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Government Relations Committee MINUTES

Tuesday, July 29, 2014 - 6:30 PM Ulysses S. Grant High School, Career Office 13000 Oxnard Street, Valley Glen, CA 91401

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call Meeting called to order at 6:42 p.m. Present: R.Pisani, J.D'Antonio, J.Price, S.Myrick (arrival at 6:50) Absent: V.Viereck.
- 2. Approval of Minutes for July 1, 2014 Amended minutes approved by unanimous vote
- General Public Comments on non agenda items (see rules above) none
- 4. Committee Member Comments on non agenda items J.D'Antonio raised issue of trees and possible protection from cutting down.
- 5. Discussion regarding 50/50 Sidewalk Repair Plan for Residential Properties (Council File #14-0163-S3) and Public Facilities (Council File #14-0163-S4) Discussion to table until next meeting for J.Price to discuss with Council office to obtain more information. J.Price made motion, 2nd by R.Pisani passed by unanimous vote
- 6. Discussion regarding proposed Resolution by City Council for its 2013/2014 State Legislative Program (Council File #14-0002-S82). Resolution: Resolve that, with the concurrence of the Mayor and by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2013-14 State Legislative Program its position for any legislation which would implement commercial property tax reform that will require non-residential commercial properties to be reassessed regularly while maintaining Proposition 13 protections for residential property and small business owners. Motion to support Resolution by R.Pisani, 2nd by J.D'Antonio passed by unanimous vote
- 7. Discussion regarding Foreclosure Blight and possible amendment to ordinance on Foreclosure Registry Program (Council File #12-0647-S6) Motion by R.Pisani, 2nd by S.Myrick: The Greater Valley Glen Council supports the proposal for an ordinance to amend the Foreclosure Registry Program to require lenders to pay a pro-active inspection fee at the time a property changes status from Notice of Default (NOD) to Real-estate owned (REO) in order to ensure adequate inspection and enforcement of bank-owned properties. (Council File #12-0647-S6) Community Impact Statement: The Foreclosure Registry Program adopted by City Council in 2010 has failed to protect residential neighborhoods from becoming blighted due to foreclosed and abandoned houses. Amendments to this program are needed to ensure that adequate enforcement is occurring and to hold the banks accountable for the subprime foreclosure fallout and subsequent blight in our communities. (Council File #12-0647-S6) Passed by unanimous vote
- 8. Possible update on DWP Oversight & Advocacy Committees (Joanne D'Antonio) no report
- 9. Discussion regarding next meeting agenda items: Possible items: Orange line/light rail --- drawing L.A. pension after committing a felony (per recent conviction by former L.A. Councilmember Richard Alarcon)
- 10. Adjournment: meeting adjourned at 7:58 (R.Pisani left at 7:15 to join Land Use Committee meeting)