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**Regular Board Meeting MINUTES (Draft)
 Tuesday, February 10, 2015
 6:30pm – 8:30pm**

Meeting Location:
 Villa Scalabrini Retirement Center
 10631 Vinedale Street
 Sun Valley, CA 91352

Board Member	Title	Status
Aggas, Gary	Board Member	PRESENT
Allen, Mark B.	1 st Vice President	PRESENT
Baron, Jim	Board Member	Absent (excused)
Bartlett, Susan	Board Member	Absent
Bille, Elizabeth	2 nd Vice President	PRESENT
Boyd, Debbie	Board Member	PRESENT
Boyd, Mike	Board member	Absent (excused)
Carvajal, Sergio	Board Member	Absent
Cuevas, Lysander	Board Member	PRESENT
Culley, Gene	Board Member	Absent (excused)
Fernandez, Javier	Board Member	PRESENT
Housden, Linda	Board Member	PRESENT
Inkelaar-Cruz, Sean	Treasurer	Absent (excused)
Khalaf, Sam	Board Member	PRESENT
Koenig, Mylo	Secretary	PRESENT
Mardirossian, Mark	Board Member	Absent
Mazariegos, Scally	Board Member	PRESENT
Monroy-Cantor, Julie	Board Member	PRESENT
O'Gara, Barbara	Board Member	PRESENT
O'Gara, Mike	President	PRESENT
Perez, Carmen	Board Member	PRESENT
Salazar, Daniel	Board Member	Absent
Sower, Cindy	Board Member	PRESENT
Thum, Wendy	Board Member	PRESENT
Vacas, Monica	Board Member	Absent (excused)
TOTAL (25)		16 Present, 9 Absent

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

- Mr. O’Gara officially called the meeting of Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council to order at approximately 06:36pm
- Mr. Mylo Koenig, Secretary, took roll
- At 6:37pm, 14 board members were present. Quorum was met.
- There were approximately 32 members of the public present (40 by 7pm)
- The Pledge of Allegiance and SVANC's Code of Civility were recited

ITEM 2: Opening Remarks

- Mr. O’Gara informed the members of the public that public comment cards are available on the table for anyone who would like to speak during the public comment period unless they want to be called during a specific Item, if so, they need to write the Item number on the public comment card.
- Mr. O'Gara informed the members of the public that we are guests in a retirement facility and that decorum needs to be maintained so as not to disturb the residents.

ITEM 3: Presentation: LADWP Rep Serge Haddad: Discuss water reclamation.

