

CITY OF LOS ANGELES
CALIFORNIA
Sunland Tujunga Neighborhood Council
General Board Meeting
Minutes

April 8, 2026, 7pm
virtual

IN CONFORMITY WITH THE JANUARY 1, 2026 ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 707 (DURAZO) AND LA CITY COUNCIL FILE 23-1114, THE SUNLAND-TUJUNGA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Melissa Sagastume, 7:06pm. Pledge of Allegiance.
 - a. 3,800 sq. ft ADU – See motion and draft letter
 - b. Dam Dredging Updates - See motion and draft letter below item; County has CAC (Community Advisory Meeting) set for 4/30/26 5:30-7:30pm- For more information about the mitigation area, please visit: www.dpw.lacounty.gov/wrd/Projects/BTWMA
2. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** - Opportunity to join the STNC Board and Committees. Please send an interest letter to president@stnc.org to apply. Melissa encouraged interested persons to join.
3. **DETERMINATION OF QUORUM/ROLL CALL** - Determination of Quorum /Roll Call, Report on Voting Eligibility - Karen Moran.

Board Member	Roll Call	Funding Voting Eligibility	Board Appointment
Lydia Grant	Absent	Yes	President
Armen Mardirousi	Absent	Yes	1st VP
Melissa Sagastume	Present	Yes	2nd VP
Barry Glover	Present	Yes	Treasurer
Cindy Cleghorn	Present	Yes	Correspondence Sec
Karen Moran	Present	Yes	Recording Sec

Board Member	Roll Call	Funding Voting Eligibility	Board Appointment
Leny Freeman	Present	Yes	Region 1 Rep (left 7:15pm)
VACANT			Region 1 Rep
Sherry McCoy	Present	Yes	Region 2 Rep.
Mikal McEnany	Absent	Yes	Region 3 Rep
Dillon Dorothy	Absent	Yes	Region 3 Rep
Jon von Gunten	Present	Yes	Region 3 Rep.
Vicky Cerpa	Present	No	Region 4 Rep.
Dante Jose Calvo	Present	Yes	Region 4 Rep
Mark Seigel	Present	Yes	Region 4 Rep
VACANT			Region 4 Rep
Cheryl Schmidt	Present	Yes	Public Safety Rep (left 9:20pm, didn't vote on item before minutes)
Nina Royal	Present	Yes	Senior Rep
Vartan Keshish	Present	Yes	Community Interest Rep
Members of the Community (MC) with information as identified.			
Tara Finestone			MC, Whiteman Airport
Christina Pascucci			MC, Whiteman Airport
Pat Kramer			MC, STAT Committee Board
Nathan Clark			MC, Whiteman Airport
Dan Estes			MC
Ross Herman			MC, Former Board Member
Esteban Escobar			MC
Jon and Michelle			MC

Board Member	Roll Call	Funding Voting Eligibility	Board Appointment
Garry Fordyce			MC
Glen Bailey			MC, Co-Chair for the NC Budget Advocates Group
13 present; 4 absent (17 total)			

4. **DISCUSSION//Updates/Q&A: (2 min per Representative Including Q&A)**

A. **LAPD, LAFD, Elected Officials/Representatives (Mayor, CD7, State Assembly, LAUSD**

- a. **Officer Caloca, SLO.** Ofcr Caloca reported the status of crimes. Car thefts (particularly theft from autos) is up. If anyone is aware of are squatters, please let Ofcr Caloca know - vacant properties are a concern. There are new homeless people coming from Pacoima and other places, they feel that the Sunland Tujunga area is 'safer.
- b. **Office Godoy, SLO.** Ofcr Godoy compared crime stats to 2025 and said that we are lower (77 vs 102 in 2025). Ofcr Godoy encouraged continuing to report crimes and concerns; with more homeless from Pacoima and Sun Valley, police support is stretched. Call 311 to report problems. Rangers (i.e. Ranger Sonya Sharp) have been very helpful. Support for the 4th of July Parade with concurrent activities going on will be a challenge to support. The FIFA World Cup viewing party is July 3-5th, and each day 5,000 people are expected. Submitting paperwork to support the 4th of July Parade to get the support needed should be done sooner than later. Melissa will give Ofcr Godoy's contact info to suggested talking to Sabrina Godinez (Sunland-Tujunga Shadow Hills Rotary Club) to discuss the parade. Godoy said the most challenging part is exiting at the end of the event – everyone wants to leave at the same time. DOT support is needed, but the different events are stretching support available. Cindy said Ricardo might have updates on the viability of the parade this year with the City asking for substantive additional money to support it. Vicky had a question about ICE agents at these events; Godoy said that they are unaware that ICE will attend and they would protect ICE agents the same as they would any civilian if they were in danger; Caloca reaffirmed this stance. From CHAT: Sabrina.Godinez@essc.org.
- c. **John Franco, MC, student at Poly.** John is part of a team of students who help community and community emergency response team and volunteered to help out with events if needed. The team has their own vests, equipment, radios. From CHAT: jfranco0018@mymail.lausd.net/johnfranco11757@gmail.com
- d. **Ricardo Flores, Senior Field Deputy for Councilperson Rodriguez.** Flores provided

