VNNC MINUTES
OCTOBER 9, 2013
BRAUDE CENTER
6262 VAN NUYS BL
CALL TO ORDER—7-05 pm—PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE (Gueverra)—
QUORUM CALL---PRESENT (14)—PRESIDENT THOMAS, VP BENJAMIN,
TREASURER (J) HOPP, SECRETARY HENDRY, Camera, de la Cuesta, Guevera, Havard, 
Marez, Martin, Meyer, Skelton, Taylor. (Waleko, after roll call, late) ABSENT—(5)
PUBLIC COMMENT—Kelly Tyler (VN Library), Fogler on videoconferencing, “Santa” aka 
Darrell Robb who would “do” VN Holiday event, Marez, (mbr) introduces Rafael from “A Mano 
Pizzeria” (6200 VN Bl) who supplied food tonight
SPECIAL GUEST—ASSEMBLYMAN Adrin Nazarian for 15 mins—(the session in 
Sacramento, taxes, education, “fracking”, “water bonds”, “Panama Canal competition w/Port of 
LA”, film credits
REPS FROM LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS—Eduardo Martinez @Councilperson Martinez 
w/Guillermo Marquez. Outreach thru “flu shots”, etc. Marez asks plaque @Delano Pk, (R) Hopp 
re addresses of local business tax payers for website contact, Hendry asks—parking tickets after 6 
pm as “overenforcement”
Dora of Nazarian’s office—offers “Open House”, Nov 20, State Bldg (5-8 pm).
APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 2013 MINUTES. Posted—comments (?). MOTION TO 
APPROVE (MAREZ/BENJAMIN). VOTE—12 AYE, 2 NO. MINUTES APPROVED.
THOMAS SOONG OF DONE—(City’s oversight agency of VNNC)—Pushes “City Budget 
Day”, Oct 26, and Dr. Wiseman (fmr mbr) and Treasurer Hopp as VNNC reps. March 2014 next 
“NC election”—need committee, agreement to stipulations. Soong says “break up holiday event 
in to 2 bills, vote again in special mtg. Also says work to pay the $4999 to LAPD (deducted from 
VNNC’s funds—but not paid).
BACK TO PUBLIC COMMENT—Mr. Schwartzenberg on proposed “NEW Fire Station 39 
Location Ad Hoc Committee. President agrees to establish—PLUM Chair Ciccarelli, mbr Martin, 
Schartzenber. Marez “volunteers” President Thomas as well. --Tony Wilkinson, Pres. 
Panorama City NC, on hopes for “new day” w/CD 6 office. (R)Hopp on VNNC’s due process 
failures
UCLA URBAN PLANNING “COMMUNITY ANALYSIS”—Daisy Miguel, Jenny Chia ask 
help for their project to “define” community within VNNC’s areas. They work on “boundaries, 
bhackground, demographics, housing. Members Waleko, de la Cuesta, Hendry “volunteer” to 
meet them, help them.
MATALACHE—NTE $2500---PUT OVER (NO PAPERWORK).
ZONING VARIANCE FOR 15123 SHERMAN WAY—Dana Sayles presents. Older apt 
building turned rec room, weight room into 2 units—“caught” —now asks for “variance” to keep 
the 2 units—offers “never to condo”, “affordable units”. MAREZ/WALEKO MOVE TO PUT 
OVER—SAY THEY WILL VISIT BUILDING—TALK TO TENANTS IF BLDG’S ADDED 
UNITS AND LOST “AMENITIES” ARE AN ISSUE TO TENANTS.
CUP VARIANCE “SWAP” FOR CHURCH ON WAY—Peter Elias presents. Church on 
Sherman Wy east Van Nuys Bl. Over time, Church bought area properties to meet City rules. 
Church now has required parking south of Sherman Wy—so that a lot @Tyrone/Sherman Wy can 
be used for other uses. Church must “account” w/City in CUP process on number of spaces so the 
lot can be released. Asks support letter from VNNC. “Presentation” was on Agenda—but is “out
of order” as did not go to PLUM “first”. SO—“PRESENTATION” ALLOWED—BUT TO PLUM COMM FIRST—THEN (most likely) BACK TO VNNC.

SUPPORT LETTER FOR MICROBREWERY—(Macleod Microbrewery) 14741 Calvert. Jennifer Boarse, co owner presents. Will produce craft brews—also a “tasting room” (Type 23 ABC liquor license). Concerns—City is foot-dragging process, exactly what type of “tasting room” encouragements and effect on neighboring business. Strong—but mixed response from members. MAREZ MOVES TO PUT OVER—WAIT FOR MORE PUBLIC RESPONSE ON THE ISSUE.

HOLIDAY EVENT. DONE’s Soong asked added discussion on “what it is” and “how to pay”. DONE’s Gracie Liu said do 2 checks, $2520, and $4490 for vendors. Soong says “new vote” at a “special mtg” w/ special agenda. DISCUSSION OF SPECIAL MEETING. TENATIVE SPECIAL MEETING—NEXT WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16 (most likely in Braude, but will be agendized and posted).

AD HOC COMMITTEE ON CIVIC CENTER AND DOWNTOWN VAN NUYS PARKING METER ISSUES. Hendry presents. CITY has added “time” to the required “pay the meter hours” (till 8 pm). Cardenas asked “return to 6 pm”. CITY claims “needs the money” first—and business can suffer. CD 6’s Martinez appeared to “offer” his help—so HENDRY, MARTINEZ, perhaps MEYER will form Ad Hoc Committee.

VNNC’s “BOOTH READY” (preparation to “go out to events”) THOMAS PRESENTS. Fmr. President Mather offers her “artwork” (currently on street banners), VP Benjamin is looking into “banners”, “signage” for booth presentations.

AMEND SOFTWARE AND BOOK PURCHASES—PUT OVER.

HONORARY MAYOR OF VAN NUYS—(perhaps Jerry Maren, last “Munchkin” from “Wizzard of Oz”?) PUT OVER.

SKYZONE—PUT OVER.

TREASURER’s REPORT—TREASURER (J) HOPP PRESENTS. VNNC spent $131.63 in Sept, had balance of $28,712.10. In addition, “negotiations” at VNNC meeting w/ Soong of DONE resulted in “paying out” $4999 to LAPD (lockers at VN LAPD Station) and $2500 to HEAVEN ON EARTH (cat sanctuary). So—revised balance would be $21,213.10. Purchase of camera for “videotaping” completed but not “debited”. DUE TO LATENESS OF HOUR, TREASURER’S REPORT APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY—BY VOTE OF HANDS.

COMMITTEES CALLED TO REPORT—Skelton of “Outreach”.

FINAL PUBLIC COMMENT—Pearman

ADJOURNMENT—11 pm.

Respectfully submitted.

John Hendry
VNNC Secretary. October 10, 2013