- Mr. Serge Haddad is the Manager of the Water Recycling Group (RWAG) at the LADWP
- Mr. Haddad introduced Ms. Jennifer Valdes, LADWP's Water Recycling Group; and Mr. Troy Ezeh, L.A. Sanitation Department, who are co-presenters.
- Mr. Haddad stated the following:
 - Nearly 90% of L.A.'s water comes hundreds of miles through the Los Angeles Aqueduct, which brings water from the Eastern Sierra Nevada Mountains. LADWP also buys water from MWD, which in turn operates the Colorado River Aqueduct that brings water from the Colorado River and the State Water project and brings water from the Delta; all three combined brings 90% of the water to Los Angeles. The remaining 10% comes from L.A.'s underground aquifers and a lot of this water comes from the San Fernando basin.
 - Mr. Haddad stated that water recycling consists of 1-2% of L.A.'s water supply.
 - Mr. Haddad said that it is important to look at local water supply as a solution for a water source in order to make L.A. less reliant on imported sources based on a cost-benefit purpose.
- Mr. Haddad said that the City is looking concurrently at a three-prong approach to achieve these goals, which are:
 - Conservation
 - Storm water capture to replenish L.A.'s basins for future use
 - Recycled Water—the goal is to increase the 1% to 2% as high as possible. The agency overseeing the water recycling project is the Department of Public Health—their Water Quality monitoring division.
 - Mr. Haddad stated that every day about 300 to 350 million gallons of water is treated and then discharged into the ocean; this is a huge potential source that can be recycled and be used to benefit the City of L.A.
 - This can be accomplished, by using more purple pipe infrastructure, and spreading basins.
- Ms. Jennifer Valdes, part of the project management team for the groundwater replenishment project and also a Civil Engineer Associate, stated the following about the groundwater replenishment project:
 - The existing recycled water will be purified and treated further through advanced water purification facilities that will be built, and new and existing pipes will be used to convey that water to the spreading basins. This will allow the water to infiltrate back into the ground water system in order to continue replenishing the ground water. Once this water infiltrates into the ground, it will then be pumped out and used for normal water purposes.
 - Ms. Valdes described how purified recycled water is created. This is accomplished through the following three treatment steps:
 - Micro filtration
 - Reverse Osmosis
 - Disinfected with advance oxidation
 - Ms. Valdes said that the two locations they are considering as a site for water purification facilities are at Donald C. Tillman Water Reclamation Plant, and the Valley Generating Station next to the Hansen Spreading Grounds.
 - Ms. Valdes stated that the EIR is currently being drafted, and will be released at the end of 2015. The plan is to have this facility in operation by 2022.
- Mr. Haddad said that they have been doing community outreach since 2009. He added that they have organized a Recycled Water Advisory Group (RWAG)—in which Mr. O'Gara is a member on behalf of SVANC, and that the members of RWAG developed a Consensus Statement supporting the GWR project and other portable re-use, with some conditions.
- Mr. Haddad introduced Mr. Troy Ezeh, L.A. Sanitation, who gave information about the One Water L.A. vision. Mr. Ezeh said that this is a comprehensive program that looks at all aspects of water: recycled, storm, waste, ground, and portable water.
- Mr. Ezeh said that in 2006 the City Council adopted the Integrated Resources Plan.
- A question and answer period was opened for the Board and Public

ITEM 4: Emergency Personnel from Fire and Police Departments

- Mr. Jack Wise, LAFD Battalion Chief, introduced Captain Steve Moskovitz, Fire Station 77, who introduced two of his crew members. He extended an invitation to hold meetings at their station, and invited everyone to visit the Fire Station at 9224 Sunland Blvd., 818-756-8677.
- Chief Wise said that there is a smoke detector program, and that every resident must have hard wired smoke detectors. The Chief stated that the fire stations have free smoke detectors for the public - just show up and fill out a survey card in order to receive one.
- The Chief also passed out information about disaster recovery. More information on what to do before, during and after a disaster can be obtained by visiting www.lafd.org
- Officer Esther Vasquez, Senior Lead Officer for Sun Valley and parts of North Hollywood, gave the following crime stats: high number of cars getting broken into that are unlocked; public storage units have been burglarized; an increase in stolen cars; an increase in domestic violence cases. The Officer said that they've been very proactive at cleaning up Sun Valley Park through their new transient car.
- Officer Vasquez said they are doing outreach on domestic violence awareness ("Cycle of Violence") and need assistance such as through churches or schools.
- Officer Vasquez said that tomorrow, February 11, 2015 a Merchant Committed program will take place with retailers, held at the GraffitiBusters facility.
- Officer Vasquez said that on Saturday, February 21, 2015, there will be a basketball game with teams comprised of both police officers and community members.
- Officer Vasquez said that the Battle of the Blood Drive for Foothill Division will take place on February 25, 08:00am-08:30pm
- Officer Vasquez said that every first Tuesday of the month at 08:00am, at Bob's Big Boy, a community coffee is held by the Officers to meet with community members.

