



# Greater Valley Glen Council

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### **AGENDA**

GVGC BOARD MEETING  
MONDAY, March 2, 2015,  
7:00pm

Los Angeles Valley College  
**Campus Center Room 104**

5800 Fulton Avenue  
VALLEY GLEN, CALIFORNIA 91401

### Board Members

Alan Aklyan	Douglas Breidenbach
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**GVGC Quorum is 13 Board members**

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Agenda is posted for public review at: on the website [www.gvgc.us](http://www.gvgc.us), Erwin Street Elementary School, 13400 Erwin Street, Valley Glen, CA; As a covered entity under Title 11 of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Los Angeles does not discriminate on the basis of disability and upon request, will provide reasonable accommodation to ensure equal access to its programs, services and activities. Sign language interpreters, assistive listening devices, or other auxiliary aids and/or services may be provided upon request. To ensure availability of services, please make your request at least 3 business days (72 hours) prior to the meeting you wish to attend by contacting the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment at (866) LA-HELPS, (866) 584-3577.

1. Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance
2. Board roll call.
3. Board approval of February, 2015 minutes
- 4 L.A.P.D. Senior lead officer reports:
  - a. Van Nuys Division
  - b. North Hollywood Division Government Representatives reports.
5. Government Representatives reports.
 

Introduction of Deputy City Attorney, Diego Edber, North Hollywood Neighborhood Prosecutor.
6. Treasurers report and motions:
  - a. Motion to approve monthly expenditure reports to DONE for January and February, 2015.
7. Public comments on issues not on current agenda (please see requirements in paragraph above).
8. Committee Reports;
  - Community Outreach and Neighborhoods Committee.**
    - a. Board approval of C. Ferreyra as Acting Committee Chair.
    - b. Status report on website management and "approved" vendor.
 

Possible motion.
  - Government Relations Committee – Judy Price, Chair**
    - a. Motion stating that the Greater Valley Glen Council is opposed to the Draft Ordinance adding Section 22.818 to the Los Angeles Administrative Code establishing Regional Neighborhood Council Grievance Panels and granting the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners the authority to vacate Board seats. Council File #150067.

**PROPOSED COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT:** Since NCs are already required in the Bylaws to address grievances, the GVGC is opposed to the Draft Ordinance adding Section 22.818 to the Los Angeles Administrative Code establishing Regional Neighborhood Council Grievance Panels and granting the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners the authority to vacate Board seats. Grievances should be handled in the jurisdiction where filed. Neighborhood Councils should have parity with the City Council which has no such requirement regarding grievances. Imposing more rules and regulations on NCs further erodes their local control and self governance, and conflicts with the intent of the Charter. Council File #15-0067.

- b. Motion stating that the Greater Valley Glen Council in spirit supports the Draft Ordinance adding a new Article 12 to Chapter 6 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code establishing a Sidewalk and Curb Repair Fund; however, it cannot support the Draft Ordinance until the source of funding is established and is acceptable.  
Council File #15-0184.

PROPOSED COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT: There are many long neglected sidewalks in disrepair and many Curbs that are not ADA compliant creating a public hazard. In spirit, the GVGC supports the Draft Ordinance adding a new Article 12 to Chapter 6 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code establishing a Sidewalk and Curb Repair Fund; however, it cannot support the Draft Ordinance until the source of funding is established and is acceptable.  
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**Parks, Community Improvements and Medians Committee. Sloan Myrick, Chair.**

No motions submitted

**Planning and Land Use Committee – Charles Samson, Chair.**

No motions submitted.

**Arts and Education Committee – Linda Wherli, Chair**

a. Motion for the expenditure of no more than \$250.00 to sponsor a Theodore Payne Foundation Speakers Bureau educational presentation at Erwin Street Elementary School to educate the students on the effects of our current drought and its effect on flora and living organisms.

b. Motion for the expenditure of no more than \$2500.00 to sponsor an educational Community Forum on the effects of our current drought and how to mitigate it with conservation and the available programs. Forum presenters to be the Thomas Payne Foundation, DWP presenters, Turf Terminators and others to follow. The “Best Landscape” program will be re-launched at this forum. Date and location to be determined by the Outreach and Parks Committees.

c. Motion to approve the locations and preference ratings recommended by the Committee for the “Horses of the Valley” statue; they are:

# 1 - Triangle median at Burbank Blvd. and Coldwater Canyon Blvd.

#2 - Tujunga Wash at Oxnard St. and Coldwater Canyon Blvd.

#3 - Tujunga Wash at Victory Blvd, and Ethel Ave.

d. Motion for the expenditure of no more than \$750.00 for the purchase of a trailer for the transport of the horse statue to various community schools and community organizations to outreach and educate on the rural history of the community. After permanent installation of the statue, the trailer will be used by Outreach and Safety committees for a portable booth for purposes as described by the USC Community Plan.

e. Motion for the expenditure of no more than \$500.00 to sponsor one educational program by Enrichment Works at a Greater Valley Glen elementary school to be determined.

9. Board member comments on items not on agenda.

10. Presidents comments

a. Motion stating that the Greater Valley Glen Council is opposed to the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (BONC) proposed Resolution to enter into contracts/agreements for online voting for the 2016 Neighborhood Council (NC) elections and the delegation to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) the ability to finalize and execute a contract/agreement on behalf of BONC. The GVGC strongly urges that NCs be given an appropriate amount of time to review this proposal before anything is decided by BONC and DONE. NCs should be able to make self determination on whether to use online voting and should not be an unilateral mandate.

b. Motion for the expenditure of no more than \$500.00 to co-sponsor a Senior Symposium March 22 presented by ONEgeneration for community seniors. The Symposium will address senior issues and normally draws an average of 800 senior stakeholders. GVGC will have a booth at the symposium as an outreach opportunity.

c. updates on various issues.

11. Adjournment.

*Next GVGNC Board meeting will be held Monday, April 6, 7:00 pm. Los Angeles Valley College, Campus Center, room 104. 5800 Fulton Avenue, Valley Glen, CA 91401(Location subject to change)*