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BOARD AGENDA

7:00 PM

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2009

VALLEY COLLEGE

FACULTY LOUNGE CONFERENCE ROOM

5800 FULTON AVENUE

VALLEY GLEN, CALIFORNIA 91401

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Agenda is posted for public review at: [Erwin Street School](#), 13400 Erwin Street, Valley Glen, CA; [Cambridge Farms](#), 12431 Burbank, Valley Glen, CA; [Monlux Elementary School](#), 6051 Bellaire, Valley Glen, CA; [Kittridge Street Elementary School](#), 13619 Kittridge Street, Valley Glen, CA.; and on the web site, www.greatervalleyglencouncil.org or www.gvgc.us.

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1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, and Roll Call;
2. Presentation of City Resolutions of Appreciation to Abdul Zohbi and Benjamin Goldblatt for service to the GVGC Board and Community by Antonio Sanchez, East Valley Director for Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa;
3. Other Special Presentations;
4. Guest Speaker: **Laurette Healy** – the Community Leader who championed the successful effort to incorporate the southern area of Van Nuys (which adjoins Greater Valley Glen on our West side) into Sherman Oaks.
5. LAPD Senior Lead Officers' Reports;
6. Reading of Outstanding Minutes: of July 6 and 14, 2009; possible motions;
7. Treasurer's Report: possible motions;
 - Approval of monthly financial report: **No Report for September, 2009;**
 - Review of all Outstanding Invoices; possible motions:
8. Government Reports:
 - Council District 2 Report: Field Deputy Laura Davidson;
 - State Assemblymember Paul Kerkorian's Report: Field Deputy Report;
 - State Senator Alex Padilla: Deputy Lara L. Larramendi



➤ DONE Report: Taneda Larios, Project Coordinator;

➤ Other Government Representatives Reports;

9. President's Report re:

➤ Welcoming Board Members for the 2009/2010 season;

➤ President's Nomination(s) for vacant Board Seats; **possible confirmation vote**;

➤ Vacant Board Seats

● 2 Business Seats,

● 1 Education Seat and

● 1 Youth Seat are vacant

● Home Owner Seat Area 4

• suggestions welcomed;

➤ Board and Committee Meeting Rooms Schedule;

➤ Committee restructuring and assignment changes;

RESTRUCTURING: The President recommends Committee restructuring and assignment changes as outlined below:

1. Merge Business Promotion & Development and Government Relations Committees into one new Committee = Government and Business Relations Committee:

Charlotte Laws, Chair and Carlos Ferreyra, Vice Chair;

Newly formatted Committee to conform more closely to local issues relating to the City, the Valley and Valley Glen; and to present at monthly Board Meetings copies of all Council File items filed; to monitor the City Council on all matters relating to the Community or Citywide and report on same to the Board; to liaison with the local business community as to the business community's concerns and to develop a strong local business community. The Committee Members of both Committees will be members of the new Committee;

2. Refer all matters relating to Q conditions and Q Conditions enforcement into the Planning and Land Use Committee; and require the Committee to develop a web site outline of the Q Conditions and a complaint form for Q Conditions violations on the web site;

3. Chris Ueland to Chair South East Valley Development Committee;

4. Public Safety: Jean Sinatra nominated as Co-Chair and Vice Chair;

➤ **Possible Motions**;

➤ Public Comments:

➤ Board Members Comments

➤ Committee Reassignments announcement;

➤ Budget Day Representatives (2); **possible motions**;

➤ Valley Glen Bridge/Wash information;

10. General Public Comment (see rules above):

11. Board Member comments:

12. Consent Calendar: Possible motions:

- A. **PLANNING AND LAND USE:** The Greater Valley Glen Council strongly opposes the Motion (Council File#09-1784) on the part of Councilmember Jose Huizar (14th district) that proposes an in-lieu fee that would be paid by developers in order to reduce the required number of parking stalls at future developments, that would be placed in a special fund within the DOT for public transit improvements. Councilmember Huizar moves that the Council request that DOT report on the feasibility of such a plan.
- B. **GOVERNMENT RELATIONS:** That the Greater Valley Glen Council hereby demands that before any increase in parking meters and/or fees, the city conducts a thorough survey of the potential costs and effects of such changes, and submits the reports of such studies to neighborhood councils and chambers of commerce in the affected areas;
- C. **ELECTION:** That the GVGC Board approves and ratifies the following items relating to the 2010 Election and authorizes that this approval be forwarded to the Los Angeles City Clerk: The attached map of the Greater Valley Glen Council boundaries is true and correct and endorsed by the GVGC Board.
1. GVGC election sites of Los Angeles Valley College and/or Erwin Street Elementary School for the 2010 elections submitted on August 11, 2009; and
 2. The attached map of the Greater Valley Glen Council boundaries is true and correct and endorsed by the GVGC Board.
- D. **OUTREACH:** That the Greater Valley Glen Council approve and authorize replenishing the Community Outreach Account in the amount of \$1,500 to be expended by resolution of the Community Outreach and Neighborhoods Committee for general and miscellaneous items pertaining to Outreach; and That all said specific expenses shall be paid pursuant to approval of the GVGC Community Outreach and Neighborhoods Committee by Committee Resolution forwarded to the GVGC Treasurer.
- **Possible Motions;**
 - Public Comments:
 - Board Members Comment;

13. Community Outreach and Neighborhoods Report;

- A. General Committee Status Report;

B. **PROPOSED MOTION:** that the Greater Valley Glen Council authorize GVGC co-sponsorship of a candidate debate or forum between the 2 finalists candidates, in the event that a run-off election is required after the September 22, 2009 election, for the 2nd District Council seat set for Valley College Monarch Hall on Monday, November 30, 2009; and