ITEM 5: Announcements from Elected Officials or their representatives

- Mr. Caesar Huerta, Field Rep., CD6--Councilmember Martinez, announced that both special Lighting Districts passed unanimously for the Sun Valley area.
- Ms. Lorraine Diaz, Field Rep., Councilmember Krekorian, announced the following:
 - The Council unanimously approved the City-wide hit-and-run alert system
 - Senior Scam Shopper event, on Friday, February 13, 2015 at the Bernardi Multipurpose Senior Center, from 10am-noon.
 - The Mayor's office is looking for 25 youth council members from the Valley. Applications are due on Monday February 16th. Applicants are required to have a 2.7 GPA and a letter of recommendation from a school or a non-related adult.
 - The Councilmember is commemorating the 100th anniversary of the Armenian Genocide with an art contest. Submissions are being accepted until February 20th. The winner will be announced by the end of February and his/her art will be displayed on the side of all LADOT buses throughout the month of April.
 - A community meeting will be held February 18th, regarding the CicLAVia street bi-cycling event on March 22nd; parts of Ventura & Lankershim Blvds will be shut down.
 - There will be a Transportation Town Hall Meeting in Van Nuys on Feb. 26th, 6-9pm
 - The L.A. Student Media Festival's contest is still open for any high school student interested in participating. The top five winners win scholarships.
 - The Lanark lights in the freeway underpass have been repaired
 - The medians along Glenoaks between Roscoe and Nettleton will be wood chipped.
- Mr. David Gonzalez, Education Deputy for LAUSD Boardmember Ratliff, announced that any 10th or 11th grader is welcomed to apply to be in the Mayor's Youth Council.

ITEM 6: Public Comment on matters within the Board's subject-matter jurisdiction that do not appear on the agenda.

- Mr. Jesse Torrero, Coalition Against Human Trafficking, reported that the prostitution activity has decreasing thanks to the efforts of the LAPD's arrests of the johns and pimps.
- Ms. Lorraine Diaz, CD2, announced that they have girl scout cookies for sale
- Mr. Bart Treviño and Mr. Albert Melena, San Fernando Valley Partnership, said that they've increased their efforts to combat underage drinking and to stop the sale of alcohol to minors. A meeting will take place February 11, 2015, at the GraffitiBusters office, from 10:00am-2:00pm on responsible beverage sales training; everyone is invited to attend.

ITEM 7: Board Member Comments on matters within the Board’s subject-matter jurisdiction that do not appear on the agenda.

- None

OLD Business:

ITEM 8: Review, correct, and approve the minutes from the January 13, 2015 Board Meeting. Brief discussion of the minutes of Dec 2, 2014. Review, correct, and approve the minutes from the December 2, 2014 meeting.

- Ms. Thum motioned to approve the January 13, 2015 minutes as amended, seconded by Ms. Sower
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a roll call vote:

ITEM 08(A) (01/13/15 Minutes, as amended): YES – 16 (Carried)	No – 0	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – N/A	Absent – 9
Aggas; Allen; Bille; Boyd D; Cuevas; Fernandez; Housden; Khalaf; Koenig; Mazariegos; Monroy-Cantor; O’Gara B; O’Gara M.; Perez; Sower; Thum;	None	NONE	NONE	Baron; Bartlett; Boyd M; Carvajal; Culley; Inkelaar-Cruz; Mardirossian; Salazar; Vacas

- The motion passed 16/0 with 9 absent
- Mr. O’Gara stated the approval of the minutes of the December 2, 2014 Joint Executive/Board meeting was tabled due to one board member’s concern of missing information regarding a purchase of batteries. The meeting audio was doublechecked. No discussion was held nor a vote taken, only a brief mention of the need to add batteries to an upcoming agenda which was covered in the subject of "money to repair translation equipment" in the minutes, so the minutes, as written, are being presented again for approval.
- Mr. Aggas motioned to approve the December 2, 2014 meeting, seconded by Mr. Allen
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a roll call vote:

ITEM 08(B) (12/02/14 Minutes, as written): YES – 16 (Carried)	No – 0	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – N/A	Absent – 9
Aggas; Allen; Bille; Boyd D; Cuevas; Fernandez; Housden; Khalaf; Koenig; Mazariegos; Monroy-Cantor; O’Gara B; O’Gara M.; Perez; Sower; Thum;	None	NONE	NONE	Baron; Bartlett; Boyd M; Carvajal; Culley; Inkelaar-Cruz; Mardirossian; Salazar; Vacas

- The motion passed 16/0 with 9 absent.