B. **DONE, NC Budget Advocates, City Departments**

- a. information about up-coming events including Earth Day (April 18th) at the Howard Finn Park, May 2nd Resource Fair at Brand Park and Mission Hills, Memorial Day event, May 24th, 11-2pm at Brown Park in Mission Hills, June 28th Drone Show and July 24th and August 7th movie nights. Nina asked about success in closing down Belmont Ave for National Night Out and if Rodriguez planned to attend. Pat Kramer reminded about Tree-Watering behind NFCH on April 25th and asked it be added to the events list (7:30-9:30am). Ricardo is working with Pat to get new trees planted on Foothill Blvd. The volunteers are amazing, per Flores. Pat noted that there has to be an agreement to commit to water the trees the first year in order to get them.
- b. **Jose Galdamez, Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate (NEA) with EmpowerLA.** . Galdamez discussed the June 6th event at City Hall for youth to learn about NCs and how the city works, budget proposals and the impact on Neighborhood Councils, increase in zoom licenses, and time-lines for end of year costing. July 1st is the new fiscal year. Jose will send out links to forms so we can start to work on them. He can provide training support to the Treasurer via the Office of the City Clerk and will send a request to her. Glen commented that the City Clerk has updated policies, and guidelines including revised forms. There is a financial handbook and training now in Cornerstone so people can more easily access the training than in previous years. Jose will get information about the Cornerstone training for financial officers.

C. **LADWP: LADWP** new program, the Landscape Efficiency Assistance Program (LEAP) [posted on STNC.org website]

Melissa in CHAT: CITY BUDGET ADVOCATES White Paper Released

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1RhzdQWmrbZOezzaWo_CuFRYYmmd5B3EL/view. Cindy said Budget day coming up 27th June. Mayor releasing her budget 20th April. LA City Budget Advocates White Pape -

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1RhzdQWmrbZOezzaWo_CuFRYYmmd5B3EL/view

5. **PRESENTATION: Whiteman Airport Update, Tara Finestone.**

Tara Finestone, Christina Pascucci and Nathan Clark participated in the presentation, giving an integrated presentation. Whiteman Airport is situated in the northwestern portion of Los Angeles County, in the San Fernando Valley and is owned by the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works, Aviation Division. There is a debate over the future of Whiteman Airport (WHP) in Pacoima with the clash being between concerns regarding safety and noise versus the airport's role in the regional aviation and emergency infrastructure.

Christina, Tara and Nathan introduced themselves and gave a brief background of their careers. Christina and Tara worked with major news networks in consulting and Nathan works with Vista Aviation. Christina and Nathan are licensed pilots. Comments herein were made by Tara, Christina and Nathan. The goal was to give the background of the airport and the concerns going forward. Whiteman airport was established in 1946 and acquired by the County of L.A. in 1970. Whiteman serves as a critical staging ground for emergency services. In the event of a major earthquake that could collapse freeways, Whiteman is vital for flying in medical supplies and evacuating the injured. It provides programs to train pilots, and there are 8 non-profit companies and more than 20 local businesses at the airport. It has been a vital economic engine for the Valley and often the only affordable aviation pathway for people who want to become pilots. There is a coalition including residents, pilots, business owners and public safety advocates that are fight against disinformation that has been put forward by interests that would like to see the airport shut down. These include environmental impacts and safety concerns. However the loss would be in incomes with job losses; \$110M/year flows into the economy from the airport. It is a major public asset for the Valley and LA

County in times of emergency (i.e. fires and earthquakes), and reduces congestion at other LA County airports. During the Eaton fires, fire departments were able to merge and stop the spread of the fire. The Civil Air Patrol is auxiliary to the Air Force and has a branch at the airport; assistance can be provided for search and rescue operations in the mountains with the Air Force supplying airplanes and volunteers assisting. Whiteman hosts programs like the Aviation Explorers and the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) Young Eagles, which offer free or low-cost introductions to aviation for local youth.

Continued growth and needs are anticipated, independent of the Santa Monica closure. It is a magnet for businesses to come to the area.

Closing Whiteman would not eliminate planes from the sky; it would redistribute them and result in even more noise from flight patterns where commercial airplanes cannot currently fly over the airport.

There is a significant legal hurdle to closing the airport: FAA Grant Assurances: Because the county has accepted federal grants for airport improvements, they are legally obligated by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to keep the facility operational "in perpetuity" or for at least 20 years from the last grant. The FAA recently reinforced that any closure would require a proven "net benefit to civil aviation" which is unlikely to be able to be done.

The claim of dangerous lead levels was disproved. Air lead levels are below standards, EPA standards, info is on the county website. There is a run-up area to check on systems that generates engine noise at high power settings and can be a noise concern for the community, but there are plans to move it to the central area of the airport to minimize noise and there are hours with a voluntary curfew when not used (10pm to 7am).

There are plans for future upgrades and modernization. Companies want to come in but the County is making it difficult. With LA28 (the official organizing committee responsible for bringing the 2028 Summer Olympic and Paralympic Games to L.A.), they need to prepare for safety and getting the County to fund upgrades to prepare. There are also plans for more open houses and airport tours. June 27th will host a community event – an Aviation Family Festival from 9am to 3pm; the airport is actively engaging the community.

Questions and comments came from Dante, Glen, Mark, Garry and John Franco. Closing Whiteman is not realistic at this time but the County wanted to see what it would look like if closure was done, an apparent waste of funds. Opponents of the airport (such as the group Pacoima Beautiful) argue that the 184-acre site could be better used for affordable housing, parks, and "green" industries that don't pose the lead-pollution or crash risks associated with the current facility. Developers and Rodriguez would like to see it closed. Opponents do not have the best interests of the community in mind. Residents, when surveyed, loved the airport.

Van Nuys Airport has a lot of corporate jets, which is lucrative, but which local residents are opposed to. This is creating a situation where other aircraft ("slow and small") are looking for alternate airports like Whiteman. There might be a coalition that could support Whiteman's position to preserve general aviation.

Fire season is now year round and a question was posed about where the LA Country Fire Dept Air Operations would go if the airport was closed; this is being looked at. The airport can support most aircraft but Super Scoopers are based at Van Nuys airport during fire season, and the big jets (Supertankers) are based in the desert (Foxfield airport, northwest of Lancaster).

They team has plans to present to the Pacoima community. When polled, local residents are enthusiastic about the airport. There was a board created to shut the airport down; Rodriguez assigned the people who were on the board. The airport has done nothing to cause a problem to the community. From CHAT: <https://whiteman-airport-coalition.beehiiv.com/>

Cindy noted that STNC had taken a position in the past to support Whiteman.

6. **PRESENTATION: LADOT Rider Study.** Cindy said the study is posted on STNC.org. No one was present from LADOT.

7. **ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM STNC COMMITTEES:**

- A. **Land Use update re: SB79 - Council File # 25-1803 City Council passed C1 with an amendment.**

The Council wants Planning to come up with a local alternative plan that basically allows 3-4 story apartments in single family neighborhoods (4 story if they add 3 or more bedroom unit apartments) in these SB 79 qualifying areas but to allow more height than 3 stories on the actual corridor. We already allow more height on corridors but they want to see what other incentives will make more development happen here since little development is happening on corridors. (ULA may be the problem)

All Historic Preservation Overlay Zones (HPOZs), high fire zones, low resource, 1 foot sea rise areas are exempt for 4 years. At the end of four years, the city has to have a plan that allows the full SB 79 density to take effect. The city will use these four years to find ways of adding that density in the most appropriate areas through an alternate local plan.

