



Greater Valley Glen Council ("GVGC")

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

July 2, 2018, 7:00 p.m.

Los Angeles Valley College, Fireside Room

5800 Fulton Ave.

Valley Glen, CA 91401

Officers

Sloan Myrick	President
Jean Chadwick	Vice President
James Casey	Treasurer
Mickey Jannol	Secretary

Board Members

Michael Ashkinadze	Youth Rep	Derek Iversen	District 5 Rep
Joseph Barmettler	At-Large Rep	Mickey Jannol	Commercial Property Rep
James Casey	District 6 Rep	Malky Kertis	District 4 Rep
Julie Casey	District 6 Rep	Cosmo Moore	District 4 Rep
Doug Chadwick	At-Large Rep	Sloan Myrick	District 5 Rep
Jean Chadwick	District 2 Rep	Thomas Newton	Community Organizations Rep
Joanne D'Antonio	District 1 Rep	Jon Pelletier	At-Large Rep
September Forsyth	At-Large Rep	Dianna Rose	District 3 Rep
Stanley Friedman	Religious Institutions Rep	Linda Wehrli	Commercial Property Rep
Walter Hall	Community Organizations Rep		

Board of Neighborhood Commissioners Required Disclosures:

- 1) A Quorum for any GVGC Board Meeting is 13 Board Members.
- 2) Motions (or Official Actions) pass with a Majority of the sum of Yes and No votes cast.
- 3) The attached Vote Tally Sheet on Page 9 shows how each Board Member voted.



Secretary's Note: Each item # below matches the item# that appeared in the published agenda for this meeting.

Call to Order was at 7:10 p.m. and commenced with the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. **Board Roll Call.** Sixteen (16) members present: Barmettler, James Casey, Julie Casey, D. Chadwick, J. Chadwick, D'Antonio, Forsyth, Friedman, Hall, Iversen, Jannol, Moore, Myrick, Newton, Pelletier, and Wehrli. Three (3) members absent: Ashkinadze, Kertis, and Rose. A quorum of 16 was achieved.
2. **President's Comments Part 1 - LA Valley College Parking. Possible Nominations.** President Myrick welcomed members of the Public for coming to this meeting. He reminded everybody to make sure to park on the top floor of the LA Valley College parking structure. This is the only place we are allowed to park without a permit. If we park anywhere else, we will be ticketed. There were no nominations for Board seats [Please see the list of open Board seats on page 9]. Further comment was deferred until later in the meeting.
3. **Board approval of July 2, 2018 minutes for the Regular Board Meeting.** Motion made by Myrick. Seconded by J. Chadwick. Public Comment. None. Board Comment. Public Comment. None. Board Comment. None. Without objection, President Myrick called the question. Voice Vote. 14 Ayes, 0 Nos, 2 Abstentions (Pelletier, and Wehrli), 0 Ineligible. Motion passes.
4. **Treasurer's Report.** Treasurer James Casey indicated that he is putting together a draft budget, and expects to present it for approval at the next Board meeting; whether a Special or Regular meeting.

A. Motion for Board approval of Monthly Expense Reports (MERs) as per DONE requirements. MERs are found on the following link: <https://cityclerk.lacity.org/NCFundPortal/display.cfm?id=997&type=5>. Motion made by James Casey. Seconded by Iversen. Public Comment. None. Board Comment. None. Without objection, President Myrick called the question. Funding Action. Roll Call Vote: 16 Ayes, 0 Nos, 0 Abstentions, and 0 Ineligible. Motion passes.

B. Motion for Board approval of expenditures of \$109.75 to reimburse Sloan Myrick of out of pocket expenditures for food/beverages at Committee Meetings at Uncle Tony's Pizzeria. Motion made by James Casey. Seconded by Iversen. Public Comment. None. Board Comment. None. Without objection, President Myrick called the question. Funding Action. Roll Call Vote: 15 Ayes, 0 Nos, 1 Abstention (Myrick), and 0 Ineligible. Motion passes.

C. Budget Advocate Report. Freddy Cupen-Ames, Budget Advocate was not present to give a report.

5. **LAPD Senior Lead Officer ("SLO") Reports.** Officer Sylvester Partida introduced himself. He is working with SLO Bergmann (southern area of Greater Valley Glen). He reminded everyone about fireworks being illegal and thanked the Board for its support in publishing flyers on this. Barmettler asked if there were any City-approved fireworks shows. Officer Partida indicated that he knew of no shows. He mentioned that CBS, in Studio City, cancelled its annual show. Officer Partida indicated that City of LA Fire Department has asked LAPD to pass along information that it will be designating "Cool Zones" where people can go to cool off during the upcoming heat wave. These areas may include public libraries, parks that have recreation centers and swimming pools. Officer Partida took some questions from the Board and Public about what to do about people living in their cars on a public street. Officer Chang introduced himself. He spoke on behalf of the North Hollywood Division of LAPD. He reported statistics and recent activity in the eastern area of Greater Valley Glen. Officer Chang passed out information on the LA Municipal Code 41.24 on Trespassing.