That the proposed candidate debate or forum may be co-sponsored by other neighborhood councils and the Associated Student Union of Los Angeles Valley College; and

That a sum not to exceed \$2,500 be appropriated for the total GVGC costs associated with the proposed event, and that said sum shall also include the expenses associated with some Community Outreach which also will highlight other upcoming GVGC programs, activities and events as well as the costs actually associated with co-sponsorship of the proposed Candidate debate or forum; and

That all said specific expenses shall be paid pursuant to approval of the GVGC Community Outreach and Neighborhoods Committee by Committee Resolution forwarded to the GVGC Treasurer; **possible motions;**

- Public Comments:
- Board Members Comment;

C. **PROPOSED MOTION:** that the Greater Valley Glen Council approve and authorize a Fall/Winter Newsletter highlighting events, activities and programs of the Greater Valley Glen Council and welcoming community involvement with the GVGC as well as initial outreach of information for the upcoming GVGC election in May, 2010; and The expenditure shall not exceed \$5,000; and

That all said specific expenses shall be paid pursuant to approval of the GVGC Community Outreach and Neighborhoods Committee by Committee Resolution forwarded to the GVGC Treasurer; **possible motions;**

- Public Comments:
- Board Members Comment;

D. **PROPOSED MOTION:** that the Greater Valley Glen Council expend the total amount of \$6,000 in Neighborhood Purposes Grants for Public Schools in the Greater Valley Glen Council Jurisdiction to be used to maintain and/or retain academic programs, and said money is to be appropriated as follows; \$1,500 FOR Erwin Street School; \$1,000 for John B. Monlus Elementary School; \$1,000 for Kittridge Elementary School; and \$1,000 for Grant High School; and \$1,500 for Los Angeles Valley College; and That the additional \$500 amounts authorized for Erwin Street Elementary School and also for Los Angeles Valley College are in recognition of the GVGC's extensive use of their facilities for meetings use; and

Upon completion of the Neighborhood Purposes Grant application in a form acceptable to the President, said application shall be submitted to the GVGC Board for approval and submittal to Empower LA.; **possible motions;**

- Public Comments:
- Board Members Comment;

14. Cambridge Farms Recycling Issue Committee Report; Maria Denis, Chr.; Report;
A. General Committee Status Report;
15. Beautification Committee Report:
A. General Committee Status Report;
B. Review of Grant Application re: PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT and other Valley Glen Community Park improvements;
C. Status of other grant possibilities;
D. Victory/Whitsett Medians Update;
E. Fulton/Vanowen Triangle – SPRINT TOWER REPORT;
➤ Public Comments;
➤ Board Members Comment;
16. Ad Hoc Civic Town Hall Meeting Committee Report; Karo Torossian, Chr.
➤ General Committee Status Report;
17. Southeast Valley Development Committee; Terry Anderson, Chr.
➤ General Committee Status Report;
18. Government Relations Committee
A. General Committee Status Report;
B. **PROPOSED MOTION:** The GVGC supports the NC/DOT MOU as presented to the Dept of Transportation on August 15, 2009; **possible motions;**
➤ Public Comments;
➤ Board Members Comment;
- C. **PROPOSED MOTION:** LAUSD needs reform. The Greater Valley Glen Council supports the Resolution for Public School Choice, which allows organizations other than LAUSD to submit proposals to run 50 new schools in the district;
possible motions;
➤ Public Comments;
➤ Board Members Comment;
- D. Other Government Relations Reports:
a. DWP NC MOU Report; Montie Mazo
b. Parking Day LA Report: Charlotte Laws;
c. Status of Council Files Report: Charlotte Laws
d. LANCC by Charlotte Laws General Report;
e. Update on Valley Alliance by Vic Viereck;
➤ Public Comments;
➤ Board Members Comment;

19. Planning & Land Use Committee: Doug Breidenbach, Chr.;

A. General Committee Status Report

B. DASHER LAWLESS Project Update;

C. **PROPOSED MOTION:** The Greater Valley Glen Council strongly supports the Valley Village Neighborhood Council in regards to two appeals (DIR-2008-1178-SPP and ENV-2008-1179-MND) for the proposed development located at 11933 Magnolia Blvd. The appeals reflect opposition to the use of the City of Los Angeles's enabling ordinances with regard to SB 1818;

➤ **possible motions;**

➤ Public Comments;

➤ Board Members Comment;

20. Public Safety Committee Report; Bruce Thomas, Chr.

PROPOSED MOTION: In that the GVGC Board approved a motion at its July 14, 2009 meeting authorizing the GVGC Public Safety Committee to spend an amount that shall not exceed \$1950 for customized Neighborhood Watch stickers for home or business windows, the GVGC Board clarifies the wording of the approved motion to specifically include the purchase of other Neighborhood Watch materials including but not limited to the purchase of handbooks and other materials that assist in organizing and operating Neighborhood Watch groups; and

In any event, the GVGC Board now authorizes the GVGC Public Safety Committee to purchase Neighborhood Watch materials including but not limited to the purchase of handbooks and other materials that assist in organizing and operating Neighborhood Watch groups; and that all such expenses shall be confirmed by the Committee Chair as being in conformance with the Committees rules and

That payment of all Public Safety Committee authorized expenditures pursuant to the July 14, 2009 approved motion or this motion shall be made upon submitted forms, signed by the Chair of the Public Safety Committee and acceptable to the GVGC Treasurer.

- **Possible Motions;**
- Board Members Comments;
- Public Comment;;

21. Adjournment.

*Next scheduled meeting **October 5, 2009 at 7:00 pm.***

**** Please see attached Motions; Approval of any motion also includes approval of the motion and the entire Committee Motion Form and all information set forth therein except as amended.**