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MINUTES

GVGC BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 7, 7:00pm
Los Angeles Valley College
Campus Center Room 104
5800 Fulton Avenue
VALLEY GLEN, CALIFORNIA 91401

Board Members

Alan Aklyan	Douglas Breidenbach
Shay Brook	Maria Denis
Joanne D'Antonio	Carlos Ferreyra
William Fishman	Eli Friedman
Rachel Friedman	Stanley Friedman
Mickey Jannol	Malky Kertis
Nicholas Lambert	Sloan Myrick
Rich Pisani	Judy Price
Kari Roberts	Jessica Russell
Charles Samson	Lisa Samson
Kathleen Schwartz	Arline Simon
Mike Stathopoulos	Linda Wehrli

GVGC Quorum is 13 Board members

1. Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Board roll call. Absent - Board Member, S. Brook, S. Friedman, M. Kertis, M. Stathopoulos, K. Roberts..
3. Motion for Board approval of June 2, 2014 Minutes by C. Ferreyra, second L. Samson, unanimously approved via voice vote. K. Schwartz abstained.
4. Public comments on issues not on current Agenda – Glen Bailey, LANC rep. – discussed Budget Day, August 16, 2014.
5. Government Representative Report –
 - a. Talene Dermenjian – Field Representative, Assembly Member Nazarian. Presented information on AB 612, Charter Party Carriers (vehicles) Public Safety.
 - b. Nikki Hezari – Field Deputy, City Council Member Krekorian. Presented information on Laurel Grove Park, Prop K funds for smart irrigation status.
6. LAPD SLO report –
 - Van Nuys Division – SLO Paschal reported on various enforcement issues.
 - North Hollywood Division – SLO Duvally spoke regards an 80's Party for fund raising.
7. Treasurer Report – Lisa Samson, Treasurer
 - a. Motion to approve US Bank statement by L. Samson, second, C. Ferreyra passed 17 YES, 0 No, 0 ABSTENTIONS, 2 INELIGIBLE
 - b. Motion to approve Expense Report to DONE by L. Samson, second, W. Fishman passed 17 YES, 0 NO, 0 ABSTENTIONS, 2 INELIGIBLE
 - c. Motion to approve 2014-2015 Budget to be sent to DONE by L. Samson, seconded C. Ferreyra passed 17 YES, 0 NO, 0 ABSTENTIONS, 2 INELIGIBLE.
8. Committee Reports:
 - Parks, Community Improvements and Medians Committee – Sloan Myrick, Chair
 - a. Motion to approve no more than \$300.00 for the National Night Out event at Valley Glen Park, 8/5/14. Money to be used for snacks, drinks for community and set-up and take down of movie equipment for a Movie in the Park in conjunction with NNO. Location of movie screen to be determined by committee and CD2 made by S. Myrick, Second, M. Jannol. Motion approved 14 YES 0 NO, 0 ABSTENTIONS, 2 INELIGIBLE.
 - b. Committee will explore a “leave behind” item for the Best Landscape monthly recipients.
 - Outreach Committee –Mike Stathopolous - Chair
 - a. No motions submitted.

Planning and Land Use Committee – Charles Samson, Chair

- a. Motion to support Zoning Case CPC-2014-1138-CU SPR ZC at 12425 Victory Blvd. to obtain a Conditional Use Permit to allow an 80 unit, 4 story Motel, a Site plan Review, and a Zone Change from [T][Q]RAS4-1 to [T][Q]RAS-4 to modify such conditions of approval of Ordinance 179.441 as to allow the proposed motel in lieu of residential units made by C. Samson, Second, C. Ferreyra

Motion passes 16 YES, 0 NO, 2 ABSTAIN (M. Denis, A. Simon).

- b. Motion to support Zoning Case ZA-2014-1429-CUW at 13720 Vanowen Street to obtain a Conditional Use Permit for the installation and operation a monopine, with the following conditions; 1) that the tree contains a heavy branch density of 3 branches per foot, 2) that pine needle “socks” be placed on the antennas, and 3) that any equipment attached to the tree be painted to match the color of the tree by C. Samson, Second R. Pisani.

