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Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council

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Regular Board Meeting MINUTES Tuesday, November 12, 2019 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm (DRAFT) Meeting Location:
Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council
Villa Scalabrini Retirement Home
10631 Vinedale Street
Sun Valley, CA 91352

*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 ELIGIBL
Balbuena, Jesse			Residential Stakeholder Director	Х		
Carbajal, Jackelyn			Residential Stakeholder Director		х	
Chávez, Norma O.			At-Large Stakeholder Director	Х		
Danielian, Serj			Residential Stakeholder Director	х		
_Fierro, Martha	2 nd VP		Residential Stakeholder Director	Х		
García, Steven	ar	rived at 6:45 pm	Business Stakeholder Director	Х		
García, Rosalío			Residential Stakeholder Director	х		
Gonzalez, Joel			Residential Stakeholder Director	Х		
Grigorian, Vahe			Business Stakeholder Director	Х		
Kumar, Bobby			Business Stakeholder Director	х		
O'Gara, Barbara			Business Stakeholder Director	х		
O'Gara, Mike	President		At-Large Stakeholder Director	х		
Perez, Carmen			Business Stakeholder Director	х		
Power, Richard	1st VP		Business Stakeholder Director	х		
Soto, Sergio			Business Stakeholder Director	х		
Sower, Cindy	Treasurer		At-Large Stakeholder Director	х		
Thum, Wendy			Residential Stakeholder Director	х		
Venegas, Eddie	2 nd Signatory		Community Interest Stakeholder	х		
TOTAL: 18			17 Present, 1 Absent, 0 Ineligible			

ITEM 1: Call to Order at 6:30 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Rollcall was taken by Cindy Sower, treasurer. The Code of Conduct was recited. President O'Gara reminded all members to collect the documents in their folders and encourage them to become more involved with the duties of the SVANC and to join its committees.

ITEM 2: 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. Senior lead officer Esther Vazquez gave a crime report update; reusable bags in cars are causing car break ins because people see bulky items.

Regarding the death at Sun Valley Park there will be a memorial. The gang unit will be visiting and having talks. The graffiti is being cleaned up. There will be a youth group support at Joselito on Thursday from 11-2 pm. Senior lead officer Wall provided tips on how to protect the homes from burglaries given the fourteen burglaries that took place in February: use automatic lights, if possible with radio attached. Also, he encouraged business owners to have a business watch.

ITEM 3: Presentation Announcements from elected officials or their representatives. Caroline Menjivar from Mayor Garcetti's office, Lorraine Diaz Deputy from CD2 Paul Krekoryan's office, Karla Maqueda Rep. from CD6 Nury Martinez office, Kevin David Budget advocate.

ITEM 4: Presentation by Vulcan Materials regarding the landscaping on Glenoaks Blvd. and Peoria St. at the Cal Mat Pit. Mr. Peña provided an update: dead trees will be taken out once permission is granted, 120 bushes will be planted, everything that has an issue will be inventory, a new drip system was set in place, there will be weekly maintenance to clean new plants, regular updates to SVANC will be provided, hire a registered landscape architect, walls will be painted regularly with matching color to cover graffiti, set dust control sprinklers along Allegheny spraying as needed. The proposal will be completed in less than six menths.

ITEM 5: Comments from the EmpowerLA representative Betty Wong. Raquel Beltran will has completed 38% of her tour visiting all NC. Improvements are taking place on the system feedback. Some members have not completed the demographics survey. No NC logos are allowed on personal media. Partnering with Mayor's office to get two or more NC ambassadors to help with the 2020 Census. Training for NC ambassadors on Nov. 19th at City Hall from 6:30 to 8:00 pm.

ITEM 6: Public Comments on matters within the Executive Board's subject-matter jurisdiction that DO NOT appear on the agenda (comments only, no discussion), two minutes each. Sara Rhamsweck from the Valley Alliance encouraged Council members to have questions ready for Raquel Beltran when she visits SVANC. Starting Nov. 14th there will be a new system of voting. Benito Bernal announced he is a CD6 political runner against Councilwoman Nury Martinez. Alice Osapyan resident from Glencrest Hills shared her feelings about the burglaries that took place in her home as well as thirteen other houses and asked for more explicit communication from the police other than coffee with cops and NC meetings. Bill Hallard announced he is a CD6 political runner and asked to sign petitions to help him get on the ballot.

ITEM 7: Board Member Comment on matters within the Executive Board's subject-matter jurisdiction that DO NOT appear on the agenda (comments only, no discussion), two minutes each. There is a need for more-propaganda Outreach to make SVANC more known to average People. Stakeholders.

ITEM 8: The Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council Board seats currently open are three (3) TWO (2) At-Large, two (2) Senior Representatives, and two (2) Youth Representatives. There are qualifications that apply to all seat per the SVANC BYLAWS and STANDING RULES which are available at www.svanc.com or contact Mike O'Gara at MikeOGARASVANC@aol.com.

NEW BUSINESS

ITEM 9: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve appointment of Vanessa Gonzales, Polytechnic High School student, to a Youth Representative Council Position. Vanessa Gonzales was not present.

ITEM 10: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve the Minutes of the Board meeting from September 10, 2019 and October 8, 2019. September 10, 2019 Minutes Moved: Richard Power, 2nd: Barbara O'Gara Discussion took place.17 YES, 0 NO, 0 INELIGIBLE. October 8, 2019 Minutes Moved: Richard Power, 2nd: Bobby Kumar. Discussion took place.17 YES, 0 NO, 0 INELIGIBLE.

