



# Greater VALLEY GLEN COUNCIL

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## CITY OF LOS ANGELES Greater VALLEY GLEN COUNCIL

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## Government & Business Relations Committee

April 5, 2010

*To be submitted to the GVGC President at least 120 hours in advance of monthly Board meeting.  
Not to exceed 2 pages.*

**PROPOSED MOTION:** ““The Greater Valley Glen Council (GVGC) generally agrees with Councilman Grieg Smith’s motions related to the Department of Water and Power in Council File 09-2544. The GVGC suggests the following:

1. Improve customer service and make customer billing more transparent and easier to understand.
2. Put a charter reform measure on the ballot to require the DWP’s budget, which was previously a closed book, to be voted on and adopted by the City Council.
3. Put a charter reform measure on the ballot requiring Council approval for all rate and payroll increases.
4. Put a charter reform measure on the ballot for wage and pension parity, leveling the “paying field” between DWP positions, which pay much higher salaries, and identical positions in other City Departments. Wages and pensions would be based on the lower of the two.
5. Discontinue employee migration to DWP.
6. Put a charter reform measure on the ballot to enable the City Council to remove any DWP Commissioner with a 2/3 majority vote.
7. Put a charter reform measure on the ballot to enable the City Council to remove any DWP General Manager with a 2/3 majority vote.
8. Reform the DWP Board of Commissioners, removing the Mayor’s sole appointment authority and dividing it among the Mayor, City Council and Neighborhood Councils. A certain number of Commissioners would also be required to have requisite expertise in specific industries.
9. Put a ratepayer advocate or ratepayer advocate committee in place to serve as an independent watchdog over the DWP and over any rate increases.”

**PROPOSED BUDGET EXPENDITURE (if any): None**

**PROPOSED COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT (if applicable) – 100 words or less: (Attach to any applicable Council File No. 09-2544)**

**COMMUNITY BENEFIT STATEMENT (if applicable – 100 words or less)**all non-operation expenditures must attach Agency or Department Letter Requesting item(s) or donation(s)to Committee prior to Committee vote;

Protecting the DWP ratepayers of Greater Valley Glen and LA.

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