

**Neighborhood Council Valley Village
Board Meeting**

May 22, 2013

Approved

Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order, Roll Call, Agenda Distribution, Welcoming Remarks - Mr. Tony Braswell called the meeting to order at 6:30 and thanked everyone for coming out to attend our meeting. He asked speakers to fill out a speaker card and please limit their comments to two minutes. He reminded the audience that the meeting will be conducted under the Brown Act and within the guidelines of Robert's Rules of Order.

The roll was called. Board members present were Dorothy Apple, residential homeowner; Tony Braswell, residential renter; Cathy Flynn, residential homeowner; Ginny Hatfield, residential homeowner; Paul Hatfield, at-large; Suzanne Lewis, residential renter; Dale Liebowitz-Neglia, at-large Paulette Stokes, residential renter; Charles Sulahian, business owner; Marc Woerschling, community based.

Board members excused were Dave Bate, business owner; Sandy Hubbard, residential homeowner; Dr. Joshua Levy, faith based; Steven Stokes, residential renter; Jeff Walker, education.

Mr. Braswell made a motion. *Motion: amend the agenda to include discussion regarding the proposed project to build a Starbucks at the corner of Burbank Blvd. and Laurel Canyon.* The motion was approved by a vote of 10-0-0.

Agenda Item 2 – Approval of the April Minutes - The April minutes were approved by a vote of 10-0-0.

Agenda Item 3 – Public Comment on Agenda Items (limited to two (2) minutes per speaker, and must fill out a speaker card) –

Agenda Item 4 – Finance Report, Mr. Hatfield - Mr. Hatfield gave an update on the financial report and submitted a copy for the record. The financial report was approved as submitted by a vote of 10-0-0. Mr. Hatfield is going to look into purchasing a printer for NCVV's use. There will be a new finance system that uses electronic checks implemented in July. Training on the new system will be available soon. Nine (9) demand warrants were submitted for payment. Four (4) of them have been accepted, five (5) are still waiting for approval.

Agenda Item 5 – Bay-Delta Conservation Plan – Presentation from Alexandra Nagy – This item will be carried over to the June meeting.

Agenda Item 6 – Museum of the San Fernando Valley – Michael Stevens – Mr. Stevens gave a brief presentation about the museum. The immediate goal for the museum is to secure a permanent full-service headquarters and exhibition space to house and expand their collections. Their requirements are to have a site to house the Valley's history of growth and influence that is readily accessible to the public. They are currently trying to raise money through an event called "Horses Across the Valley" Their mission is to raise awareness of the historical, cultural and artistic heritage of the San Fernando Valley. They are requesting participation from all L.A. City Council members that have ties to the SFV. They are asking NC's and local artists to sponsor and develop one or more fiberglass horses that will provide historic recognition to each council district. More information on this can be found at www.themuseumsfv.com.

Agenda Item 7 – Colfax World Fair – Ms. Apple gave a brief report on the success of the fair. PACE reported that the fair brought in just over \$85,000 for the day. This does not include online donations and online auction items.

Agenda Item 8 – Executive Committee Report – Ms. Hatfield – Ms. Hatfield let us know that the Executive Committee had discussion to replace the Brown Act with the Sunshine Act. The Committee chose to keep the Brown Act in place when holding neighborhood council meetings. The next committee

meeting is on May 25th at the Braude Center. They will be discussing ideas to send to BONC, then forward to the City Council regarding possible changes to the Neighborhood Council Charter. The committees passed a motion requesting each city council committee have a representative that reports to all NC's. Gracye Liu, general manager of DONE, would like to have all general managers assign a liaison to Neighborhood Councils. There will be a new finance system implemented in July. Training on the new system will be available soon.

Agenda Item 9 – Standing Committee Reports – Valley Village Vision Task Force - There was nothing to report on this item.

Agenda Item 9 - Standing Committee Reports – Communications – Mr. Stokes – Mr. Braswell let us know that the website has been updated and is working well. He will be adding a link to connect to Survey LA.

Agenda Item 9- Standing Committee Reports – Elections – Ms. Hatfield – Neighborhood Council Valley Village elections will be held in spring 2014. DONE will be conducting the election with the help of the city clerk's office.

Agenda Item 9 - Standing Committee Reports – City Services – Mr. Walker – There was nothing to report on this item.

Agenda Item 9 – Standing Committee Reports – Events and Outreach – Ms. Lewis – Ms. Lewis let us know that the blood drive for Children's Hospital Los Angeles was a huge success. They collected forty-five (45) pints of blood. Family Movie Night is July 20th. The winners of the Los Angeles Student Media Festival will have their films played before the main feature of Wreck-it-Ralph. National Night Out on August 6th will be honoring the LAFD first responder to the Magnolia tragedy.

Agenda Item 9 – Standing Committee Reports – Planning and Land Use – Mr. Bate – Mr. Braswell gave an update on the proposed Starbucks.

- 1) Starbucks will provide "right-in/right-out" arrows per the revised plan
- 2) Starbucks supports the NCVVV proposed sign and will provide a location per the plan
- 3) Starbucks will provide adequate lighting per city standards, and visibility will be maintained
- 4) The exterior wood material has been changed to a "white-washed" wood finish
- 5) Hours of operation are 5:00a.m. - 11:00p.m. with the relocation of the drive-thru order window and addition of screening for the adjacent residents
- 6) Parking and landscape has been approved from the previous meetings, no changes have been made

Mr. Stuart Simen, a resident in Valley Village, voiced his opposition to approving the drive-thru Starbucks. The drive-thru violates the Valley Village Specific Plan.

Agenda Item 10 – FY2014 Budget – Mr. Hatfield – The City Council met yesterday to finalize the 2014 budget. They plan to keep the NC's yearly budget at \$37,000. Mr. Hatfield will report back on this at the June meeting.

Agenda Item 11 – Public Comment – Public Comment from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction –

Agenda Item 12 – Future Agenda Items, President's Closing Comments and Adjournment – Mr. Braswell thanked everyone in attendance. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.