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GVGC BOARD MEETING - AGENDA

MONDAY, June 3, 2019 @ 7:00 pm

Los Angeles Valley College, Administration Building, Room 2504 5800 Fulton Avenue, Valley Glen, CA 91401

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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. President Comments Part 1 (15 minutes)
 - Election certification
 - Seating of new GVGC board
 - Election of new GVGC board

President

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Treasurer

- Possible nominations to the Education Institutions, Religious Institutions and Community Groups liaison representatives
- Possible nominations for other unfilled seats, ie Business Representatives, etc.
- Possible President nomination to Committee Chairs--Parks, Medians and Beautification, Arts & Education
- 4. Board approval of May 2019 regular meeting minutes. (2 minutes)
- 5. Treasurer's report- C Ferreyra, Treasurer. (5 minutes)

A. Motion for Board approval of APRIL 2019 MERs for as per DONE requirements.

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6. Guest speaker(s)

TBD

7. LAPD Senior Lead reports. (5 minutes)

Officer Justin Bergmann (32052@lapd.lacity.org)
Officer Jennifer Duvally (30991@lapd.lacity.org)

Officer Mike Perez (35569@lapd.lacity.org)

- 8. Government Representatives Reports. (10 minutes)
 - A. DONE Rep (2 minutes) (Gibson Nyambura)
 - B. LA City Councilmember Paul Krekorian, District 2 (2 minutes) (Sahag Yedalian)
 - C. Office of Congressman Tony Cárdenas (CA-29) (2 minutes) (no current representative)
 - D. Office of Assemblymember Adrin Nazarian (2 minutes) (Vanessa Carr)



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- E. Other Government Reps (2 minutes)
- 9. Public Comments on Items not on the Agenda. (2 minutes per speaker)

Committee Reports:

- 10. Planning and Land Use P. Nasi, Chair (2 minutes)
 - A. Committee report
 - B. **Motion for Board approval**: (no motions submitted)
- 11. Community Outreach Committee C Ferreyra, Chair. (5 minutes)
 - A. Committee report
 - B. Motion for Board approval: (no motions submitted)
- 12. Government Relations W. Hall, Chair. (5 minutes)
 - A. Committee report
 - B. Motions for Board Approval:

Motion 1: Concerned residents of the Greater Valley Glen community; Grant High School students, faculty and alumni; and friends of trees and of the health benefits they provide are concerned that the Comprehensive Modernization Project for Grant High School includes plans for removal of California redwoods and other mature trees. The school district arborist consultant takes the position that redwoods are not part of the natural Southern California landscape and as such are susceptible to climatic conditions and other threats that challenge their viability even though that arborist identifies no diseased redwoods on campus. A second, disinterested opinion is called for. The GVGC approves expenditure of up to \$2000 to employ a certified arborist to independently assess the health of the redwoods and other mature trees identified for removal; to identify those trees whose roots pose a tripping hazard and those trees that are threatening the foundations of existing buildings; and to make recommendations on best practices for maintaining the long-term health of Grant's trees.

Motion 2: The GVGC Board adopts the following recommendations regarding the proposed U.S. Grant High School ("USGHS") Modernization Plan ("Plan") and supports the GVGC organizing a community effort (neighborhood, teachers and staff) calling for the LAUSD to reconsider its Plan based on the recommendations as listed below. Additionally the President shall issue communications to LAUSD, USGHS, and concerned Government officials regarding GVGC's recommendations.

- a. Redesign the Plan, including placement of new construction, to keep and protect as many of the campus trees as possible.
- b. Revise the Plan to either keep the Main Office on Lancer Lane or design meaningful traffic mitigations if the Main Office is to be on Oxnard Street.
- c. The Plan has as one of its goals, "to provide a safe student-oriented environment." Articulate how the Plan's proposed redesign of the US Grant HS campus makes it a safer school.
- d. With respect to the Plan's impact on Serenity Garden, the Serenity Garden name and historical orchard area must be preserved.

Motion 3 and CIS: The GVGC board is for the Council motion instructing Building and Safety, in consultation with the City attorney and Chief Administrative Officer, to prepare a report relative to monetary penalties that can be imposed for unpermitted remodels; additions, and demolitions, as detailed, with the stipulation that the entities involved agree to a deadline for issuing the report. (CF 17-0226-S1)

Motion 4: In conjunction with the City's efforts to address the many homeless residing within its borders, the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council has approved the construction at 14534 Burbank Blvd of the Mercy Housing Permanent Supportive Housing facility. The location is at the edge of the SONC area, is a street-width from the area of the Van Nuys Neighborhood Council and is approximately one-half mile from closest contact with the GVGC area. In order to keep GVGC constituents aware of this proposed facility, a posting on the GVGC website giving appropriate details about this initiative is approved.

Motion 5 and CIS: The GVGC board is for the Council Motion for the Chief Administrative Officer, the Homeless Coordinator and others as specified to report on the efficacy of existing cleanup efforts at homeless encampments that presently cost nearly \$30 million, with the stipulation that the entities involved agree to a deadline for issuing the report. (CF 19-0450)

Motion 6 and CIS: The GVGC is against the Council Resolution declaring itself a Blue Community and the phasing out of single-use bottled water sales and use at municipal facilities and events, as we lack confidence that the alternative of water jugs with municipal water is an acceptable hygienic alternative and that such an effort will encourage consumption of soda alternatives and other liquid hydrators in the place of water. (CF 19-0484)

- C. DWP representative report. (2 minutes)
- D. City Sustainability report. (Joanne D'Antonio) (5 minutes) no reports submitted
- E. VANC report. (Joseph Barmettler) (3 minutes) no reports submitted



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- 13. Parks, Community Improvements and Medians no current Chair. (5 minutes)
 - A. Committee report
 - B. Motion for Board approval:

no motions submitted

- 14. Arts and Education no current Chair. (2 minutes)
 - A. Committee report
 - **B.** Motions for Board Approval:

no motions submitted

- 15. Community Safety Committee- Alex Silva, Chair. (2 minutes)
 - A. Committee report
 - B. Motions for Board Approval:

Motion 1. The GVGC Safety Committee ask the full board approve the following motion: Greater Valley Glen residents and stakeholders respectfully demand that Valley Traffic Police patrol the Greater Valley Glen areas known for problematic speeding issues. The streets, deserving better policing, are (in no particular order)-- a) Oxnard Street b) Coldwater Canyon c) Fulton Ave d) Victory Blvd. The reckless and unsafe driving that occurs on these streets on a daily basis MUST be reduced if not eliminated.

- 16. By-Laws Committee- no current Chair. (2 minutes)
 - A. Committee report
 - B. Motions for Board Approval:

No Motions submitted

- 17. Board member comments on items not on agenda. (5 minutes)
- 18. President's Motion(s) (2 minutes)

none

19. Adjournment motion.

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