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ENCINO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
BOARD MEETING
APPROVED MINUTES
Wednesday, February 26, 2014

Location: Encino Community Center Auditorium, 4935 Balboa Blvd., Encino

1. **CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**
The meeting was called to order at 7:08 P.M. by President Glenn Bailey. Sherman Gamson led the pledge of allegiance and Gerald Silver was appointed parliamentarian. A sign in list was distributed and there was a quorum based on the attendance of 14 (and after the arrival of Anni Keuseyan and Victoria Miller during Item 7) 16 members and voting alternates.
Members present (16) Kathy Moghimi-Patterson, Sherman Gamson, Victoria Miller, Todd Rubinstein, Marly Tempel, Debra George, Art Sherman, Anni Keuseyan, Glenn Bailey, Jason Ackerman, Kenneth Silk, John Arnstein, Debbie Watson, Gerald Silver, Mark Levinson, Talar Dardarian (ineligible to vote on funding matters)
Members absent: (2) Stacie De Armas Shrinsky, George Jawlakian
Alternates Present (5) Sharon Brewer, Eliot Cohen, Laurie Kelson, Carol Levin, Norma Landau
Alternates Absent (5) Herbert Strickstein, Tom Masterson, Jeremy Erlandsen, Steven De Vore, Fred Myer
2. **RECOGNITION OF SOCCER CHAMPS** There was recognition of the Balboa Extra Boys Under 14 Soccer Team the 2013 Section 10 League Champions. Their coach described the team and their victory and introduced members of the team and coaches who were present.
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Glenn noted the October 23, 2013 Minutes referred to in the Agenda were previously approved. He stated that the suggested corrections to the December 4, 2013 Minutes referred to on the Agenda were noted and a motion to approve the Minutes as corrected was made, seconded and adopted by vote of Yes 14 No 0 Abstain 0. The Minutes of the January 22, 2014 Minutes were distributed and a motion to approve the Minutes was approved by a vote of Yes 13 No 0 Abstain 1.
4. **APPROVAL OF MONTHLY EXPENDITURE REPORT** (See Agenda Item 17). John Arnstein presented and described the January 2014 Expenditure Report which showed January expenditures of \$1,599.93. A motion to approve the Report was made, seconded and adopted by vote of Yes 13 (all members then present except for one ineligible to vote) No 0 Abstain 0
5. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS** The consent agenda consisted of the following two items recommended unanimously by the Parks Committee. No member pulled either item. A motion was then made, seconded and adopted by vote of Yes 13 No 0 Abstain 1 to approve the following consent items:
 - 5A Regarding the proposed new soccer field at Hjelte Sports Center to oppose the loss of agricultural fields currently leased to Tapia Brothers within the Sepulveda Basin. 2

5B Recommend that the City replace the oak tree formerly located in the 5300 block of Aldea Avenue; including appropriate preparation of the site, replacement of the damaged concrete curb circle with concrete and that the replacement oak tree be of a substantial size.

6 . APPROVAL OF FUNDING CONSENT ITEMS -None

7. REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

7A L.A. POLICE DEPARTMENT Captain Gregg spoke and answered questions. He introduced other officers from West Valley and referred to the decline in crime in the West Valley and Encino in particular in 2013 and the year to date. He gave the website of westvalleypolice.org for obtaining information. A flyer was distributed for a West Valley Division Community Police Advisory Board meeting on March 12.

7B BOARD OF NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSIONERS Lydia Grant, a Valley Commissioner spoke, including about BONC's role and answered questions. She mentioned a BONC meeting on March 4 at the Dearborn Elementary School and gave numbers for contacting her and BONC.

8. REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS

8A COUNCIL DISTRICT #5 Noah Muhlstein gave an update regarding Old Fire Station 83 stating the determination was still open and answered questions.

8B ASSEMBLY DISTRICT #45 Chris Ramsey gave a report and referred to legislation regarding small business and testing animals. He also referred to an open house for NC members probably on March 20 and a meet and greet on April 10.

9. GUEST SPEAKER (See Item 10)

10. PRESENTATION BY SO. CAL GAS CO. Ray Verches of Southern California Gas Company and Mike Covell project director spoke and answered questions. They distributed information about SoCalGas and discussed a project involving a pressure test on a natural gas pipeline which will take place from Ventura Blvd. and Lindley Ave to Mulholland Drive and Sullivan Fire Road for about two months starting in late March 2014.

11. NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL ELECTIONS The Agenda referred to the election to be held between 10:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. on Sunday, March 16 at the Encino Community Center without any vote by mail. (See discussion of candidate forum at end of the Minutes).

12. PUBLIC COMMENT Brandon Pender, Chair of the Studio City Neighborhood Council Public Safety Committee, spoke about its CERT program. Brent Lowensohn spoke urged the Council to re-submit its position against a lot split and zoning variance at 4915 Densmore. (see Items 19 C-D) Henry Shelman also made a comment.

13. PRESIDENT'S REPORT Glenn Bailey reported on the new definition of stakeholder. He also informed members of the next Bureau of Street Services Neighborhood Blitz in Encino on March 13th. 3

14. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT Todd Rubinstein referred to procedure for filling and supervising Committees after the new Board is seated.

15. SECRETARY'S REPORT Ken Silk noted it may not be possible for the new Board to be seated in March and urged members to attend the next meeting in March.
16. TREASURER'S REPORT See Item 4.
17. SERGEANT AT ARMS REPORT None
18. REPORTS FROM STANDING AND AD HOC COMMITTEES

18A ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR- None

18B PURCHASE OF TABLES Glenn Bailey stated the Executive Committee heard a request to the purchase of 10 lightweight tables (\$84.95 each) for use at the Encino Community Center. Glenn stated since it was not an agenda item, the Executive Committee could not make a recommendation on this but it is on the Board agenda for consideration. A motion was made by John Arnstein, seconded and adopted by vote of Yes 14 No 0 Abstain 1 (Mark Levinson) with one member not eligible to vote to authorize expenditure of up to \$1,000 for the purchase of ten lightweight tables (\$84.95 each) for use by the ENC and other community groups at the Encino Community Center (vendor Classroom Essentials Online).

18C BY LAWS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION DEFERRED The Agenda item providing for consideration of the recommendation of the ByLaws Committee regarding standing rules for consideration of a project was deferred due to lack of time.

18D PLANNING & USE RECOMMENDATION REGARDING CURTIS SCHOOL Talar Dardarian referred to the Curtis School's plan for expansion at 15871 Mulholland Drive and the PLU recommendation to approve the project. The applicant's representative and an opponent of the project spoke. It was noted that this matter was on the agenda with the correct address but with the wrong case number. A motion to refer this matter back to the PLU Committee was made, seconded and adopted by a vote of Yes 10 No 3 Abstain 3.

18E PLU RECOMMENDATION RE 17737 VENTURA BLVD NOT CONSIDERED. This Item is still being considered by the PLU Committee.

19. NEW BUSINESS AND COMMITTEE REFERRALS 19A. L.A. RIVER IMPROVEMENT OVERLAY
This matter on the Agenda, but not considered.

19B. SENIOR SYMPOSIUM There was discussion of the Senior Symposium at One Generation on Saturday, May 17, 2014. A motion to co-sponsor the event and contribute up to \$750 for the Senior Symposium was made, seconded and adopted by vote of Yes 15 No 0 Abstain 0 with one member ineligible to vote.

19C and D DENSMORE AVE Consideration of planning and land use projects at 4915 Densmore by the PLU was noted on the Agenda and the subject of a public comment (see Item 12). 4

20. UPCOMING EVENTS The Agenda referred to the following upcoming meetings and events:

March 1, 2014 L.A. N.C. Coalition meeting
March 4, 2014 BONC next meeting (see 7B above)
March 13, 2014 Valley Alliance of NC's next meeting

21. ADJOURNMENT –The meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M. and it was stated that after adjournment there would be a Candidate Forum for the ENC candidates. The Agenda stated the next board meeting would be on March 26, 2014.

22. CANDIDATE FORUM IEA Tony Wilkinson moderated a Candidate Forum after the adjournment. He called the names of each candidate and they were each given two minutes to speak. The following candidates were present and spoke: Talar Dardarian, Art Sherman, Eliot Cohen, Debra George, Sharon Brewer, Todd Rubinstein, Victoria Miller, Kathy Moghimi-Patterson, Mel Roberts, Ken Silk, Marly Tempel, Jason Ackerman, Glenn Bailey, and Sherman Gamson. Tony Wilkinson noted the vacancies in some offices and the lack of more than one candidate for other offices which will result in vacancies in Alternate positions and urged stakeholders to apply for said positions on the new Board.

Submitted by Kenneth Silk, Secretary