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c. Motion stating that the Greater Valley Glen Council supports the DWP Advocacy Committee Resolution dated September 5, 2015 regarding the DWP proposal for a five year, 25% to 30% increase in our utility rates. To summarize, it is a call for a more open and transparent process and that Ratepayers have ample opportunity to review and analyze the report of the Ratepayers Advocate and its independent consultant; and have ample time to provide input to the City Council. Also, that the City Council freeze the cash contributions to the City from the 8% Transfer Fee at $250 million a year and the City Utility Tax at $350 million a year, with any excess funds invested in the Power System.

d. Motion requesting that there be a standing agenda item on the GVGC agenda allowing a report from our own budget rep or a budget advocate on the issues the budget advocates are working on. This would allow the board to take action on any late breaking issues where time could be of the essence.

e. Motion supporting the Resolution (Krekorian-Huizar) to OPPOSE AB 744, which would interfere with the City’s ability to impose parking requirements on housing developments. (Council File 15-0002-S90)

PROPOSED COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The Los Angeles City Council has frequently taken positions against State bills that limit the City’s jurisdictional control. AB 744 limits the City’s ability to determine the parking needs of the City’s diverse communities. One size does not fit all state-wide. What works in Fresno does not necessarily work in Los Angeles. (Council File 15-0002-S90)

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DWP Oversight Committee report – Joanne D’Antonio
VANC report – Vic Viereck

Parks, Community Improvements and Medians Committee, Sloan Myrick, Chair

a. Motion approving payment to the BMC Landscape Management Inc. no more than $2400 to provide maintenance of Victory Blvd medians between Goodland and Babcock Streets. Clean up of Valley Glen neighborhood blight promotes community pride and may increase area property values.

b. The Motion approving the expenditure of no more than $300.00 for the purchase of pet waste bag station including 200 bags to be installed at Laurel Grove Park and other sites as need determines. The availability of a convenient pet waste station encourages Park users to pick-up after their pet. Pet waste is a health hazard, as well as unsightly to park visitors and anywhere in our community.

c. Motion approving payment to the LA Corp of Conservation no more than $2400 to provide maintenance including watering to trees planted by LA Parks and Recreation Department within Valley Glen Community Park and/or Laurel Grove Park. Immature trees recently planted in the park, in order to thrive in this climate, require an extensive root system that cannot develop without supplemental waterings.

Planning and Land Use Committee - Charles Samson, Chair.

a. Motion stating that the Greater Valley Glen Council Board supports Environmental Assessment ENV-2015-3232-EAF and Tentative Tract TT-73796-CN at 6328-6330 N. Hazeltine Ave., Valley Glen to obtain approval for a 7 unit condominium complex containing 14 parking spaces and 7 bicycle spaces.
b. Motion stating that the Greater Valley Glen Council Board supports the current Mansionization Ordinance for Greater Valley Glen, and does not support a proposed new Mansionization Ordinance, modeled after the Studio City Mansionization Ordinance No. 182048. http://planning.lacity.org/Code_Studies/Misc/ResidentialFloorPlan.pdf

Arts and Education Committee–Linda Wehrli, Chair
a. No motions submitted

Safety Committee–Carlos Ferreyra, Chair
a. No motions submitted

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA.

9. PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS.
   a. City Attorney’s written response on Board member involvement on outside organizations.
   b. Elections committee appointments; Board approval request.
      • C. Ferreyra, Chair
      • M. Brassem
      • C. Samson
      • K. Schwartz
      • R. Pisani
   c. Motion to approve expenditure of no more than $300.00 for a portable P.A. system for events and outside meetings.
   d. Motion requesting the expenditure of $500 for co-sponsorship of Village Run/Walk Halloween Fun Run on October 31, 2015. The event ends at Valley College with a Family Fair and would allow GVGC to have a booth and a presence in our community.
   e. Report on Congress of NC’s.
   f. Board member contact information.

10. ADJOURNMENT.

Next GVGC Board meeting will be held Monday, November 2, 2015, 7:00 pm.
Los Angeles Valley College, Campus Center, Room 104.
5800 Fulton Avenue, Valley Glen, CA 91401 (Locations subject to change)