There is a meeting with Planning to clarify this further on Thursday, so if you have any questions send them off to mpkalban@gmail.com so we can get back to you with answers. Thank you for all the letters that appeared on the council file supporting C1 and the hundreds of letters sent to our council members. We succeeded in getting C1 passed. Nazarian continued to ask for by mail notification for impacted residents and All HPOZs are deferred, not just ones established prior to 2015. So we got a lot. We are still concerned about respecting prevailing setbacks and we will let you know our "next steps" as we continue to try and make this the best outcome for residents.

Again, many thanks to all of you for making this the best outcome of a terrible bill.

- B. **Updates & New Land Use Projects:** Cindy went over the following briefly, which have been discussed in the Land Use Committee (LUC)

1. 4439 Lowell - ZA-2025-4768-CU2-SPPC virtual hearing is 4-30-26;
 2. 6161 Sister Elsie;
 3. Demolition notices: 7577 McGroarty and 7263 Summitrose;
 4. Appeal 8150 McGroarty hearing, other.

- C. **Beautification** - Community Cleanups

- D. **STARC** - no longer meeting, needs chair

- E. **STAT** - Camera at Sherman Grove & Foothill. Pat Kramer said there are about 75 volunteers, working in conjunction with Sierra Club. Dante was helpful in putting together cards with tree assignments used on tree watering days, and Melissa with cards for tree adoptions. Thank you also to Dante and Melissa for their help in tree watering. Jon and Pat looked at

empty tree wells, approved for planting new trees, and now will decide to water as a committee or see if businesses will volunteer' a commitment is needed to water the first year a tree is planted. They would much like to have another board member on the STAT committee with an open invitation extended in particular to Vartan.

8. **DISCUSSION: TREASURER'S REPORT:** Current fiscal year balance; remaining financial obligations potential rollover considerations for next fiscal year.
- a. **Motion to approve outstanding Monthly Expenditure Report for March 2026.** Cindy said that the MER was not available at this time; no vote. taken
 - b. **Motion to approve annual Zoom License fee for 2026-2027 of \$255.61 and account holders Cindy Cleghorn, Melissa Sagastume, Jon von Gunten, Pat Kramer and Dante Calvo.** Cindy made the motion and Barry seconded.

<p>Item 8b. Motion to approve annual Zoom License fee for 2026-2027 of \$255.61 and account holders Cindy Cleghorn, Melissa Sagastume, Jon von Gunten, Pat Kramer and Dante Calvo.</p> <p>Motion: Cleghorn Second: Glover</p>					
Yes	No	Abstain	Ineligible	Recuse	Absent
<p>Sagastume, Glover, Cleghorn, Moran, McCoy, Von Gunten, Calvo, Seigel, Schmidt, Royal, Keshish</p> <p>11 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 1 ineligible, 5 absent, 17 total</p>			<p>Cerpa</p>		<p>Grant, Mardirousi, McEnany, Freeman, Dorothy</p>

- c. Motion to approve City Clerk arrange Webcorner contract up to \$300 per month for STNC to approve. Cindy made a motion and Melissa seconded it. Cindy explained requirements from the City Clerk. Right now the monthly charge is \$150, but will increase. Mark suggested changing it to \$200 which other NCs have been charge. Barry noted that the \$300 was steep.

Mark suggested changing the \$300 to \$200. Cindy said that we do most everything ourselves and is hopeful that the cost will be constrained noting that we do most everything ourselves. Mark made the motion to change it to \$200 and Barry seconded it.

C(1). Motion to approve City Clerk arrange Webcorner contract up to \$300 per month

C(2). Motion to approve City Clerk arrange Webcorner contract up to \$200 per month

Item 8.c(1) Motion to approve City Clerk arrange Webcorner contract up to \$300 per month.					
Motion: Cleghorn Second: Sagastume					
Yes	No	Abstain	Ineligible	Recuse	Absent
Sagastume, Glover, Cleghorn, Moran, McCoy, Von Gunten, Calvo, Seigel, Schmidt, Royal, Keshish <i>11 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 1 ineligible, 5 absent, 17 total</i>			Cerpa		Grant, Mardirousi, McEnany, Freeman, Dorothy

Item 8.c(2) Motion to approve City Clerk arrange Webcorner contract up to \$200 per month					
Motion: Seigel Second: Glover					
Yes	No	Abstain	Ineligible	Recuse	Absent
Sagastume, Glover, Cleghorn, Moran, McCoy, Von Gunten, Calvo, Seigel, Schmidt, Royal, Keshish <i>11 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 1 ineligible, 5 absent, 17 total</i>			Cerpa		Grant, Mardirousi, McEnany, Freeman, Dorothy

- d. **Motion to approve moving storage to smaller space at up to \$500 per month and moving tables and chairs to North Valley City Hall (Council District 7 office) in unused space; Distribution of emergency supply containers to local businesses for access during emergencies.** Cindy made a motion to approve and Melissa seconded it. A discussion ensued with remarks from Mark, Melissa, John F and Nina.

