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- **Committee Members** -  
Joanne D'Antonio  
Sloan Myrick  
Rich Pisani  
Vic Viereck

**Government Relations Committee MINUTES**  
**Monday, February 23, 2015 - 6:30 PM**  
**Kittridge Elementary School**  
**13619 Kittridge Street**  
**Valley Glen, CA 91401**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call - Meeting called to order at 6:33 p.m. All present except Sloan Myrick
2. Approval of Minutes for January 26, 2015 - Motion to approve with change by J.D'Antonio, 2<sup>nd</sup> by R. Pisani. Approved by unanimous vote.
3. General Public Comments on non agenda items (see rules above) - none
4. Committee Member Comments on non agenda items - none
5. Discussion regarding Draft Ordinance adding a new Article 12 to Chapter 6 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code establishing a Sidewalk and Curb Repair Fund - Council File 15-0184 - Motion and Community Impact Statement by R. Pisani, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J.D'Antonio. Approved by unanimous vote.  
MOTION: In theory, the Greater Valley Glen Council supports the Draft Ordinance adding a new Article 12 to Chapter 6 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code establishing a Sidewalk and Curb Repair Fund; however, we cannot support it until the source of funding is established and is acceptable. Council File #15-0184  
COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT: There are many long neglected sidewalks in disrepair and many curbs that are not ADA compliant creating a public hazard. In theory, the Greater Valley Glen Council supports the Draft Ordinance adding a new Article 12 to Chapter 6 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code establishing a Sidewalk and Curb Repair Fund; however, we cannot support it until the source of funding is established and is acceptable. Council File #15-0184
6. Discussion regarding the Draft Ordinance adding Section 22.818 to the Los Angeles Administrative Code establishing Regional Neighborhood Council Grievance Panels and granting the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners the authority to vacate Board Seats. - Council Files: 15-0067, 11-1018 and 13-1689. Motion by R.Pisani to oppose, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J.Price. Approved by unanimous vote. MOTION: The Greater Valley Glen Council is opposed to the Draft Ordinance adding Section 22.818 to the Los Angeles Administrative Code establishing Regional Neighborhood Council Grievance Panels and granting the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners the authority to vacate Board Seats. Council File #15-0067  
COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT: Since Neighborhood Councils are already required in their Bylaws to address grievances, the Greater Valley Glen Council is opposed to the Draft Ordinance adding Section 22.818 to the Los Angeles Administrative Code establishing Regional Neighborhood Council Grievance Panels and granting the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners the authority to vacate Board Seats. Grievances should be handled in the jurisdiction where filed. We think that Neighborhood Councils should have parity with the City Council which has no such requirement regarding grievances. Imposing more rules and regulations on Neighborhood Councils further erodes their local control and self governance, and conflicts with the intent of the Charter. Council File #15-0067
7. Update on VANC - Vic Viereck - Vic reminded everyone about the VANC Mixer, March 12.
8. Update on DWP Oversight Committee meeting on Feb. 7 - Joanne D'Antonio - DWP Oversight Committee Meeting Feb 7 was mostly a discussion of 1/26/15 Stormwater Master Plan meeting held downtown and via webcast. Also, DWP Ratepayer Advocate Fred Pickel spoke and indicated that NCs would get 90-120 days notice of any proposed rate increase.
9. Discussion and **possible motions** regarding potential future agenda items. - suggestions included on-line voting for NC's; the Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance; NC subdivisions
10. Adjournment - Motion to adjourn by R.Pisani, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J.D'Antonio, meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

*The next meeting will be at 6:30 pm. on **Monday, March 23 or 30 (tbd)**, 2015*  
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