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General Board Meeting
Wednesday, May 11, 2022
7:00PM

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1. Roll Call – Pledge of Allegiance

2. Reports from Government officials: (2 mins each)

- a. LAPD Van Nuys Division - <https://vnnc.org/resource/>
- b. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) - Lorenzo Briceno lorenzo.briceno@lacity.org (213) 978-1551
- c. Council District 2 –Cairo Rodríguez cairo.rodriguez@lacity.org 818-755-7676
- d. California Congressional District 29 - Osvaldo Ramirez osvaldo.ramirez@mail.house.gov
- e. Assembly District 46 - Elisa K. Schwartz elisa.schwartz@asm.ca.gov (818) 376-4246
- f. Council District 4 – Ryan Ahari ryan.ahari@lacity.org 213-473-7004
- g. Council District 6 – Jonah Glickman (818) 778 4999 jonah.glickman@lacity.org
- h. Mayor’s office – Michelle Vergara michelle.vergara@lacity.org (213) 400-9816
- i. Los Angeles County 3rd District – Brenda Yanez BYanez@bos.lacounty.gov (818) 901-3831
- j. Senate District 18 - Edwin Amaya Edwin.Amaya@sen.ca.gov (818) 901-5588
- k. LAUSD Board District 3 - Tammy Ramirez tammy.ramirez@lausd.net (213) 241-8333
- l. LAUSD Board District 6 – Michael Menjivar michael.menjivar@lausd.net 213-241-6388

3. Speaker: Albert Melena, Executive Director of the San Fernando Valley Partnership, alcohol delivery and underage drinking (5-7 minutes)

4. Discussion and Possible Action on recommendation from the PLUM Committee that the VNNC submit a letter of support for the Healthy Streets LA ballot initiative to the Mayor, City Council, Department of Transportation, and StreetsLA. Draft letter of support suggested by Streets for All (*link to attached PDF*)

Background: The ballot measure will require the City of Los Angeles to implement its Mobility Plan 2035 whenever the City repaves or otherwise works on a street. The Mobility Plan 2035 calls for the construction of a connected network of pedestrian and bicycle routes, transit routes, and vehicle routes with the goal of creating a complete street network to support streets as public places for the safe utilization for all modes of transportation. Implementation of the ballot measure is expected to save money, reduce traffic, make the streets safer, and give people more options to get around town, while helping to clean the air. Presentation will be provided by Michael Schneider of Streets for All. Pertinent online presentations and supporting materials can be found at the project website:

<https://www.healthystreetsla.com/>

<https://vnnc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/Draft-Healthy-Streets-LA-letter-of-support.pdf>

Streets For All speaker: Adriane Hoff, Katrina Kaiser

5. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (2 min per stakeholder) A

stakeholder who wishes to provide public comment may indicate to the Chair before providing public comment whether they wish to provide one minute or two minutes of public comment.

6. Budget Update Discussion and Possible Actions

- a) **Discussion and possible action to approve March MER.** <https://vnnc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/VNNC-March-2022-MER-1.pdf>
- b) **Discussion and possible action to approve budget revisions.**
https://vnnc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/VNNC-Budget-FY-2021_2022-Expenditures-thru-April-2022.pdf
https://vnnc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/VNNC-Budget-FY-2021_2022-Proposed-Budget-Revisions-May-2022.pdf
- c) **Discussion and possible action to approve NPG Application from The Orange Cooler Project 501c3.** <https://vnnc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/The-Orange-Cooler-Project.pdf>
- d) **Discussion and possible action to approve the VNNC Outreach committee request for up to \$3,800 through June 30, 2022 for VNNC outreach activities to include website updates, logo update, VNNC collateral items (T-shirts, tote bags, water bottles, pens)**
 - ii. Logo Update - \$500
 - iii. T-shirts - \$500 for print design + \$1000 for print (would complete 60-100 shirts as an estimate depending on printing process and location selected)
 - iv. Shopping Totes - \$350 (we can reuse the logos designed for t-shirts); this would cover an estimate of 100 shopping bags
 - v. Water Bottles - \$425 (Would cover 100 basic BPA free clear plastic logo printed bottles)
 - vi. Pens - \$160 (would cover approximately 100 basic pens)
 - vii. 20-My-LA-311 signs = \$820.92Total: \$3,755.92

