Greater Valley Glen Council Parks & Improvements Committee
Minutes of 3/27/'18 meeting at Uncle Tony's Pizzeria, 13007 Victory Blvd. Valley Glen, CA

1. Acting Chair/Boardmember Malky Kertis called the meeting to order at approximately 7:00 p.m.
Present also were Committee Members: Boardmember Joanne D'Antonio, Boardmember/Secretary Mickey Jannol, and Karen Klaparda. Also present: Board Member/Treasurer James Casey. Absent: President Sloan Myrick. Quorum achieved.

2. There were no general public comments.

3. Committee Member comments not on agenda: Karen Klaparda announced her upcoming resignation due to her relocation to Las Vegas by Memorial Day.

4. No minutes submitted for approval.

5. Joanne D'Antonio gave a report on the condition of the Victory medians, which measure a total of .6 mile. The medians do not need plastic removal. She showed photos of the palo verde trees that have been improperly pruned, probably by Urban Forestry. She is in talks for a bid from New Directions for Youth, a City Contractor, to contract to do spread additional mulch and remove weeds (they have one weed removal tool and we need to provide ours). We need to supply the mulch, and they have no trucks. They would not remove the dead trees, as they do not have the equipment. James Casey suggested Bureau of Sanitation mulch and offered to help supervise the crew from New Directions for Youth.

6. The Parks Committee may be able to get the City to install stationary exercise equipment in our Parks, and there was favorable reaction to pursue this.

There was discussion of pocket parks, and James Casey suggested flyers to see what close-by neighbors want.

Mickey Jannol spoke against the idea of an amphitheater in Valley Glen Park since there is a natural amphitheater in the landscape that can be used for concert events. Right now there is no electrical access in that Park.

7. James Casey suggested we need a design company to replace our Valley Glen sign with a more appropriate sign and suggested looking at the Studio City sign on Laurel Canyon Blvd.

8. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Joanne D'Antonio