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GREATER VALLEY GLEN COUNCIL
BOARD MEETING – AGENDA
MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2020 @ 7:00 pm
Los Angeles Valley College
Fireside Room, Campus Center
5800 Fulton Avenue, Valley Glen, CA 91401

13654 Victory Blvd., #136
Valley Glen, CA 91401
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GVGC QUORUM IS 13 BOARD MEMBERS

Public Parking: Use Parking Structure Roof Level

1. Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance –
2. Board Roll Call – Secretary
 - a. Motion for approval of Minutes for December, 2019.- **2 minutes**
3. Possible motion for nomination and approval of new Board members. – **2 minutes**
4. Public Comment on Items not on current Agenda:- **6 minutes**
5. Board vote on Bylaw changes – M. Jannol, **5 minutes**
6. Treasurer's Report – A. Sipp, Treasurer – **10 minutes.**
 - a. Motion for approval of MERS.
<https://cityclerk.lacity.org.NCFundPortal.display.cfm?id=1874&type=5>
 - b. Motion for approval of Affidavit for the incurred expenditure of \$129.47 at Tony's Pizzeria on 9/9/2019 and \$ 79.55 at Tony's Pizzeria on 11/26/2019. Both expenses were for food for general meeting and committee meeting .- 2 minutes
 - c. Motion for the payment of previously approved ad in the VGNA newsletter. Payment to be \$400.00.
 - d. Motion for reimbursement to Board member M. Jannol for expenditure of \$45.00 for food at PLUM Committee meeting.
 - e. Motion for reimbursement to Board member J. D'Antonio for expenditure of \$22.10 for food at Parks and Community Improvement Committee meeting.
7. LAPD Senior Leads Reports. **5 minutes**
 - a. Officer Bergmann (32052@lapd.lacity.org)
 - b. Officer Perez (35569@lacity.org)
 - c. Officer Duvally (30991@lapd.lacity.org)
 - d. Government Representative Reports.
 - a. EmpowerLA Representative, Karen Hernandez – **2 minutes**
 - b. LA City CD2, P. Krekorian Representative, – **2 minutes**
 - c. CA Assembly 46th District, A. Nazarian Representative, Stephanie Mkhlian – **2 minutes**
- . Committee Reports and motions
- 7. Parks, Improvements & Medians Committee- M. Jannol, Chair – 10 minutes.**
 - a. Committee Report
 - Motion 1. The GVGC approves the Adopt A Median program for the updating and repair of the sign on the Coldwater/Burbank median.
 - Motion 2. The GVGC approves support a joint project between GVGC, CD2, DWP, and Parks and Recreation Dept. to install a photovoltaic structure at Laurel Grove park to provide power to the electric grid at the park.
 - Motion 3. The GVGC approves support for a Quimby funds grant application or other conventional funding sources to install a shade cloth structure over the playground area.
 - Motion 4. The GVGC approves the encumbering of no more than \$10,000.00 to contribute to the final cost for any shade cloth structure erected at Laurel Grove park

8. Government Relations Committee – W. Hall, Chair - 10 minutes

a. Committee report

Motion 1: The Greater Valley Glen Council favors the proposed report from the Department of Water and Power relative to the feasibility and costs to underground electric distribution facilities in high fire zones, but to additionally report on the feasibility and costs to use insulated conductors as an alternative solution to undergrounding, and on additional practices that would minimize possible utility-caused fire starting points. (CF 19-1361) **[For if Amended]**

Motion 2: Blocking sidewalks by businesses and street vendors is a problem within the footprint of our neighborhood council and in surrounding areas. The Greater Valley Glen Council supports the City Council motion (19-1334) that requests development of an ordinance that would facilitate the citing of non-permit holders from creating violations of the Americans with Disabilities Act. **[For]**

Motion 3: For residents of Greater Valley Glen, the proposed joint development project at the Metro North Hollywood Station appears less than user-friendly. Without adequate and easily accessible parking, riding the Red Line in lieu of freeway use by our constituency is problematic. As proposed, parking for public transit users is to be scattered about various project structures, with a smart phone app listing of site-specific parking availability. With no guarantee that a spot will remain available, especially as traffic within and about the project will cause delays, finding parking becomes difficult and uncertain and ultimately sours Red Line ridership by those not within walking distance of it. The Greater Valley Glen Council approves sending a letter to project management asking for a redesign of parking facilities and the building of more parking in close proximity to the station. Additionally this letter will communicate our objection to the project's proposed felling of many mature trees and ask for a redesign to save as many, if not all, of those trees.

Motion 4: This year marks the 50th anniversary of Earth Day. The GVGC supports the *Earth Day Greater Los Angeles 2020!* organized observance of this golden anniversary to be held at Grand Park and the surrounding Los Angeles Civic Center on Sunday, April 19, 2020. This effort is supported by a large number of sponsors, 33 as of January 21. The GVGC approves its becoming a co-sponsor of this Earth Day celebration and approves a \$3000 donation in support of it. Accordingly, the GVGC will receive appropriate recognition of this sponsorship.

