Government Relations Committee AGENDA  
Monday, June 29, 2015 - 6:30 PM  
Laurence School Performing Arts Center, 6456 Woodman Ave.,  
Valley Glen CA 91401.

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1. Call to Order and Roll Call  
2. Approval of Minutes for April 27, 2015  
3. General Public Comments on non agenda items (see rules above)  
4. Committee Member Comments on non agenda items  
5. Discussion regarding current policies for a street tree removal permit from the Bureau of Street Services Urban Forestry Division and the permitting process for new construction involving the Department of Building and Safety, Bureau of Engineering, and occasionally the Planning Department and possible recommendations for new policies to limit the number of trees removed and new tree replacement requirement. (CF 15-0448)  

A. Possible motions and Possible Community Impact Statement  
B. Public comment  
C. Committee member comment  
6. Discussion regarding Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance proposal to reduce City’s GHG emissions by 80% below 1990 levels by 2050. (Council File 14-0907)  

A. Possible motions and Possible Community Impact Statement  
B. Public comment  
C. Committee member comment  
7. Discussion regarding Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance advisory to let property owners know about new PACE financing in City of LA for renewable energy, water efficiency and energy efficiency improvements.  

A. Possible motions  
B. Public comment  
C. Committee member comment  
8. Discussion regarding review of the Plan for a Citywide System of Neighborhood Council’s initiated by the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (Commission) in December 2012 and additional recommendations: 

1) that the Commission and DONE submit a report on the priority recommendations;  
2) that the City Administrative Officer and Chief Legislative Analyst be instructed to review a rollover policy for NC budget allocations where NC allocations do not revert at the end of the Fiscal Year;  
3) that the previous ordinance (No. 179,545) be reinstated which granted authority to DONE and NC’s to accept gifts and granted authority to the City Treasurer to establish checking accounts for the NC’s;  
4) that the CAO perform an analysis of the roles and responsibilities of DONE personnel and possible transfer of the responsibility of certain functions directly to NC boards that may increase the efficiency;  
5) that the General Manager of DONE report back in two weeks to the Education & Neighborhoods Committee relative to their effort to streamline certain processes that NC’s must adhere to. (CF 15-0524)  

A. Possible motions and Possible Community Impact Statement  
B. Public comment  
C. Committee member comment
9. Discussion regarding the 8% Transfer Fee from the DWP to the City’s General Fund (average of $250 million a Year)
   A. Possible motions
   B. Public comment
   C. Committee member comment
10. Discussion regarding the Board of Commissioners of the DWP and their Memorandum of Agreement with the Department of Public Works/Bureau of Sanitation for $15 million investment in five stormwater capture projects in the San Fernando Valley.
    A. Possible motions
    B. Public comment
    C. Committee member comment
11. Discussion on the following Resolutions for State Assembly Bills:
    1) AB 726 to allow for bi-articulated buses along the Orange Line. SUPPORTED by Resolution. (CF 15-0002-S68)
    2) AB 718 which would prohibit a legislative body of a city, county or city and county from prohibiting or subjecting to penalties, or removing and impounding a motor vehicle by reason of sleeping or resting in lawfully parked Motor vehicle. OPPOSED by Resolution as Bill eliminates local oversight and control. (CF 15-0002-S67)
    3) AB 1191 to allow the City and other municipalities to allocate the interest income generated from collected QUIIMBY fees. SUPPORTED by Resolution. (CF 15-0002-S58)
    A. Possible motions and Possible Community Impact Statements
    B. Public comment
    C. Committee member comment
13. VANC Report - Vic Viereck
14. Discussion regarding potential future agenda items.
15. Adjournment

The next meeting will be at 6:30 pm. on Monday, July 27, 2015 ---- Grant High School