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**Greater VALLEY GLEN COUNCIL**

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**MINUTES**

**7:00 PM**

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2009**

**VALLEY COLLEGE**

**FACULTY LOUNGE**

**5800 FULTON AVENUE**

**VALLEY GLEN, CALIFORNIA 91401**

*Free Parking in Parking Lot B Only*

**- Board Members -**

Terry Anderson	Fernando Ayala
Douglas Breidenbach	Maria Denis
Carlos Ferreyra	William Fishman
Stanley Friedman	Ted Geldberg
Eli Kademian	Hafeed Kardouh
Charlotte Laws	Larry G. Jorgenson
Malky Kertis	Montie Mazo
Chris Mushyan	Gary Popenoe
Kathleen Schwartz	Bruce Thomas
Karo Torossian	Chris Ueland
Vic Viereck	

**1. CALL TO ORDER AT 7:10PM, FOLLOWED BY PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL**

**CALL: PRESENT:** Terry Anderson, Douglas Breidenbach, Maria Denis, Carlos Ferreyra, William Fishman, Ted Geldberg, Eli Kademian, Charlotte Laws, Larry Jorgenson, Malky Kertis, Montie Mazo, Gary Popenoe, Chris Ueland, Vic Viereck. **ABSENT:** Stanley Friedman, Hafeed Kardouh, Chris Mushyan, Kathleen Schwartz, Bruce Thomas, Karo Torossian.

**A MOMENT OF SILENCE IN REMEMBRANCE OF PEARL HARBOR DAY.**

**2. PRESENTATIONS: IHOP/Suzanne Pinirski Appreciation plaque –NOT PRESENT**

**3. GUEST SPEAKER:** Steven Weinstein, Branch Manager and Jesse Monreal, Business Banking Manager of Citibank, Valley Glen. Mr. Weinstein spoke about the Bank, its services and relationship to the Community. This was followed by questions from the Board and Public. Terry Anderson thanked him for the Banks presence in our Community and contribution to our Pancake Breakfast/Safety Fair.

**4. LAPD SENIOR LEAD OFFICERS' REPORTS;**

Van Nuys: SLO Ron Carter spoke about crime in our area and that with the holidays coming, residents must be more vigilant about crime in the area and not leaving items in cars that is readily visible. It only takes a couple seconds to break a window and remove what is visible. He also discussed the change of leadership within the LAPD with the appointment of the new Chief of Police. He also encouraged the creation of more Neighborhood Watch. This was followed by questions from Board and Public.

North Hollywood: No Report



**5. READING OF MINUTES:** of November 2, 2009;

Moved by William Fishman and seconded by Ted Geldberg that the Minutes of the November 2, 2009 meeting be approved as presented. CARRIED

**6. TREASURER'S REPORT:** Treasurer Vic Viereck presented financial report for the 5 months ending november 30, 2009. Moved by Montie Mazo and seconded by William Fishman.

Public comments: none

Board comments: Terry Anderson  
CARRIED

Vic Viereck reported the nothing has been done on the reconciliation of report/roll over funds. He also stated that he would follow up on reimbursement of the \$500.00 dollars from Wendy Greuel/City Clerk.

**7. GOVERNMENT REPORTS: NONE**

**8. PRESIDENTS REPORT:** Terry Anderson reported that one education and one youth seat vacant.

President Anderson nominated Erwin Cervantes and Jozef Essavi for the two vacant business seats. The two aforementioned introduced themselves. Motion to confirm Erwin Cervantes and Jozef Essavi to the vacant business seats were made by Terry Anderson and seconded by Douglas Breidenbach for Mr. Cervantes and by Terry Anderson and seconded by Ted Geldberg for Mr.Essavi. CARRIED

Board and Committee Meeting Rooms Schedule; ...*SEE ATTACHED FOR 2010*  
**.....January 5<sup>th</sup> Problem.....**

Reminder: re: **Board Members leaving meeting without announcing their departure** and the necessity for all Board Members to remain for the entirety of the Board Meeting unless an absolute emergency requires their departure.

**9. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Mark Thurston of VGNA, Jason Drantch, David Schwartz, Brian Schwartz and Mark Thurston.

At request of guests, Terry Anderson explained the nature and purpose of the Neighborhood Councils.