6. **Government Representatives Reports.**

A. EMPOWER LA, Representative Vanessa Serrano indicated that GVGC should compete the Inventory List, showing what items we have and where it is stored. It is a Department requirement. Also, Vanessa indicated that the LA Department of Disability may come to one of our Board meetings to make sure, we are meeting in an ADA compliant place. On the subject of Community Impact Statements (CIS), Vanessa noted that this is the first year that over 300 CIS have been



filed. The Department supports the filing of CIS by Neighborhood Councils (NCs). Finally, Vanessa is asking all NCs in her area to make sure that when an NC is in need of legal advice from the City Attorney, all communication initiates through the President of that NC.

B. LA City Councilmember Paul Krekorian, Council District 2 (CD2). Sahag Yedalian, Field Deputy sahag.yedalian@lacity.org reported on several matters summarized as follows: 1) The Valley Glen Community Park playground has passed the hurdle of getting permits. Approvals have been granted, and work on installing the additional shade structure at the playground should start in a few months, 2) Sahag will know by December 2018 if Ethel Ave. (north of Oxnard and south of Victory Blvd.) will get a grant to put sidewalks on its west-side. Over 85% of the residents approve the grant. Some grant funds will be allocated to those residents on the west side that oppose the sidewalks. The City would enter discussions on how to compensate those that can prove the City is encroaching on their property [Sahag made the point that there are already sidewalk easements on most City of LA properties, so the property owners may not have grounds to stop a sidewalk project but they can always petition to receive some form of mitigation], 3) Sahag promoted Summer nights at NoHo Park (Magnolia Blvd. and Tujunga), 4) to answer questions about people living in cars, Sahag indicated that enforcement of LA Code 85.02 regarding living in cars will be delayed 6 months as the City works out the details of parking plans. [This site may be helpful <http://empowerla.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/REVISED-LAMC-SECTION-85.02-Los-Angeles-City-Municipal-Code-regarding-Vehicle-Dwelling-2.pdf>] Sahag took questions from the Public and the Board. D'Antonio mentioned that Bureau of Street Services will be coming to the GVGC area on 8/19/2018 to fix potholes. We can make specific requests or can continue to use 311 to report potholes.

C. Congressmember Tony Cardenas. Nigel Sanchez, Field Representative, was not present for this meeting.

D. Assemblymember Adrin Nazarian. Vanessa Carr, Field Representative for the Assemblymember, was not present for this meeting.

7. **Guest Speakers**. No guest speakers were scheduled.

8. **Public Comments on Items not on the Agenda**. Roxanne Beckford Hoge, GVGC area resident and candidate for State Assembly, spoke briefly.

9. **President's Comments**. President Myrick discussed the need to have Standing Rules, which will be discussed further in Item 18F. Hall asked whether Standing Rules require Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (BONC) approval. Vanessa of EmpowerLA indicated Standing Rules are viewed as useful operating rules/procedures. Since these are not Bylaws, such approval is not required. The GVGC Board would need to approve its own Standing Rules, and then submit them to EmpowerLA for review.

10. **Planning and Land Use Committee (PLUC) – D. Chadwick, Chair**

A. Committee Report. Chair D, Chadwick reported that the Committee met on 6/26/2018. Krimsey Ramsey, of Krimsey's restaurant informed the Committee that it has applied for a Beer and Wine License. Ms. Krimsey will come back to the Committee, to ask for support, once the application is marked complete by the City Planning Department.

B. Motions for Board approval. No Motions submitted

11. **Community Outreach Committee – J. Chadwick, Chair**

A. Committee report. No report.

B. Motions for Board approval. No motions submitted.

12. **Government Relations Committee – W. Hall, Chair**

A. Committee report. Chair Hall indicated that there is a Council File #18-0467 on Neighborhood Council Reforms. This will be reviewed by the Committee and may be discussed further at the next Board meeting. Chair Hall then proceeded to discuss motions.

B. Motions for Board approval.

Motion B.1. The Greater Valley Glen Council endorses extension of LAMC 85.02 restricting the use of a vehicle for dwelling in City areas as prescribed, but asks that the description of dwelling be strengthened to include immediately adjacent to a vehicle in addition to in or on when citing activities indicative of use of a vehicle for dwelling. Additionally, consideration of additional Safe Parking sites be held in abeyance pending the requested reporting from the various relevant departments regarding the current enforcement of LAMC 85.02 and the proposed enlarged enforcement zones surrounding Safe Parking sites. (CFs 14-1057-S4 and 18-0359) Motion made by Hall. Seconded by Barmettler.

Public Comment. None. Board Comment. Some concern about the broadening of ways to enforce the code. Without objection. President Myrick called the question. Non-Funding Action. Voice Vote. Without objection, Secretary Jannol asked for a Roll Call Vote to facilitate the count: 10 Ayes, 5 Nos, 1 Abstentions, and 0 Ineligible. Motion passes as the Yes votes comprise a majority of the sum of the Yes and No votes. Please see the Vote Tally exhibit for further detail.

Motion B.2. Illegal use of fireworks within the Greater Valley Glen Council area and surrounding areas is a cause for chronic complaints and one that the police find hard to counter as they need to witness the actual offense. GVGC endorses adding illegal use of fireworks into the enforcement provisions of the Administrative Citation Enforcement (ACE) Program as it believes this should help in discouraging illegal use of fireworks. (CF 14-0818-S5) Motion made by Hall. Seconded by Myrick.

