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GVGC BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 2, 2015,
7:00pm
Los Angeles Valley College
Campus Center Room 104
5800 Fulton Avenue
VALLEY GLEN, CALIFORNIA 91401

Board Members

Alan Aklyan	Douglas Breidenbach
Michael Brassan	Maria Denis
Joanne D'Antonio	Carlos Ferreyra
Eli Friedman	Stanley Friedman
Mickey Jannol	Sloan Myrick
Malky Kertis	Nicholas Lambert
Amy Messeroll-Wong	
Rich Pisani	Judy Price
Charles Samson	Lisa Samson
Kathleen Schwartz	Arline Simon
Linda Wehrli	

GVGC Quorum is 13 Board members

1. Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance
 2. Board roll call. Members absent , E. Friedman, A. Simon, quorum present.
 3. Board approval of March, 2015 minutes Motion by C. Ferreyra, second C. Samson. Approved via voice vote with corrections.
 - 4 L.A.P.D. Senior Lead Officer reports:
 - a. Van Nuys Division – Officers Paschal and Underwood. 25% increase in crime for division. Domestic violence increasing. Explained that business vans cannot park on residential streets more than 72 hours. Additionally, mentioned that home based businesses without licenses can be reported to Building and Safety.
 - b. North Hollywood Division – Officer Duvally on vacation.
 5. Dr. Erika Endrijonas, LA Valley College President. She has been in the position for 8 months now. Reported on expected completion dates under Prop. A for new Student Union building in November, New athletic facility also in November, and the sports fields at the end of summer. Additionally, Dr. Endrijonas mentioned that the mural “Lady of LA” will be reproduced by the artist at LA Valley College.
 6. Government Representative Reports
 - a. Nikki Ezhari, CD2 Field Representative, Reported on sidewalk repair actions form City Council, public areas will repaired first. Trees have been replanted throughout CD2, there will be an outreach event for homeless individuals at NOHO park providing services to the homeless.
 - b. Talene Dermenjian, Assembly District 46 Field Representative, reported on current ills in committee.
 7. Treasurers report and motions:
 - a. Motion to approve monthly expenditure reports to DONE for March, 2015 by L. Samson, second C. Samson.
 - Motion approved 15 YES, 0 NO, 0 Abstentions, 1 ineligible
 8. Public comments on issues not on current agenda (please see requirements in paragraph above).
 9. Committee Reports;
 - a. **Parks, Community Improvements and Medians Committee. Sloan Myrick, Chair.**

Motion to approve allocation of no more than \$1500 for the Movie in the Park Night on Saturday, May 9, 2015 at 8:00PM at Valley Glen Park. Movie to be determined by committee. Budget detail is;

 - 1) \$500 for 5000 flyers.
 - 2) \$200 for refreshments.
 - 3) \$300 for portable toilets, including ADA compliant.
 - 4) \$500 for promotional items. (LED finger lights)

Motion amended by D. Breidenbach to increase flyer production to \$1000. Second by S. Myrick
Approved 14 YES, 0 NO, 0 abstentions, 1 Ineligible. (M. Denis left meeting)
Original motion approved 13 YES, 0 NO, 0 Abstentions, 1 Ineligible.
 - b. Motion for expenditure of no more than \$250 for buckets to water trees in park tabled.
- Community Outreach and Neighborhoods Committee.**
- a. Board approval request of Amy Messeroll-Wong to Education Seat by President C. Ferreyra.
 - Appointment approved unanimously.

b. Board approval request of Michael Brassem to Resident seat, area 5, by President C. Ferreyra

- Appointment approved unanimously.

Planning and Land Use Committee – Charles Samson, Chair.