NEW Business:

ITEM 9: Committee Reports; Outreach-Beautification-CPAB-VANC- Plancheck-LANCC-Homeless-Planning-Marijuana Clinic-Budget Advocates.

- **Outreach:** Ms. Bille said that voter registration efforts are continuing in the community and through social media. She added that the committee is planning a Health Fair in the near future—more information will be provided as it becomes available.
- **Beautification:** Ms. Thum said that clean-up activities are actively taking place. A median was cleaned with the help of GraffitiBusters and community members---more information to come regarding the Median master plan. Ms. Thum said that on February 12, 2015, 07:00-10:00am, the median at Laurel Canyon and Beck will be cleaned-up with assistance from GraffitiBusters, Virginia Beck and community members. The Beautification committee is planning on partnering with the Outreach committee to create a play regarding anti-graffiti and anti-tagging activities for youngsters.
- **CPAB:** None
- **VANC:** Mr. O’Gara said that VANC’s meeting will be held on February 12, 2015.
- **Plancheck:** None
- **LANCC:** Mr. Aggas said that LANCC’s members voted to write a letter to the City Council in opposition of Propositions 1 & 2 on the ballot.
- **Homeless:** Ms. Housden said that the homeless count was held on January 29th, giving the following event’s stats: 5,234 volunteers, 1,028 volunteers in San Fernando and Santa Clarita areas, 515 in the San Fernando Valley; Ms. Housden said that the SVANC Youth Rep Boardmembers Javier Fernandez and Scally Mazariegos also participated. The results will be provided late Spring or early Summer, 2015.
- **Planning:** See Items 14 through 18 below

- **Marijuana Clinic:** None
- **Budget Advocates:** Ms. Thum said that a series of town hall meetings will be held in the future

ITEM 10: Discussion-- Beautification Committee: Discuss possible installation of Welcome sign on the Median at Wicks and Laurel Canyon (Status of Permit and costs)

- Ms. Thum said that Mr. Huerta is researching the cost of getting a permit for the sign

ITEM 11: Motion/Discussion/Vote: Beautification committee to do a cleanup with Upward Bound students at Poly High. Motion to Feed 50 Students cost not to exceed \$200. Cleanup Date will be President’s Day, Feb 16

- Mr. Agustin Rivera, Program Director with the Upward Bound Sun Valley. The goal of this program is to guide students through weekly tutoring, Saturday session and a Summer program---this is a year round program. Mr. Rivera stated that they are planning a community clean up with students from Polytechnic High School
- Students Ms. Sara Nieves and Mr. Keith Lemus spoke briefly about the benefits of participating in these types of clean up events, which includes leadership skills.
- Ms. Monroy-Cantor congratulated Upper Bound for organizing this clean up
- Mr. O’Gara motioned to approve this item, seconded by Ms. Monroy-Cantor
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a roll call vote of those eligible to vote on funding related items

ITEM 11: YES – 14 (Carried)	No – 0	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 2	Absent – 9
Aggas; Allen; Bille; Boyd-D; Cuevas; Housden; Khalaf; Koenig; Monroy-Cantor; O’Gara-B; O’Gara-M; Perez; Sower; Thum	None	NONE	Fernandez (under 18); Mazariegos (under 18)	Baron; Bartlett; Boyd M; Carvajal; Culley; Inkelaar-Cruz; Mardirossian; Salazar; Vacas

- The motion passed 14/0 with 2 ineligible and 9 absent.