Public Comment. None. Board Comment. None. Without objection, President Myrick called the question. Non-Funding Action. Voice Vote: 16 Ayes, 0 Nos, 0 Abstentions, and 0 Ineligible. Motion passes.

C. Los Angeles Department of Water & Power (DWP) representative report. Chair Hall submitted a June 2, 2018 report at the June 4, 2018 Board meeting. There was no meeting during the rest of June. A July meeting is scheduled and the results will be reported at the August Board meeting.

D. City Sustainability representative report. Board member D'Antonio submitted a report appearing on page 12 as Item 12D.

E. Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (VANC) report. Barmettler submitted a report appearing on page 14 as Item 12E.

13. Parks, Community Improvements, and Medians Committee – S. Myrick, Chair

A. Committee report. Chair Myrick indicated discussion on Movie Night will occur later in the agenda on Item 18D.

B. Motions for Board approval. No motions submitted for this part of the agenda.

14. Arts and Education Committee – L. Wehrli, Chair

A. Committee report. Chair Wehrli reported that Kittridge Street Elementary School was most thankful for the GVGC funding of the Enrichment Works performance. She indicated that she is working with Sahag of Council District 2 Office to provide input on two proposed utility boxes in the Whitsett/Oxnard intersection area. President Myrick indicated that he will be working with Principal Damonte of US Grant High School on a proposed banner at the corner of Ethel Avenue and Oxnard.

B. Motions for Board approval. No motions submitted.

15. Community Safety Committee – Julie Casey, Chair

A. Committee report. Chair Julie Casey proceeded to discuss motions.

B. Motions for Board approval.



Motion B.1 The Safety Committee requests the Board approve the Community Safety Survey in its current form to be distributed via Survey Monkey. Motion made by Julie Casey. Seconded by Newton. Julie Casey passed out sample survey.

Public Comment. None. Board Comment. Iversen suggested some mapping information. Without objection. President Myrick called the question. Non-Funding Action. Voice Vote. 15 Ayes, 1 No (D'Antonio), 0 Abstentions, and 0 Ineligible. Motion passes.

Motion B.2 The Safety Committee requests Board approve allocation for a Neighborhood Purpose Grant ("NPG") to Southern California Preparedness Foundation (SCPF) for up to \$850.00 in support of the 11th Annual Valley Disaster Preparedness Fair on Saturday, September 29, 2018 at Northridge Fashion Center. Motion made by Julie Casey. Seconded by Myrick.

Public Comment. Maggie Elliott, representing SCPF spoke. Board Comment. Jannol confirmed that nearby Neighborhood Councils are providing similar NPGs to the applicant. Without objection. President Myrick called the question. Funding Action. Voice Vote. 16 Ayes, 0 Nos, 0 Abstentions, and 0 Ineligible. Motion passes.

Motion B.3 The GVGC Safety committee requests Board approve a motion requesting the DOT post signs and enforce the regulations prohibiting parking of commercial vehicles [defined as over 22 feet long] longer than 3 hours on city streets per ordinance number 80.69.2 and 80.69.3. Official GVGC position will be sent to applicable stakeholders. Specific areas that need immediate attention: Freeway 170 overpass at Oxnard St and Laurel Canyon Blvd, Victory Blvd on weekends between Coldwater Canyon and Whitsett Ave., and Vanowen Blvd between Whitsett and Laurel Canyon Blvd. Motion made by Julie Casey. Seconded by Iversen.

Public Comment. None. Board Comment. None. Without objection. President Myrick called the question. Funding Action. Voice Vote. 16 Ayes, 0 Nos, 0 Abstentions, and 0 Ineligible. Motion passes.

16. Ad hoc By-Laws Committee – T. Newton, Chair.

A. Committee report. Chair Newton indicated that he plans to schedule meetings to continue the review of Bylaws and to discuss recommendations to bring to the Board.

B. Motions for Board approval. No motions submitted.

17. Board member comments on items not on agenda.

D'Antonio asked about which month 2019 elections will be held for the GVGC Board, and when the new deadline for Bylaw submissions will be (the last deadline was 2/2018). Vanessa will research this.

President Myrick asked Vanessa what kind of Board action would be needed to approve the new FY2018-2019 GVGC budget. Vanessa responded that agendaized Board action will be needed and that it should be completed by the end of July so that the City Clerk can continue to approve GVGC funding requests. Sloan indicated that he would schedule a Special Meeting in the next couple weeks.

18. President's Motions.

Motion A for Board approval. President requests the Board approve expenditure of \$1,000.00 to participate in Village Family Services "Take on the Streets" Festival in Spring 2019. Motion made by Myrick. Seconded by Forsyth.

Public Comment. None. Board Comment. None. President Myrick called the question. Funding Action. Roll Call Vote. 16 Ayes, 0 Nos, 0 Abstentions, 0 Ineligible. Motion passes.

Motion B for Board approval. President requests the Board approve expenditure of up to \$150.00 for business cards for all new members who did not have cards as of 6/28/18. Motion made by Myrick. Seconded by J. Chadwick.

Public Comment. None. Board Comment. None. Without objection, President Myrick called the question. Funding Action. Roll Call Vote: 14 Ayes, 0 Nos, 2 Abstentions (Moore and Pelletier), 0 Ineligible. Motion passes.



