VNNC MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 11, 2013

BRAUDE CENTER, 6262 VAN NUYS BL

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER—7-05 pm. QUORUM CALL—PRESENT (16)-

 $PRESIDENT\ THOMAS, VP\ BENJAMIN, TREASURER\ HOPP, SECRETARY\ HENDRY,$

Aghazarian, Anand, Camara, Ciccarelli (late), de la Cuesta, Guevera, Havard,

Lazarowitz, Marez, Martin, Meyer, Skelton, Waleko. ABSENT (2) Taylor, Thompson.

ITEMS MAY BE TAKEN OUT OF ORDER FOR HONORED GUESTS

VNNC CO SPONSOR LAPD CHILDREN CAR SEAT EVENT. NTE--\$999.00 Treasurer Hopp discusses with Nikki, Councilman Krekorian's office and LAPD Ofcr Ornealas that they haven't completed "VNNC paperwork", so "can't do", but "would do" subsequently. (R. Hopp, pub comment, critical of project)

PUBLIC COMMENT—Fogler on better VN sidewalks and "live TV criticism of Council from VN", Anand on "decorum", Pearman on "videoconference criticism of Council from VN", Ackerman from Encino

SECR4ETARY'S REPORT—August and August special minutes circulated. MOVE FOR VOTE—AUGUST GENERAL (MOVED by THOMAS< WALEKO)—VOTE –17 AYE-PASS. MOVE ON AUGUST SPECIAL—(ThOMAS, LAZAROVITZ)—VOTE 16 AYE, 1 ABSTAIN (WALEKO). Discuss concerns w/ Benjamin.

TREASURER REPORT—Spent \$991, \$28.873 balance. Need "VNNC Roster" for DONE, Meyer wants copy of VNNC Budget.

PRESIDENT CALLS ON COMMITTEES TO REPORT—At BUDGET AND FINANCE. Fmr member Wiseman volunteers to be "Budget Rep" (VNNC can pick two). J. Hopp volunteers. No others. SO-- PRESIDENT APPOINTS WISEMAN, J.HOPP AS "NC-CITY BUDGET REPRESENTATIVES.

OUTREACH—Thompson claims a "medical leave"—suugests Skelton to chair OUTREACH—affirmed.

NEIGHBORHOOD CONGRESS—Lazarovitz, Benjamin, Marez, J. Hopp volunteer to go.

RETREAT—Can it be "out of Van Nuys"—as Japanese Gardens @ Lake Balboa? NEW BUSINESS--

Aubrey Frank of Valley Pres on "community courses"—PUT OVER

Skyzone—TABLED

Museum SFV—PUT OVER. (TheY offer possible free "Walking Tour of VN")

HOLIDAY EVENT—Soong of DONE suggests "put over" for more clarification.

PER HOLIDAY ITEM—MAREZ WANTS REAFFIRM BY VOTE VNNC'S EAGERNESS TO HOLD EVENT. Discussion. MOVE BY MAREZ/BENJAMIN TO VOTE TO REAFFIRM—VOTE—17 AYE

COMMUNITY COURT—MAREZ MOVES A SUPPORT LETTER. New City Atty, Mike Feuer, so ask to revitalize Community Court for Van Nuys (a same day, action based diversion program for local offenders) Various funding available already. MOVE TO DRAFT SUPPORT LETTER (Thomas, Waleko)-- VOTE—16 AYE. 1 ABSTAIN (Skelton).

KESTER/KITTRIDGE MEDIAN—Marez discusses his "neighborhood survey" as to VNNC's role. PUT OVER.

VN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL—VNNC previously voted to fund—but paperwork not done. VNNC MEMBERS invited Sept 21, 8-12 to do a "cleanup" for school.

VN HEALTH CARE FAIR—VNNC would want to sponsor or co-sponsor w/ others.

Congressman Cardenas, new Councilperson Martinez looking to do so—we look to join w/them.

VAN NUYS NC OFFICE SPACE—PRESIDENT REPORTS—Connecting w/Council office, DONE, City's GSA to bring them together for a "walkthrough" of possible space. PRESIDENT and VP will do the "walkthrough" when arranged.

FUTURE FOOD FUNDING FOR VNNC MEETINGS—Discussion—previous expenditures, "fair play" on purchases, food for committees)?), food for general mtgs (?). Spirited discussion. Food as "outreach". MOTION TO EITHER HAVE OR BAN FOOD FROM MEETINGS. MOVED BY THOMAS, LAZAROVITZ. VOTE—

11 AYE—4 ABSTAIN (Anand, Ciccarelli, Lazarovitz, Waleko.)

NECESSARY OFFICE EXPENSES TO RECORD MEETING, COMPUTER . PRESENTED BY BENJAMIN, NTE \$999.00 Brown Act requires VNNC videotape—so must purchase items. Computer also for all EXEC COMM members. MOTION TO APPROVE (Thomas/Marez) VOTE—14 AYE—APPROVED.

FINAL PUBLIC COMMENT—Benjamin (mbr) that VNNC needs a pullup banner for "public events"—gets a "greenlight" if suggested price of \$69.00 looks good. Fogler, Pearman, Skelton also speak.

Jim Piper, audience member known to some members, suggests he would like to serve (and is invited back for future meetings).

ADJOURNMENT---Respectfully submitted John Hendry VNNC Secretary

9/30/13