and Winnetka Neighborhood Council promotional items. (Motion by Armineh Chelebian, Second by Edwina Hollins. Motion passed 5-0)*
- Ms. Chelebian explained the event of Big Sunday as a citywide event that is designed to clean up the community as drafted by the Mayor's office. She indicated that two schools had signed up for Big Sunday, Sutter Middle School and Fulbright. Initially they met with Sutter Middle School who had indicated they planned to put in plants and do some painting. They also met with the principal of Fulbright and they also would like to do some painting. The Mayor's office has agreed to donate supplies. However, if the City is unable to purchase all the supplies the PW-T Committee wanted to be able to reach out to the local businesses to donate supplies and if they cannot then we can spend up to \$1500.00. She introduced Principal Caren Guthman from Fulbright Elementary School.
 - Ms. Guthman introduced herself and thanked Ms. Chelebian and the Committee for meeting with her. She said that they are really working to clean up their school and beautify the school which is 50 years old. They have 15 teachers who have volunteered and are working to get more volunteers from the teachers. They are looking at a cleanup and planting project. They have asked the city for mulch, soil, and plants. They also would have liked trees, but the LAUSD will not cut the sidewalk to plant them. They are also trying to clean up the entrance. In addition, in honor of the 50 year anniversary they want to create a tiled seating area near the office which will be tiles created by the children. They are also working to improve their library and working with non-profits to increase the stock.
 - Mr. Popowich suggested that we pick up the cost, up to a point of setting the tiles for the School as well as look into, via the PW-T Committee on cutting tree wells and planting trees. He suggested that the PW-T works with the LA Mayor's Million Trees program. He asked that we increase the motion tonight to include the cost of tile.
 - Ms. Chelebian discussed the need for chairs for the parents center and asked if LA Shares could provide them
 - Ms. Robinson commented that it is a wish list that the WNC can place their name on to get this.
 - Mr. Sims commented that he too is concerned about the trees not having any water.
 - Ms. Guthman commented that they have one of the campuses that don't have much green. There were some schools in the past that had done the greening but not Fulbright.
 - Ms. Natarajan asked what we were going to do for Sutter?
 - Ms. Chelebian commented that Sutter Middle School has located other groups. This amount will cover both schools if they need it. She said we can make a separate motion or add funds to this for the tile.
 - Mr. Seflin asked about raising the amount because the motion only included Sutter.

- Mr. Popowich said that he felt that we should not support Sutter since they are not community responsive. There is no reason to reward that.
- Ms. Chelebian made the following motion:

WNC-041007-12: The Public Works & Transportation Committee of the Winnetka Neighborhood Council moves to participate in Big Sunday and allocate up to a maximum of \$3000 for the purchase of refreshments supplies for the cleanup and beautification of Sutter Middle School and Fulbright Elementary School and Winnetka Neighborhood Council promotional items. (Motion by Armineh Chelebian, Second by Art Sims)

- Mr. Popowich called the roll:

Board Member	Yes	No	Abstain
JJ Popowich	X		
Art Sims	X		
Erick Lace	X		
Jozef Essavi	X		
Armineh Chelebian	X		
Marilyn Robinson	X		
Dwight Burgess	X		
Nina Essavi			
Nalini Natarajan	X		
Edesa Aghakhanmoshabad	X		
Howard Seffin	X		
Edwina Hollins			
Lores Riskalla	X		
Open Seat			
Youth Open Seat			
Total	11		

- Motion passed 11-0.
- Mr. Sims updated the Board on the solar lighting. He said that he has contacted a vendor who would like to provide us a demonstration of the light to the entire Board. He is asking for a Saturday night so that we can see it. He commented that the vendor is willing to draw up the plans and work with our requirements. He went on to say that this vendor is the same vendor that placed lights on Reseda and on Ventura.
- Ms. Chelebian commented that Peter Parish is a member of the DWP MOU Oversight Committee. She went on to say that most of the vendors they spoke to they would not work on the landscaping.

- **Rules, Elections, and By-Laws Committee Report:** (Popowich) - No Meeting Held

15. **Reports from liaisons: LANCC, DWP Oversight Committee, Councilmember Smith’s Service Cabinet, VANC (Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils).**

16. **Adjournment**