Motion C for Board approval. President requests the Board approve expenditure up to \$500.00 per month payable to Moore Business Results for GVGC Website maintenance and Newsletter Communication Services, e.g. newsletter creative assistance. Motion made by Myrick. Seconded by Forsyth.

Public Comment. None. Board Comment. None. Without objection, President Myrick called the question. Funding Action. Roll Call Vote: 16 Ayes, 0 Nos, 0 Abstentions, 0 Ineligible. Motion passes.

Motion D for Board approval. President requests the Board approve expenditure up to \$2,500.00 to host three (3) Movie Nights. Funds will be used for equipment needs, license fees, promotion, and food for volunteers, giveaways and entertainment. Motion made by Myrick. Seconded by Forsyth.

Public Comment. None. Board Comment. None. Without objection, President Myrick called the question. Funding Action. Roll Call Vote: 15 Ayes, 1 No (D'Antonio), 0 Abstentions, 0 Ineligible. Motion passes.

Motion E for Board approval. President requests the Board approve allocation up to \$10.00 to pay for Business Cards for Board members. Motion made by Myrick. Seconded by J. Chadwick.

Public Comment. None. Board Comment. None. Without objection, President Myrick called the question. Funding Action. Roll Call Vote: 16 Ayes, 0 Nos, 0 Abstentions, 0 Ineligible. Motion passes.

Motion F for Board approval. President requests the formation of Board Standing Rules, i.e. "Operational Procedures" to provide a framework for governance issues that may arise. They provide a framework to guide operational decisions and provide consistency and reliability. Standing Rules will never be in conflict with GVGC By-Laws. Motion made by Myrick. Seconded by Jannol. Read more here: empowerla.org/bylaws-standing-rules-what-they-are-how-to-find-yours

Public Comment. None. Board Comment. Clarification was sought as to whether this motion would initiate an effort to write-up Standing Rules for approval via an ad hoc Committee or as a task for the ad hoc Bylaws Committee. President Myrick will decide by next Board meeting whether to create a separate ad hoc Committee or include this as a task for the Bylaws Committee. The motion at hand is to approve moving forward with creating Board Standing Rules. Without objection, President Myrick called the question. Non-Funding Action. Voice Vote: 15 Ayes, 1 No (D'Antonio), 0 Abstentions, 0 Ineligible. Motion passes.

19. Adjournment. Motion to Adjourn made by Myrick. Seconded by James Casey.

Public Comment. None. Board Comment. None. Without objection, President Myrick called the question. Voice Vote: 16 Ayes, 0 Nos, 0 Nos, 0 Abstentions, 0 Ineligible. Motion passes.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m. Next Board meeting (unless preceded by any Special Meeting) and location will be on August 6, 2018, 7:00 p.m., at Los Angeles Valley College, in the Campus Center Fireside Room.

Submitted July 31, 2018

Mickey Jannol
Greater Valley Glen Council Board Secretary



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See the Following Pages for Vote Tally Sheet for Board Member Votes (page 8), Vacancies per Item 2 (pages 9-11), and Government Relations Committee Reports per Items 12C (page 12), 12D (page 13), and 12E (page 14).

Legend:

P = Present
Y = Aye or Yes
N = No
A = Abstain
I = Present but Ineligible to Vote
R = Recused
■ = Absent, or not yet seated
Board Member Roll Call for:

07-02-2018 VOTE TALLY SHEET

Regular Meeting by Agenda item

	Roll Call 1	Minutes 3	Treasurer's 4A	Treasurer's 4b	Gov't. 12.B.1	Gov't. 12.B.2	Safety 15.B.1	Safety 15.B.2	Safety 15.B.3	President's 18A	President's 18B	President's 18C	President's 18D	President's 18E	President's 18F	Adjournment 19
Michael Ashkinadze																
Joseph Barmettler	P	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
James Casey	P	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Julie Casey	P	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Douglas Chadwick	P	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Jean Chadwick	P	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Joanne D'Antonio	P	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y
September Forsyth	P	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Stanley Friedman	P	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Walter Hall	P	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Derek Iversen	P	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Mickey Jannol	P	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Malky Kertis																
Cosmo Moore	P	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Sloan Myrick	P	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Thomas Newton	P	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Jon Pelletier	P	A	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Dianna Rose																
Linda Wehrli	P	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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No	N/A	0	0	0	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Abstentions	N/A	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Ineligible	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Recused	N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sum of Yes and No Votes	N/A	14	16	15	15	16	16	16	16	16	14	16	16	16	16	16
Required Yes Votes to Pass	N/A	8	9	8	8	9	9	9	9	9	8	9	9	9	9	9
Pass/Fail	N/A	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
Quorum Count	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16

Agenda Item 2. Vacancies

The GVGC Board is comprised of 25 members. Presently, there are six (6) vacancies. Board Members may nominate a stakeholder to the President and the President will submit the nomination to the Board for confirmation. Nominated Stakeholders shall meet the same eligibility requirements that apply to the position as required of elected Board Members. Vacancies are as follows:

- 1) One (1) District 1 Rep seat. Area north of Oxnard St., south of Vanowen St., east of Hazeltine Ave., and west of Woodman Ave.,
- 2) One (1) District 4 Rep seat. Area north of Burbank Blvd., south of Victory Blvd., east of Hazeltine Ave., and west of Fulton Ave., but excluding of the area north of Oxnard St, south of Victory Blvd., east of Hazeltine Ave., and west of Woodman Ave.,
- 3) One (1) Educational Institutions Liaison seat,
- 4) One (1) District 3 Rep seat. Area north of Victory Blvd., south of Vanowen St., east of the Tujunga Wash, west of the 170 Freeway, and
- 5) Two (2) Business/Merchant Liaison seats.

