



**Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council**  
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**Regular Board Meeting MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, May10, 2022**  
**6:30 pm – 8:30 pm**  
**(DRAFT)**

**Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council**  
 Zoom Webinar ID #: 987 6658 0221

\* No training sessions completed, not eligible to vote \*\*No funding training, not eligible to vote on fund matters

| BOARD MEMBER                                       | BOARD POSITION                          | PRESENT   | ABSENT   | NOT VOTING ELIGIBLE |
|--|---|-----------|----------|---------------------|
| Chávez, Norma O. <b>Secretary</b>                  | At-Large Stakeholder Director           | x         |          |                     |
| Danielian, Serj                                    | Residential Stakeholder Director        | x         |          |                     |
| García, Rosalio                                    | Residential Stakeholder Director        | x         |          |                     |
| Hill, Daniel                                       | Youth Representative Director           | x         |          |                     |
| Hill, Emilie A. <b>Treasurer</b>                   | Residential Stakeholder Director        | x         |          |                     |
| Lee, Lily  | Business Stakeholder Director           |           | x        |                     |
| Mares, Lionel                                      | Residential Stakeholder Director        | x         |          |                     |
| Portillo, Oscar Jr.                                | Residential Stakeholder Director        | x         |          |                     |
| Ryan, Mark P. <b>2<sup>nd</sup> vice-president</b> | Business Stakeholder Director           | x         |          |                     |
| Thum, Wendy <b>President</b>                       | Residential Stakeholder Director        | x         |          |                     |
| Venegas, Eddie appointed at approx. 6:45 pm        | Business Stakeholder Director           | x         |          |                     |
| Villarreal, María                                  | Residential Stakeholder Director        | x         |          |                     |
| <b>TOTAL: 11</b>                                   | <b>Quorum: 7 (at least one officer)</b> | <b>10</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>0</b>            |

**ITEM 1:** Wendy G. Thum, president, called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm.

- Mike P. Ryan, 2<sup>nd</sup> vice-president led the Pledge of Allegiance
- Emilie A. Hill, treasurer, led the Code of Civility in English
- Norma O. Chávez, secretary, led the Code of Civility in Spanish
- Roll call was taken by Norma O. Chávez and quorum was established with eight members present at the time of roll call.

**ITEM 2:** Wendy Thum, the president, welcomed attendees. Ms. Thum invited board members to share photos of their moms in celebration of Mother’s Day. Emilie Hill shared a photo of her mom.

**ITEM 3: EMERGENCY** Personnel from Fire and Police departments will always be allowed to address the Board when they are ready in order to facilitate their schedule

**A.** Senior Lead Officer Eric Perez, [38338@lapd.online](mailto:38338@lapd.online), mobile (818) 634-0755

- Officer Perez wished all mothers a happy Mother’s Day. He shared that May 10 is Mother’s Day in México and many Latin American countries.

- Overall a 25% reduction in violent crime in my side of Sun Valley. Property crime has gone up about 35%. The highest increase has been in burglaries. We have had problems with burglaries in the Glencrest Hills area. The series of burglaries quiet down, but then at the beginning of April it spiked up again. We believe these places are being cased during the day and then getting hit during the evening between 6:00 and 8:00 pm.
- It is always better to use a landline whenever calling 911 so that one gets directed to the appropriate dispatch center. It takes approximately three minutes from the moment the dispatcher gets a call to get in touch with the officers. Then it depends on the location of the closest officer that is available. Then the officer takes approximately three minutes to respond to the location of the incident. When using a cell phone, one is routed to the CHP Sacramento, so it takes a few minutes longer.

B. Senior Lead Officer Cesar Contreras, [36373@lapd.online](mailto:36373@lapd.online), mobile (818) 634-0854

- I am the Senior Lead Officer for Sun Valley. The crime in my side of Sun Valley is not much different from what was shared by Officer Perez. The concentration of crime in my side is on property. We are having motor theft vehicle. The theft of catalytic converters is one of the biggest problems we are having. Officers are coming to high concentrated crime areas.
- We are also working a lot diligently on the quality of life issues. On the Southern part of the division as well as the Northern part of the division has the issues: the RVs, the homeless encampments and the large piles on the sidewalks. We are enforcing the 41.18 ordinance. We have been working with LA Sanitation, impounding a lot of vehicles, and issuing citations. We are reaching out to the people living in those vehicles. We are working with CD2 and CD6 to try to get the resources that we need from them and the support to getting those resources. In the next few weeks, you will be seeing improvements in many of the chronic areas.

