



Greater Valley Glen Council ("GVGC")



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SPECIAL VIRTUAL BOARD MEETING #2 MINUTES - May 27, 2021

VIRTUAL MEETING TELECONFERENCING NUMBER FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

In conformity with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 (MARCH 17, 2020) and due to concerns over COVID-19, the Greater Valley Glen Council meeting will be conducted entirely telephonically. Every person wishing to attend and/or comment at this meeting must **dial (669) 900-6833** and **enter 834 3826 5391** and **then press #** to join the meeting. You may join the meeting as early as 6:45 p.m. Instructions on how to sign up for public comment will be given to listeners at the start of the meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Officers

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Andrea Jones	At-Large Rep	Dan Stueve	At-Large Rep
Artur Manasyan	Youth Rep		



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Items with a heading followed by an asterisk () indicate there are possible motions for all listed Motions that follow. Motions are followed by a second, Public comment, Board comment/discussion, and other actions including a Call for the question, and Roll Call vote.*

Item 1 President Bethel called meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.
Roll Call. 14 present, 5 absent (Barmettler, Harrison, Manasyan, Myrick, Stueve).
Quorum achieved.

Item 2 Chair instructions for Public Comment on agenda items.

Item 3 * **President's Motions & Comments** All motions marked *

**Re: Case # CPC-2020-4127-CU-ZV- Yeshiva Ketana School of Los Angeles (the "Applicant")
ENV-2020-4128-CE**

Permits a private school with grades K through 8 within existing structures located at 12041-12053 West Burbank Blvd. and 5617-5617½ Agnes Avenue, North Hollywood, CA. 91607 ("Property") with enrollment of 324 students.

PLUC Chair D'Antonio gave a report on the reason for this meeting to re-consider the GVGC position on the Yeshiva-Ketana School's request for a Zone Variance and Conditional Use Permit to permit the operation of a Private Elementary School (K through 8) on the Subject Property in the P and C1 Zone, this to enlarge the currently operating school to 324 students on the existing footprint:

Based on Board action at the September 2021, a letter of conditional support pending additional parking be rented at the temple across Burbank Blvd., was already submitted for a June 2, 2021 Planning Department Hearing, and this re-consideration was brought on in response to extensive public objection to traffic issues voiced both in public comment at the May 2021 GVGC Arts and Education Committee meeting and in an large number of emails to our Board and PLUC Chair requesting a special board meeting. There was concern that inadequate outreach had been conducted since GVGC notification was limited to Agnes St. near the school. The PLUC Chair successfully requested the President set up a second special meeting to follow our already scheduled special meeting on May 27th. Once this item was agendized for a special meeting there were also many emails of support of school expansion primarily from parents, and the emails against continued, including a petition of over 130 signatures opposing the variances to enlarge the school, this due to dangerous traffic problems was submitted.

Public comment was heard – approximately 20 comments of support, primarily from parents and about 30 comments against, primarily from neighbors affected by the traffic conditions brought on at the various drop off areas utilized by the school.



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Board member Harrison joined at 8:15 during public comment.

Motion 1

*The GVGC withdraws its letter of support of the Yeshiva-Ketana of Los Angeles request for expansion to 334 students and the zone variances and conditional use permits required and out of concern for the traffic problems this expansion will exacerbate. A new letter indicating the withdrawal of support and the reasons leading to this decision will be submitted to the Planning Hearing with the caveat that should the applicant present a solution that mitigates the traffic problems, the GVGC Board would reconsider their withdrawal of support. (Bethel, Hall)

Motion Passed. (14 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 5 absent (Barmettler, Manasyan, Myrick, Shafer, Stueve), 0 ineligible, 0 recused.

**Item 4 * Motion to Adjourn (Bethel, Harrison) Passed unanimously.
Meeting adjourned at 9:31 p.m.**

Next Regular Board Meeting is on June 7, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

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