- a. Motion stating that the GVGC supports Zoning case ZA-2014-4688-CUW at 13069 Victory Blvd. Valley Glen, to obtain a Conditional Use Permit by Verizon Wireless for the installation in the parking lot of a shopping center of a unmanned 45 ft. tall faux palm tree monopole and UL listed equipment cabinets and standby generator on a concrete pad surrounded by bollards; subject to the following conditions. 1) that the heaviest density and thickness available for palm fronds be used; 2) that the equipment attached to the tree be painted to match the tree or foliage; and 3) that the parabolic microwave dish be excluded, made by C Samson, second L. Samson.
- Motion approved via voice vote.

Government Relations Committee – Judy Price, Chair

a. Motion stating that the Greater Valley Glen Council is supports the City Council Resolution opposing the State Legislation SB608 (Liu) which would prohibit local jurisdiction from enforcing laws against camping on sidewalks, in parks, and in vehicles on public streets. Council File #15-0002-S21. Made by J. Price, second L. Samson.

COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT: SB 608 would drastically curtail law enforcement ability to deal with problem homeless populations, in particular those with drug addiction problems and those suffering mental illness. This bill does not balance public safety needs with the needs of the homeless and does not address the causes of homelessness or offer solutions to this problem, but instead poses a threat to public safety. Council File #15-0002-S21.

- Motion approved via voice vote.

b. Motion stating that the Greater Valley Glen Council is strongly opposed to the new DONE requirements that Neighborhood Councils must use a Website Vendor that is on the approved list provided by DONE. The GVGC has had the same vendor for a number of years and is very happy with the service and cost. The ten vendors on the approved list are considerably more expensive. We are also very disappointed our current vendor, Aaron Devandry was not given the opportunity to be on the list. He provides website service to a number of NCs and has a depth of knowledge and understanding of our mission. When such a drastic measure is imposed on NCs, they should have an opportunity to be part of the discussion before a decision is made. We should be given more noticed and ample time to address such a change should be given. We request reversal of this mandate made by J Price, second, L. Samson.

- Motion approved via voice vote, 1 Abstention (J. d'Antonio)

DWP Oversight Committee – J. D'Antonio

- Rate increases postponed until end of may.
- Water production alternatives such as desalination discussed.

LANC report – AirBnB business stopped in the Venice community..

Request for 2 Budget reps. from each NC made.

Herb Wesson was guest speaker, spoke as Chair of the City Council Committee dealing with NCs states he would like to bring them to another level.

VANC – Vic Viereck – report given during Public comment due to need to leave meeting early.

VANC meeting to be held this coming Thursday, April 5, at Sherman oaks Hospital, 6:30PM

Arts and Education Committee – Linda Wherli, Chair

- a. Board approval for temporary storage of Horse for Horses of the Valley from GVGC at the San Fernando Valley Arts and Culture Center in Tarzana until a permanent locatin is secured made by L. Wehrlli, second C. Ferreyra.
- Motion approved via voice vote.
- b. First Enrichment Works update. Erwin Street Elementary PTA to provide matching funds for another program show. First show scheduled for May 15.
- c. Responsibility for finding and installation of permanent location for Horse sent to Parks Committee.

Safety Committee – Nicholas Lambert, Chair

a. Disaster Program manger for the American Red Cross spoke regards free installation of smoke alarms for the community GVGC serves on Saturday, April 25th.

9. Board member comments on items not on agenda.

10. President's comments

- a. Motion to approve the expenditure of no more than \$1000.00 for the Emergency Preparedness Event on April 25th. Costs to cover booth space and give-aways, made by N. Lambert, second L. Samson.
- Motion approved 13 YES, 0 NO, 0 Abstentions, 3 Ineligible.

b. Motion for the expenditure of no more than \$750.00 for the purchase of video recording equipment to record and transmit Board meetings and events via YouTube to stakeholders that cannot attend meetings, events or wish to review proceedings by C. Ferreyra, second D. Breidenbach.

- Motion approved 10 YES, 2 NO (J. d'Antonio, L. Samson), 0 Abstentions, 3 Ineligible

d. Update on online voting to be discussed and voted on at May meeting.

11. Adjournment.

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