Motion 5: The GVGC approves transmittal to the Bureau of Street Service its opposition to a Tree Blitz Program in place of one of two annual Pothole Blitz efforts as we find that City streets continue to demand attention and repair. We find the Tree Blitz proposal to be piecemeal in nature and lacking thoughtful planning with no analysis of possible benefits versus the time and dollars that would be expended on it. Accordingly the GVGC recommendation is that, before any such Tree Blitz effort be undertaken, the Street Tree Inventory be conducted first and an overall Urban Forestry Master Plan with ecological consultation from the scientific community be subsequently created and adopted so that future tree planting is done in a systematic and responsible way.

Motion 6: The Greater Valley Glen Council supports preparation of an ordinance that would restrict parked vehicle idling and preparation of a marketing campaign to publicize the health consequences of needless idling. The ordinance, when prepared, should include emphasis on strict enforcement and carry significant financial penalties for non-compliance. (CF 19-0604) **[For if Amended]**

Motion 7: The GVGC approves sponsoring up to three attendees at the LA Business Council's Sustainability Summit on March 27, 2020, to be held at USC at a cost not to exceed \$400.

Motion 8: The GVGC approves becoming a co-sponsor of Earth Day Greater Los Angeles 2020 on April 19 to be held in and around Grand Park at the LA Civic Center. (Volunteers will be needed to assist at the event.)

Motion 9: The GVGC approves sponsorship of this year's ONEgeneration Senior Symposium at a cost of either \$300 or GVGC's previous contribution, whichever is greater.

Motion 10: The GVGC supports the proposal at City Council to allow Park Rangers to, after necessary training, carry firearms, CF 20-0190. **[For]**

Motion 11: The Greater Valley Glen Council recommends passing CF 15-0499-S1 with the simple addition that the division of biologists and horticulturalists proposed in the motion extend their consultation to the management of the City's street trees as well as to the private tree population as indicated in the motion. It is crucial that all trees in the City benefit from this added expertise. **[For if Amended]**

Sustainability Report for 11-20'19

Report by Joanne D'Antonio, Sustainability Representative, GVGC.

Posted on GVGC website under City Reports: <https://www.greatervalleyglencouncil.org/special-reports/>

VANC report – none submitted.

9. Planning and Land Use Committee – C. Ferreyra, Chair – 6 minutes

- a. Committee report – M. Jannol for C. Ferreyra
- b. Motion 1. Committee recommends a Board vote of approval to support a zoning variance requested by Chan Thai Spa, at 12838 Victory Blvd., to operate a spa business in a C-1 (commercial/retail, not including spa businesses) zone.
- c. Motion 2. Committee recommends a Board vote of denial of the Conditional to permit an 18 bed congregate living health facility (sanitarium) in the R Zone. Additionally, the GVGC opposes the issuance of an Exemption from the CEQA guidelines Address for this project is 6254 N. Ranchito Avenue.

- d. Motion 3 Committee recommends a Board vote of opposition of the variance request for the subdivision at 5731 Colbath/Ranchito subdivision of the property into three single family homes. GVGC additionally recommends that the secondary access from the existing driveway from Ranchito Avenue be converted to only pedestrian access. The recommendation, if adopted, will be sent in writing to the LA City Planning Hearing Officer.
- e. Motion 4. Committee recommends a Board vote of opposition to the approval of the allowance of constructing three single family dwellings in a single family dwelling lot. Project address is 6304 Allot Avenue.

10. Community Outreach Committee – S. Myrick, Chair – 6 minutes

- a. Committee report
- b. Committee recommends a Board vote to approve the encumbrance no more than \$3000.00 for 3 “Movies in the Park” for the months of July, August, September 2020. This motion supersedes any previous motion made and approved August 2019.
- c. Committee recommends Board approval for the expenditure of no more than \$750.00 for a full page ad in the Valley Glen Voice newsletter to be published in May 2020.

11. Community Safety Committee – A. Schmitt, Chair

- a. Committee Report –

12. Arts and Education Committee- - J. Milton, Chair

- a. Committee report.

13.. Board member comments on items not on current agenda and opportunity to request placement of items on future agendas.

**Next GVGC Board meeting will be held Monday, April 6, 2020, 7:00pm
Fireside Room, Campus Center, LA Valley College, 5800 Fulton Ave., Valley Glen, CA 910410**

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RECONSIDERATION AND GRIEVANCE PROCESS

For information on the PNC’s process for board action reconsideration, stakeholder grievance policy, or any other procedural matters related to this Council, please consult the PNC Bylaws. The Bylaws are available at our Board meetings and our website www.greatervalleyglencouncil.org

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