Public comment:

Bart Trevino shared that he has been visiting Sun Valley's retailers on our project to reduce underage drinking. As people are feeling more comfortable coming out, they have a couple of concerns with shelving theft as well as loitering in public and public drinking in front of liquor stores. He invited the officers to pay a visit with him to address some of the concerns, especially to do as much as they could do to prevent youth access to alcohol. There are some marijuana concerns too in some of the stores.

Rudy Melendez thanked LAPD for all they do. Mr. Melendez shared he had learned this evening of the process of calling 911 when using a cell phone and how the calls get routed to CHP Sacramento and how people have the misunderstanding when people expect the cops to show up right away when often times 911 operators are slow to answer calls. Mr. Melendez asked what is the main resource the LAPD needs to keep our communities safe. Officer Perez stated that the main resource is more officers not just for the Foothill Division but throughout the City.

Panel comment:

Emilie Hill requested an update regarding an 11 year old female who was passed out and dropped out of an SUV on the corridor of Allegheny St. and Telfair Ave. There was a search for the suspect. This happened on April the 25<sup>th</sup>. Officer Contreras stated that both Officer Perez and himself were on vacation so they were not aware of the incident. He shared there had been another incident involving a minor who tried breaking into someone's car and got into an altercation with the owner of the car and both stabbed each other with knives and ended up in the same hospital. Officer Perez went through the reports in his file and found some information to share which states that the minor has a history of running away and she had gone away for the weekend with her older boyfriend.

Oscar Portillo asked if Ordinance 41.18 had to do with RVs. Officer Contreras explained that at the moment there is no ordinance enforcement of RVs. They are dealing with RVs blocking sidewalks, driveways, and entrances to businesses,

Norma Chávez asked if the SUV incident was related to another incident involving two minors from V.O.C.E.S Magnet school where the suspects tried robbing from them and the students ran back to the school and due to public presence the suspects drove away. Officers stated there was no relationship.

#### **ITEM 4: Announcements from elected officials or their representatives**

A. Karla Maqueda (Councilmember Nury Martinez, CD6, [karla.maqueda@lacity.org](mailto:karla.maqueda@lacity.org))

- We will be having a spring hiring event partnered with a couple other organizations. The event will take place on May 12 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. at the Van Nuys Salvation Army.
- We will be having a Food Distribution Drive by on June 1<sup>st</sup> from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. at the Sun Valley office. You may get food boxes for your friends, neighbors, parent centers, and seniors. Let us know that you need extra boxes.

- LADOT has a motion that passed a couple of weeks ago where they are going to start towing some vehicles that are used for storage in certain homeless encampments but are not necessarily used for dwelling. LADOT has been given 30 days to report back on how they are going to reach out to the outreach organizations.

**B. Diana Gonzalez (Councilmember Paul Krekorian, CD2, [diana.gonzalez@lacity.org](mailto:diana.gonzalez@lacity.org) )**

- The Department of Aging still has the senior meal program and will end on June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- The Department of Disability is providing assistance for those in need of medical equipment such as wheelchairs, walkers, canes. They are prioritizing people experiencing homelessness and with limited income.
- We continue to work with various departments with LA Sanitation, LAHSA, LADOT, LAPD in regards to outreach and cleanups in areas experiencing illegal dumping, homelessness, RVs, vehicle dwelling. Last week, we had a comprehensive cleanup on San Fernando Road between Sunland and Hollywood Way and the streets in between such as Rainier and Clybourn. With the help of Officer Contreras, we were able to help some individuals into tiny homes.

**C. Salvador Manriquez (Office of CA State Assemblymember Luz Rivas, 39th District, [salvador.manriquez@asm.ca.gov](mailto:salvador.manriquez@asm.ca.gov) )**

- The Clean California project will improve the aesthetics of Sun Valley. The project will begin on Paxton St to Roscoe Blvd with a budget of \$5.4 million dollars. The project is to be started in June and will be finished in May 2023. The main objective is to remove the graffiti from the freeway, have some fencing to have a long term effect of keeping the graffiti off the walls of the 5 Fwy. The project will replace irrigation systems, install some plants, remove dead plants.

**D. Jason Maruca (Office of LA County Supervisor Kathryn Barger, 5th District, [Jason.maruca@lacounty.gov](mailto:Jason.maruca@lacounty.gov) )**

- Last Tuesday, the Board of Supervisors approved Supervisor Kathryn Barger's motion to implement the Blue Ribbon Commission on homelessness' recommendations which is in charge of reviewing how the homelessness services work, where things are working and where there are challenges. Three main actions will come with this motion are a) bringing LAHSA to its pre-age, pre Measure H in terms of transitioning from a direct service provider into one that is focusing on funding especial from the federal level and making sure those opportunities align with local priorities, b) creating a local solutions fund for Measure H that would push more money to the cities and allow them to spend money on their priorities around homelessness, and c) creating a County department that is flexible and that has the responsibility to hold together all the departments and coordinating the department of mental health, department of health, public health, and the department of social services. This department will be answerable to the Board of Supervisors.
- On Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup> we will have a tribute to veterans and military families at the Arcadia County Park from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. It is free parking and free admission. This is an annual event that the Supervisor always puts on.

**ITEM 5: Comments from the Empower LA Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate (NEA) Lorenzo Briceno**

- Lorenzo Briceno emailed his announcements yesterday to the Board. He asked that board members send the correct email address to him to make sure they receive his emails as well as those from the department.
- While the doors to the City Council opened on May 4, the neighborhood councils' meetings will remain virtual. The department is looking for hybrid options.
- I will be reaching out to Wendy, Norma and any other members of the outreach committee and the elections committee to talk about possible strategies for outreach for the 2023 elections.
- Trainings are available in the website
- Congress of Neighborhoods will take place on September 24 via zoom. This is an annual event.
- Important funding dates: May 20 is the last day to submit event approvals, June 1<sup>st</sup> is the last day to submit a check request, and June 20<sup>th</sup> is the final day for any bank card transactions.
- The administrative packet for 2022-2023 is ready.

**ITEM 6: GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS which are within the Board's subject-matter jurisdiction**

Jacky Carbajal welcomed all new members and was happy to see new faces and to see the board able to be involved in the community.

Rudy Melendez complimented Emilie's mom. He shared that back when he was in 4<sup>th</sup> grade and was running for class president his mom wrote his campaign speech. Mr. Melendez expressed his disappointment with the way Wendy Thum runs the public comment sessions of the motions. He stated that he is a regular attendee and likes to engage, but dislikes being interrupted by the president to

ask him to stop politicking when she does throughout the entire meeting. Mr. Melendez asked that Ms. Thum refrain from interrupting him in future meetings.

**ITEM 7:** Board Member Comment on matters within the Board’s subject-matter jurisdiction that DO NOT appear on the agenda

Norma Chávez stated that we were approaching May the 15<sup>th</sup>, which is special celebration or commemoration of the police. This is the time when they remember those who have lost their lives while they were on duty, so she wanted to thank them all for their work and for constantly exposing their lives to protect us. Officers also have children, wives, mothers, sisters, siblings and so on who miss them. She truly appreciates their courage to do the work they do.

**ITEM 8:** The Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council Board available seats were reviewed:

- (5) seats available for At-Large Stakeholder (2 term end 2023, and 3 terms end in 2025)
- (5) seats available for Business Stakeholder (2 terms end in 2023 and 3 terms end in 2025)
- (1) seat available for Community Interest Stakeholder (term ends in 2025)

There are also one year appointed positions for:

- (2) seats available for Senior Representative Stakeholder (age 55+, 1 year appointment, term ends approximately Spring, 2022)

**Qualifications for all seats per the SVANC BYLAWS and STANDING RULES, further information and Candidate Filing Form are available at:**

<https://www.svanc.com/board-candidate-appointments>

Norma Chávez moved to amend item 9 to change the year from 2023 to 2025 and Wendy Thum seconded the motion. Discussion took place. Ms. Chávez explained that the reason for the change was because Eddie Venegas had just gone through elections in 2021 and while he temporarily left the board it would not be a good idea to have him run in the elections of 2023. Lorenzo Briceno informed the Council that it was ok to make the change. Voting took place and the motion was approved with 10 votes in favor.

| Yes - 10   | No - 00 | Recused- 00 | Not Eligible - 00 | Absent - 01 |
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| Chávez, Danielan, R. Garcia, D. Hill, E. Hill, Mares, Portillo, Ryan, Thum, Villarreal | NONE    | NONE        | NONE              | Lee         |

**ITEM 9:** Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve the appointment of Eddie Venegas to a Business Stakeholder open seat, term ends in 2025. He gave a brief description of why he wants to rejoin the SVANC Board and his interest in participating in the ... committee 1<sup>st</sup>: Rosalío García, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Emilie Hill. The candidate made his candidacy statement. Voting took place and the motion passed with 10 votes in favor. Mr. Venegas recited the Code of Civility and was immediately sat on the board.

| Yes - 10   | No - 00 | Recused- 00 | Not Eligible - 00 | Absent - 01 |
|--|---------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Chávez, Danielan, R. Garcia, D. Hill, E. Hill, Mares, Portillo, Ryan, Thum, Villarreal | NONE    | NONE        | NONE              | Lee         |

**ITEM 10:** Presentation of two programs by Bart Trevino from the San Fernando Valley Partnership, Inc.

**A.** "Let’s make a difference" - an opioid and prescription drug abuse campaign

Mr. Trevino informed attendees that their organization is contracted by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health Substance Abuse Prevention and Control. A slide presentation was shared. The "Let’s make a difference" campaign is a prescription drug prevention effort and campaign. The public is being asked to follow three simple steps: safe storage, not sharing medication, and to dispose of their medication safely.

**B.** "Alcohol Delivery Project" – helps prevent youth access to alcohol via a 3<sup>rd</sup> party delivery. We have been working with local liquor stores to prevent underage drinking and helping them to do their best to make sure that they youth have no access in and around the stores, and now even away from the stores as we have observed youth is having access via 3<sup>rd</sup> party delivery such as Uber Eats. A slide presentation was made for both campaigns.

**ITEM 11:** Motion / Discussion / Possible action to approve a letter of support for the "Let's Make a Difference" Opioid & Prescription drug abuse prevention campaign by the San Fernando Valley Partnership, Inc. (Portillo, Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness) This letter will support the work with local pharmacies to promote safe core values that prevent opioid and prescription medication misuse and abuse. **1<sup>st</sup>:** Rosalío García, **2<sup>nd</sup>:** Mark Ryan. The motion was approved with 11 votes.

| <b>Yes - 11</b>   | <b>No - 00</b> | <b>Recused- 00</b> | <b>Not Eligible - 00</b> | <b>Absent - 01</b> |
|---|----------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Chávez, Danielan, R. Garcia, D. Hill, E. Hill, Mares, Portillo, Ryan, Thum, Venegas, Villarreal | NONE           | NONE               | NONE                     | Lee                |

**ITEM 12:** Motion / Discussion / Possible action to approve a letter of support for the "Alcohol Delivery Project" by the San Fernando Valley Partnership, Inc. This letter will support the work with local retailers in the community who are participating in the "Alcohol Delivery Project" that helps prevent youth access to alcohol via 3rd party delivery. **1<sup>st</sup>:** Rosalío García, **2<sup>nd</sup>:** Emilie Hill. The motion was approved with 11 votes in favor.

| <b>Yes - 11</b>   | <b>No - 00</b> | <b>Recused- 00</b> | <b>Not Eligible - 00</b> | <b>Absent - 01</b> |
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| Chávez, Danielan, R. Garcia, D. Hill, E. Hill, Mares, Portillo, Ryan, Thum, Venegas, Villarreal | NONE           | NONE               | NONE                     | Lee                |

**ITEM 13:** Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve submitting to the Los Angeles Department of Planning and the Department of Building and Safety a letter of opposition regarding the project on 8359-8367 San Fernando Rd. which seeks a change from used car lot into a truck storage/semi truck repair. **1<sup>st</sup>:** Rosalío García, **2<sup>nd</sup>:** Wendy Thum. Discussion took place. The motion passed with 11 votes in favor.

| <b>Yes - 11</b>   | <b>No - 00</b> | <b>Recused- 00</b> | <b>Not Eligible - 00</b> | <b>Absent - 01</b> |
|---|----------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Chávez, Danielan, R. Garcia, D. Hill, E. Hill, Mares, Portillo, Ryan, Thum, Venegas, Villarreal | NONE           | NONE               | NONE                     | Lee                |

**ITEM 14:** Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve a letter of support for the plan approval application to renew an existing Conditional Use Permit to continue the off-sale of beer and wine at an 4 existing 7-Eleven store located on 7604 Vineland Ave. Sun Valley, CA. Case Number: ZA-2011-802-CUB and subsequent plan approval ZA-2011-802-CUB-PA2 **1<sup>st</sup>:** Wendy Thum, **2<sup>nd</sup>:** Rosalío García. Discussion took place. A recommendation was made to keep the area clean of graffiti. The attorney representing the applicant requested that the security guard item be removed from the letter as this is very costly for the business which has already suffered due to the pandemic. It was recommended the business continues to work with the LAPD if there are any questions, concerns or issues. Mark Ryan made a motion to make the change and Norma Chávez seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously and the letter will have a change. The motion to approve the amended letter of support continued and was approved with 11 votes in favor.

| <b>Yes - 11</b>   | <b>No - 00</b> | <b>Recused- 00</b> | <b>Not Eligible - 00</b> | <b>Absent - 01</b> |
|---|----------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Chávez, Danielan, R. Garcia, D. Hill, E. Hill, Mares, Portillo, Ryan, Thum, Venegas, Villarreal | NONE           | NONE               | NONE                     | Lee                |

**ITEM 15: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to approve a community cleanup in CD2 along San Fernando Road between Sunland Blvd. and Hollywood Way and all the streets in between on June 18, 2022 from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm with a budget not to exceed \$350 for food and beverages for the volunteers **1<sup>st</sup>:** Rosalío García, **2<sup>nd</sup>:** Emilie A. Hill. Discussion took place. CD2 has already been taking care of this area focusing on many of the issues we have been discussing for the past six months. The motion was approved with 8 votes in favor.

| <b>Yes - 08</b>   | <b>No - 00</b> | <b>Recused- 00</b> | <b>Not Eligible - 03</b>   | <b>Absent - 01</b> |
|---|----------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| Chávez, Danielan, R. Garcia, E. Hill, Mares, Ryan, Thum, Villarreal | NONE           | NONE               | D. Hill, Portillo, Venegas | Lee                |

**ITEM 16: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to approve redistributing the left over goody bags from the Spring Festival, approximately 113, during the interactive musical Little Red Riding Hood on June 23 presented by Theatre West at 4:00 pm **1<sup>st</sup>**: Rosalío García, **2<sup>nd</sup>**: Emilie A. Hill. The motion was approved with 10 votes in favor.

| Yes - 10  | No - 00 | Recused- 00 | Not Eligible - 00 | Absent - 02 |
|---|---------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Chávez, Danielan, R. Garcia, D. Hill, E. Hill, Mares, Portillo, Thum, Venegas, Villarreal | NONE    | NONE        | NONE              | Lee, Ryan   |

**ITEM 17: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to approve, in honor of former President Cindy Sower, an ongoing program for the Sun Valley schools that would encourage students to learn to use the MyLA311 app/website. The program would include prizes for both individual students and whole classes, including the teachers, who report the greatest number of issues that can be addressed by the system (graffiti, illegal dumping, pothole repair, street light problems, etc.) pm **1<sup>st</sup>**: Norma O. Chávez, **2<sup>nd</sup>**: Oscar Portillo. Discussion took place. Cindy Sower began a similar campaign with the schools in 2016 as part of the Clean Streets Challenge, where the SVANC won the highest award citywide. It would be a fitting tribute to her work to have this program named after her. We would do outreach with the LAUSD and other Sun Valley schools to create the program, and would also want to invite the participation of our Council Members Nury Martinez CD6 and Paul Krekorian CD2, as well as Assembly Woman Luz Rivas and Congressman Tony Cardenas. The motion was approved with 10 votes in favor.

| Yes - 10  | No - 00 | Recused- 00 | Not Eligible - 00 | Absent - 02 |
|---|---------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Chávez, Danielan, R. Garcia, D. Hill, E. Hill, Mares, Portillo, Thum, Venegas, Villarreal | NONE    | NONE        | NONE              | Lee, Ryan   |

**ITEM 18: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to create an Ad Hoc Committee to work on the myLA311 app/website program for Sun Valley schools, if item 17 is approved, and to appoint the committee members and chair **1<sup>st</sup>**: Norma O. Chávez, **2<sup>nd</sup>**: Rosalío García. Discussion took place. This Ad Hoc Committee would be formed to work with the partners to create further details of this program and to establish with them the precise nature of the prizes that may be awarded. Any monetary prize that would come from our funds would need approval of the Board at a future meeting. Eddie Venegas volunteered to chair this committee, and Oscar Portillo and Daniel Hill volunteered to be members of the committee. Voting took place and the motion was approved with 10 votes in favor.

| Yes - 10  | No - 00 | Recused- 00 | Not Eligible - 00 | Absent - 02 |
|---|---------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Chávez, Danielan, R. Garcia, D. Hill, E. Hill, Mares, Portillo, Thum, Venegas, Villarreal | NONE    | NONE        | NONE              | Lee, Ryan   |

**ITEM 19: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to renew the lease for our office at 8720 Sunland Blvd. The landlord has asked for a 5% increase in rent, the first increase we have had. We can lock in the 5% over a two-year lease and will receive additional services in maintenance, 24- 5 hour security and monthly window cleaning.. **1<sup>st</sup>**: Rosalío García, **2<sup>nd</sup>**: Serj Danielian. The motion was approved with 8 votes in favor.

| Yes - 08  | No - 00 | Recused- 00 | Not Eligible - 03          | Absent - 01 |
|---|---------|-------------|----------------------------|-------------|
| Chávez, Danielan, R. Garcia, E. Hill, Mares, Ryan, Thum, Villarreal | NONE    | NONE        | D. Hill, Portillo, Venegas | Lee         |

**ITEM 20: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to approve Barkley Communications' April invoice with a \$155 difference over the average amount of \$480 (invoice total \$635.) **1<sup>st</sup>**: Emilie A. Hill, **2<sup>nd</sup>**: Wendy Thum . The motion was approved with 8 votes in favor.

| Yes - 08  | No - 00 | Recused- 00 | Not Eligible - 03          | Absent - 01 |
|---|---------|-------------|----------------------------|-------------|
| Chávez, Danielan, R. Garcia, E. Hill, Mares, Ryan, ThumVillarreal | NONE    | NONE        | D. Hill, Portillo, Venegas | Lee         |

**ITEM 21: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to approve renewing the website & email hosting plan with Exact Hosting. The cost is \$144.00 for one year (5/13/22 to 5/12/23). **1<sup>st</sup>**: Wendy Thum, **2<sup>nd</sup>**: Rosalío García. The motion was approved with 8 votes in favor.

| Yes - 08 | No - 00 | Recused- 00 | Not Eligible - 03 | Absent - 01 |
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| Chávez, Danielan, R. Garcia, E. Hill, Mares, Ryan, Thum, Villarreal | NONE | NONE | D. Hill, Portillo, Venegas | Lee |
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**ITEM 22: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to approve up to \$750 to have a professional IT person come and set up the office so that the copier, computers, and computer software work correctly and efficiently for SVANC members use.. 1<sup>st</sup>: Norma O. Chávez, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mark Ryan . The motion was approved with 8 votes in favor.

| Yes - 08  | No - 00 | Recused- 00 | Not Eligible - 03          | Absent - 01 |
|---|---------|-------------|----------------------------|-------------|
| Chávez, Danielan, R. Garcia, E. Hill, Mares, Ryan, Thum, Villarreal | NONE    | NONE        | D. Hill, Portillo, Venegas | Lee         |

Mr. Ryan excused himself from the meeting at 8:30 pm. Wendy Thum moved to extend the meeting 15 minutes and Rosalío García seconded the motion. The motion was approved by consent.

**ITEM 23: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to approve up to \$588.00 to purchase 36 SVANC-branded shirts for Outreach events 1<sup>st</sup>: Rosalío García, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Wendy Thum. The motion was approved with 7 votes in favor.

| Yes - 07  | No - 00 | Recused- 00 | Not Eligible - 03          | Absent - 02 |
|---|---------|-------------|----------------------------|-------------|
| Chávez, Danielan, R. Garcia, E. Hill, Mares, Thum, Villarreal | NONE    | NONE        | D. Hill, Portillo, Venegas | Lee, Ryan   |

**ITEM 24: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to approve making the payment of \$300 to support the Los Angeles Congress of Neighborhoods scheduled on September 24, 2022. This was previously approved, item 20, on August 10, 2021. The motion was **TABLED**

**ITEM 25: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to approve up to \$500 for office supplies . 1<sup>st</sup>: Wendy Thum, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Rosalío García. The motion was approved with 7 votes in favor. Discussion took place. Ms. Chávez informed the council that she will be sending an email to the entire board asking if there is anything they need to do their job for SVANC so she can included in the list. The motion was approved with 7 votes in favor.

| Yes - 07  | No - 00 | Recused- 00 | Not Eligible - 03          | Absent - 03         |
|---|---------|-------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Chávez, Danielan, R. Garcia, E. Hill, Mares, Thum, Villarreal | NONE    | NONE        | D. Hill, Portillo, Venegas | Lee, Ryan, Portillo |

**ITEM 26: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to approve \$343 for printing vintage photos of Sun Valley to decorate our SVANC office. Breakdown is 4 each 23"x35" and 12"x18", all mounted on sturdy PVC board and ready to hang. 1<sup>st</sup>: Emilie A. Hill, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Wendy Thum. Discussion took place. Susan Lustig recommended not covering the wall that is used to hang maps, plans for projects. Norma Chávez shared she was not in favor of this project because our funds are lower and the rollover will be less than the \$10,000 maximum. The motion was approved with 5 votes in favor.

| Yes - 05                                       | No - 00       | Recused- 00 | Not Eligible - 03          | Absent - 02 |
|--|---------------|-------------|----------------------------|-------------|
| Danielan, R. Garcia, E. Hill, Thum, Villarreal | Chávez, Mares | NONE        | D. Hill, Portillo, Venegas | Lee, Ryan   |

**ITEM 27: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to approve up to \$50 for Command Strips and/or other hardware needed for hanging posters of vintage Sun Valley in ITEM 26. 1<sup>st</sup>: Wendy Thum moved to table this item, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Emilie A. Hill. The motion was approved by consent. **TABLED**

**ITEM 28: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to approve up to \$200 for 100 SVANC-branded memo pads, 4.25"x5.5", 50 pages, with vintage Sun Valley image printed. 1<sup>st</sup>: Emilie A. Hills moved to table this item, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Wendy Thum. The motion was approved by consent. **TABLED**

**ITEM 29: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to do a Lotion Toiletry Drive for the month of June to collect hand lotion and distribute to the residents of Villa Scalabrini Retirement Home as a THANK YOU for their many years of service to the SVANC in supplying a meeting place for the community. 1<sup>st</sup>: Emilie A. Hill moved to table this item, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Wendy Thum. The motion was approved by consent. **TABLED**

**ITEM 30: Motion / Discussion / Vote** Consent Calendar: one motion and one vote

**A.** Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on April 12, 2022 . Norma Chávez moved to table part A of this motion.