**10. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:** Vic Viereck

**11. CONSENT CALENDAR:**

- A. **COMMUNITY OUTREACH COMMITTEE PROPOSED NPG GRANT HIGH SCHOOL MOTION:** That the Greater Valley Glen Board approves and adopt the Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG) application submitted by Ulysses S. Grant High School to pay \$1000 to assist in supporting the Grant High School Mentor Program whereby upper class students are matched with 9<sup>th</sup> graders to assist with homework, meetings, tutoring, field trips and team and skill building – all directed at keeping students from quitting school. This grant application has been available for review and comment by the public and has been duly evaluated by the GVGC Community Outreach and Neighborhoods Committee and the GVGC Board.
- B. **COMMUNITY OUTREACH COMMITTEE PROPOSED NPG KITTRIDGE SCHOOL MOTION:** That the GVGC Board approve a Neighborhood Purposes Grant in the amount of \$1000 for Kittridge Street Elementary School for the purchase of portable partitions to display student work in Kittridge Street Elementary School’s annual multi cultural Arts Festival for the students, parents and the Community. This grant application has been available for review and comment by the public and has been duly evaluated by the GVGC Community Outreach and Neighborhoods Committee and the GVGC Board.
- C. **COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROPOSED NPG MONLUX SCHOOL MOTION:** That the Greater Valley Glen Board approves and adopt the Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG) application submitted by J. B. Monlux Elementary School in the amount of \$1000 to be used assist in the purchase of a laptop, projector and document camera to facilitate the classes sponsored by the Monolux Elementary School’s “Parent Center Education Initiative” This grant application has been available for review and comment by the public and has been duly evaluated by the GVGC Community Outreach and Neighborhoods Committee and the GVGC Board.

Moved by Carlos Ferreyra and seconded by Marky Kerits that the Consent be approved as presented.

Public comments; None

Board Member comments; None

CARRIED

**12. PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT;** Bruce Thomas, Chr. (not present)

General Committee report; Jean Sinatra, Public Safety Co-chair;

Reported that the December 5, 2009 GVGC Neighborhood Watch Summit was a success and was attended by 25 NW’s. all from Valley Glen. Emphasis at this meeting was to create more NW’s and increase the overall effectiveness of them.

The January 2010 meeting will discuss and start planning for the Pancake Breakfast, chaired by Terry Anderson, and Safety Fair, chaired by Jean Sinatra.

No Board or Public Comments.

**13. COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND NEIGHBORHOODS REPORT;**

Terry Anderson reported that the Canopy has been delivered and looks real good  
The VANGUARD was mailed as planned. Some areas did not receive it and that may have been a Post Office problem.

Chris Ueland reported that the CD 2 November 30<sup>th</sup> Candidate Debate was a great success with over 250 people in attendance. Questions were solicited from CD 2 residents and were edited by Valley Village NC. Both Candidates indicated that this was the best and biggest turnout during the Campaign.

Erwin Street Elementary School and Valley College NPG applications have been submitted.

**14. CAMBRIDGE FARMS RECYCLING ISSUE COMMITTEE REPORT;** Maria Denis, Chr.;  
Maria Denis reported that ongoing discussions with the Landlord and Tenants are making progress but will take time to implement.

Next meeting set for February 18, 2010 at 6:30 pm;

Public Comments: None

Board Members Comment; Carlos Ferreyra

**15. BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE REPORT:**

Terry Anderson reported for the absent Fernando Ayala. The Grant Application for the Playground Equipment and other Valley Glen Community Park have been submitted and approval looks promising. .

No report on the Fulton/Van Owen Sprint Triangle or Victory/Whitsett Median clean up.

Public Comment: None

Board Comment: Carlos Ferreyra, Terry Anderson, Vic Viereck, Doug Breidenbach.

**16. AD HOC CIVIC TOWN HALL MEETING COMMITTEE REPORT;** Karo Torossian, Chr.

No Report

**17. SOUTHEAST VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE;** Chris Ueland, Chr.

No report this month...

**18. GOVERNMENT AND BUSINESS RELATIONS COMMITTEE: CHARLOTTE LAWS, CH**

- A. No report special elections (council file number 09-1222-S1)
- B. Medical Marijuana Clinics is still be debated by the City Council.
- C. Motion withdrawn
- D. Moved: The GVGC supports lactation rooms in city departments in which there are 250 employees or more as long as the City uses non-city funds to provide service. Moved by Charlotte Laws and seconded by Vic Viereck.

