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### MINUTES NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL VALLEY VILLAGE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**February 27, 2019**

**7:30 PM – 9:00 PM**

Fellowship Hall - Faith Presbyterian Church  
5000 Colfax Avenue, Valley Village, CA, 91607

The meeting was called to order by Tony Braswell at 7:20 pm. The Elections & Bylaws Committee hosted a NCVV Board Open House for prospective Board members from 7:00 pm to 7:20 pm. The role was called by Ms. Liebowitz-Neglia. Board members present were Dorothy Apple, Daryl Baskin, Glenn Block, Tony Braswell, Alice Hart, Ginny Hatfield, Suzanne Lewis-Gregory, Dale Liebowitz-Neglia, Lisa Miller, Paulette Stokes, Jeff Walker and Marc Woerschling. Student Representative Jake Kovinsky and Eileen Garcia were present. Richard Davies, Pastor Rich Poole, and Steven Stokes were excused absent. The quorum for NCVV Board meetings is 8, which must include 3 members of the Executive Committee. No Board members stated a conflict of interest with any item on the meeting agenda. The agenda was approved 11-0-0-1, with Kovinsky and Garcia voting in the affirmative.

The minutes from the January meeting will be presented for approval in March.

Public comment was provided by Morgan Wiener. Beth Fulton, former NCVV Board member, was introduced as the new President of Valley Village Homeowners Association. Other public comment was offered regarding homeless encampments and RV parking. Ms. Fulton advised that the NCVV planted tree on Laurel Canyon just north of Riverside had been chopped down. Mr. Braswell asked Ms. Apple to notify the Sr. Lead Officer, and he will contact Council District 2.

Given the lengthy discussion of several items with motions, Mr. Braswell asked and the Board consented to moving items 4, 5, 6 and 8 to the top of the agenda.

Mr. Braswell asked that the January financial report be held over until March so that Mr. Stokes could present. The Board was asked to approve the January expenditures for our website, The motion to approve payment for an invoice for \$504.57 from Moore Business Systems was approved 11-0-1 with both students voting in the affirmative.

Mr. Walker presented his report from City Services Committee. The report included a summary of the Committee's 3 month review opportunities to improve guidelines for filming in Valley Village. This represented 3 public meetings and many hours of review of public comment and guidelines for areas near Valley Village that are supplemental to FILMLA guidelines. These areas include Colfax Meadows, Toluca Lake, and an area on Mulholland Drive. City Services presented guidelines that they believe will allow responsible filming in Valley Village and help to maintain quality of life in areas where filming occurs. The guidelines enhance existing guidance from FILMLA, addressing issues such as on-site monitoring, traffic officer presence, parking, lighting, notice of filming, filming times and duration of filming, and more. Mr. Walker answered questions from the Board and stakeholders. The motion to adopt the guidelines was approved 11-0-1 with both students voting in the affirmative. Mr. Braswell and Mr. Walker will now present the guidelines to the Council office and LAPD (enforcement body) for their input, and the Board should receive feedback and a final document within 90 days.

Mr. Braswell thanked the Committee members (Mr. Walker, Ms. Apple and Mr. Davies) for their hard work and commitment.

Mr. Block presented the results from the Valley Village Community Plan, conducted over a three month period from October through December. Over 240 responses to the survey were recorded, providing stakeholder input on issues and opportunities and the community's vision related to updating the North Hollywood Valley Village Community Plan. This information will supplement input provided through the Planning Department survey and community based meetings hosted by the Planning Department in the fall of 2018. Overarching themes were predominant in survey results, with a vast majority of respondents stating that they value single family homes, small "hidden gem" commercial areas, local and small scale multi-use commercial areas. A large majority of those surveyed said they are most proud of the small town feel of Valley Village and hoped that the community plan would preserve and enhance that feature. Trees were also another point of heavy agreement, with a clear majority of respondents expressing their hope that the community plan would preserve and enhance the tree canopy and hopefully increase greenspace. There was also significant agreement that improved/enhanced design guidelines would improve quality of life, including commercial and multi-family space as well as limiting out of scale development. The survey demonstrated a high level of pride in the quality of life in Valley Village and prioritized maintaining that in the updated community plan. Mr. Block introduced committee members who were present – Dan Caplan, Sandy Hubbard and Marc Woerschling. He answered questions from the Board and from stakeholders. A motion was brought forward to accept the Community Plan Survey results, forward them to the Planning Department requesting acknowledgement of receipt, and requesting that the survey results be given full consideration and incorporated into the public record for input on the Community Plan updates. The motion was approved 12-0-0 and both students voted in the affirmative.

In follow up to the January meeting, NCVV partnered with the office of Councilman Krekorian to distribute a resource guide for issues related to homelessness. The information was made available at the meeting.

Ms. Hatfield presented her report from Events & Outreach. The Committee recommends that NCVV spend \$800 for the April Earth Day event, typically one of our most well attended outreach efforts. The motion was approved 11-0-1 and both student members voted in the affirmative. Ms. Hatfield also presented the annual events planned for calendar year 2019.

Ms. Hatfield presented the Executive Committee report. The VANC spring event will be held in Carla's Kitchen on the lot at CBS Studio City. The Board has already voted to support the event.

Mr. Woerschling and NCVV Vision Committee are still waiting for feedback from the City related to our request for historic preservation of the Magnolia Avenue trees.

Ms. Lewis-Gregory is working with election committee to increase outreach for 2019 election. Efforts will include direct mail of 12,000+ sample ballots, walking man flyer, social media, schedule eblasts, and retail posters.

There were no other public comments.

There were no other comments and the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm.