

Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council

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Regular Board Meeting MINUTES Tuesday, January 09, 2024 6:00 pm – 7:50 pm

Meeting At Sun Valley Branch Library

7935 Vineland Avenue Sun Valley, CA 91352

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	
Almanza, Juaquin			Business Property Owner	Х		
Chávez, Norma O.	President		At-Large Stakeholder Director	Х		
García, Rosalio			Residential Stakeholder Director	Х		
Garcia, Steven	Treasurer		Business Stakeholder Director		Х	
Gonzalez, Hector			Residential Stakeholder Director	Х		
Hill, Emilie A			Residential Stakeholder Director	Х		
Kim, lan		6:06 PM	Youth Representative Director		Х	Х
Mares, Lionel			Residential Stakeholder Director	Х		
Moore, Mariam			Residential Stakeholder Director	Х		
Sierra, Douglas	2 nd Vice-President	6:10 PM	Business Stakeholder Director	Х		
Tascian, Leticia			Senior Representative Director	Х		
Thum, Wendy			Residential Stakeholder Director	Х		
Vacas, Monica	1 st Vice-President		Business Stakeholder Director	Х		
Valle, Cindy I.			Business Stakeholder Director	Х		
Venegas, Eddie			Business Property Director	Х		
Virgen, Symbria			Business Stakeholder Director	Х		
TOTAL: 16	Quorum: 7 (at least or	ne officer)	14 Present, 2 Absent, 1 Ineligible	14	2	1

ITEM 1: Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call, Code of Civility

Norma O. Chávez, president, called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm. and began the meeting by leading the Pledge of Allegiance and the Code of Civility. Roll call was taken by Eddie Venegas and quorum was established with 14 members present at the time of roll call.

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ITEM 2: Opening Remarks (President)

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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, mobile (818) 634-0755

- B. Senior Lead Officer Cesar Contreras, 38338@lapd.online mobile (818) 634-0854
- C. Sergeant Jesse Ojeda, 33272@lapd.online
- D. LAFD Chief, lafdbatallion12@lacity.org, office (818) 756-8612

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ITEM 4: Presentation / Announcements from elected officials or their representatives

- A. Rafael Gonzalez (Councilwoman Imelda Padilla, CD6, rafael.a.gonzalez@lacity.org)
- B. Diana Gonzalez (Councilmember Paul Krekorian, CD2, diana.x.gonzalez@lacity.org)
- C. Michelle Vergara (L.A. Mayor Karen Bass, michelle.vergara@lacity.org)
- D. Salvador Manriquez (Office of CA State Assemblymember Luz Rivas, 43rd District, salvador.manriquez@asm.ca.gov)
- E. Savannah Portillo Heap (Office of LA County Supervisor Lindsey P. Horvath, 3rd District, SPortillo@lacounty.bos.gov (213) 595-9198)
- F. María Flores (LAUSD Board Member Kelly Gonez, 6th District, m.d.flores@lausd.net, (818) 401-8585)
- G. Laura Juarez (Office of Congressman Tony Cárdenas, 29th District,

laura.juarez@mail.house.gov)

- **H.** Diana Oganesyan, Natalie Vartanian (Office of LA County Supervisor Kathryn Barger, 5th District, doganesyan@bos.lacounty.gov , navartanian@bos.lacounty.gov)
- I. Katherine Castrejon (Office of CA State Senator Caroline Menjivar, 20th District, Katherine.Castrejon@sen.ca.gov)
- J. Lionel Mares (Budget Advocate, Region 1, lionel.mares@svanc.com)

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ITEM 5: Comments from the Empower LA Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate (NEA) Lorenzo Briceno (lorenzo.briceno@lacity.org)

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ITEM 6: GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS which are within the Board's subject-matter jurisdiction (comments only, no discussion)

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ITEM 7: Board Member Comment on matters within the Board's subject-matter jurisdiction that DO NOT appear on the agenda (comments only, no discussion)

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Yes-14 1 ST R. Garcia 2 nd Vacas	No - 00	Recused- 00	Not Eligible - 00	Absent - 02
Almanza, Chávez, R.Garcia, Hill, Gonzalez, Mares, Moore, Sierra, Tascian, Thum, Vacas, Valle, Venegas, Virgen	NONE	NONE	NONE	S. Garcia, Kim

ITEM 8: Motion / Discussion / Vote to file a Community Impact Statement (CIS) or board resolution to CF 23-1114 to authorize the use of teleconferencing for Neighborhood Council meetings, including board meetings and committee meetings, in accordance with the rules established by Senate Bill 411 and the subsequent motion passed by the City Council on November 1, 2023. The special teleconferencing rules available to Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils are necessary in order to accommodate the needs of its board members (Chávez)

https://www.svanc.com/archives/agendadocs/2024/01/SVANC-CIS-CF-23-1114-TELECONFERENCING.pdf

