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PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES 04-20-11

Call to order by Chair, Tonya Barseghian, at 6:28pm. Because LAFD 83 doors were closed (due to an emergency situation nearby) the meeting was moved to the "arts and crafts" room of the Encino Community Center. Committee members present include Sharon Brewer and Ken Silk; stakeholder present: Alyce Vrba.

Approval of 03-16-11 minutes moved to next meeting.

Alyce Vrba and Ken Silk expressed great concern over apparent parking lot issues in the plaza located between Newcastle Ave. and Ventura Blvd. Alyce Vrba maintains that she has witnessed unlawful activity in the plaza parking lot; however, she refuses to document details that would help support her claims. A major concern for them is the lack of a parking lot monitor visibility. Chair advised them that the parking lot monitor is a plainclothes monitor and is not required to dress like a security guard, which may be a reason why they are unable to identify him. According to Dan, the guard logs in his arrival and departure times on a daily basis. Chair advised the committee that this issue would be referred to the planning and land use committee, as is appropriate. In the meantime, Chair will contact Officer Goode and/or Officer Scoggins to request increased patrolling in the area. The committee will continue to work on public safety related matters.

Chair still continues to receive traffic complaints from Lanai Road School's Traffic and Transportation Chair. Chair has contacted Los Angeles School Police Department's Traffic Enforcement Sergeant, Sgt. Lopez, and requested increased patrolling, particularly during the after school hours. Due to budget cuts, Sergeant Lopez cannot guarantee a timely response; however, he will do his best to request rotating traffic enforcement.

Official request for Garvin Dr. signage has been submitted to LAFD Chief Ruda, and this task is still in progress. Due to budget cuts, Chair was advised to expect delays. This current information was passed on to Garvin Dr. neighbors.

Committee members were encouraged to participate in CERT and to encourage their friends, families and neighbors to enroll as well. Chair will distribute flyers to local businesses and organizations.

LAPD: West Valley Update- no significant crime update.

As there was no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:40pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tonya Barseghian

The Encino Neighborhood Council (ENC) is a certified Neighborhood Council of the City of Los Angeles which advises City and other Governmental Officials on issues or concerns that are affecting the community of Encino.

The ENC is made up of elected persons who live, work or otherwise are involved in the community of Encino.

The ENC also makes appropriations of City Funds for Community Projects and needs.

The ENC General Meetings are usually on the 4th Wednesday of each month at the:

Encino Community Center, 4935 Balboa Blvd at 7:00pm.

For further information – Please go to: www.encinocouncil.org

PUBLIC INPUT AT ENC MEETINGS - An opportunity for the public to address the Council or Speaker on agenda items will be provided before or during consideration of the item. Members of the public who wish to be recognized on any item are requested to complete a question card for each item they wish to address, and present the completed card(s) to the Sergeant-At-Arms. Speaker cards are available at the back of the meeting room.

The Council will also provide an opportunity for the public to speak on any

[Non-Agenda Items*] during **"Public Comment"**. **The Council may not take any action or discuss matters addressed in "Public Comments"**. However, the Council President may refer such matters to the appropriate Council Committees for further consideration.

*** Public comments are limited to 3 minutes per speaker.**

*** ENC COUNCIL DISCUSSION AND TIME LIMITS** – ENC Councilmember's requesting to speak will be recognized by the President in the order requested. **For any item, the Chairperson of the Committee, or the maker of the original motion shall have up to five (3) minutes to discuss the item. Councilmember's may speak up to TWO (2) minutes each on the matter unless extended by the President or Council.** After all members desiring to speak on a question have had an opportunity to be heard once, **the time for each Member desiring to speak again shall be limited to a maximum of ONE (1) minute unless extended by the President or Council.** A motion calling the **"Previous Question"** may be introduced by any member during a Council debate.

If adopted, this motion will terminate debate on a matter and the matter will then be submitted for a vote.

VOTING AND DISPOSITION OF ITEMS - Most motions require a majority vote of the Councilmember's present and voting will be by hand vote unless otherwise decided by the Council.

Unless requested for further consideration by an ENC Councilmember, any item which has been forwarded to the Council by a unanimous committee vote shall be approved as a "Consent Item" without further discussion.

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