Motion passes unanimously via voice vote.

- c. Motion to support Zoning Case DIR-2014-1893-ZBA at 13513-13515 W. Vanowen Street to rezone the northerly 28.75 feet of the subject lot from R-1 to R3-1 so that the entire lot will be zoned R3-1 by C. Samson, Second C. Ferreyra

Motion passes unanimously via voice vote.

Government Representative reports – Judy Price, Chair

- a. Motion stating that the Greater Valley Glen Council supports a voluntary 50/50 Sidewalk Repair Plan for Commercial Properties but opposes any acceleration to a 75/25 split. Further, we strongly oppose any effort to make sidewalk repair a mandatory requirement for Commercial Properties. (Council File 14-0163) by J. Price, Second R. Pisani.

Motion passes via voice vote.

- b. Motion stating that the Greater Valley Glen Council opposes and strongly recommends against imposition of mandatory, time-consuming training for Neighborhood Councils beyond Ethics and Financial Policy. This includes but is not limited to, ADA Compliance, sexual harassment, sexual gender and age discrimination, bullying, and work place violence. The additional requirements would place an unreasonable and unworkable burden on unpaid, volunteer community representatives as well as discourage participation. Offering additional optional training by DONE and pertinent city departments is supported and encouraged BY j. Price, Second L. Wehrli.

Motion passes 14 YES, 4 NO (M. Denis, N. Lambert, J Russell, K. Schwartz), 0 ABSTAIN.

- c. Motion stating that the Greater Valley Glen Council supports Parking Reform in the City of Los Angeles and the Mayor’s Commitment to a reorientation of parking policy from one of revenue collection to one of public service. To that end, we await the report from the Mayor’s Working Group on Parking Reform to make further comment J. Price, Second R. Pisani.

Motion passes unanimously via voice vote.

- d. Motion stating that the Greater Valley Glen Council opposes the renaming of the Van Nuys Post Office for Marilyn Monroe. We consider it an inappropriate use of public funds as well as a questionable practice to name a federal facility after a celebrity by J. Price, Second A. Simon.

Motion passes 16 YES, 2 NO (K. Schwartz, L. Samson), 0 ABSTAIN.

- e. Motion stating that the Greater Valley Glen Council supports a voluntary 50/50 Sidewalk Repair Plan for Commercial Properties but opposes any acceleration to a 75/25 split. Further, we strongly oppose any effort to make sidewalk repair a mandatory requirement for Commercial Properties. (Council File 14-0163)

Motion passes unanimously via voice vote.

- f.. Joanne D’Antonio, GVGC Representative on DWP discussed issues discussed during DWP meeting .

Safety Committee – Kari Roberts, Chair

- a. Motion to approve Committee’s Mission Statement as follows: The mission of the Public Safety Committee is to promote safety in the Greater Valley Glen community. To this end, the Committee will work to create open communication channels between public safety entities and the stakeholders of Greater Valley Glen, promote and inspire involvement in local and state crime, safety and emergency entities and by participating in community outreach programs and events by N. Lambert, Second C. Ferreyra.

Motion passes unanimously via voice vote.

- b. Report on National Night Out event, August 5, 2014.
- c. Update on Nextdoor program.



A Neighborhood Celebrating Diversity



Arts and Entertainment – Linda Wehrli, Chair

a. Update on “Horses of the Valley” project.

10. Board member comments on non-agenda items.

a. J. Price announced the date and time of the VGNA Yard Sale.

11. President’s comments.

b. Committee changes – J. D’Antonio removed from Parks and Improvements Committee, will remain on Government Relations.

c. Board approval for C. Ferreyra to replace J. Russell as Chair of the Business Outreach Committee.

Chair replacement deferred for one month.

d. By-Laws Committee to meet Monday, July 21, 2014. Location to be determined.

12. Motion to adjourn by S. Myrick, Second by L. Samson, Meeting adjourned 9:10PM

Next GVGC Board meeting will be held August 4, 2014, 7:00 pm, Los Angeles Valley College, Campus Center, room 104. 5800 Fulton Avenue, Valley Glen, CA 91401 (Location subject to change)