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## Government Relations Committee MINUTES Tuesday, May 24, 2016 6:00 PM Erwin Street Elementary School 13400 Erwin Street, Valley Glen, CA 91401

- 1. Call to Order at 6:01 P.M. Quorum achieved with W. Hall and J. D'Antonio present.
- 2. Minutes for April 26, 2016 corrected to show a joint meeting with Plum to host a meeting concerning development at the Laurel Plaza site. Approved unanimously as corrected.
- 3. No General Public Comments
- 4. No Board Member Comments on items not on the agenda
- 5. Hall moved and D'Antonio seconded discussion of the following: The Greater Valley Glen Council endorses the City's commitment to eliminate traffic fatalities by 2025. Immediate to our Council area in April 2016, two pedestrians were killed while on sidewalks by out-of-control vehicles. We endorse further consideration of the various Tools to Reduce Speed as enumerated in the Department of Transportation's report, ENHANCED SPEED ENFORCEMENT AND TOOLS TO REDUCE SPEEDING, dated October 7, 2015. We particularly want to emphasize the need for Increased Police Presence and for LADOT to increase the number of full-duty employees assigned to conduct Engineering and Traffic Surveys in order to increase the number of street segments and street miles where speed limits can be enforced using electronic measuring devices. (CF 15-1006) Motion did not carry, Hall Yes, D'Antonio No.
- 6. Hall moved and D'Antonio seconded discussion of the following: The GVGC approves transmittal by its President of communication to our California State Senator, Robert M. Hertzberg, District 18, its support of AB 1594 that would, beginning January 1, 2018, prohibit smoking and the use of a tobacco product, including e-cigarettes, on any campus of the California State University or the California Community Colleges and that we request his support of that bill. We recognize the health hazards involved in smoking, both in its primary and secondary effects, and the annoyance, inconvenience, and the discomfort it entails. Motion passed unanimously.
- 7. Having joined the meeting, D. Breidenbach, PLUM Chairman, agreed with Hall and D'Antonio to a joint meeting on June 28, 2016 to discuss and hear from affected parties about proposals and concerns regarding development at the Laurel Plaza site at 6150 North Laurel Canyon Boulevard and 12001 Oxnard Street in North Hollywood, immediately adjacent to the east of the GVGC area.
- 8. Possible future agenda items: CF 15-1449 re Parking Reform/Technology to Reduce Street Sweeping Tickets; CF 15-1450-S1 re Parking Reform/Existing Parking Citation Fine Schedule; CF 15-1450-S5 re Parking Reform/Expand L.A. Express Park Program
- 9. DWP: W. Hall reported on meeting of May 7, 2016. The Office of Public Accountability reported on the changing nature of the electrical utility industry and the implementation of new rates as recently approved by the City Council. A general discussion of possible future changes to DWP Governance also occurred.
- 10. There was no Sustainability Alliance report.
- 11. VANC: Vic Viereck and J. D'Antonio reported that Senator Hertzberg gave his priorities for transportation improvements in the San Fernando Valley, Jay Beeber spoke to possible parking reforms, and there was a presentation re the proposed Angel Fest music festival proposed for the Sepulveda Basin.
- 12. Hall moved and D'Antonio seconded adjournment at 7:00 P.M., unanimously passed.

The next meeting will be at 6:00 pm. on Tuesday, June 28, 2016 Erwin Street School