ITEM 12: Treasurer's Report; Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve the Treasurer’s Report

- Mr. O’Gara read the following Treasurer’s report:
 - Rent \$12,000.00 (yearly) • Office Depot \$80.64 • Konica\$73.05 (DEC) • Konica \$73.05 (JAN) • Papa Johns \$45.71 Click Host \$13.00.
 - Total January Expenditures \$ 12,285.45. Remaining Total Budget \$ 19,029.50
- Mr. O’Gara motioned to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by Mr. Aggas
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a roll call vote of those eligible to vote on funding related items:

ITEM 12: YES – 14 (Carried)	No – 0	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible -2	Absent – 9
Aggas; Allen; Bille; Boyd-D; Cuevas; Housden; Khalaf; Koenig; Monroy-Cantor; O’Gara-B; O’Gara-M; Perez; Sower; Thum	NONE	NONE	Fernandez (under 18); Mazariegos (under 18)	Baron; Bartlett; Boyd-M; Carvajal; Culley; Inkelaar-Cruz; Mardirossian; Salazar; Vacas

- The motion passed 14/0 with 2 ineligible and 9 absent.

ITEM 13: Motion /Discussion/Vote to approve to fund our account for next month’s anticipated expenditures

- Mr. O’Gara read the following expected February’s expenditures for a total of \$1,646.83: Konica \$73.05 (FEB paid) • Time Warner \$148.40 (JAN paid) • Languages4You \$445.00 (DEC paid) • Languages4You \$230.00 (JAN paid) • Time Warner \$148.40 (FEB) • 1&1 \$23.98 • ClickHost \$13.00 • Languages4You \$480.00 • Pizza Hut \$ 60.00 • Name Cheap \$25.00
- Anticipated Remaining Total Budget is \$17,382.67
- Mr. O’Gara motioned to approve Feb.'s anticipated expenditures, seconded by Ms. Monroy-Cantor
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a roll call vote of those eligible to vote on funding related items:

ITEM 13: YES – 14 (Carried)	No – 0	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible -2	Absent – 9
Aggas; Allen; Bille; Boyd-D; Cuevas; Housden; Khalaf; Koenig; Monroy-Cantor; O’Gara-B; O’Gara-M; Perez; Sower; Thum	NONE	NONE	Fernandez (under 18); Mazariegos (under 18)	Baron; Bartlett; Boyd-M; Carvajal; Culley; Inkelaar-Cruz; Mardirossian; Salazar; Vacas

- The motion passed 14/0 with 2 ineligible and 9 absent

ITEM 14: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve the letter to planning about the Pawn Shop at 8733 N. Sunland Blvd and Vinedale with our concerns ZA-2014-2546-CU ENV-2014-2547-EAF

- Mr. O’Gara stated that a meeting regarding this project will be held February 25th
- Mr. O’Gara motioned to approve this Item, seconded by Mr. Aggas
- Public comment was made on this Item
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a roll call vote:

ITEM 14: YES – 16 (Carried)	No – 0	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible -0	Absent – 9
Aggas; Allen; Bille; Boyd-D; Cuevas; Fernandez; Housden; Khalaf; Koenig; Mazariegos; Monroy-Cantor; O’Gara-B; O’Gara-M; Perez; Sower; Thum	NONE	NONE	NONE	Baron; Bartlett; Boyd-M; Carvajal; Culley; Inkelaar-Cruz; Mardirossian; Salazar; Vacas

- The motion passed 16/0 with 9 absent

ITEM 15: Motion/Discussion/Vote to send letter to planning to disapprove the Cell Tower project at 8365 N. Lehigh at Sunland Blvd unless it is an Obelisk with "Sun Valley" on all four sides. ZA-2014-2663-CUW, ENV-2014-2664-MND

- Mr. O’Gara stated that there are about 100 cell towers in Sun Valley. He added that the representatives of this project will attend SVANC’s Planning committee on February 23rd.
- Mr. O’Gara motioned to approve this Item, seconded by Ms. Bille
- Public comment was made on this Item
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a roll call vote:

ITEM 15: YES – 16 (Carried)	No – 0	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible -0	Absent – 9
Aggas; Allen; Bille; Boyd-D; Cuevas; Fernandez; Housden; Khalaf; Koenig; Mazariegos; Monroy-Cantor; O’Gara-B; O’Gara-M; Perez; Sower; Thum	NONE	NONE	NONE	Baron; Bartlett; Boyd-M; Carvajal; Culley; Inkelaar-Cruz; Mardirossian; Salazar; Vacas

