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**GVGC BOARD MEETING - AGENDA**

**MONDAY February 1, 2016 @ 7:00pm**

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

5800 Fulton Avenue, Valley Glen, California 91401

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The public is requested to fill out a "Speaker Card" (per individual agenda item) to address the Board on any item of the agenda prior to the Board taking action on an item. Comments from the public on Agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. Comments from the public on other items not appearing on the agenda that is within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction will be heard during the Public Comment period. Public comment will be limited to **two (2) minutes** per speaker, unless waived by the presiding officer of the Board. Presiding officer reserves the right to limit further, depending on number of speakers. No person may assign their speaking time to another.

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1. Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance
2. Board roll call.
3. Approval of October, November December, 2015 minutes.
4. L.A.P.D. Senior Lead Officer Report
  - Van Nuys Division
  - North Hollywood Division
5. Government Representatives Reports.
6. Treasurers report and motion:
  - Motion to approve monthly expenditure reports to DONE for January, 2016.
  - Budget Representative report. Possible motion.
7. Public comment on issues not on the agenda.
8. COMM ITTEE REPORTS:

**Community Outreach and Neighborhoods Committee, Michael Brassem, Chair.**

- a. Review of Valley Day Festival proposal. – Carlos Ferreyra
- b. Election issues – Carlos Ferreyra

**Government Relations Committee -Judy Price, Chair**

- a. **MOTION FOR BOARD ACTION:** The Greater Valley Glen Council supports the proposed DWP Resolution NO. 016 130 and Water Rate Ordinance that seeks to accelerate its efforts to prudently replace its aging infrastructure to avoid costly and disruptive water main breaks; and to work toward increased water sustainability by reducing the City's dependence upon imported Metropolitan District Water resources and by increasing local groundwater cleanup, stormwater capture, recycled water usage, and water conservation; and the adoption of a new water rate ordinance which would be effective April 1, 2016; to increase water conservation by Single-Dwelling Unit Residential customers by moving from two to four cost-based tiers in which lower levels of consumption are priced at lower rates. (CF 15-1543)



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**PROPOSED COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT:** With the rapidly aging water infrastructure in the City of Los Angeles, it is important for the LADWP to accelerate its efforts to replace its aging infrastructure to avoid costly and disruptive water main reaks; therefore, the Greater Valley Glen Council supports the DWP Resolution NO. 016 130 and Water Rate Ordinance. (CF 15-1543).

b. **MOTION FOR BOARD ACTION:** The Greater Valley Glen Council supports the Motion to place a measure on the next General or City election ballot to raise new revenue needed to address homelessness. (CF 16-0047).

**PROPOSED COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT:** With homelessness growing in the City and County, permanent funding sources are critical to providing permanent housing, homelessness diversion programs, and supportive services; to that end, the Greater Valley Glen Council supports the Motion to place a measure on the next General or City election ballot to raise new revenue needed to address homelessness. (CF 16-0047).

c. **MOTION FOR BOARD ACTION:** The Greater Valley Glen Council supports the Motion that the City establish a guiding principle that services, facilities and housing be provided throughout the City and the County and to formally reverse the policy of containment that has led to over-concentrations of homeless services in certain parts of the City and County. (CF 16-0046).

**PROPOSED COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT:** Homelessness has grown by 12% over the last two years throughout the City but services are not available city or countywide. The Greater Valley Glen Council supports that the City establish a guiding principle that services, facilities and housing be provided throughout the City and the County and to formally reverse the policy of containment that has led to over-concentrations of homeless services in certain parts of the City and County.(CF 16-0046)

d. **MOTION FOR BOARD ACTION:** The Greater Valley Glen Council supports the Homelessness and Poverty Committee's proposal to develop a strategic plan for homelessness to include incorporating cost-effective housing strategies, expanded outreach and services, and better coordination with the County and other partners; authorizing the Controller to create a new account in the Unappropriated Balance (UB) entitled Serving and Housing LA's Homeless; and the one time investment of up to, but not to exceed, \$100 Million of city-accessible funds. (CF 15-1138-S1)

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e. **MOTION FOR BOARD ACTION:** The Greater Valley Glen Council supports the City Attorney Report R15-0323, dated December 17, 2015, relative to a draft ordinance adding section to the Administrative Code to enable a City Board or Commission to give enhanced consideration to a Neighborhood Council's position on an item pending before a City Board or Commission (CF 15-0389) Note: GVGC supported related CF 15-0524.