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Yes-14 1 ST Vacas 2 nd R. Garcia	No - 00	Recused- 00	Not Eligible - 00	Absent - 02
Almanza, Chávez, R.Garcia, Hill, Gonzalez, Mares, Moore, Sierra, Tascian, Thum, Vacas, Valle, Venegas, Virgen	NONE	NONE	NONE	S. Garcia, Kim

ITEM 9: Motion / Discussion / Vote to file a Community Impact Statement (CIS) or board resolution to CF 23-1113 to request financial support for expenses acquired to transition to teleconferencing meetings, if ITEM 8 approved (Chávez) https://www.svanc.com/archives/agendadocs/2024/01/SVANC-CIS-CF-23-1113-20240109.pdf

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Yes-14 1 ST Vacas 2 nd R. Garcia	No - 00	Recused- 00	Not Eligible - 00	Absent - 02
Almanza, Chávez, R.Garcia, Hill, Gonzalez, Mares, Moore, Sierra, Tascian, Thum, Vacas, Valle, Venegas, Virgen	NONE	NONE	NONE	S. Garcia, Kim

ITEM 10: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve a letter to the City Attorney, City Council President Paul Krekorian, Councilmember Imelda Padilla and the Board of Neighborhood Council Commissioners to take into consideration the intention of the author of SB-411 and to allow ⅔ of seated Neighborhood Council board members to vote to go virtual. (Mares)

https://www.svanc.com/archives/agendadocs/2024/01/20240109_LETTER_CITY_ATTORNEY_TELECONFERENCING.pdf (Please see link for full meeting video)

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1 ST Vacas 2 nd E. Hill /R. Garcia		00	00	
Almanza, Chávez, R.Garcia, Hill, Gonzalez, Mares, Moore,	NONE	NONE	NONE	S. Garcia, Kim
Sierra, Tascian, Thum, Vacas, Valle, Venegas, Virgen				

ITEM 11: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve SVANC's participation in a City Council District 2 Candidate forum in partnership with all the neighborhood councils in Council District 2 and create a Candidate Forum Ad Hoc Committee (Chávez) (Please see link for full meeting video)

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Yes-14 1 ST R Garcia 2 nd Valle	No - 00	Recused- 00	Not Eligible - 00	Absent - 02
Almanza, Chávez, R.Garcia, Hill, Gonzalez, Mares, Moore, Sierra, Tascian, Thum, Vacas, Valle, Venegas, Virgen	NONE	NONE	NONE	S. Garcia, Kim

ITEM 12: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve SVANC's participation in a City Council District 6 Candidate forum in partnership with all the neighborhood councils in Council District 6. This will also be an assignment for the Candidate Forum Ad Hoc Committee created in ITEM 11 (Chávez)

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1 ST R Garcia 2 nd Valle		00	00	
Almanza, Chávez, R.Garcia, Hill, Gonzalez, Mares, Moore,	NONE	NONE	NONE	S. Garcia, Kim
Sierra, Tascian, Thum, Vacas, Valle, Venegas, Virgen				

ITEM 13: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve a letter to Councilmember Krekorian and Councilwoman Padilla to urge them to bring a City Council motion to add regulations to the process of how cannabis business licenses are approved. (Chávez, PLUM)

Letter: https://www.svanc.com/archives/agendadocs/2024/01/SVANC-Ltr-CD2-CD6-cannabis-licenses.pdf

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Almanza, Chávez, R.Garcia, Hill, Gonzalez, Mares, Moore, Sierra, Tascian, Thum, Vacas, Valle, Venegas, Virgen	NONE	NONE	NONE	S. Garcia, Kim

ITEM 14: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve a letter of support for the application for a Conditional Use Beverage permit at 7209 North Vineland Avenue in conjunction with a 2,475 sq. ft. market with hours of operation from 7am-11pm S-Th & 7am-12pm Fri-Sat.Case Number: ZA-2023-7101-CUB, ENV 2023-7102-CE (Chávez/Sierra, PLUM)

Letter: https://www.svanc.com/archives/agendadocs/2024/01/SVANC20240109_LETTER_SUPPORT_CUB_FIESTA_LIQUOR.pdf (Please see link for full meeting video)

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Almanza, Chávez, R.Garcia, Hill, Gonzalez, Mares, Moore,	Thum	NONE	NONE	S. Garcia, Kim
Sierra, Tascian, Vacas, Valle, Venegas, Virgen				

ITEM 15: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve opening new SVANC Instagram and Twitter accounts given that the previous accounts' passwords are not accessible (Chávez)

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Almanza, Chávez, R.Garcia, Hill, Gonzalez, Moore, Sierra,	NONE	Mares	NONE	S. Garcia, Kim
Tascian, Thum, Vacas, Valle, Venegas, Virgen				