**B.** Approval of the Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for April 2022

1<sup>st</sup>: Emilie A. Hill, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Rosalio García. The motion was approved .

**ITEM 31:** Report / Discussion by Committee Chairs and Community Liaisons:

**A.** Standing Committees

2. Finance and Budget – Emilie A. Hill – We are ready to make our budget for next year. The packet is available. We have money to roll over. We will have less than the \$10,000 maximum.
4. Planning and Land Use (PLUM) – Norma O. Chávez – There will be no meeting for this month. The PLANCHECKNC meeting is coming on Saturday the 14<sup>th</sup>.
5. Public Safety/Emergency Preparedness - Oscar Portillo Jr. – There will be no meeting this month. I am still working on bringing a CERT class, but we are still not meeting in person so we need to get creative and see what we can do.

**B.** Ad Hoc Committees:

1. CHSRA High Speed Rail – Serj Danielian- We are still waiting for the environmental report for our area. They recently completed the environmental clearance to connect Silicon Valley to Central Valley. That seems to be a good to go area.
3. Bylaws – Norma O. Chávez – I made an attempt to have a meeting in March and the three options I offered did not work for some of our committee members so I ended up not having a meeting and because of that we missed the deadline to submit amendments to our bylaws. We will continue to have the same bylaws for another year until a new opportunity opens up to submit changes. We are still going to have a Bylaws committee meeting to make recommendations to the Standing Rules. I would like to have a meeting on the 18 or 19 of this month.
4. Elections – Norma O. Chávez – Lorenzo Briceno shared that there could be a joint effort between the Elections committee and have enough candidates running so SVANC did not go through the entire process of elections so there is not much that can be shared from our side, but that we will learn from other NCs.

**C.** City-wide community liaisons:

1. LANCC – Serj Danielian – The LANCC is planning to meet in person and I am not looking forward to. I watch their videos. I don't get to join the meetings given their schedule so if any other board member is interested in attending these meetings I am more than happy to let them take over.
2. VANC – Emilie A. Hill – VANC always meets two days after the regular board meeting so our is on Thursday. During the last meeting they had a visitor, superintendent Tony Thurmond.
4. PLANCHECKNC – Norma O. Chávez – Their meeting is coming this Saturday.
5. NCBA – Emilie A. Hill – The white paper draft has been presented to City Council. If anyone is interested in obtaining a copy, I can provide it for you. The document contains all the recommendations from the budget advocates for they would they like to see the LA Budget focused.
8. Transformative Climate Communities (TCC) – Wendy Thum – They just met today and they are having a big solar panel event coming. They still need to plant another 1300 trees many of which are going to our community. I will be wrestling to make sure 1200 out the 1300 come to Sun Valley to be planted along San Fernando Rd which is one of the areas included for the grant.
9. NCSA – Lionel Mares – The monthly meetings is coming up this Sunday, May the 15<sup>th</sup>. I will be there taking notes and I will bring a report for the next meeting.

If anyone from the public wishes to join a committee, please email

[info@svanc.com](mailto:info@svanc.com)

**ITEM 32: Public Comment** on matters within the Executive Board's subject-matter jurisdiction that DO NOT appear on the agenda (comments only, no discussion) none

**ITEM 33: Board Members Announcements** on matters within the Executive Board's subject-matter jurisdiction that DO NOT appear on the agenda (comments only, no discussion, three minutes each)



Oscar Portillo would like to bring back the Zoom Chat Box as he considers this a good resource to have.

Emilie Hill wanted to highlight the importance of having an active Homelessness Ad Hoc Committee. We need to be able to have meetings and membership involvement. We need to support our neighbors who are dealing with issues as well as those experiencing homelessness.

**ITEM 34:** Adjournment: **1<sup>st</sup>:** Rosalío García, **2<sup>nd</sup>:** Oscar Portillo. Meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

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