**PROPOSED COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT:** The Rules, Elections and Intergovernmental Relations and Neighborhoods Committee made a list of recommendations, dated August 21, 2015, with Item 4 recommending that Neighborhood Councils have separate time at any City Council or Council committee meeting. The Greater Valley Glen Council supports the proposed ordinance to set aside separate time at any City Board or Commission meeting for NCs to provide feedback on a pending item. (CF 15-0389).

f. **MOTION FOR BOARD ACTION:** The Greater Valley Glen Council supports the proposed Resolution to be included in the 2015-2016 State Legislative Program that calls for: a) Increase the public disclosure requirements for oil and gas storage facilities; b) Establish a moratorium for new gas wells and gas storage wells until all existing wells are brought up to current standards; c) Require immediate disclosure of leaks to the local community and government representatives; d) Require new/best available technologies to be incorporated for monitoring and preventing future leaks; e) Require yearly update of safety and prevention plans; f) Require equipment necessary to enact the emergency plan to be located on site; g) Create a permanent moratorium on remediation costs being passed onto ratepayers or taxpayers; h) Create a mechanism for calculating the environmental damage so that the true cost will be borne by the polluter and not the ratepayer/taxpayer. (CF 0002-S117)



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**PROPOSED COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT:** It has become increasingly obvious that the status quo is not sufficient to protect the public health and ensure the safety of our community, and sweeping regulatory reform legislation is needed. The Greater Valley Glen Council supports the Resolution to be included in the 2015-2016 State Legislative Program that calls for more oversight of oil and gas storage facilities. (CF 0002-S117).

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

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

**a. MOTION FOR BOARD ACTION:** Motion that GVGC approve spending up to \$300 for purchase of a plaque in memory of Laurence Rory Guy (aka Angus Scrimm, The Tall Man) to be installed on a concrete pad within Valley Glen Community Park. Plaque will be constructed of material less likely to be removed for scrap value, eg. enamalized porcelain.

**b. MOTION FOR BOARD ACTION:** Motion that GVGC approve spending up to \$5000 with a matching CD2 matching Beautification grant of \$5000 (total of \$10000) to be spent to purchase and installation of shadecloth covering (similar to the Valley Glen Park’s playground shadecloth covering) over the Laurel Grove park’s playground equipment/sand area.

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

**a. MOTION FOR BOARD ACTION:** The Greater Valley Glen Council Board opposes LA City Council File 15-1002, an Ordinance expanding the use of shared vehicles. The proposed Ordinance by the Planning Dept. will permit the substitution of one shared vehicle for every four required parking spaces for residential or mixed-use buildings located on or within one quarter mile of a transit corridor. Also, the Planning Dept. will prepare recommendations for reducing and/or eliminating parking requirements based on certain criteria.

**b. MOTION FOR BOARD ACTION:** The Greater Valley Glen Council Board opposes LA City Council File 15-1003, an Ordinance modifying Site Plan review requirement. The proposed Ordinance by the Planning Dept. will increase the threshold for site plan review from 50 residential units, and establish an administrative zoning clearance process for projects below this threshold as a strategy to increase the City’s affordable house production.

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

a. No motions submitted

***Safety Committee - Carlos Ferreyra, Chair***

a. No motions submitted

***Board member comments on items not on the agenda.***

***President’s Comments***

**Adjournment.**

***Next GVGNC Board meeting will be held Monday, March 7, 2016, 7:00 pm.  
Los Angeles Valley College, Campus Center, Room 104.  
5800 Fulton Avenue, Valley Glen, CA 91401 (Location subject to change)***