For more particular definitions of these seats and their applicable eligibility, please review pages 3 to 5 of the GVGC Bylaws, per link below.

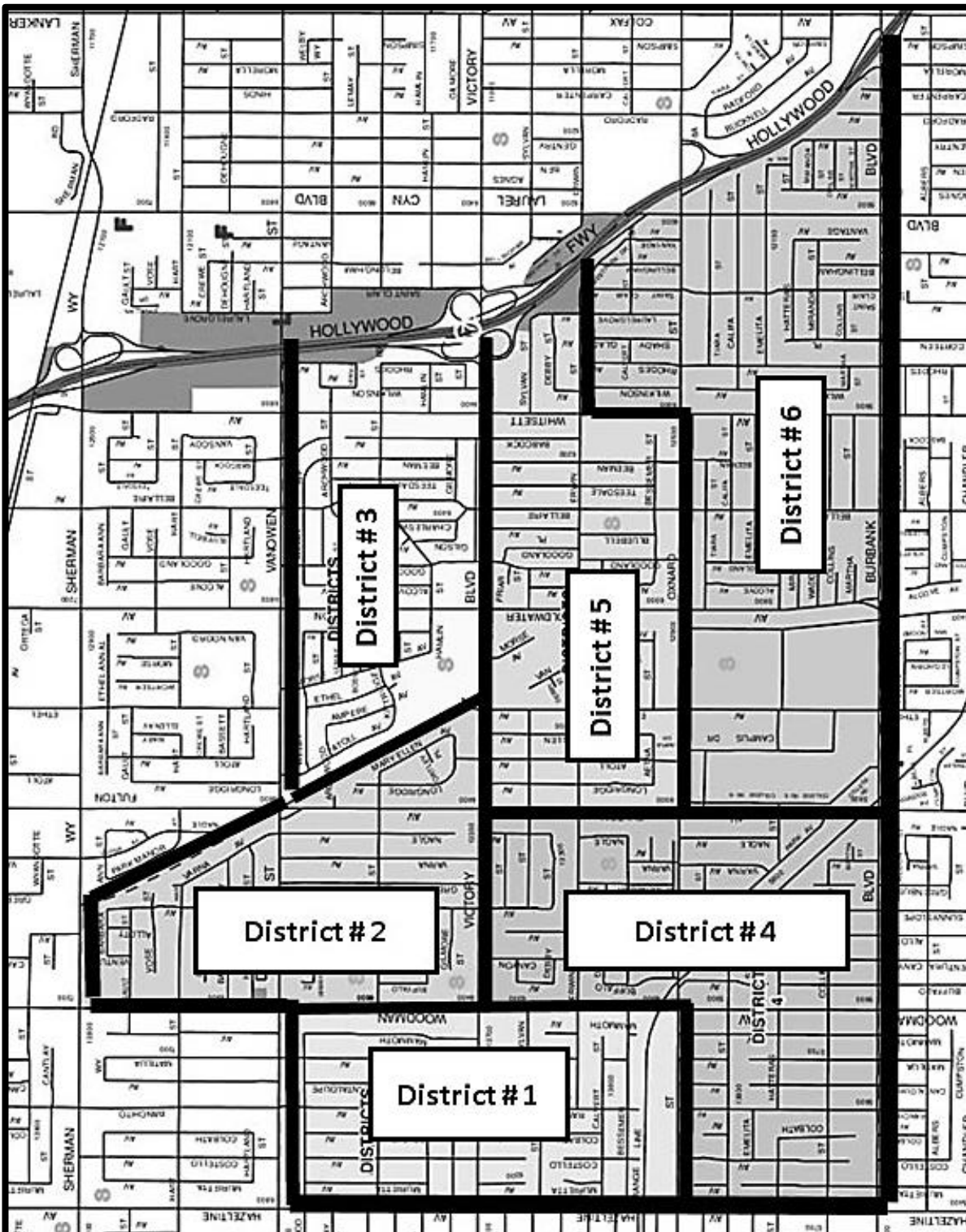
<http://empowerla.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/06/Greater-Valley-Glen-NC-Bylaws.pdf>

Note, these the Bylaws appearing on the GVGC website contain an older version of the GVGC Bylaws. However, pages 3 to 5 regarding definition of the Board seats is accurate. The only exception is that Business/Merchant Liaison Rep seats are not only available to owners and employees of a licensed business in the GVGC area, the seats are available to an “owner’s representative.” Also, home businesses qualify as a business. They merely must hold a valid City of Los Angeles business license as is required of all businesses interested in running for or being nominated for these seats...

