



# Greater Valley Glen Council ("GVGC")



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## REGULAR VIRTUAL BOARD MEETING

February 1, 2021 - Call to Order at 7:00 p.m.

### VIRTUAL MEETING TELECONFERENCING NUMBER FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

In conformity with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 (MARCH 17, 2020) and due to concerns over COVID-19, the Greater Valley Glen Council meeting will be conducted entirely telephonically. Every person wishing to attend and/or comment at this meeting must **dial (669) 900-6833** and **enter 847 3162 1939** and **then press #** to join the meeting. You may join the meeting as early as 6:45 p.m. Instructions on how to sign up for public comment will be given to listeners at the start of the meeting, 7:00 p.m.

#### Officers

<b>Anthony Bethel</b>	President
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<b>Michael Hjelmstad</b>	District 2 Rep	<b>Krista Sipp</b>	At-Large Rep
<b>Mickey Jannol</b>	At-Large Rep	<b>Dan Stueve</b>	At-Large Rep
<b>Andrea Jones</b>	At-Large Rep		
<b>Artur Manasyan</b>	Youth Rep		
<b>Jah Milton</b>	At-Large Rep		



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## AGENDA

*Items with a heading followed by an asterisk (\*) indicate there are possible motions for all listed Motions that follow. Motions are followed by a second, Public comment, Board comment/discussion, and other actions including a Call for the question, and Roll Call vote.*

**Item 1 Pledge of Allegiance.**

**Item 2 Call to Order and Roll Call.**

**Item 3 Chair instructions for Public Comment.**

**Item 4 \* Approval of January 4, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes \***

**Item 5 Left intentionally blank.**

**Note:** Vacant seats consist of two District 3 Reps and 2 At-Large Seats at the time of this Agenda. Per the Bylaws Article V, Section 6, any Board member may nominate a stakeholder to the President and the President will submit the nomination for the next Board meeting's agenda. Stakeholders shall meet the same eligibility requirements that apply to the position they would fill, as are required of elected Board Members.

**Item 6 Government Representative and LAPD Reports.** Please alert the Chair if you wish to present. Please limit each presentation to 2 minutes unless the Chair allows more time.

**Item 7 President's Motions & Comments.** All motions marked

**Item 8 \* Treasurer's Report and Motions.** All motions marked \*

**Motion 1 \* Approval of December 2020 MERs.** A copy is attached and there is also a link here:

<https://clkrep.lacity.org/ncfunding/mer/BAB07996-47DF-4885-871C-8E8C1F04BD1BL.pdf>

**Item 9 Arts & Education Committee.** Report and Motions. There were no motions.

**Item 10 \* Outreach Committee.** Report and Motions. \*

**Motions 1:** \* The GVGC moves that the Board approve replacing the current "Mission Statement" language specifically and only on our Website to the following:

"Neighborhood Councils are official bodies created under the City Charter of Los Angeles. The Greater Valley Glen Council consists of committed stakeholders who plan and implement community projects, and serves as a link between stakeholders and elected representatives and government agencies. The GVGC shall seek to enhance the economic vitality and quality of life of the community, and to preserve and enhance its character." \*



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**Motion 2:** \* The GVGC moves that the Board approve an expenditure of up to \$2,500 for printing and distribution of Neighborhood Council Election fliers to single family homes in areas not covered by the ad in the Valley Glen Voice and multifamily homes throughout Greater Valley Glen. This motion supersedes the previous motion for up to \$600 from 01/04/2021. \*

**Item 11 Public Safety Committee.** Report and Motions. There were no motions

**Item 12 Planning and Land Use Committee.** Report and Motions. There were no motions.

**Item 13 \* Government Relations Committee.** Report and Motions. All motions marked \*

Where Los Angeles City Council Files (CF) are referenced, their intent, status and history can be found at the LACityClerk Connect website: <https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/>

Where California State Legislation is referenced (SB or AB), their intent, status and history can be found at: <https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billSearchClient.xhtml>

**Motion 1 and CIS:** \* The Greater Valley Glen Council supports the creation of a report enumerating the costs and status of all Prop HHH projects as called for in CF 21-0032, including the expected time for entitlement for those projects not yet so approved. [CIS: For] \*

