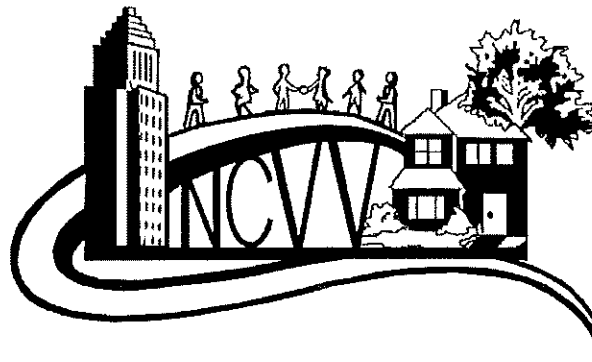


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Board Meeting Agenda

May 18, 2011

6:30 PM – 9:00 PM

Colfax Elementary School Auditorium
 11724 Addison Street, Valley Village, CA, 91607

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1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Agenda Distribution, and Approval of April Minutes – Mr. Braswell and Ms. Apple
2. Public Comment on Agenda Items (limited to 2 minutes per speaker, and speaker must fill out a speaker card)
3. Finance Report – Mr. Hatfield
 Motion to Approve the FY2012 NCVV Budget as Presented
4. Coalition to End Billboard Blight – Mr. Woerschling
5. The Los Angeles Beyond Coal Campaign - The Sierra Club, Chrissy Cutting
6. Valley Village Park Update – Mr. Walker, Mr. Sacher
7. Valley Village Website – Mr. Stokes
8. Valley Village Vision Task Force – Survey LA
9. Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (VANC) Update – Ms. Hatfield
10. Otsego M ural Update
11. NCVV Ban ners – Ms. Hatfield
12. NCVV Committee Reports
 City Services – Mr. Walker
 Projects – Ms. Lewis
 NCVV Pet Adoption
 Colfax Fair
 Planning and Land Use – Mr. Bate
 Communications – Mr. Stokes
 Elections, Bylaws & Outreach – Ms. Hatfield
13. Public Co mment – Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction
14. Fut ure Agenda Items, President's Closing Comments

NEXT NCVV MEETING

June 22, 2011

Process for Reconsideration – The Board may reconsider and amend its action on items listed on the agenda if that reconsideration takes place immediately following the original action or at the next regular meeting. The Board, on either of these two days, shall: (1) Make a Motion for Reconsideration and, if approved, (2) hear the matter and Take an Action. If the motion to reconsider an action is to be scheduled at the next meeting following the original action, then two items shall be placed on the agenda for that meeting: (1) A Motion for Reconsideration on the described matter and (2) a [Proposed] Action should the motion to reconsider be approved. A motion for reconsideration can only be made by a Board member who has previously voted on the prevailing side of the original action taken. If a motion for reconsideration is not made on the date the action was taken, then a Board member on the prevailing side of the action must submit a memorandum to the Secretary identifying the matter to be reconsidered and a brief description of the reason(s) for requesting reconsideration at the next regular meeting. The aforesaid shall all be in compliance with the Brown Act.

**Neighborhood Council Valley Village
Board Meeting**

Date May 18, 2011

Approved

Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order, Roll Call, Agenda Distribution, Welcoming Remarks and Introduction of Guests - Mr. Tony Braswell called the meeting to order at 6:30. Mr. Braswell 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; Sandy Hubbard, residential homeowner; Dale Liebowitz-Neglia, at-large; Suzanne Lewis, residential renter; Steven Stokes, residential renter; Charles Sulahian, business owner; Marc Woerschling, community based.

Board members excused were Dave Bate, at-large; Suzanne Lauer, residential renter; Dr. Joshua Levy, faith based; Jeff Walker, business owner.

The minutes were approved by a vote of 9-0-0.

Stephanie Gillette, Field Representative for Assemblymember Feuer informed us of the upcoming meeting Assemblymember Feuer is holding for all Neighborhood Council Presidents. She also gave us a brief update on the California State Budget cuts. Assemblymember Feuer is also hosting Job and Resource Fair on May 20, 2011 at the Women's Club of Hollywood. The job Fair is free and open to the community.

Wesley Hernandez, from Councilmember Koretz's office informed us that the Los Angeles City Council approved a 6.9 billion dollar budget and the Neighborhood Council's budget will be reduced by ten (10)%. Operation Pothole will be occurring on June 4th and June 5th and he encouraged residents to report any potholes that they are aware of. Pat's Cocktail's was issued a citation for being in violation of their Conditional Use Permit.

Pat Davenport, from Councilmember Krekorian's office gave us information about the Bureau of Street Services lot cleaning division. She informed us that the lot on Riverside Drive between Gentry Avenue and Ben Avenue is scheduled to be cleaned. The new target date for the opening of the Colfax Bridge is now July 11, 2011. Upgrades to the trunk lines at Coldwater Canyon and Ventura Boulevard will start in June 2011. The target date of completion for this upgrade is June 2014.

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

Agenda Item 3 – Finance Report, Mr. Hatfield – Motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2012 NCVV Budget as presented - Mr. Hatfield gave an update on the financial report and submitted a copy for the record. *Motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2012 budget as proposed, and NCVV gives the treasurer and the executive committee the authority to adjust the budget if necessary.* Motion approved 9-0-0.

Agenda Item 4 – Coalition to End Billboard Blight – Mr. Woerschling – This agenda item was postponed until the July meeting.

