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MONDAY, September 11, 2017, 7:00 pm

Los Angeles Valley College, Campus Center, FIRESIDE ROOM. 5800 Fulton Avenue, Valley Glen, CA 91401

Public Parking Allowed in Lot "B" Only.

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#### ~ GVGC QUORUM IS 13 BOARD MEMBERS ~

- 1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance. (2 minutes)
- 2. Board Roll Call. (2 minutes)
- 3. Possible Nomination and Board Approval of new Board members.
- 4. President Comments Part 1 (2 minutes)
- 5. Board approval of August 2017 minutes. (2 minutes)
- 6. Treasurer's report: (5 minutes)
  - a) Motion for Board approval of August MERs for as per DONE requirements. GVGC Monthly MERs
- **b) Motion for Board approval** of expenditures of \$142.03 to reimburse Sloan Myrick of out of pocket expenditures for Food Truck Night flyer printing.
- **c) Motion for Board approval** of expenditures of \$74.57 to reimburse Rich Pisani of out of pocket expenditures for printing services.
  - d) Budget Advocate report: Adria Brodie (2 minutes)
- 7. LAPD Senior Lead reports. (5 minutes)
- 8. Government Representatives Reports.
  - a. DONE Rep (2 minutes)
  - b. LA City Councilmember Paul Krekorian, District 2 (2 minutes)
  - c. Office of Congressman Tony Cárdenas (CA-29) (2 minutes)
  - d. Office of Assemblymember Adrin Nazarian (2 minutes)
- 9. Guest speakers (if any) (10 minutes (includes Q&A)
- 10. Public Comments on Items not on the Agenda. (2 minutes per speaker)
- **11.** Committee Reports and Motions made under Committee.

## Planning and Land Use - Doug Breidenbach, Chair - (2 minutes)

- Committee report.
- b. Motion For Board approval:

Motion regarding 5616 Hazeltine Ave.: The PLUC Committee hereby recommends the approval of a proposed 5 unit development at the above mentioned address. The applicant provided additional information to the committee that illustrated the the proposed project was in conformance with development standards for the area.

Outreach and Safety Committee- J. Chadwick, Chair. (5 minutes)

a. Committee report -



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b. Motion 1 for Board approval to split Outreach and Safety

Committee back to two separate committees as long as the Safety Committee consists of a minimum of 3 members.

**c. Motion 2 for Board approval** asking Board President to send a letter to Assemblymember Adrin Nazarian's office regarding the status of the sound wall on the 170 near Laurel Grove.

## Government Relations - W. Hall, Chair. (5 minutes)

a. Committee report

## b. Motion for Board approval:

**Motion 1**: The Greater Valley Glen Council supports the proposal to form a study and make recommendations concerning mitigation of the urban heat-island phenomenon in our City. Such mitigation is necessary as we fight the predicted ever-increasing effects of temperature rise associated with global warming. While we favor all the objectives as set forth in Council File 15-0198-S1, we specifically endorse the implementation of cool-pavement targets and the establishment of an enforceable minimum tree canopy requirement for Los Angeles' urban forest. (CF 15-0198-S1).

Motion 2: Whereas the Harvard-Westlake PSA project, as proposed, will:

- Increase traffic congestion and delays on a major commuting artery out of Valley Glen during its 30+ month construction period
- Have a negative impact on traffic flow on Coldwater Canyon even after its construction is finished,
- Set an unwelcome precedent of a private bridge over the scenic roadway with no public benefit
- Create unmitigatable noise impacts and potential air quality impacts through the release of Valley fever spores and other soil toxins, GHG and particulate emissions from the 30,000+ diesel truck trips through the canyon,
- Is incompatible with current land use on the West side of Coldwater Canyon, the General Plan and Community Plan
- Have a significant and unmitigatable negative impact on the oak and walnut woodland of the designated desirable open space land West of Coldwater and South of Ventura,
- And whereas there are numerous more reasonable alternatives with superior environmental impacts, for example a half-size field with one-story addition on the existing campus footprint (e.g., the Senior Lot),

The Board of the Greater Valley Glen Neighborhood Council hereby advises Councilmember Krekorian to oppose the Harvard-Westlake parking expansion project and advises that the Planning Commission should deny the application in its entirety.

Motion 3: The Board of the Greater Valley Glen Council endorses the motion passed at the August 3, 2017 Community Forest Advisory Committee meeting that no further trees be removed for sidewalk repair until a full EIR is completed and final EIR approved and the final EIR approved. In the interim, before final approval, any sidewalk repair that is done should not involve the removal of any healthy trees. The EIR should address the effects on the air quality and heat island effect brought on by such a potentially large removal of the urban canopy. The pace of tree removal needs to be addressed and a plan for large tree planting trees that will mature to a size providing tall tree canopy must be in place before irreparable damage is done. Large amounts of tree removal done too quickly could affect the human health and have economic impact since trees clean the air and provide shelter from the heat. A detailed tree inventory and master tree plan needs to be done by an professional independent professional entity, as well as an assessment of the number of trees that need to be removed for sidewalk repair.

**Motion 4**: All residents, workers, students and visitors to Los Angeles are entitled to and have the right to a safe and healthy environment. To the extent that the comprehensive analysis called for in the report associated with Council File 17-0447 finds that adverse health and environmental impacts are associated within a to-be-determined distance from petroleum and gas wells, then we endorse imposition of a setback/buffer from such wells that is necessary to mitigate those impacts. Any recommendations emerging from this analysis should be subject to review by the public and affected owners before any such imposition is created. As recognized in the report, the implications of this effort to establish a setback as proposed has the potential to have a significant economic impact on the City treasury. If measures other than a setback can reasonably be implemented that would result in the same safety and health benefits, they should be considered.

- c. DWP representative report (passed out to Board members)
- d. City Sustainability representative report (passed out to Board members)
- e. VANC report (passed out to Board members)

Parks, Community Improvements and Medians - S. Myrick, Chair. (5 minutes)

a. Committee report.



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b. Motion for Board approval \*no motions

Arts and Education - L. Wehrli, Chair. (5 minutes)

- **a**. Committee report.
- **b. Motion for Board approval** \*no motions
- 12. Board member comments on items not on agenda. (5 minutes)
- 13. President Comments Part 2 (2 minutes)
- 14. Adjournment motion.

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Los Angeles Valley College, Campus Center, Fireside Room
5800 Fulton Avenue, Valley Glen, CA 91401 (Location and Date subject to change).