



Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council

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**Regular Board Meeting MINUTES
 Tuesday, September 12, 2017
 6:30pm – 8:30pm
 FINAL/APPROVED**

Meeting Location:
 Villa Scalabrini Retirement Center
 10631 Vinedale Street
 Sun Valley, CA 91352
 (MAIL NOT ACCEPTED AT THIS ADDRESS)

Board Member	Roll Call	Funding Vote Eligible*	Category	Seat
Aggas, Gary; <i>2nd Signatory</i>	Present	YES	Resident	R5
Allen, Mark B.; <i>2nd V.P./Cardholder</i>	Present	YES	Business	B1
Bartlett, Susan	Absent	NO (EFN)	At-Large	A4
Bille, Elizabeth	Absent	YES	Resident	R1
Dueñas, Angelica	Present	YES	Resident	R2
Garcia, Steven	Present	YES	Business	B6
Housden, Linda	Present	YES	At-Large	A6
Khalaf, Sam	Absent	YES	Business	B2
Koenig, Mylo; <i>Treasurer</i>	Present	YES	At-Large	A1
O'Gara, Barbara	Present	YES	Senior Rep	S1
O'Gara, Mike	Present	YES	At-Large	A2
Palomino, Catherine	Present	YES	Resident	R3
Perez, Carmen	Present	NO (EX)	Business	B7
Power, Rick	Present	YES	Business	B5
Roque, Frank	Present	YES	Senior Rep	S2
Sower, Cindy; <i>President</i>	Present	YES	Business	B4
Sower, Michael	Present	YES	Business	B3
Thum, Wendy	Present 7:10PM	YES	Resident	R4
Vacas, Monica; <i>1st V.P.</i>	Present	YES	Resident	R7
Venegas, Eddie	Present	YES	Comm. Int.	C1
(VACANT)			Resident	R6
(VACANT)			At-Large	A3
(VACANT)			At-Large	A5
(VACANT)			Youth Rep	Y1
(VACANT)			Youth Rep	Y2
TOTAL: 20	16 PRESENT, 04 ABSENT			

*Funding vote eligibility key: **A**=age less than 18 yrs.; **E**=Ethics training; **F**=Funding training; **N**=not taken; **X**=expired
 ** Advance notice given for absence

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

- Ms. Cindy Sower called the meeting of Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council to order at approximately 6:36pm; the Pledge of Allegiance was recited
- Mr. Mylo Koenig, filling in for the Secretary, took roll; 16 Board members were present. Quorum was met. There were approximately 43 members of the public present.
- Code of Civility was read by all Boardmembers.

ITEM 2: Opening Remarks to include our 15th Anniversary Celebration and Video. Additional updates on La Tuna/Sun Valley Fire/SVANC Thank-You's Thank you to LAFD Station 77, Lowe's, Ralph's, Sunland Produce, Grocery Outlet, Phil Tabbi, Jr., Susan Lustig, SHPOA, Jennifer Knopp, and Virginia Beck

ITEM 3: Announce any vacant board seats (including prior and recent vacancies) R6, A3, A5, Y1, and Y2 applications due by September 26, 2017

ITEM 4: Emergency Personnel from Fire and Police Departments (*will always be allowed to address the board when they are ready to facilitate their schedule*)

- LAPD no presentation

ITEM 5: Announcements from elected officials or their representatives

- FD Jaqueline Serrano, Congressmember Cardenas, Congress is in session and discussing the Federal budget. The Congressmember’s focus is health care and education. Immigration workshop September 14, 2017 9:30AM-11:30AM Jobs workshop September 21, 2017 Mission College. See the Congressmember’s website for additional information.
- Rick Ramirez, Budget Advocate, if you have any concerns about the City budget, please contact him. He is a Boardmember of STNC.
- FD William Pond, ASM Bocanegra, awarded SVANC a certificate for 15 years as a neighborhood council. Junior Legislature Program for juniors and seniors, contact office. All legislation bills in Sacramento are due by Friday, September 15, 2017 to be heard for this session.
- FD Vicars, Senator Portantino, office worked to help the Governor sign the emergency declaration for the La Tuna Fire. Any concerns about state services, contact their office.
- FD Caesar Huerta and Marco Sanchez, City Council Nury Martinez, Congratulations to 15 years of service to Sun Valley. Van Nuys Art Festival at the Civic Center September 29, 2017 6PM-10PM. Clean-up for streets, 21 tons of refuse was collected on San Fernando Road. Next clean-up on Branford. Maps provided for sanitation services. Sanitation meeting for the public on September 21, 2017. See website for additional information
- NEA Barry Stone, DONE no presentation.