Agenda Item 5 – The Los Angeles Beyond Coal Campaign – The Sierra Club, Chrissy Cutting – Ms. Cutting gave a background on the rising cost of coal and a brief presentation on LA Beyond Coal.

The following is a brief summary by Schlissel Technical Consulting of the economic conditions driving up the cost of coal-fired power at LADWP's largest coal-fired power plant: Intermountain Power Plant (IPP) located in Utah. Even without regulations to curtail global-warming pollution or other dangerous pollutants, the cost of

power from IPP is still anticipated to rise by 30% over the next four to five years. Any further regulations to curtail hazardous air pollutants would push electricity prices for LADWP customers higher.

Los Angeles gets more power from dirty and dangerous coal than any other source - roughly 40% of our electricity. Getting power from coal is damaging to public health, the environment and Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) customers' pocketbooks. We import our coal from Arizona and Utah where we buy power from two of the largest and dirtiest plants in the country. Combined, these plants emit nearly 36 million tons of climate-disrupting pollution every year, as much as roughly 6 million cars. These plants are also significant sources of mercury, ozone, and other hazardous air pollutants. In fact, the Navajo Generating Station in Arizona has ranked as high as third in the nation in ozone pollution in recent years.

As long as Los Angeles maintains its relationship with these two plants, not only will we continue to damage the climate and outsource a major public health threat, but we limit our city's opportunity to grab hold of the burgeoning clean energy economy. In recent years, \$9 billion dollars in green venture capital has poured into the state following the approval of California's Global Warming Solutions Act (AB32). It is imperative that our City's leaders adopt policies that direct this influx of investment towards Los Angeles. Clean energy policies like the proposed solar feed-in-tariff or efficiency programs like home weatherization are excellent examples of the local policies that can benefit the Los Angeles economy while supporting our environmental goals. However, so long as 39% of Los Angeles' power comes from out of state coal plants, a structural barrier to a clean energy economy will block progress in LA.

The Los Angeles Beyond Coal Campaign is the local effort complementing one of the Sierra Club's largest ongoing initiatives: The Beyond the Coal Campaign.

Ms. Cutting asked NCVV to approve a motion supporting LA Beyond Coal Campaign. The board would like to meet with the LADWP Oversight Committee and gather more information before approving a motion to support LA Beyond Coal Campaign.

Agenda Item 6 - Valley Village Park Update - Mr. Walker, Mr. Sacher - Mr. Braswell let us know that the improvements to Valley Village Park have been approved and construction will start after July 4th.

Agenda Item 7 - Valley Village Website - Mr. Stokes - Mr. Stokes let us know that the new website is up and working. He was able to upload the Valley Village Garden Tour entries himself and no longer requires the service of the host company for such tasks.

Agenda Item 8 - Valley Village Vision Task Force - Survey LA - This agenda item was postponed until the July meeting.

Agenda Item 9 - Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (VANC) Update - Ms. Hatfield - Ms. Hatfield gave a brief presentation on the Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Council meeting and submitted three (3) pages of notes for the record. Her notes will be attached to minutes.

Agenda Item 10 - Otsego Mural Update - Mr. Braswell let us know that the mural has been painted and is no longer there.

Agenda Item 11 - NCVV Banners - Ms. Hatfield - Ms. Hatfield let us know that the new banners will be installed in July once they have been approved by DONE.

Agenda Item 12 - Standing Committee Reports - Communications - Mr. Stokes - See Agenda Item 7.

Agenda Item 12 - Standing Committee Reports - Elections, bylaws and Outreach - Ms. Hatfield - Ms. Liebowitz submitted a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Ms. Lewis seconded her motion. *Motion: Adopt the Bylaws for Neighborhood Council Valley Village dated February 4, 2011 as presented and amended.* Motion approved: 10-0-0. Mr. Braswell thanked Stuart Simen for all of his hard work and dedication helping NCVV with their new bylaws.

Agenda Item 12 - Standing Committee Reports - City Services - Mr. Walker - Mr. Braswell thanked everyone involved in the Valley Village Park improvements for the help with this project. City Services is working on getting

street furniture at key locations and bus stops in Valley Village. Mr. Hatfield thanked Dorothy Apple for organizing the most recent CERT class. There were forty-eight (48) graduates in the class.

Agenda Item 12 – Standing Committee Reports – Projects – Ms. Lewis – NCVV Pet Adoption, Colfax Fair – Ms. Lewis thanked Charles Sulahian and Marie et Cie for their help in organizing the food drive. All food donations were taken to the San Fernando Valley Mission. One (1) cat was adopted at the Pet Adoption and five (5) additional pets were adopted the following day in Studio City. Board members signed up shifts to work the Colfax Fair on June 4th. The Presbyterian Church will be hosting a pancake breakfast at 8:30, before the Valley Village Homeowners parade. NCVV will have two cars in the parade. Dorothy Apple was able to secure the band from Birmingham Charter High School.

Agenda Item 12 – Standing Committee Reports – Planning and Land Use – Mr. Bate – Mr. Braswell informed us that PLU met and worked on Survey LA. The committee set priorities for the upcoming year. They are the proposed changes to the Floor Area Ratio (FAR), the Baseline Masiontionization Ordinance and the down zoning of the remaining three (3) R4 properties in Valley Village.

Agenda Item 13 – Public Comment – Public Comment from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction –

Agenda Item 14 – Future Agenda Items, President's Closing Comments and Adjournment – Mr. Braswell thanked everyone in attendance. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm.