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**Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes 2-15-11  
Fire Station 83 Community Service Room- 4960 Balboa Blvd.**

Call to order by Chair, Tonya Barseghian, at 6:10pm; committee members present include Ken Silk, Todd Rubinstein, and Vicki Jarvis. Absent: Sharon Brewer, Eliot Cohen (excused). Guest speakers present: Don Ferguson and Danny Amsalem. A quorum was determined.

Unanimous approval of 01/23/12 minutes.

HAM Radio conference call: Chair participated on a conference call with Erik Rodriguez, Sue Dubrin, Linda Pruet, and Dennis Smith. The committee decided on purchasing an FRS enabled "walkie-talkie" amateur radio with ARES, ACS capabilities in order to be able to contact hospitals, as well. Along with the device, we will purchase a speakerphone, antenna and training manual (per experts' recommendation).

MobileTrec presentation by Don Ferguson:

*"MobileTREC uses the best available resources to bring efficient, up-to-date safety and awareness technology to individuals, families, communities and groups, world-wide for unity, empowerment and improvement. A key step in bringing this about is to empower citizens and neighborhoods throughout Los Angeles with real-time collaboration on next-generation safety technology for advanced personal and community safety by identifying and reporting suspicious activity in their neighborhoods."*

*"A single distressed citizen now has the tools to immediately distribute an alert and connect up to their own personal Safety Network of friends and family. That citizen can connect to 9-1-1 with their exact GPS location providing 9-1-1 with precisely what they need to deliver direct, immediate help. Our 24/7 Emergency Response Center also provides assistance on every Panic Button call."*

*"Using accurate crime, sex offender, safe and danger zone data positioned on maps and other easily assimilated mediums, neighborhoods have a real opportunity to collaborate effectively and efficiently to create safer neighborhoods."*

General Council Meeting Speakers: Sue Dubrin (Encino Chamber of Commerce/West Val Pharmacy) and Erik Rodriguez (Assemblyman Blumenfield's Office) will make a brief presentation concerning the use and function of the HAM radio with regards to the disaster preparedness committee's efforts in preparing Encino for "the next big one".

LAPD: West Valley Update: Be aware of "knock-knock" bandits, make sure to answer the door in a safe manner to let them know you are home. Petty theft from vehicles still remains an issue, make sure to "lock it, hide, keep it."

As there was no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:26pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Tonya Barseghian

**The Encino Neighborhood Council (ENC), is a Certified Neighborhood Council of the City of Los Angeles which ADVISES City, other Governmental Officials' and the Community on issues or concerns that are affecting OUR community of ENCINO.**

**The ENC is made up of VOLUNTEERS who are elected by the community 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 as requested and approved by the general board.**

The ENC meetings are usually held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month at the:  
**Encino Community Center, 4935 Balboa Blvd starting at 7:00pm.**

For further information – Please go to: [www.encinocouncil.org](http://www.encinocouncil.org) or [www.encinonc.com](http://www.encinonc.com)

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**\* Public comments are limited to TWO (2) minutes per speaker.**

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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.

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