VAN NUYS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING 6262 VAN NUYS BL SEPTEMBER 9, 2015—7 PM.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER—7 PM. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE by John Camara. QUORUM CALL--PRESENT (18)—PRESIDENT THOMAS (chair), VP BENJAMIN, TREASURER HOPP, SECRETARY HENDRY, Meyer, Lazarovitz, Martin, Skelton, Camera, Waleko (resigned during mtg), Anand, de la Cuesta, Lynn, Luna, Merabi, Rains, Robbins, Knoll. LATE—(3) Havard, Padden. Rains. ABSENT—(1) Asgarian.

Former VNNC President Derek Waleko resigned during this meeting—as he had previously announced—to spend time with his wife and expected child. Derek has the best wishes of all VNNC members—

PUBLIC COMMENT—Jason Ackerman of Encino NC on "saving" Tapia Farm (Burbank/Hayvenhurst in Sepulveda Dam area) from more soccer fields in a larger City Hjelte Park project. Miriam Fogler as well.

APPROVAL OF AUGUST 2015 MINUTES—On website, Facebook. MOTION TO VOTE—THOMAS/BENJAMIN. VOTE 12 AYE—6 ABSTAIN. MINUTES PASS.

TREASURER'S REPORT—NO DASHBOARD—APPROX \$10,143 IN BANK--\$461.00 SPENT AUGUST. PENDING VALLEY PREPAREDNESS FAIR—VILLAGE FAMILY'S HALLOWEEN 5k RUN. MOTION TO VOTE—THOMAS/BENJAMIN. VOTE—15 AYE—2 ABSTAIN--PASS.

PRESIDENT CALLS ON COMMITTEES TO REPORT—OUTREACH, PLUM REPORT.

REPS OF ELECTED OFFICIALS—Angie of Assmblymbr Nazarian on "Pet Adoption Fair". Guillermo of CD 2 on "thanx for support of VN City Hall summer film nights".

PRESENTATION BY JESSICA BOREK ON SMALL BUSINESS ALLIANCE AGAINST SIDEWALK VENDING--Ms. Borek not present, but could be invited to return.

VALLEY PREPAREDNESS FAIR—(TWO VOTES)

FIRST—TO AMEND AGENDA'S FUNDING AMOUNT FOR NPG GRANT TO NTE \$1,000. MOTIONS BY THOMAS/BENJAMIN, ROBBINS/THOMAS. VOTE—19 AYE—1 ABSTAIN.

SECOND—TO APPROVE SUBSTITUTE MOTION TO GIVE VALLEY PREP FAIR NTE \$1,000. MOTION BY THOMAS/BENJAMIN. VOTE—19 AYE—1 NO. PASS.

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ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS, CHAIRS OF COMMITTEES—Now a yearly process, per City Atty.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT—THOMAS nominated by Lazarovitz, Benjamin. VOTE—19 AYE, 1 ABSTAIN. THOMAS REELECTED.

ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT—BENJAMIN by Lazarovitz, Camara by self, Luna by Waleko. VOTE—BENJAMIN 13, Luna 5, Camara 1, ABSTAIN 1. BENJAMIN REELECTED.

ELECTION OF TREASURER. HOPP and Luna nominated. VOTE—HOPP 13, Luna 4, ABSTAIN 1. HOPP REELECTED.

ELECTION OF SECRETARY. HENDRY by Lynn, RAINS. VOTE—HENDRY 10, Rains 6, ABSTAIN 2. HENDRY REELECTED.

CHAIR, PUBLIC SAFETY. LAZAROVITZ by THOMAS/MARTIN. VOTE—18 AYE—1 NO. LAZAROVITZ REELECTED.

CHAIR, PARKS AND REC. Camara volunteers. VOTE—17 AYE—2 ABSTAIN. CAMARA ELECTED.

CHAIR, BUDGET. HOPP by THOMAS/BENJAMIN. VOTE—17 AYE—1 NO—1 ABSTAIN. HOPP REELECTED.

CHAIR, PLANNING AND LAND USE. Co-chairs de la CUESTA, MARTIN by THOMAS/BENJAMIN. VOTE—18 AYE—1 ABSTAIN. CO-CHAIRS de la CUESTA, MARTIN REELECTED.

