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Greater
VALLEY GLEN COUNCIL
April 6, 2009 7:30 PM

VALLEY COLLEGE CAFETERIA
5800 FULTON AVENUE
VALLEY GLEN, CA. 91401

Item 1

Call to Order at 7:20PM and Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Present: Terry Anderson, Doug Briedenbach, Maria Denis, Stanley Friedman, Ted Goldberg, Steven Hamm, Larry Jorgenson, Eli Kademian, Charlotte Laws, Montie Mazo, Chris Mushyan, Cary Popenoe, Kathleen Schwartz, Bruce Thomas, Karo Torossian, Chris Ueland, Vic Viereck, Abdul Zohbi. Absent: Fernando Ayala, Benjamin Goldblatt, Carlos Ferreyra, William Fishman, Hafeed Kardouh

Item 2

A. Town Hall Meeting Re: DASHER-LAWLESS DEVELOPMENT "THE PLAZA AT THE GLEN" at 13003-13075 VICTORY BOULEVARD, VALLEY GLEN; DEIR (Draft Environmental Impact Report No. ENV-2007-4063-EIR) and Planning Commission Hearing and Recommendation of the GVGC Board: GVGC PLUM Committee Report and Recommendation:

SPECIAL NOTE: *Kathleen Schwartz, Board Member, recused herself making the following statement: "I am recused as a board member because I have a direct economic interest in the matter since I own real property within 500 feet of the development project and I am acting in my private capacity as a stakeholder in Greater Valley Glen. I intend to view the public hearing as an observer or possibly provide comments during the public comment portion.*

*The land development could impact your residential property (2 C.C.R. **18730.5 and 18704.2(a)(1).) There is a limited exception under the Political Reform Act that allows me to provide comment as a member of the public.*2C.C.R. 18702.4(b)(1)(a)

PROPOSED COMMITTEE MOTION FOR BOARD ACTION

The PLUM Committee recommends approval of the proposed project by Dasher-Lawless Inc. located at 13003-13075 Victory Blvd. as presented at the PLUM Committee meeting on the 25th of March. The project is known as The Plaza at the Glen. The Committee approves the Draft EIR and recommends approval of the project. The PLUM Committee does not recommend the approval of the various alternatives that are contained within the DEIR. The PLUM Committee recommends that a Board letter indicating this support of the proposed project be sent to the appropriate members of the City of Los Angeles Planning Department. Moved by Ted Geldberg and seconded by Douglas Breidenbach.

- B. Dasher-Lawless - Project Developer Presentation made by Chris Allen and Michael O'Bryan using a visual display.
- C. Councilmember Greuel's Office Comments made by Jim Dantona and Dale Thrush They described the City's Land Use and Zoning Policy which allows for 2.85 square feet of building for every 1.0 square feet of land.
- D. Public Comment; Judy Price, Kathleen Schwartz, Michael Jaye, Abraham Tatenbaum, Thomas Coyle, Howard Fink, Jeffrey Sandler, Stephen Kotfica 111, Asta Criss, Bruce Woodside, James McDermott, Ram Bashan, Candice Campbell, Polly Barnaper, Ben Kagan Annabelle Wheltam, Jackie Wollner, Mickey Janall and Harry Norton
- E. Dasher-Lawless Response & Rebuttal was made by Chris Allen followed by Jim Dantona who addressed the concerns as to shared parking, traffic on Ethel Ave: additional stop signs, speed bumps, sidewalks, street lights, and closing off part of Ethel Ave.
- F. Board Comments: Bruce Thomas, Charlotte Laws, Doug Breidenbach, Ted Geldberg, Gary Popenoe, Maria Denis, Karo Torossian, Chris Ueland, Terry Anderson.
- G. Terry Anderson offered a **friendly amendment** to the motion as follows:
That the Greater Valley Glen Council Board recommends approval of the Draft Environmental Report, opposes all of the alternatives listed in the DEIR, and further, the GVGC Board recommends that the City of Los Angeles Planning Department approve the project as presented. The friendly amendment was seconded and accepted by the makers of the original motion.