ITEM 16: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve a Register to Vote Campaign in partnership with the Sun Valley Branch Library consisting of three activities: a book display, tabling to assist with registrations, and Coffee and Donuts with the SVANC Board members and voting registrations (Chávez, Moore)

Details:

- **A.** Voting related Book Display sponsored by the Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council with a SVANC pamphlet with information on voting to be displayed beginning January 12, 2024
- **B.** Tabling at the library to assist with voting registrations on Thursday, February 1, 2024 at 3:30 pm at the Library's entrance hallway
- **C.** Coffee and Doughnuts with the SVANC Board members and register to Vote at the library on February 15, 2024 at 6:30 pm

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1 ST R Garcia 2 nd Valle		- 02	00	
Almanza, Chávez, R.Garcia, Gonzalez, Moore, Sierra, Tascian,	NONE	E. Hill,	NONE	S. Garcia, Kim
Thum, Vacas, Valle, Venegas, Virgen		Mares		

ITEM 17: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve up to \$120 for Coffee and Doughnuts and Register to Vote with SVANC's Board members event at the Sun Valley Branch Library on Thursday, February 15, 2024 at 6:30 pm. (Chávez, Moore) (Please see link for full meeting video)

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1 ST Valle 2 nd R Garcia		- 02	00	
Almanza, Chávez, R.Garcia, Gonzalez, Moore, Sierra, Tascian,	E. Hill	Mares,	Gonzalez	S. Garcia, Kim
Thum, Vacas, Valle, Venegas		Virgen		

ITEM 18: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve sending a letter to Councilwoman Imelda Padilla to urge her to send a letter to the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) to request the implementation of a series of measures that will address protections for overburdened and under-regulated communities, and would also improve the health and quality of life for all who live in the Los Angeles region. (Moore, Environmental AHC) ITEM TABLED (1ST Garcia, 2nd Valle) (Please see link for full meeting video)

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ITEM 19: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve sending a letter to Councilwoman Imelda Padilla to request she initiates a City Council motion requesting the Los Angeles County Public Works take timely action to flatten the grounds of future Rory Shaw Wetlands Park grounds to address the issue of cumulative environmental and serious health impacts on the surrounding community, as well as raising serious safety and security concerns. The Los Angeles County Public Works will also be copied in the letter. (Moore, Environmental AHC)

Letter: https://www.svanc.com/archives/agendadocs/2024/01/SVANC-Letter-to-CD6-RoryShaw-2024-01-09.pdf (Please see link for full meeting video)

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1 ST R. Garcia 2 nd Vacas		- 01	00	
Almanza, Chávez, R.Garcia, Gonzalez, Moore, Sierra, Tascian,	E. Hill	Mares,	NONE	S. Garcia, Kim
Thum, Vacas, Valle, Venegas				

ITEM 20: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve making changes in membership of the Homelessness Ad Hoc Committee (Vacas) ITEM TABLED due to lack of time

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ITEM 21: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve a Neighborhood Purpose Grant, NPG, for Glenwood Elementary School for \$300 to support a campus beautification project that consists of a garden and a mural that would become a reading and relaxing space for students. The funds will help with expenses for plants, building materials, paint, and/or an irrigation system. (Chávez) ITEM TABLED due to lack of time

NPG: https://www.svanc.com/archives/agendadocs/2024/01/NCFP107-NPG-Applicationrev3-GLENWOOD-GARDEN-2024.pdf Grant Letter: https://www.svanc.com/archives/agendadocs/2024/01/SVANC-Grant-LetterREV-1_5_24.pdf (Please see link for full meeting video)

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ITEM 22: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve using the funds from the Clean Streets account to support the NPG request for \$300 from Glenwood Elementary School for their campus beautification project (Chávez) ITEM TABLED (Please see link for full meeting video)

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Note: Consent calendar items are considered to be non-controversial and will be treated as one agenda item. There will be no discussion on these items unless an item is removed from the consent calendar, in which case it will be considered as time allows on the regular agenda. Any member of the Board may request that an item be removed.

ITEM 23: Consent Calendar: one motion and one vote ALL ITEMS TABLED

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- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on September 12, 2023 (Venegas)
- B. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on October 10, 2023 (Venegas)
- C. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on November 14, 2023 (Venegas)
- **D.** Approval of the Monthly Expenditure Report for October 2023 (S. García)
- E. Approval of the Monthly Expenditure Report for November 2023 (S. García)

ITEM 24: Report by Committee Chairs and Community Liaisons

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ITEM 25: Public Comment on matters within the Executive Board's subject-matter jurisdiction that DO NOT appear on the agenda (comments only, no discussion)

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ITEM 26: Board Members Announcements on matters within the Executive Board's subject-matter jurisdiction that DO NOT appear on the agenda (comments only, no discussion)

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ITEM 27: Adjournment @ 8:00 pm; 1ST R Garcia 2nd Valle; 14 Yes

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