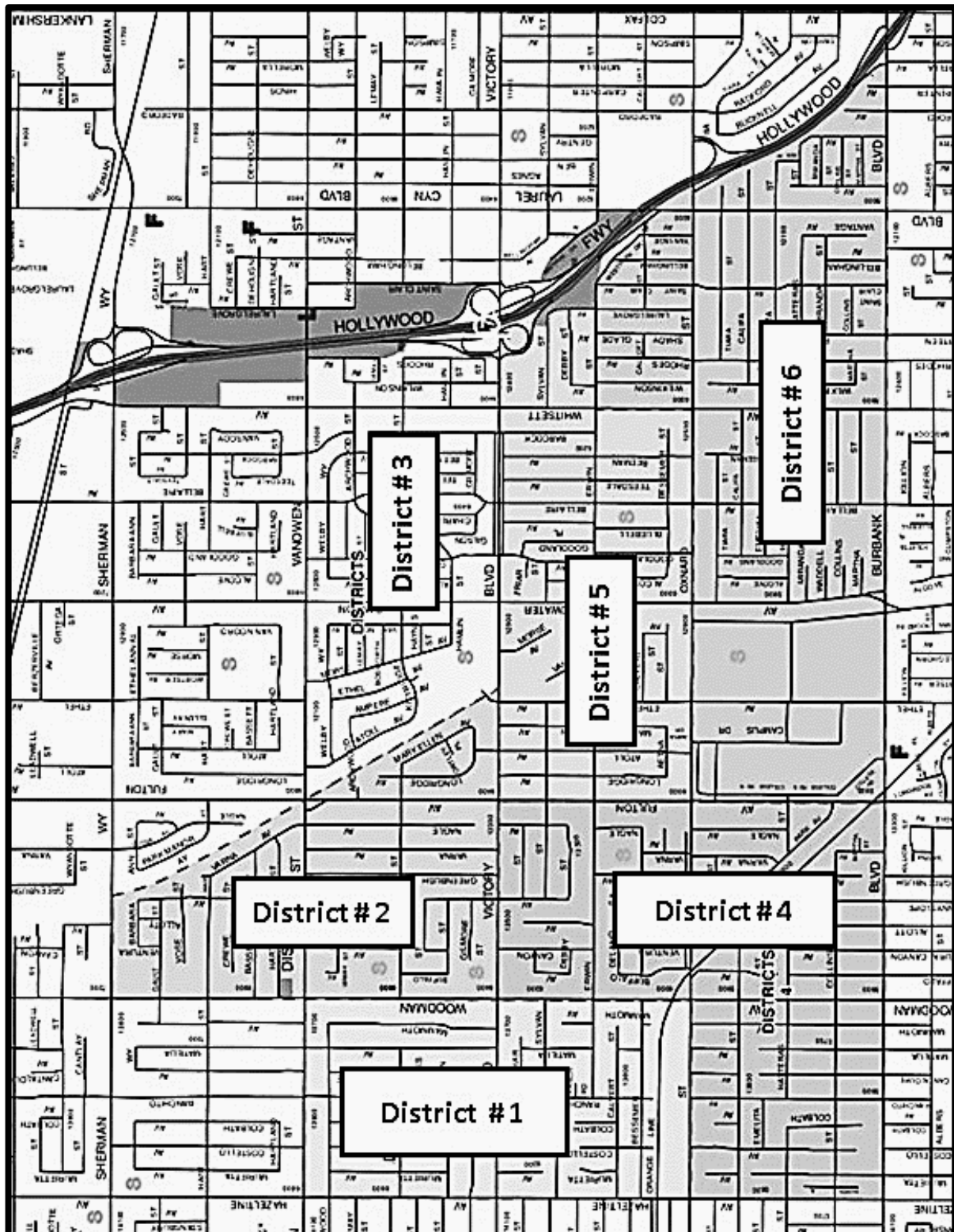
See maps on the next page to provide you with a better visual definition of the District boundaries.

We are looking for energized people with a passion for community service who desire to take advantage of the empowerment offered by the Neighborhood Council concept to support and improve the Greater Valley Glen area and its stakeholders. If you are interested in becoming a Board member and are eligible for the any of the above vacant seats, you may contact any Board member at the GVGC website or President Sloan Myrick at email: **smyrick@greatervalleyglencouncil.org**

This map is a broad map of the Greater Valley Glen Council District boundaries.



This map provides some definition to the bounded Districts.



Agenda Item 12D. Sustainability Report

Submitted by Joanne D'Antonio
Sustainability Representative, Greater Valley Glen Council

6-15-'18 Meeting of NCSA Representatives 1:00 p.m. Hollywood Constituent Center

All NCSA Committees gave reports on their efforts and materials distributed: Trees, Environmental Health, and Advocacy. A Water Committee formed at the meeting.