7. Executive and Committee Chair Reports

- a) President – (Time to celebrate our successes and enjoy the work, 2022 candidate appearances during VNNC meetings, new VNNC agenda templates, minutes posting, VNNC elections, contact Danielle with ideas for features that you would like to see on an updated website.)
- b) Vice President
- c) Secretary
- i. **Discussion and Possible Actions to urge the City of Los Angeles to offer** Home Boy Industries all the City assistance possible to consider a bakery—coffee shop next door to the BRAUDE public meeting room at 6262 Van Nuys Bl in the commercial spaces available.
- ii. **Discussion about the old Van Nuys Post Office** (VN Bl at Delano) that is owned by CB Richard Ellis (Senator Feinstein’s late husband) and possible uses.
- iii. **Discussion** about the “Sherman Circle”—what it was—City’s indifference to do more for a resource it owns—and how City could make a “pocket park” out of it. The 1911 cross Valley “grand Sherman Way tree planting”

- iv. CITY has already designated 1200 “**cultural historical landmarks**” since the 1960’s. CITY is considering a “historical QC marker project”. There’s room for discussion. Both well Ranch—5300 Oakdale, South of Ventura Bl at Corbin, in Tarzana, is of interest to Councilman Blumenfeld as parkland, and last remnant of the 1920’s “Orange Empire” that Southern California and Valley was. (Nearest example of this “Orange Empire” in CA history, is a Cal state park in Riverside.)
- v. After support of Blumenfeld’s park motion, per Semee Park’s letter, Hendry suggests working with Museum San Fernando Valley, making proposal to bring inexpensive “**orange crate label display**” to area, and for permanent display at the 2 oldest post offices from 1930’s, the 1930’s Challenger Station, Canoga Park and San Fernando Main Post Office. Both are WPA designed and influenced buildings.
- vi. Van Nuys Mural
- vii. This “Welcome to Van Nuys” tombstone placed in the 1970’s—where Chandler Bl runs into Van Nuys Bl—south of Burbank. Our “tombstone”—put up by Van Nuys Chamber of Commerce (I’m told). And very much a tombstone. Even the Chamber left town—centering around Van Nuys Airport. Reseda’s done better—North Hollywood has a Lankershim Bl arch, Encino a Ventura Bl arch—and Chinatown has an arch too. Motion is to talk to Chamber, City, to discuss exchanging the “Chandler—Van Nuys marker” with something more modern.
<https://www.google.com/maps/place/14488+Chandler+Blvd,+Sherman+Oaks,+CA+91401/@34.1700031,-118.4485177,3a,15y,2.46h,89.29t/data=!3m6!1e1!3m4!1sMs9Ejg5bQAEqilq6zoGN0w!2e0!7i16384!8i8192!4m5!3m4!1s0x80c297afd5717ce5:0x5adc599e9e9dc204!8m2!3d34.1700155!4d-118.4485148>
 - d) Treasurer
 - e) Parliamentarian
- a) Outreach Committee (Councilmember Suju Vijayan’s trash can success, OneGeneration event, Saturday, May 14th, 2022 17400 Victory Blvd. Van Nuys, CA 91406)
- f) Government Relations and Bylaws Committee
- g) Education Committee
- h) PLUM Committee
- i) Parks, Open Space, and Environment Committee
- j) Beautification
- k) Public Safety

8. Adjournment

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I will encourage other points of view, even when they differ from my own.
I will respect, value, and consider everyone's opinion.
I will find the good in my neighborhood and praise it and promote it.
To my neighbors, and to neighborhoods throughout the City of Los Angeles, I pledge to do this to the best of my ability.