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MINUTES
MONDAY, MARCH 1, 2010
VALLEY COLLEGE
FACULTY LOUNGE
5800 FULTON AVENUE
VALLEY GLEN, CALIFORNIA 91401
Free Parking in Parking Lot B Only

1. CALL TO ORDER AT 7:10 PM, followed by PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Terry Anderson, Doug Breidenbach, Maria Denis, Carlos Ferreyra, William Fishman, Stanley Friedman, Ted Geldberg, Stephen Gonzalez, Charlotte Laws, Malke Kertis, Montie Mazo, Chris Mushyan, Gary Popenoe, Kathleen Schwartz, Bruce Thomas, Vic Viereck. ABSENT: Fernando Ayala, Josef Essavi, Eli Kademian, Larry Jorgenson, Chris Ueland
2. GUEST SPEAKER: Tamara Galatzan, Assistant City Attorney, North Hollywood
3. LAPD SENIOR LEAD OFFICERS' REPORTS;
Van Nuys: SLO's Ron Carter/Lucas Hamilton- not present
North Hollywood: SLO Jennifer Du Vally/ Carol Sawamura: Discussed crime in their Respective areas of Greater Valley Glen which included auto theft, robbery in houses and Items left visible in auto's i.e. GPS, parcels, purses, iPods etc. Followed by questions from Board Members and Public
4. READING OF OUTSTANDING MINUTES: of February 1, 2010;
MOTION by Ted Geldberg and seconded by Bruce Thomas that Minutes be approved as presented. PASSED
5. TREASURER'S REPORT:
Motion by William Fishman and seconded by Charlotte Laws that Financial Report of March 1, 2010 is approved as presented.

TREASURER Vic Viereck explained the report and reported that the DONE Reconciliation Report/Roll Over Funds and the \$500 contribution from Wendy Greuel are unresolved. See email from DONE attached.

Public Comments: None

Board Comments: Bruce Thomas, Carlos Ferreyra

PASSED



6 GOVERNMENT REPORTS:

TANEDA LARIOS, DONE - NOT PRESENT

COUNCIL DISTRICT 2 REPORT: ERIC MENJIVAR, COUNCILMEMBER KREKORIAN'S

FIELD DEPUTY: "SPY CAMERA'S" ARE STILL AT THE PARK DUE TO GANG CITY'S ANIMAL SERVICES AND A VETERNARIAN WILL PARTICIPATE IN PANCAKE BREAKFAST/SAFETY FAIR;

THE COUNCIL MAN IS NOT IN FAVOR OF NEW SPRINT TOWER, DUE TO BROKEN PROMISES, AND WILL ARRANGE TO MEET WITH;

THERE WILL BE A MEETING ON MARCH 4, REGARDING THE ETHEL AND OAKWOOD PROBLEMS.

State Senator Alex Padilla's Office: not present

State Senator Carol Liu's Office: Field Deputy Talin Mangiogly reported that their office is taking calls for the 43rd District until the Assembly seat is filled. The Senator is sponsoring SB907 Federal Funding Assistance which would help Governmental and non governmental businesses receive monies from American Funding& Recovery Act. 15th Annual Job Fair will be held on March 5 at Dodger Stadium.

Other Government Representatives Reports: none

7 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Vacant Board Seats: 1 each: Business, Education and Youth

A. STATUS OF UPCOMING NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL ELECTIONS:

Clarification: the City Council voted to continue with the City Clerk conducting all Neighborhood Council elections in 2010;

- Dates critical to election;

- Election Timeline- Region C; see attached**;
- 2010 Election Procedures': see attached**;

**Since these attachments previously have been posted and copies provided, no copies will be available at the GVGC Board meeting;

- Volunteers to assist in election;

- Review of role of neighborhood councils and their function as liaison between the City of Los Angeles and the communities and neighborhoods of Los Angeles; Terry Anderson

- History and background of Neighborhood Councils: Judy Price;

- Primary functions that neighborhood councils serve:

- Land Use review and monitoring: Doug Breidenbach;
- Public Safety and Neighborhood Watch: Jean Sinatra;
- Community Beautification and Improvement: Fernando Ayala;
- Monitoring and affecting Public Policy: Charlotte Laws;
- Time Commitment Required: Chris Ueland.

- Neighborhood Councils future: Terry Anderson;

- Questions from the Public.