Melanie Winter of Water L.A. gave a presentation on storm water capture. Los Angeles is far more prepared for the "Big One" earthquake than it is for the equally anticipated "Big One" flood. She described the "urban acupuncture" that is needed to get prepared and how individual property owners can modify their hardscape. Adding water to the aquifers mitigates liquefaction. She indicated that our Victory medians are due to be turned into a storm water capture system in about a year by DWP. (We need to make sure the preservation of our trees is factored into the DWP's plan). She also spoke about grey water systems. More at <https://www.waterla.org>

6-14-'18 Urban Forestry Master Plan Working Group 9:00 a.m. City Hall Room 1035

The representatives in attendance divided into 5 groups: Policy, Management, Education, Holistic Issues, and Equity Issues. The problems in each topic area were identified and the root causes were noted. Inadequate funding for trees and lack of public awareness of the importance of trees for health and heat mitigation were central issues. The July meeting will be devoted to solutions.

The Consulting firm Dudek has been doing one-hour interviews with the City entities that deal with our trees, and Dudek's reaction is that the situation is far worse than they expected.

The UFMP Working Group needs the public to fill out a survey, and members of the group have been asked to distribute it widely (deadline July 15). **Link to UFMP Public Input**

Survey: <https://tinyurl.com/UFMPsurvey>

6-13-'18 NCSA Trees Committee noon teleconference

Diana Zogran reported that UFD Chief Tim Tyson wants to do a \$400,000 in-house low-budget tree inventory based on an old inventory, undermining the UFMP Working Group that aims to have a full inventory conducted by an outside entity – a requirement to qualify for grants to get an UFMP. (Tyson serves on the UFMP Working Group but has missed the last two meetings.)

The residents of Sunnyslope in Sherman Oaks are challenging UFD in their planned tree removals for sidewalk repair and are advocating for alternative solutions as well as better replacement trees if any are diseased. Six trees are no longer slated for removal, and they are continuing their efforts to find solutions.

The NCSA Trees Committee will respond to the Interview questions from Dudek, the UFMP consulting firm, and has been given the questions.

Much education is needed to let public know the City's tree laws. It is illegal to remove a tree with nesting birds; a fence is required around a protected tree when doing construction, etc. Violations can be reported in a call to 311. The phone app is only set up for street tree violations.



6-9-'18 Metro Sepulveda Pass Update 10:00 a.m. Braude Constituent Center, Van Nuys

Six rail alternative plans are being considered for the Sepulveda Pass: tunnel alternatives are light rail and heavy rail; above ground alternatives are monorail and rubber tire transit.

The goal is to reach UCLA by 2028 and later connect as far as LAX. There will be a stop at the Orange Line (Van Nuys or Sepulveda) and Ventura Blvd, but no stops in the Sepulveda Pass as that would slow down the efficiency. The current study will include an EIR in 2019.

<https://www.metro.net/projects/sepulvedacorridor>

6-7-'18 Community Forest Advisory Committee (CFAC) 1:00 p.m. BPW at City Hall

UFD rep Kelly Richards indicated that tree removal, enforcement of unpermitted tree trimming reported on 311, tree watering, and root pruning will be possible through the proposed additional budget appropriations, though there is still a problem with lack of trucks and equipment and the hiring of new personnel that has to first observe for 6 months.

Ryan Gilmore of Dudek, consulting firm to the Urban Forestry Master Plan Working Group reported on their progress and emphasized importance of getting the public to take the survey. Their final report will be presented in December 2018.

Joanne D'Antonio, NCSA Trees Committee Chair, reported on her meeting with Councilmember Krekorian who asked for support of alternatives to tree removals and indicated his disappointment that UFD was not making a greater effort to implement the legislated alternatives. NCSA Trees Committee is working with residents interested in finding alternatives to tree removal when getting sidewalks fixed.

Ryan Allen, CFAC Chair, reported that new planting standards are being proposed to eliminate outdated practices such as root barriers, require non-metal poles, etc.

A list of prospects for position of tree advisor is being compiled for the Mayor – salary in the \$100,000 range for a person with a science background.

Effort still being made to send tree removal notices to Neighborhood Councils, but in the meantime all early tree removal notices issued by UFD are posted on the NCSA website under the heading TREES and listings are by Neighborhood Council. **<https://www.ncsa.la/trees>**

To identify what NC a particular address is in, search it at My LA Neighborhood:

<http://neighborhoodinfo.lacity.org>

Help is offered to contest removals by the NCSA Trees Committee: email

NCSATreeWork@roadrunner.com

End of Report

Agenda Item 12E. VANC Meeting 6/14/18

GVGC board member attending and reporting: J. Barmettler, Govt. Relations Committee.

VANC Meeting 6/14/18

Sherman Oaks Hospital, Dr. Conference Room, 6:30 - 10:00 PM

Address: 4929 Van Nuys Blvd., Sherman Oaks, CA.

VANC President presiding: Jill Banks Barad. 2nd Chair Judith Daniels.

GVGC board member attending: J. Barmettler, Govt. Relations Committee.

SUMMARY HIGHLIGHTS:

ITEM 1: AQMD Rep. - Assembly Bill 617 (AB617)

ITEM 2: NC Council Reforms (Motion by LA City Council Committee)

ITEM 3: Austin Beutner - LAUSD Superintendent

ITEM 4: Glen bailey - NC Elections

ITEM 5: November VANC Planning Forum & Mixer:

ITEM 6: Glenn Bailey City Council File #s

NOTES FROM VANC MEETING ON 6/14/18:

ITEM 1:

AQMD Rep. - Assembly Bill 617 (AB617)

AQMD rep pitched Community Meeting for Assembly Bill 617, for disadvantaged communities impacted by air pollution. SCAQMD is conducting public meetings to seek input on how to prioritize communities in our region for future air monitoring and emission reduction programs. Thursday June 2, 2018 6-8PM Las Palmas Park, 505 S. Huntington St., San Fernando, CA 91340

ITEM 2:

NC Council Reforms (Motion by LA City Council Committee)

David Ryu is spearheading City Council motion for the Health, Education and NC Committee, to reform NCs (see Motion and VANC notes - attachments #2 & 3 below).