ITEM 6: Presentation from Sun Valley High School (Sun Valley High School will be presenting out of order, because he will have students that need to leave immediately after their presentation. We will vote on their request further in this agenda)

ITEM 7: Presentation from Polytechnic High School

ITEM 8: Presentation from Alliance High School

ITEM 9: Public Comment on matters within the Board's subject-matter jurisdiction that do not appear on the agenda. Members of the public are limited to **two (2) minutes per speaker**. NOTE: Public comments shall not be subject to discussion Ethan Senser, Stand LA/Food&Water Watch, Roxan Rivas, Somos Familia Valle, Abraham Mercado, Sidewalk Repair Program.

ITEM 10: Board Member Comment on matters within the Board's subject-matter jurisdiction that do not appear on the agenda. Board members are limited to **two (2) minutes per speaker. No comments.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

ITEM 11A: Approve Minutes from February 14, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Table

ITEM 11B: Approve Minutes from April 11, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Table

ITEM 11C: Approve Minutes from May 9, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Table

ITEM 11D: Approve Minutes from June 6, 2017 Special Board Meeting

SVANC ITEM 11D Approve Minutes from May 2, 2017 Moved: M. O’Gara Second: Vacas				
Yes – 17	No – 00	Recuse – 00	Not Eligible – 00	Absent – 03
Aggas, Allen, Duenas, Housden, Koenig, B. O’Gara, M O’Gara, Palomino, Power, C Sower, M Sower, Vacas, Garcia, Roque, Perez, Venegas, Thum, Perez	NONE	NONE		Bartlett, Bille, Khalaf

ITEM 11E: Approve Minutes from June 13, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Table

NEW BUSINESS

ITEM 12: Approve Minutes from August 8, 2017 Regular Board Meeting

SVANC ITEM 12 Approve Minutes from May 2, 2017 Moved: Thum Second: M O’Gara				
Yes – 17	No – 00	Recuse – 00	Not Eligible – 00	Absent – 03
Aggas, Allen, Duenas, Housden, Koenig, B. O’Gara, M O’Gara, Palomino, Power, C Sower, M Sower, Vacas, Garcia, Roque, Perez, Venegas, Thum, Perez	NONE	NONE		Bartlett, Bille, Khalaf

ITEM 13: Committee Reports: Outreach, Beautification, Planning/Land Use. The following may be moved to the end of meeting for time: CPAB, VANC, PlanCheck, LANCC, Budget Advocates, Finance, Clean Streets Challenge Outreach: November 11, 2017 Citizen Workshop, Beautification: Tree planting CD 6, Clean-up CD 2 PLUM: comments during agenda item 22. Additional reports moved to end of meeting.

ITEM 14: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for August 2017

SVANC ITEM 14 Approve MERS for August 2017 Moved: M. O’Gara Second: Aggas				
Yes – 16	No – 00	Recuse – 00	Not Eligible – 01	Absent – 03
Aggas, Allen, Duenas, Housden, Koenig, B. O’Gara, M O’Gara, Palomino, Power, C Sower, M Sower, Vacas, Garcia, Roque, Venegas, Thum	NONE	NONE	Perez	Bartlett, Bille, Khalaf

ITEM 15: Motion/Discussion/Vote to reimburse Cindy Sower for board approved purchase of wheeled collapsible wagon/cart, not to exceed \$67.37

SVANC ITEM 15 Reimburse C. Sower for \$67.37 Moved: O’Gara Second: Allen				
Yes – 16	No – 00	Recuse – 00	Not Eligible – 01	Absent – 03
Aggas, Allen, Duenas, Housden, Koenig, B. O’Gara, M O’Gara, Palomino, Power, C Sower, M Sower, Vacas, Garcia, Roque, Venegas, Thum	NONE	NONE	Perez	Bartlett, Bille, Khalaf

ITEM 16: Motion/Discussion/Vote to hold a SVANC Citizenship Workshop 2017 in partnership with IRC (International Rescue Committee) for Saturday November 11, 2017 at Holy Rosary Church auditorium in Sun Valley. This shall cover the rental of photocopying machines, breakfast and lunch for all volunteers, tables, chairs and any other necessary items for the success of this event, not to exceed \$2,000.00 (Vacas)