**Motion 2 and CIS:** \* The Greater Valley Glen Council supports the effort to seek advice from the City Attorney, as called for in CF 21-0043, on options for withdrawing present commitments to Prop HHH projects now in the pre-development phase or without a formal loan agreement/contract with the City. This matter is time-sensitive and needs to include a deadline of 30-days or less. [CIS: For if Amended] \*

**Motion 3 and CIS:** \* The Greater Valley Glen Council supports the efforts called for in CF 21-0040 for determining the feasibility and costs associated with using hotels and motels as temporary shelters for the homeless and the costs and feasibility for turning such temporary housing into permanent supportive housing. [CIS: For] \*

**Motion 4 and CIS:** \* The Greater Valley Glen Council supports the establishment by the City of design requirements for new temporary housing units for sheltering the homeless as allowed for under AB 2553. In establishment of such standards, a definition of "temporary" needs to be included. [CIS: For] \*

**Motion 5 and CIS:** \* The Greater Valley Glen Council supports LA Sanitation developing voluntary, service-based protocols for citywide CARE+ operations that includes among other provisions no use of law enforcement personnel. [CIS: For] \*

**Motion 6 and CIS:** \* The Greater Valley Glen Council supports City Council Resolution (CF 21-0002-S18) opposing proposed legislation SB 9 that would mandate ministerial approval of residential duplex construction on a now single parcel lot and related matters. [Under existing provisions in the law, it is argued that passage of SB 9 could allow up to 8 units on an existing single family lot.] [CIS: For] [With approval of this motion, GVGC's opposition to SB 9 will also be posted on the Legislature's *Position Letter Portal*] \*

**Motion 7 and CIS:** \* The Greater Valley Glen Council supports the City Council Resolution (CF 21-0002-S18) opposing proposed legislation SB 10 that mandates cities allow midrise, medium-density housing on sites that are either within one-half mile of high-quality public transportation or within a job-rich, high-opportunity neighborhood close to key job centers without affordability requirements or sensitivity to the character of existing neighborhoods. [If SB 10 becomes law, it is argued that locally approved protections on land usage could be negated.] [CIS: For] [With approval of this motion, GVGC's opposition to SB 10 will also be posted on the Legislature's *Position Letter Portal*] \*



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**Motion 8 and CIS:** \* The Greater Valley Glen Council opposes creation of a ballot measure to address updating the City's zoning code as called for in CF 20-1042. We favor letting the ongoing efforts to update many of the City's Community Plans play out while at the same time endorsing efforts designed to create an equitable distribution of new housing, including affordable housing, within the City. Development of a new zoning should be carried out in a deliberative process and by ordinance and not at the ballot box. [CIS: Against] \*

**Item 14 \* Parks, Medians, & Improvements Committee.** Report and Motions. \*

**Motion 1:** \* The GVGC moves that the Board approve an expenditure of up to \$100 to produce and print a "no dumping" flyer to be distributed to homes around GVGC, eg. Medians. \*

**Motion 2:** \* The GVGC moves that the Board approve an expenditure of up to \$950 to purchase "no dumping" signs to be installed as needed around GVGC, eg. Medians. \*

## Representative Reports

**Item 15 Public Comment on non-Agenda Items.** Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the Chair including but not limited to cases where there are multiple speakers on a similar non-agendized item.

**Item 16 Board Comments on non-Agenda Items,** including but not limited to brief announcements by Standing Committee Chairs (designees) wherein the Committee has no motions but wishes to update Board and Public on significant matters.

**Item 17 \* Motion to Adjourn \***

**Please note that, should this Meeting run longer than scheduled, a Special Continuance Meeting *may* be scheduled on February 3, 2021, pursuant to a majority Board vote.**

**Next Regular Board Meeting is on March 1, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.**

Please note the following:

1) A copy of this Agenda is posted on the GVGC website and GVGC Facebook page. It is physically posted at Uncle Tony's Pizzeria, Erwin Street Elementary School, Monlux Elementary School, Kittridge Street Elementary School, and the baseball backstop at Valley Glen Community Park.

2) A Quorum of 12 Board members is needed to discuss/consider/vote on Official Actions. Official Actions by a majority of the sum of Aye and No votes cast. Abstentions are not considered.