ITEM 11: Rick Power moved to appoint an ad hoc committee consisting of Rick Power and Martha Fierro to review and to make recommendations on the proposal from Barkley Communications, LLC to design and develop a new updated, modern looking state of the art website for SVANC and Martha Fierro seconded it. Cincy Cindy Sower would like to add herself to the committee; therefore, Rick Power resent the motion. Cincy Cindy Sower moved to amend the 1st motion to add Cincy Sower to the ad hoc committee and Wendy Thum seconded it. Discussion took place. 17 YES, 0 NO, 0 INELIGIBLE.

ITEM 12: SVANC Board member Norma O. Chávez volunteered to take the position of Secretary starting tonight with assistance from Cindy Sower.

ITEM 13: Motion/Discussion/Vote to hire a person to come to SVAN SVANC meetings to take Minutes each month. This item was *tabled* given that a Board member volunteered to take the position of Secretary.

ITEM 14: Motion/Discussion/Vote to appoint members of the following committees: Outreach, Beautification, Planning/Land Use, and Emergency Prep. & Public Safety, as well as appointing liaisons to the VANC and the LANCC and two budget advocates. Norma O. Chávez wants to be added to the Beautification committee. Steven García wants to be part of the Outreach committee.

ITEM 15: Report by Committee Chairs: Wendy Thum, Beautification Chair, thanked all Board members who participated in last Saturday's cleanup project along the Old San Fernando Road and Corridor between Sunland Blvd. and Tuxford. There was an outcome of approximately fifty volunteers. Cindy Sower, Emergency Prep. & Public Safety Chair, proudly announced the conclusion of the first Spanish CERT class taught by a FEMA member.

OLD BUSINESS

ITEM 16: Motion/Discussion/Vote To Confirm that the SVANC Board did at their meeting on March 13, 2018 vote 13 to 1 to oppose a Coffee Shop located next to the Grocery Outlet Store, located at 8908-8953 (8936) Glenoaks Blvd., Sun Valley, CA 91352 – Planning Case #ZA-2017-3684-CU-SPP, and CEQA #ENV-2017-3683-CE. Richard Bell presented an update of the project. Next Monday, there will be a Public Hearing at 2:30 pm. No leases signed. The project could be a Starbucks, coffee shop restaurant. The community does not want this business here. Item 24 of the Minutes from March 13, 2018 was reviewed and it was confirmed that the Original Board vote was to oppose this project. Moved: Rick Power, 2nd: Cindy Sower,

Yes - 16	No - 00	Recused- 01	Not Eligible - 00	Absent - 01
Balbuena, Chávez, Danielian, Fierro, S Garcia, R Garcia, Gonzalez, Grigorian, Kumar, B O'Gara, M O'Gara,, Perez, Power, Sower, Thum,	NONE	Sergio Soto left the mtg. at 7:00 pm	NONE	Jackelyn Carbajal
Venegas				

Joel Gonzalez moved to extend the meeting to 8:45 pm, 2nd: Eddie Venegas, 17 YES, 0 NO, 0 INELIGIBLE

ITEM 17: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve a CIS supporting City Council File #19-0602-S1 to amend LA Municipal Code Section 41.18 which proposes new codes as to safety and restrictions on where the homeless might sleep per the recommendation of the SVANC Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness Committee (unanimously voted for by the Committee). Moved: Rick Power, 2nd: Barbara O'Gara. Discussion took place. The motion tightens NO blocking sidewalks, Homeless must stay 500 feet from day care centers, schools, and parks.

Yes - 17	No - 00	Recused- 00	Not Eligible - 00	Absent - 01
Balbuena, Chávez, Danielian, Fierro, S Garcia, R Garcia, Gonzalez, Grigorian, Kumar, B O'Gara, M O'Gara, Perez, Power, Soto, Sower, Thum,	NONE	NONE	NONE	Jackelyn Carbajal
Venegas				

Mike O'Gara moved to extend the meeting to 9:15 pm, 2nd: Rick Power, 17 YES, 0 NO, 0 INELIGIBLE

ITEM 18: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve MER for October 2019, MOVED: Rick Power, 2nd: Vahe Gregorian

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Yes - 17	No - 00	Recused- 00	Not Eligible - 00	Absent - 01
Balbuena, Chávez, Danielian, Fierro, S Garcia, R Garcia, Gonzalez,	NONE	NONE	NONE	Jackelyn Carbajal
Grigorian, Kumar, B O'Gara, M O'Gara,, Perez, Power, Soto, Sower, Thum, Venegas				

ITEM 19: Public Comment on matters within the Executive Board's subject-matter jurisdiction that DO NOT appear on the agenda (comments only, no discussion, 2 minutes each). Anyone who wishes to speak is requested to fill out a Speaker Card. Susan Lastig addressed the concerns regarding notification of burglaries that took place in 14 homes in the Glencrest Hills area between February and March. Notifications were made via the SVANC Facebook, newsletters, SVANC meetings.

ITEM 20: Board Member Comment on matters within the Executive Board's subject-matter jurisdiction that DO NOT appear on the agenda (comments only, no discussion, 2 minutes each). None

ITEM 21: Further Comment from the President. Mr. O'Gara reminded all Board members that there will be NO EXECUTIVE NOR REGULAR BOARD meeting in December.

ITEM 22: Adjournment at 9:00 pm.

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