SVANC ITEM 16 Approve \$2000.00 for Citizen Workshop Moved: Aggas Second: Garcia				
Yes – 16	No – 00	Recuse – 00	Not Eligible – 01	Absent – 03
Aggas, Allen, Duenas, Housden, Koenig, B. O’Gara, M O’Gara, Palomino, Power, C Sower, M Sower, Vacas, Garcia, Roque, Venegas, Thum	NONE	NONE	Perez	Bartlett, Bille, Khalaf

ITEM 17: Motion/Discussion/Vote to support Halloween Festivities at Fernangeles Park not to exceed \$150 (Vacas)

SVANC ITEM 17 Approve \$150.00 for Halloween Festivities Moved: Duenas Second: Garcia				
Yes – 16	No – 00	Recuse – 00	Not Eligible – 01	Absent – 03
Aggas, Allen, Duenas, Housden, Koenig, B. O’Gara, M O’Gara, Palomino, Power, C Sower, M Sower, Vacas, Garcia, Roque, Venegas, Thum	NONE	NONE	Perez	Bartlett, Bille, Khalaf

ITEM 18: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve reimbursement of Outreach refreshments at Fire Station 77 during the La Tuna Canyon/Sun Valley Fire where members of the SVANC performed outreach and support for the Firefighters and community.

(Vacas) **Table**

ITEM 19: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve Outreach Certificates of Appreciation for Stakeholders, businesses, and organizations who worked with the SVANC and community to perform outreach and helped show community support for the First Responders fighting the La Tuna Canyon/Sun Valley Fire, not to exceed \$500. (Vacas) **Table**

SVANC ITEM 18/19 Motion to table Moved: M. O’Gara Second: Thum TABLE				
Yes – 17	No – 00	Recuse – 00	Not Eligible – 00	Absent – 03
Aggas, Allen, Duenas, Housden, Koenig, B. O’Gara, M O’Gara, Palomino, Power, C Sower, M Sower, Vacas, Garcia, Roque, Perez, Venegas, Thum	NONE	NONE		Bartlett, Bille, Khalaf

ITEM 20: Motion/Discussion/Vote to help Sun Valley High School with their first "Homecoming Football Game Extravaganza." Request is to help rent portable lighting for the event for up to but not to exceed \$500. It is understood they have LAUSD Board approval and support for this event. (Jamal Speaks-Sun Valley High School)

SVANC ITEM 20A To extend meeting 15 mins. Moved: C. Sower Second: Aggas				
Yes – 17	No – 00	Recuse – 00	Not Eligible – 0	Absent – 3
Aggas, Allen, Duenas, Housden, Koenig, B. O’Gara, M O’Gara, Power, C Sower, M Sower, Vacas, Garcia, Roque, Perez, Thum, Venegas, Palomino	NONE	NONE		Bartlett, Bille, Khalaf,
SVANC ITEM 20 Approve \$500.00 for SVHS homecoming Moved: M. Sower Second: Vacas				
Yes – 10	No – 6	Recuse – 00	Not Eligible – 1	Absent – 03
Housden, Koenig, Power, C Sower, M Sower, Garcia, Roque, Thum, Vacas, Venegas	Aggas, Allen, Duenas, B. O’Gara, M O’Gara, Palomino,	NONE	Perez	Bartlett, Bille, Khalaf,
SVANC ITEM 20 Amendment Reduce motion to \$400 Moved: M. O’Gara Second: Thum FAIL				
Yes – 7	No – 9	Recuse – 00	Not Eligible – 01	Absent – 03
Garcia, Housden, Koenig, C Sower, Vacas, Venegas, Thum	Aggas, Allen, Duenas, B. O’Gara, M O’Gara, Palomino, Power, Roque, M Sower,	NONE	Perez	Bartlett, Bille, Khalaf

Duenas left meeting 8:39PM

ITEM 21: Motion/Discussion/Vote to support VANC's Planning seminar in November, not to exceed \$250

SVANC ITEM 21 Approve \$250 for VANC Planning Seminar Moved: M. O’Gara Second: Garcia				
Yes – 15	No – 00	Recuse – 00	Not Eligible – 01	Absent – 04
Aggas, Allen, Housden, Koenig, B. O’Gara, M O’Gara, Palomino, Power, C Sower, M Sower, Vacas, Garcia, Roque, Thum, Venegas,	NONE	NONE	Perez	Bartlett, Bille, Khalaf, Duenas