3) The public is Invited to this meeting by accessing the Zoom information above. Pursuant to the Agenda, the Public is invited to comment on items as called for in the Agenda.



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**PUBLIC INPUT AT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETINGS** - The public is requested to dial \*9 to raise their hand. When recognized to speak by the presiding officer, dial \*6 to unmute yourself to address the Board on any agenda Item before the Board takes an 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 matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board meeting. Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

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# Monthly Expenditure Report



Reporting Month: December 2020 Budget Fiscal Year: 2020-2021

NC Name: Greater Valley Glen  
Neighborhood Council

Monthly Cash Reconciliation					
Beginning Balance	Total Spent	Remaining Balance	Outstanding	Commitments	Net Available
\$35189.30	\$961.17	\$34228.13	\$2026.67	\$0.00	\$32201.46

Monthly Cash Flow Analysis					
Budget Category	Adopted Budget	Total Spent this Month	Unspent Budget Balance	Outstanding	Net Available
Office	\$22371.06	\$766.18	\$14599.19	\$1276.67	\$12572.52
Outreach		\$194.99		\$750.00	
Elections		\$0.00		\$0.00	
Community Improvement Project	\$33250.00	\$0.00	\$33250.00	\$0.00	\$33250.00
Neighborhood Purpose Grants	\$5000.00	\$0.00	\$5000.00	\$0.00	\$5000.00
Funding Requests Under Review: \$0.00		Encumbrances: \$0.00		Previous Expenditures: \$6810.70	

Expenditures						
#	Vendor	Date	Description	Budget Category	Sub-category	Total
1	CROWDPURR.COM PLAN	12/02/2020	From 9/14/20 Meeting: Motion 1: Approval for up to \$200 for GVGC to host a virtual game night through Zoom using the Crowd Purrs game app. (Supersedes previous motion with different game.)	General Operations Expenditure	Outreach	\$149.99
2	EIG CONSTANTCONTACT.CO	12/10/2020	Monthly bill for email communications from Constant Contact.	General Operations Expenditure	Outreach	\$45.00
3	Personal Storage 3	12/07/2020	Motion 4: Approval to pay "Personal Storage 3" \$115 for June 2020 storage Rent	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$115.00
4	WENDY L. MOORE / MOORE BUSINESS RESULTS	12/03/2020	Entire annual budget for fiscal 2020-2021 with friendly amendment to add \$1,326.06 to meeting space (Office Expense) Total budget including amendment \$60,621.06	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$651.18
<b>Subtotal:</b>						<b>\$961.17</b>

Outstanding Expenditures						
#	Vendor	Date	Description	Budget Category	Sub-category	Total
1	Personal Storage 3	01/07/2021	Motion 4: Approval to pay "Personal Storage 3" \$115 for June 2020 storage Rent	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$115.00

2	Personal Storage 3	02/07/2021	Motion 4: Approval to pay "Personal Storage 3" \$115 for June 2020 storage Rent	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$115.00
3	Personal Storage 3	03/07/2021	Motion 4: Approval to pay "Personal Storage 3" \$115 for June 2020 storage Rent	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$115.00
4	Personal Storage 3	04/07/2021	Motion 4: Approval to pay "Personal Storage 3" \$115 for June 2020 storage Rent	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$115.00
5	Personal Storage 3	05/07/2021	Motion 4: Approval to pay "Personal Storage 3" \$115 for June 2020 storage Rent	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$115.00
6	Personal Storage 3	06/07/2021	Motion 4: Approval to pay "Personal Storage 3" \$115 for June 2020 storage Rent	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$115.00
7	Valley Glen Neighborhood Association	12/29/2020	11. Motion 1 The GVGC moves that we take out an ad in the Valley Glen Voice newsletter announcing the May elections for the Greater Valley Glen Council to be a full page for the price up to &#...	General Operations Expenditure	Outreach	\$750.00
8	WENDY L. MOORE / MOORE BUSINESS RESULTS	01/05/2021	Wendy Moore, Webmaster services	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$586.67
<b>Subtotal: Outstanding</b>						<b>\$2026.67</b>