- 8 General Public Comment: none
- 9 Board Member comments: Carlos Ferreyra
- 10 CONSENT CALENDAR: >>>>No items for Consent Calendar.
- 11 PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT; Jean Sinatra and Bruce Thomas, Joint-Chairs
- A. General Committee report; Bruce Thomas, Joint Chair; Plans are moving along very well. Variety of vendors have signed up along with local fire and police services. The Safety Fair will be held in the College parking lot across from fire station #102. Terry Anderson will meet with College President to finalize plans for use of the College parking area.
 - B. Firefighter's Pancake Breakfast and Community Safety Fair Report: Jean Sinatra, Joint Chr. FLYER ATTACHED.
 - C. Status of Letters authorized at 2-1-10 Meeting; moving along with good response.
 - D. Public Comments: none
 - E. Board Members Comment; Bruce Thomas indicated the need for tables and chairs for Breakfast and will have to improve manner in which food is prepared.
- 12 BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE REPORT:
- A. General Committee Status Report;
 - Every indication is that the Grant will be approved for PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT and other Valley Glen Community Park improvements and Status of other grant applications:
 - B. Fulton/Vanowen Triangle – SPRINT TOWER REPORT;

The hearing officer refused to listen to our objection to the granting of permit to build new tower in that the failure of Sprint to fulfill its obligation on the Triangle Tower has no bearing on new application. A review of application suggests that the new Tower is on City Property and hearing postponed for 3 weeks. Councilman Krekorian is in support of the position taken by GVGC and indicates he will meet with Sprint to resolve the issues. The flag has been replaced. See attached Zoning Application and Letter and E-mails;
 - C. Status of Victory and Whitsett Median clean-up;

Status Report re plan to arrange for placing artificial grass in the Victory medians by a private company at no cost to the GVGC and allow that company to place signs advertizing its product; and to work with Councilmember Krekorian and his staff in establishing these arrangements and obtaining all required City approvals. No Report
 - D. Public Comments: Theodore Payne, Carmel Hanratty

Board Members Comment; Montie Mazo, Carlos Ferreyra, Terry Anderson , Ted Geldberg, Gary Popenoe, Doug Breidenbach
- 13 COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND NEIGHBORHOODS REPORT; Terry Anderson, Chr,

- A. Committee Report: Chair;
- B. MOTION: The GVGC should participate with the Region C Neighborhood Councils in purchasing Daily News advertizing for both candidate recruitment and election participation in the upcoming Neighborhood Council election; provided that the total expenditure for all participating Neighborhood Councils shall not exceed \$5100 and that there are a minimum of 5 participating Neighborhood Councils in the advertizing program, including GVGC; the GVGC maximum liability for its participation shall not exceed \$1,020 and the GVGC Treasurer is authorized to initiate a demand warrant for this expense provided that such demand warrant shall not exceed \$1.020. Advertising program is attached as Attachment 12.B Moved by William Fishman and seconded by Doug Breidenbach.

- Public Comments: Judy Price
- Board Members Comment: None
- APPROVED: For 13 Against 1 Abstain 0
 - VGNA NEWSLETTER; attached.

14 AD HOC CIVIC TOWN HALL MEETING COMMITTEE REPORT; Karo Torossian, Chr.

- Report on plans for upcoming... None

VALLEY GLEN ELECTED PUBLIC OFFICIALS NIGHT

15 CITY'S BUDGET CRISIS AND AFFECT OF CHANGES TO DONE AND NC'S

A Terry Anderson stated that rollover funds will probably be lost as the deadline to support request to keep rollover and assembly all the documentation need was insufficient.

Public Comments: Judy Price

Board Comments: Gary Popenoe, Montie Mazo, Bruce Thomas, Terry Anderson, Ted Goldberg, William Fishman, Doug Breidenbach

B MOTION re Neighborhood Prosecutor program/SLO's: That the Greater Valley Glen Council opposes any effort to reduce staffing or funding reduction to the Neighborhood Prosecutors Program of the City Attorney's Office as it would adversely affect the quality of life protection afforded to the neighborhoods in the City of Los Angeles; further the GVGC also opposes and staffing or funding reduction of the LAPD Senior Lead Officer Program as such reduction again would adversely affect the quality of life protections afforded to the neighborhoods in the City of Los Angeles.