ITEM 22: Motion/Discussion/Vote to grant Mike O’Gara permission to write a letter to the Planning Department regarding Planning and Zoning issues related to Cannabis, and City Council members to advise them of any concerns we may have with the Rules and Regulations related to Cannabis

SVANC ITEM 22 Approve M. O’Gara to write letter on position of Cannabis Moved: M. O’Gara Second: C. Sower				
Yes – 16	No – 00	Recuse – 00	Not Eligible – 00	Absent – 04
Aggas, Allen, Housden, Koenig, B. O’Gara, M O’Gara, Palomino, Power, C Sower, M Sower, Vacas, Garcia, Roque, Perez, Venegas, Thum	NONE	NONE		Bartlett, Bille, Khalaf, Duenas
SVANC ITEM Motion to extend meeting 15 mins.8:45PM Moved: C. Sower Second: Power				
Yes – 16	No – 00	Recuse – 00	Not Eligible – 00	Absent – 04
Aggas, Allen, Housden, Koenig, B. O’Gara, M O’Gara, Palomino, Power, C Sower, M Sower, Vacas, Garcia, Roque, Perez, Venegas, Thum	NONE	NONE		Bartlett, Bille, Khalaf, Duenas

ITEM 23: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve letter to Deputy Chief Sherman recognizing the excellent job the Prostitution Task Force/Vice is doing in the SFV, and our own Lankershim Corridor. (Sower)

SVANC ITEM 23 Approve letter of recognition for prostitution task force Moved: Aggas Second: M O’Gara				
Yes – 16	No – 00	Recuse – 00	Not Eligible – 00	Absent – 04
Aggas, Allen, Housden, Koenig, B. O’Gara, M O’Gara, Power, C Sower, M Sower, Vacas, Garcia, Roque, Palomino, Perez, Venegas, Thum	NONE	NONE		Bartlett, Bille, Khalaf, Duenas

ITEM 24: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve funding for a Beautification Event on October 21, 2017 in partnership with the Los Angeles Beautification Team (LABT), Sun Valley Graffiti Busters and CD-6 Council Woman Nury Martinez that will plant 60 trees along both sides of the old San Fernando Road. This event includes weed abatement, plus school and community education about making Sun Valley more beautiful. Funding not to exceed \$2,770, based on meals, snacks and water for 50 people to include LABT, CD6 team, volunteers and Sun Valley Graffiti Busters personnel at \$5 per person; and 6 bags of high grade red cedar mulch to surround each tree at \$7 per bag (including tax).

SVANC ITEM 24 Approve \$2770 for Beautification Event Moved: Vacas Second: Power				
Yes – 08	No – 07	Recuse – 00	Not Eligible – 01	Absent – 04
Aggas, Housden, Koenig, C Sower, Vacas, Garcia, Roque, Thum	Allen, M. O’Gara, B. O’Gara, Power, M Sower, Venegas, Palomino	NONE	Perez	Bartlett, Bille, Khalaf, Duenas

ITEM 25: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve the Beautification Event on October 21, 2017 as a Clean Streets Challenge event submission, the submission to be drafted by the Beautification Chair.

SVANC ITEM 25 Approve Beautification Event as a CSC event Moved: Thum Second: Vacas FAIL				
Yes - 05	No - 11	Recuse - 00	Not Eligible - 00	Absent - 04
Garcia, Housden, C Sower, Vacas, Thum	Aggas, Allen, Koenig, B. O’Gara, M O’Gara, Palomino, Perez, Power, Roque, M. Sower, Venegas,	NONE		Bartlett, Bille, Khalaf, Duenas

ITEM 26: Any remaining SVANC committee or group reports that may wish to present No presentations

ITEM 27: Public Comment on non-agenda Items, **two (2) minutes per speaker none**

ITEM 28: Board Member Comment on non-agenda Items, **two (2) minutes per speaker Vacas, SVANC will not participate in a Clean Street Project**

ITEM 29: Adjournment

SVANC ITEM 29 Approve adjournment Moved: M O’Gara Second: Power 9:12				
Yes - 16	No - 00	Recuse - 00	Not Eligible - 00	Absent - 04
Aggas, Allen, Housden, Koenig, B. O’Gara, M O’Gara, Palomino, Power, C Sower, M Sower, Vacas, Garcia, Roque, Perez, Venegas, Thum	NONE	NONE		Bartlett, Bille, Khalaf, Duenas