

Sunland –Tujunga Neighborhood Council
Special Board Meeting Minutes – February 10, 2016
Held at Elks Lodge, 10137 Commerce, Tujunga
Attendance: 70 audience, 16 board, 85 total.

Board members in attendance: Mark Seigel, Charlie Bradley, Brenda Fortune, Nina Royal, Cindy Cleghorn, Jorge Martinez, Gail Carlson, Arsen Karamians, David Barron, Susan Mona, Marlene Hitt, Krystee Clark, Dana Stangel, Jon vonGunten, Julie Cuddihy, Janet Paz, Pat Kramer. Absent: Jim Moore, Maureen O'Byrne, John Laue, Sergio Soto.

Call to Order – Mark Seigel, President - Introduction of STNC Board

SPECIAL PRESENTATION to Gail Carlson for her outstanding work with Sunland-Tujunga Beautification

President's Report – Mark Seigel gave an update regarding the STNC Office/Storage Office Hours and Committee meetings; Mark also encouraged all to support McGroarty Art Center and their upcoming programs/events.

Government Representative Updates included Monica Ratliff from LAUSD, Vickerie Murphy from State Senator Carol Liu, Monica Rodriguez from the Board of Public Works. Senator Bob Huff spoke as a candidate.

SPEAKER: Ron Galperin, Los Angeles City Controller presented the City Control Panel and discussed various improvements to the Controller's system in monitoring and advising the City's finances.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Motion (Fortune/Martinez) to approve January 2016 minutes passed unanimous.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Motion (Hitt/Royal) to approve STNC Budget and January 2016 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) passed 16-0-0.

PRESENTATION: Meals on Wheels – Eugena Olds, Outreach Coordinator spoke briefly about the Meals on Wheels program. Information is under Resources on the STNC website.

DISCUSSION: Analysis of Traffic Accidents in vicinity of Verdugo Hills Golf Course – Bill Weisman gave a detailed presentation on traffic accidents and why neighbors should be concerned with the data in his analysis compared to the data presented in the VHGC – DEIR.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: High Speed Rail Mineta Studies – Motion (Cleghorn/Stangel) to support and submit comment letter regarding quality and transparency of the studies passed unanimous.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Motion (Cleghorn/Fortune) that STNC support The DWP Oversight Committee calls on the City Council to follow the recommendation in the IEA Survey to form “a committee to examine governance reforms for the Department with the explicit task of reporting its findings and recommending a measure for the 2017 ballot.” Submit to Council File 16-0093 passed unanimous.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Motion (Cleghorn/Royal) that STNC urge City Attorney Mike Feuer to enforce the law as required by the City Charter and immediately prosecute short-term rental zoning violations in the City of Los Angeles passed with three abstentions (Hitt, Fortune, Bradley).

STNC ELECTIONS: MEET THE CANDIDATES & CANDIDATE FORUM DATES. Candidates for the 2016 STNC Board Elections introduced themselves and position they are seeking.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Board, Committee & Alliance Reports

a. Gail Carlson: Beautification – MOTION (Carlson/Mona) to support Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG) for LADOT Utility Box Art Project up to \$3,500.00 passed pending Budget Committee review.

b. Nina Royal: Safety – LAPD Town Hall Meeting will be March 24 at the Elks. This is an STNC/LAPD/Elks event.

c. Brenda Fortune, VP Outreach presented the following motions:

i. MOTION (Fortune/Bradley) to approve funds for golf carts to be used during the 2016 4th of July Parade up to \$1,000.00, carts will include STNC signage on them and are necessary for the safety of the parade, passed unanimous.

ii. MOTION (Fortune/Carlson) approve funds for 2016 4th of July Fireworks event up to \$7,000.00 passed unanimous.

iii. MOTION (Fortune/Royal) approve funds for 2016 Spring Kids Programs at Sunland Park up to \$250.00 passed unanimous.

All funding motions pending STNC Budget Committee review.

d. Cindy Cleghorn: MOTION (Cleghorn/Fortune) to support comment letter regarding Small Lot Subdivision Ordinance passed unanimous.

e. Jon vonGunten: Announced upcoming Neighborhood Watch meetings.

e. Krystee Clark: Arts, Culture, Recreation & Citywide Budget Advocate talked about upcoming grant opportunities and that STNC is #2 in survey responses to the citywide budget survey and that the Budget Advocates White Paper is almost completed. Their meeting with the Mayor is early March.

f. Dana Stangel: Announced upcoming animal CPR class and that the Lucy Pet Foundation will be at the 3/9 meeting.

g. Janet Paz: Youth Advisory Council is meeting twice a month and requesting time on the March agenda to present a group of Youth outreach proposal.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Motion (Cleghorn/Fortune) that STNC support the DWP Oversight Committee calling on City Council to follow the recommendation in the IEA survey to form a “committee to examine governance reforms for the department to prepare a measure for the 2017 ballot.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: Motion (Royal/Barron) to support comment letter to submit to CF-13-1493 regarding support for Street Vending with conditions.

15. PUBLIC COMMENTS & COMMUNITY EVENT ANNOUNCEMENTS were presented.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.