- The motion passed 16/0 with 9 absent

ITEM 16: PRESENTATION from applicant, discussion and Q&A, and Vote to approve the letter to present at the Feb 17th City Planning Hearing about the Movie Studio at 11038–11100 W. Peoria Ave north of Glenoaks with our concerns. ENV-2014-3259-EA CPC-2014-3258-CU-SPR-ZV-ZAA

- Ms. Erika Iverson, representative for the applicant Alton Butler who is under contract to purchase this property on which the subject studio will be built; this site is about 10 acres and it’s a Zone A1. It’s a general plan land use designation of open space; the open space corresponds with the A1 and open space Zone. The surrounding properties to the North is Peoria St., and on the East is single family residential use, and Industrial uses to the West, and Hansen Heights Channel is to the South. There will be two primary buildings on the site, a studio building that will be mostly to the West, and a warehouse building. Ms. Iverson said that the studio building will have eight sound stages, two production support areas, offices, dressing rooms, wardrobes, production offices, and make up rooms to support the stages. The building will have lots of landscaping and plants. The main drive way is located in the center of the site; the loading doors are located along the West phase and the rear of the property. There will be 320 parking spaces on site, which includes parking for standard vehicles and coach and RV parking. There will be a small 60-foot gate house in the center that will be a manned security house, as well as a monitoring system for the gated entrance to the project site. There will be at least one security guard present at all times on the property, there will be security cameras and low level lighting on the site--- any lighting will be mounted no higher than 10’ and directed down; Mr. Butler will propose to do all LED lighting throughout the property. A variance for signage on the property is required because it’s on an A1 Zone; all signs would face Peoria or internally into the project site and would not be facing neighbors, and would be back lit.
- Mr. O’Gara read the following points that are part of the content of this Planning letter:
 - Recover the storm- and rain water
 - Solar energy on the rooftops
 - Signs are too big
 - Operating hours for the NE driveway should be changed to 09:00am to 08:00pm
 - Shift all the driveways by 1’ which will provide an extra 4’ for the last driveway
 - Underground electric hook ups for the motor homes, dressing rooms
- Mr. O’Gara motioned to approve this letter, seconded by Ms. Monroy-Cantor

- The motion was on the floor for discussion

(--At this time, Mr. O'Gara motioned to extend the meeting 30 minutes, seconded by Mr. Khalaf. The motion carried 16/0.--)

- Approximately 16 members from the public made public comments regarding this Item
- The motion was on the floor for a roll call vote to approve this letter:

ITEM 16: YES – 08 (Carried)	No – 07	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible -0	Absent – 10
Aggas; Bille; Boyd-D; Khalaf; Koenig; O'Gara-B; O'Gara-M; Sower	Allen; Cuevas; Fernandez; Housden; Mazariegos; Perez; Thum	NONE	NONE	Baron; Bartlett; Boyd-M; Carvajal; Culley; Inkelaar-Cruz; Mardirossian; Monroy-Cantor (out 8:52pm);Salazar; Vacas

- The motion passed 8/7 with 10 absent.

ITEM 17: Discussion of letter sent to Planning Dept to request Landscaping and a general cleanup at TM Scrap metal located at 11092 Tuxford St. Case no. CPC-2014-4238-CU CEQA No. ENV-2014-4240-

- This Item was tabled to next month's meeting agenda.

ITEM 18: --Brief discussion of pending Planning issues:

--La Vida Gentlemen's Club (11343 Penrose St)

--The Federal Gov't application for a cell tower at Tuxford and Sunland Blvd:

- This Item was tabled to next month's meeting agenda.

The Land Use Committee will meet on Monday, February 23, 2015

ITEM 19: PUBLIC COMMENT ITEM – None

ITEM 20: Board member comment - None

ITEM 21: Adjournment – A motion was made by Mr. O'Gara to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Koenig. The motion passed 15/0. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 09:00 pm.