Moved by William Fishman and seconded by Vic Viereck

Public Comments: Judy Price

Board Comments: Bruce Thomas, Kathleen Schwartz, Vic Viereck, Terry Anderson, Montie Mazo, William Fishman

16 GOVERNMENT AND BUSINESS RELATIONS COMMITTEE

- A. General Committee Status Report; No Report
- B. Status of previously approved motions for Council Files: No Report
- C. Status of Committee Revamp effort re:

MOTION: "In order to assure strong independent financial oversight of the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP), the Greater Valley Glen Council supports a rate payer advocate committee, comprised of seven unpaid volunteers, one from each planning area. The seven individuals should be selected in the same manner as the area representatives who served on the 912 Commission. The Rate Payer Advocate Committee shall be able to obtain needed documents from the City of Los Angeles and LADWP in a timely manner and without being charged any fees." Moved by Charlotte Laws and seconded by Doug Breidenbach

Public Comments: None

Board Comments: Ted Geldberg, Montie Mazo

PASSED

- D. LAUSD Parcel Tax issue:

MOTION: The Greater Valley Glen Council opposes the LAUSD approved tax of \$100 each parcel which will appear on the June Ballot. The elections alone will cost taxpayers \$3 million to \$\$ million. The measure is ill-conceived. It comes at a time when taxpayers are suffering due to economic downturn and it unfairly targets property owners. Moved by Charlotte Laws and seconded by Bruce Thomas.

Public Comments: None

Board Comments: Ted Geldberg, Gary Popenoe

PASSED

- E. Rainwater capture plan for Los Angeles issue:

MOTION: The Greater Valley Glen Council supports the idea of a rain water capture ordinance, as approved by the Board of Public Works in January 2010. We encourage the City to present the issue in public forums in order to iron out the details and to get feedback from stakeholders. Moved by Charlotte Laws and seconded by Ted Geldberg

Public Comments: None

Board Comments: Ted Geldberg, Montie Mazo, Doug Breidenbach

PASSED

- F. *Clean Money / publicly financed elections issue: Withdrawn*

- G. *DONE and NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS*

MOTION: Moved by Charlotte Laws and seconded by William Fishman,

“The Greater Valley Glen Council supports outsourcing the fiscal responsibilities of DONE to a non-profit, public service corporation (such as the California Community Foundation) and make NC accounting practices uniform throughout the City”

Public Comment: Judy Price

Board Comment: Terry Anderson, Charlotte Laws, Vic Viereck, Montie Mazo

PASSED

MOTION: The standardized accounting practices shall include city-wide website to receive input from NC Treasurers. TABLED

Other Government and Business Relations Reports:

- 1. DWP NC MOU Report; Montie Mazo NONE*
- 2. Update on Valley Alliance by Vic Viereck: NONE*

17 PLANNING & LAND USE COMMITTEE: *Doug Breidenbach, Chr.;*

- A.** *General Committee Status Report: NONE*
- B.** *Committee participation in PlanCheckNC; Doug Briedenbach: NONE*
- C.** *Draft Bicycle Plan Update: Malky Kertis: NONE*
- D.** *Status of expanding Valley Glen “Q” Conditions to entire area of Greater Valley Glen: Council Krekorian will support and have City Council support “Q” Conditions for all of Valley Glen.*
- E.** *Status of Dasher Lawless Development on Victory Boulevard: Ted Geldberg reported: The Glen-looking to lease 80,000sq ft for restaurants/big box stores The Plaza-total remodel of existing stores.*

Public Comment: Judy Price

Board Comment: Terry Anderson

18 CAMBRIDGE FARMS RECYCLING ISSUE COMMITTEE REPORT; *Maria Denis, Chr.;* Report; No report.

19 SOUTHEAST VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE; *Chris Ueland, Chr.*

- *No report this month...*

20 ADJOURNMENT. *Moved by Bruce Thomas and seconded by Ted Geldberg PASSED (9:55pm)*

*Next scheduled meeting at **APRIL 5, 2010 at 7:00 pm.***

**FIREFIGHTER'S PANCAKE BREAKFAST
AND**

COMMUNITY SAFETY FAIR

SUNDAY, APRIL 25, 2010

at

VALLEY GLEN FIRE STATION 102 AND VALLEY COLLEGE



Board Members are requested to reserve the date to assist.

*** Please see attached Motions; unless otherwise stated, approval of any motion also includes approval of the motion and the entire Committee Motion Form and all information set forth therein except as motion and/or submitted motion form is amended.*