

VAN NUYS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
BOARD MEETING, JUNE 10, 2015
6262 VAN NUYS BL—7 PM.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER—705 pm. Mbr Camara gave Pledge of Allegiance. QUORUM CALL—PRESENT (18)—PRESIDENT THOMAS (chair), VP BENJAMIN, SECRETARY HENDRY, TREASURER HOPP, Meyer, Lazarovitz, Martin, Camera, Waleko, Anand, de la Cuesta, Padden, Lynn, Luna, Merabi, Rains, Robbins, Asgarian. LATE—(1) Skelton.

PUBLIC COMMENT—Angie from Nazarian's office on "Lake Balboa Movie Series", Dep City Atty Galatzan on nbrhd issues, Guillermo from Martinez' office, Bryan from Cardenas' office on "cybersecurity law". Would Cardenas come Aug 27? Nikki from Krekorian's office re 5K rise in NC funding, Gonzales from Monica Ratliff (School Board), Asgarian on VNCC Art 11 "grievance" (Secretary has seen no document) Cordaro as Pres Emeritus, Jessica of Council Small Bus Agnst Street Vending, Laura McCarth of "Off the Wall Graffiti".

TREASURER'S REPORT—No "dashboard"—\$9700 remaining—most "spend-down" for projects.

SECRETARY'S REPORT—A vote on VNCC minutes "taken"—but "misplaced". When found, reposted.

PRESIDENT CALLS ON COMMITTEES TO REPORT—Skelton of "Outreach" on Sherman Circle "homeless" nr Sizzler, Wallgreens. Lazarovitz on "Pub Safety Summit".

LETTER OF SUPPORT—14700 SHERMAN WAY—SMALL HOUSE DEVELOPMENT OF 58 UNITS. Presentation by builders. Outreach—amelioration of traffic issues for existing neighbors. MOTION TO VOTE—WALEKO/THOMAS. VOTE—18 AYE. LETTER TO BE PRESENTED.

TO FUND NTE \$5000 ON LANDSCAPING VAN NUYS POLICE STATION. PRESIDENT THOMAS, MEYER, LAZAROVITZ RECUSE (as East Valley Police Council members).

VP BENJAMIN CHAIRS IN PRESIDENT'S ABSENCE.

Discussion. MOTION BY ROBBINS TO SUBSTITUTE NTE \$999 FOR LANDSCAPING AT VN POLICE STATION. Contingent on VNCC plaque, support of CD 2 and 6. Discussion. MOTION TO VOTE—ROBBINS/LUNA (or vice versa). VOTE—8 AYE—1 ABSTAIN. (THOMAS, MEYER, LAZAROVITZ ABSTAIN—HOPP, CAMARA INELEGIBLE). PASS FOR NTE \$999.

VNCC TO ASK JAY HANDAL of BUDGET ADVOCATES TO DO WORKSHOP ON COMMITTEE DUTIES, ASSIGNMENTS, ETC. City's DONE says "not Handal, but only a City DONE officer, not till later." TABLED.

COMPLAINT FROM MR. SHELBOURNE. Resident Shelbourne filed a complaint w/VNCC. We directed it through Councilperson Martinez—invited Shelbourne to come if he still had concerns. RESOLVED.

VNCC TO URGE CITY, COUNTY TO RENAME ERWIN ST MALL FOR RETIRED COUNTY SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY. Discussion. MOTION TO VOTE—THOMAS/BENJAMIN. VOTE—12 AYE—1 NO. PASS.

VNNC TO INVITE NEW COUNCILPERSON DAVID RYU. Invitation pending—tabled for response.

VNNC TO OFFER LEGISLATIVE SOLUTION FOR DOG AND CAT KILLING? Tabled.

VNNC TO PURCHASE "ROBERTS' RULES OF ORDER" (21 COPIES—1 PER CHARTER SEAT). NTE \$400. Discussion. MOTION TO VOTE—THOMAS/ROBBINS. VOTE —11 AYE—(Hopp, Meyer, Camara, ineligible)—PASS.

NEW MICROPHONES FOR BRAUDE PUBLIC MEETING ROOM. NTE \$2500.00. Microphones have been stolen—VNNC is lead occupant needing adequate mikes for 21 members and public. VP BENJAMIN claims expertise to order—says approx. \$2500 or less. Asks guidance as to offshore purchase. Mbr Luna volunteers to be custodian of microphones. MOTION TO VOTE—THOMAS/BENJAMIN. VOTE—12 AYE—PASS. (Hopp, Camera ineligible)

ANY REMAINING 2014-2015 VNNC BUDGET TO BE GIVEN TO COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS, BUDGET ADVOCATES EQUALLY. (actual expected bequest to be less than \$500.) MOTION TO VOTE—THOMAS/ROBBINS. VOTE—12 AYE—PASS.

LETTER TO LA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT—PIERCE COLLEGE ADMINISTRATORS. "SUPPORT PIERCE COLLEGE FOUNDATION'S EFFORTS FOR A CONSERVATION EASEMENT TO RETAIN THE PIERCE COLLEGE FARM." Discussion. Threats to the "farm"—need for "open space"—practical "ag" uses currently. MOTION TO VOTE—THOMAS/ASGARIAN. VOTE—14 AYE—UNANIMOUS. PASS.

VNNC SOFTWARE FOR REPORTS, ETC. LUNA REPORTS. Suggests "no change" till new officers or roles.

CIS IN SUPPORT OF CF 15-0389. VNNC WOULD SUPPORT COUNCIL'S COMMITMENT TO LET NC'S SPEAK AS NECESSARY IN EXCESS OF THE EXISTING 2 MIN LIMIT. When designated, neighborhood councils would be "given sufficient time"—even—perhaps—"a seat at the table w/City agencies" in formulating policy. Discussion. MOTION TO VOTE—THOMAS/LAZAROVITZ. VOTE—12 AYE—PASS.

PRESIDENT TO APPOINT BUDGET REPRESENTATIVES. PRESIDENT APPOINTS TREASURER JEANETTE HOPP, longtime audience member and critic Miriam Fogler.

TREASURER'S RECONCILIATION FOR END OF BUDGET YEAR. TREASURER SUGGESTS A RECONCILIATION VOTE—TO REAFFIRM \$2000 FOR VN HIGH METAL SHOP FOR VARIOUS PROJECTS, NTE \$999 TO SANDY LOGAN OF NCAAD FOR ADDITION MATERIALS FOR THE COMMUNITY.

SO—FOLLOWING VOTES—PAY VAN NUYS HIGH NTE \$2000 FOR METAL SHOP PROJECTS RELATING TO VNNC. Discussion. MOTION TO VOTE—THOMAS/LUNA. VOTE—11 AYE—UNANIMOUS-- (Hopp, Camara ineligible) --PASS—

PAY SANDY LOGAN NTE \$999 FOR NCAAD PAMPHLETS, BROCHURES, ETC TO PROMOTE ADDICTION AWARENESS—VENDOR AND MERCHANT SENSISITIVITY TO SALES ISSUES. MOTION TO VOTE—THOMAS/LUNA. VOTE—11 AYE—UNANIMOUS—PASS. (Hopp, Camara ineligible)

ADJOURNMENT.

Respectfully submitted—John Hendry, VNNC Secretary—July 5, 2015