Public Comments: Judy Price

Board Members Comment; Carlos Ferreyra, Doug Breidenbach, Chris Ueland.

**FAILED:** For 3 Against 6 Abstain 6

- E. Moved by Charlotte Laws and seconded by Carlos Ferreyra that:“The GVGC opposes creating a wage theft ordinance in the city of Los Angeles. There are currently state and federal laws on the books to protect employees from abuse.”

Public Comments/Board Comments: None

**PASSED:** For 14 Against 6 Abstain 1

**F: Other Government and Business Relations Reports:**

- a. DWP NC MOU Report; Montie Mazo Meeting was held on November 28, 2009.

Main discussion centered on Rate Payer Advocate. It was recommended that all the Neighborhood Councils inundate their Council Members to support RPA.

- b. GVGC Census involvement that GVGC take the lead in promoting the Rate Payer Neighborhood Council, DWP Committee, United Chamber of Commerce, LAANC.

- c. Status of Council Files Report by Charlotte Laws-No Report

- d. LANCC by Charlotte Laws General Report; No Report

- e. Update on Valley Alliance by Vic Viereck; There will be a Christmas Party and all are invited. The Alliance is in favor of RPA.

- f. Invitation for Stakeholders to join Recycled Water: No Report

Public Comments: Judy Price

Board Members Comment; Carlos Ferreyra, Doug Breidenbach

- 19. PLANNING & LAND USE COMMITTEE:** Doug Breidenbach, Chr.;
- A.** Ted Geldberg met with City PLUM officials regarding the problem that they are not always informed by other City Departments involved in reviewing the same projects.
  - B.** Committee participation in PlanCheckNC; City Attorney Conference with NC Chairs; Doug Briedenbach; No Report
  - C.** City Controller Meeting with NC Land Use & Planning Chairs; No Quorum as members recused themselves.
  - D.** City and State Law requirements pertaining to ADU Accessory Dwelling Units per AB 1866; motions: Doug Breidenbach explained issue and some guide lines will be established by City for zoning.

An Ad Hoc committee consisting of Doug Breidenbach, Jozef Essavi, Erwin Cervantes and Gary Popenoe was appointed by Council President Anderson to review guide lines and come back with recommendations.

Public Comments; None

Board Member Comments: Terry Anderson, Charlotte Laws, Vic Viereck and Jozef Essavi.

- E.** Recommendation to expand Valley Glen “Q” Conditions to entire area of Greater Valley Glen: Moved by William Fishman and seconded by Doug Breidenbach that the “Q” Conditions be reviewed to cover all of Valley Glen.  
Public Comments; None

Board Comments: Montie Mazo, Carlos Ferreyra,

Board Action: For 14, Against 0, Abstain 1 **PASSED**

- F.** Draft Bicycle Plan Update: Malky Kertis; Will be presented in March 2010.
- G. PROPOSED MOTION FOR BOARD ACTION: As Amended** While the Greater Valley Glen Council supports the compassionate use and availability of marijuana for true medical needs, the following proposals address the false use of this policy and recommend the following regarding medical marijuana dispensaries in the City of Los Angeles: 1) The City shall close all dispensaries that are not in compliance with State Law. 2) Only non-profit collectives per California State Law shall be permitted. 3) No cash sales shall be permitted. 4) There shall be a distance of 1000’ feet from all schools- public and private, houses of worship, day care centers, libraries, community centers, parks, other youth facilities, and alcohol and drug rehab centers.

*Explained that this proposal is not material different from the Proposed Ordinance supported by the Board as the November Meeting.*

*City has no plan and keeps sending it back to Committee for review and recommendations.*

*Motion: Moved by Doug Breidenbach and seconded by Vic Viereck.*

Public Comments: Judy Price, David Schwartz

Board Comments: Carlos Ferreyra, Gary Popenoe, Charlotte Laws,

Motion Passed: For 11 Against 3 Abstain 1

## **20. ADJOURNED AT 9:37PM**

*Next scheduled meeting **January 11, 2010 at 7:00 pm.***

**\*\* Please see attached Motions; unless otherwise stated, approval of any motion also includes approval of the motion and the entire Committee Motion Form and all information set forth therein except as motion and/or submitted motion form is amended.**