As amended, the motion was then voted upon.

Approved by Roll Call vote: For 17, Against 0, Abstain 0, Recused 1

Item 3

A Public Safety Committee Report re: **FIREFIGHTERS' PANCAKE BREAKFAST AND COMMUNITY SAFETY FAIR Plans and Final Budget: *The Public Safety Committee recommends approval of an additional amount of \$13000 for the Firefighters' Pancake***

*Breakfast and Community Safety Fair to be held on April 26, 200 from 9 am to 4 pm. Pancake Breakfast will be held at the LA City Fire Station, 13200 Burbank Boulevard and the Community Safety Fair will be held at Parking Lot G, LA Valley College. These monies are in addition to the \$5000 already allocated by the Board for this event. As previously promised to the Board, the Public Safety Committee now is submitting its total budget for this major outreach event. The total budget is \$18,000. Already incurred expenses and estimated future expenses are noted in **Attachment A hereto** but authority is requested in this motion for Event Co-chairs Bruce Thomas and Terry Anderson to appropriate and spend interchangeably within this \$18,000 amount but not to exceed the total amount. The Treasurer is authorized to issue demand warrants as requested by the Co-chairs but not to exceed the total amount of \$18,000. Bruce Thomas and Steven Hamm discussed and explained the Budget for the event, copy attached.*

Moved by Bruce Thomas and seconded by Steven Hamm.

B. Public comment; None

C. Board comment and discussion; Chris Ueland, Montie Mazo, Charlotte Laws, Doug Breidenbach, Gary Popenoe, Maria Denis and Ted Geldberg.

Motion Approved: For 14, Against 2, Abstain 0

D. Discussion about Board Members assisting and volunteering at the Firefighters' Pancake Breakfast & Community Safety Fair: Bruce Thomas will lead and provide sign-up information. Public also welcomed to assist.

4. Bylaw and Election Committee Report: **RECOMMENDED BYLAW CHANGES AND ELECTION RULES STIPULATIONS**: Presentation by Chair Stan Friedman and Bylaw and Election Committee Member Judy Price;

A. Bylaws & Election Committee Report and Recommendations:

That the GVGC Bylaws and Elections Committee hereby recommends that the Board approve and authorize all appropriate resolutions (1) the Bylaw amendments as set forth in Attachment A hereto, Dated 4-6-09, and further that (2) the Board approve Office of City Clerk 2010 NC Election Procedures Stipulation Language Worksheet as completed by the Committee for the 2010 GVGC Election as presented to the Board for approval.

1. See track changes re Bylaw Proposed Amendments attached;

1.1 See Rosenberg's Rules of Order attached***

2. Office of City Clerk 2110 NC Election Procedures Stipulation Language Worksheet as completed by Committee will be presented by Judy Price;

***Copies of **Rosenberg's Rules of Order** are not provided but a copy is available for viewing at the welcome table at the front of the Board Meeting Room.

Moved by Charlotte Laws and seconded by Steven Hamm that the changes as recommend by the Committee be approved.

B. Public comment: none.

C. Board Discussion and vote: For 15, Against 0, Abstain 0 Passed

The following Reports were deferred to May Board Meeting:

- Item 5, Plans for Town Hall Meeting re Playground Equipment and Security Concerns
- Item 6, Government Relations Committee Report and Motion
- Item 7, Consent Calendar
- Item 8, Community Outreach Report
- Item 10, Treasurer's Report
- Item 11, Government Reports
- Item 12, President's Report
- Item 13, Ad Hoc Civic Town Hall Meeting Committee Report
- Item 14, Cambridge Farms Recycling Issue Committee
- Item 15, Beautification Committee Report
- Item 16, Rules and Bylaws Committee Report
- Item 17, Government Relations Committee Report

9. Minutes of March 2, 2008. Motion by Montie Mazo and seconded by Charlotte Laws, that the Minutes be approved as presented. For 15, Against 0, Abstain 0. Passed

18. Adjourned at 10:27PM