Jill Barad pointed out 12 Items for NC Board discussion.

1. Change name from DONE to NCD (Neighborhood Councils Dept.).
2. Change name from BONC to NCC (Neighborhood Councils Commission).
3. Remove any reference to "Selections" and make shall be "Elected".
4. Creating review process to evaluate NCs Bylaws to ensure adequately allocated as needed. *VANC Exec committee unanimously against this. Why? BONC should not have authority over NCs bylaws process.*
5. Recommend next steps for determining minimum age for Board members and Committee

members. *VANC Exec Committee is against this. Why? NCs should have the choice for what ages of their boards should or should not be.*

6. Planning and Land Use Committee Training provided to PLUM Committees and NC Boards. *Exec Committee unanimously approved this.*

7. Option for NCs to roll-over a maximum of \$10,000 per year to following fiscal year. *VANC Exec Committee supports this with recommended change to \$15,000 maximum rollover.*

8. Recommend for removing LA City Code to the expiration of in kind or monetary donations. *VANC Exec Committee supports this to include NC Alliances to accept funds and monetary donations.*

9. City Elections - Same Day.

Discussion -not realistic to have proper City and Public support of 99 NCs for voting on the same day. NC cannot depend on city to advertise.

10. Develop process with City Clerk for NCs to share space in City owned buildings and facilities. *VANC Exec Committee supports this.*

11. Ongoing Best Practices and education. *VANC Exec Committee supports this.*

12. Develop "points of contact" list of key city departments. *VANC Exec. Committee supports this.*

VANC Exec Committee recommends to add to this list:

That ABC notify NCs about liquor/license issues in area, and add for Cannabis.

Also add Budget Advocates in the process.

Recommend for NC budget rollover to be an equation that is proportionate to NC budget, i.e. not to exceed 35% of NC annual budget for that year.

ITEM 3:

Austin Beutner - LAUSD Superintendent

Austin has been Superintendent for 2 weeks. In 2018 80% of LAUSD students will graduate. More than 60% of grads are not proficient in Math skills. 20% of students are not proficient in English. Students are not receiving the education they need. That's why he took the job. He wants to make sure each student is proficient in knowledge.

LAUSD has existential threat from money. LAUSD will run out of money in 3 years. This has been developing for many years. When school districts run out of money, cuts happen over time. Because of Prop 30 - \$16,000 per student funding. Taxpayers pay \$2,000 per student. As community we contribute \$18,000 per student.

Currently 500,000 students in LAUSD. Per pupil funding needs to be more, and come up. In 1999 the State increased pensions to 1.8%. Health care costs are \$1,000 to \$2,000 per student. Pension costs are \$1,500 per student. There is more allocated for Employee Pensions and Health Care than what is spent on the Students Math and English. LAUSD is proportionately 8% of the load but 58% of the liability.

Structurally, LAUSD Is top down appliance democracy. There is much jargon and policy. Austin plans to turn things upside down and restructure LAUSD. They will be redesigning districts with intention of retaining good leadership and keeping good teachers in the classrooms. We all have a stake in LAUSD to stay funded. LA Unified covers 700 miles and controls 7M acres of land. They are currently in the midst of selling LAUSD land assets and reallocating to other departments.

LAUSD demographics:

60,000 Employees (unions).
5,000 Nonexempt employees.
100,000 Charter School students.
500,000 Local District students.

Austin would like NCs to stay current and read articles and be informed about the issues so they can help him make public education great again.

ITEM 4:

Glen bailey - NC Elections

There were many shared thoughts regarding the Election filing process. Multiple filing deadlines. Some NCs have "Selections" and many have "Elections". Each NC has different situations that work for them. "Selection" - basically run your own election. "Election" - City run election. Discussed one day voting vs. spreading it out for different districts and NCs.

ITEM 5:

November VANC Planning Forum & Mixer:

VANC is planning a Planning Forum in November. VANC board is open to ideas for forums, panel discussions and other issues that would benefit NCs.

ITEM 6:

Glenn Bailey File #s:

CF 14-0818-S Admin Citation Enforcement Program Fireworks Violations.
6/28/18 motion (Krekorian) to Public Safety Committee
CF 18-0549 Smoking and Vaping Ban / All multi-family buildings and City of LA. 6/12/18 motion (Koretz) to HENCs.
CF 18-0514 Michel Moore/Chief of Police / Appointment 6/5/18 Report (Mayor) to Public Safety Committee.
CF 18-0458 BSS/DOT Merger Feasibility Report. 5/22/18 Motion to PW and GR committee.
CF 18-0359 Safe Parking Locations / Increased Enforcement Zone / Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 85.02
CF 18-0600-5001 to 149. 5/21/18 Referral List.

End of Report