CHAIR, GOVT AFFAIRS. ANAND withdraws, ROBBINS volunteers. THOMAS/ANAND SECOND. VOTE—17 AYE—1 ABSTAIN. ROBBINS ELECTED.

CHAIR, OUTREACH. SKELTON by THOMAS/LAZAROVITZ. VOTE—18 AYE—1 ABSTAIN. SKELTON ELECTED

CHAIR, EDUCATION—RAINS by THOMAS/BENJAMIN. VOTE—18 AYE—1 ABSTAIN. RAINS ELECTED.

CHAIR, SUSTAINIBILITY. ANAND to replace ASGARIAN. VOTE—16 AYE—2 ABSTAIN. ANAND ELECTED.

CIS ON SEX TRAFFICKING. With SKELTON's specific emphasis that a "john's" car (a "john" being a man soliciting a prostitute) be impounded—(not his wife's nor girlfriend's car because she might need the car for work). MOTION TO VOTE—THOMAS/BENJAMIN. VOTE—15 AYE—3 NO—CIS TO BE WRITTEN.

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LANDSCAPING, GENERAL IMPROVEMENTS AT VN POLICE STATION THRU MIDVALLEY POLICE COUNCIL. NTE--\$2500. PRESIDENT THOMAS, MEYER, MEHRABI, LAZAROVITZ RECUSE AS MEMBERS OF MIDVALLEY.

BENJAMIN CHAIRS THIS VOTE Discussion--\$2500 to be matched by Councilmember Krekorian, others. MOTION TO VOTE—BENJAMIN, ANAND. VOTE—13 AYE—2 ABSTAIN—(4 RECUSED). PASS.

CITY ATTY TRAINING ON COMMITTEE PROCESS AND RULES. TABLED. No City Atty present.

TO REIMBURSE HOPP \$100 FOR "PICA RICO" FOOD (Victory/Tyrone). MOTION THOMAS/LUNA. VOTE—17 AYE—1 NO.

(PRESIDENT NOW ALLOWS NEW "UNANIMOUS CONSENT" VOTE PROCESS—w/o PREVIOUS DISCUSSION AS TO FORMAT.)

REIMBURSE HOPP \$19.30 FOR VARIOUS XEROX AT KINKO'S per TREASURER'S DUTIES. MOTION BY THOMAS/BENJAMIN. VOTE OF UNANIMOUS CONSENT BY "SHOW OF HANDS". SO ORDERED.

REIMBURSE HENDRY NTE \$21.00 FOR VARIOUS VOTE TALLIES, PUB COMMENT CARDS, COPIES OF MINUTES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. MOTION BY THOMAS/BENJAMIN. VOTE UNANIMOUS CONSENT BY "SHOW OF HANDS". SO ORDERED.

DISCUSSION OF CITY ATTY'S OPINION THAT ONLY VNNC COMMITTEE MEMBERS MAY SPEAK AT THE COMMITTEE HEARING OF WHICH THEY ARE MEMBERS—(that all other members must remain silent). PRESIDENT defines "exception"—members may submit—in writing—items for EXEC COMMITTEE—and might be called upon to explain or clarify their written proposals.

CIS FOR METRO'S SEPULVEDA BL STATION TO DELAY/RESCIND "TRANSIT VILLAGE" DEVELOPMENTS PER FUTURE POSSIBLE "ORANGE LINE—405 LIGHT RAIL" INTERSECTIONS. HENDRY'S MOTION. TABLED—METRO PLANS ITS OWN HEARINGS SOON.

VNNC AND LA 2020 OLYMPICS? PRO or CON? Members in eager favor. Jason Ackerman, member, ENCINO NC says "These sites ARE NOT in Van Nuys—but Encino—LET ENCINO DECIDE." No matter—MOTION TO VOTE—THOMAS/BENJAMIN. VOTE—15 AYE—VNNC SUPPORTS 2020 OLYMPICS.

PUBLIC COMMENT—Peter Fogler on return to PRESIDENT THOMAS' proposed "Videoconferencing at VN City Hall" by having all 34 Valley NCs offer up a "pro rate \$700.00 a year". Fogler invited to go to VALLEY ALLIANCE OF NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS w/ HENDRY to present. Pearman on "Iran nuclear deal". Jenkins on "raising minimum wage to \$15.00 per hour".

Meeting adjourned 9-45 pm.

Respectfully submitted—John Hendry—Secretary—October 2, 2015.