Melissa wanted to amend the motion, deleting the part that said “Distribution of emergency supply containers to local businesses for access during emergencies.” saying the distribution should not be to local businesses. John F asked about the contents of the containers. Cindy said emergency supplies, in storage now. Nina noted that some supplies had expired and needed to be replaced which hasn’t been done for a couple of years. We can distribute one set for Sunland and one for Tujung to churches or businesses. Mark gave an overview of the contents – first aid, water packets, food pellets, batteries and flashlights, and little shovels and basic emergency supplies. John noted that the LAPD battalion has emergency supplies and asked if we work with them on the containers. Melissa noted we have an Emergency Preparedness Committee started at this time and we haven’t worked with the Battalion. We do coordinate with Sandy Caps, Battalion 12, per Nina. John offered to help and put his contact info in CHAT; Cindy thanked him. From CHAT:
jfranco0018@mymail.lausd.net/johnfranco11757@gmail.com

Mark said we should have our STNC ID on items as possible. A motion was made by Nina and seconded by Barry to change the motion and remove the part that says “Distribution of emergency supply containers to local businesses for access during emergencies.”

8.d(1). **Motion to approve moving storage to smaller space at up to \$500 per month and moving tables and chairs to North Valley City Hall (Council District 7 office) in unused space; Distribution of emergency supply containers to local businesses for access during emergencies.**

8.d(2). **Motion to approve moving storage to smaller space at up to \$500 per month and moving tables and chairs to North Valley City Hall (Council District 7 office) in unused space.**

<p>Item 8.d(1). Motion to approve moving storage to smaller space at up to \$500 per month and moving tables and chairs to North Valley City Hall (Council District 7 office) in unused space; Distribution of emergency supply containers to local businesses for access during emergencies.</p> <p>Motion: Sagastume Second: Royal</p>					
Yes	No	Abstain	Ineligible	Recuse	Absent
<p>Sagastume, Glover, Cleghorn, Moran, McCoy, Von Gunten, Calvo, Seigel, Schmidt, Royal, Keshish</p> <p>11 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 1 ineligible, 5 absent, 17 total</p>			Cerpa		Grant, Mardirousi, McEnany, Freeman, Dorothy

<p>Item 8.d(2). Motion to approve moving storage to smaller space at up to \$500 per month and moving tables and chairs to North Valley City Hall (Council District 7 office) in unused space.</p> <p>Motion: Royal Second: Glover</p>					
Yes	No	Abstain	Ineligible	Recuse	Absent
<p>Sagastume, Glover, Cleghorn, Moran, McCoy, Von Gunten, Calvo, Seigel, Schmidt, Royal, Keshish</p> <p>11 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 1 ineligible, 5 absent, 17 total</p>			Cerpa		Grant, Mardirousi, McEnany, Freeman, Dorothy

- e. **Motion to approve up to \$300 for meeting refreshments at March 2026 board meeting from Smart & Final and Domino’s.** This vote is a retro vote per Melissa - the vote to

approve funding for the venue didn't include refreshments specifically and was rejected by the City. This is why we couldn't do the MER this month. A motion was made by Melissa and seconded by Barry.

<p>Item 8.e. Motion to approve up to \$300 for meeting refreshments at March 2026 board meeting from Smart & Final and Domino's</p> <p>Motion: Sagastume Second: Glover</p>					
Yes	No	Abstain	Ineligible	Recuse	Absent
<p>Sagastume, Glover, Cleghorn, Moran, McCoy, Von Gunten, Calvo, Seigel, Schmidt, Royal, Keshish</p> <p>11 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 1 ineligible, 5 absent, 17 total</p>			<p>Cerpa</p>		<p>Grant, Mardirousi, McEnany, Freeman, Dorothy</p>

- f. **Motion to approve up to \$250 total for STAT committee refreshments up to three meetings.** A motion was made by Cheryl and seconded by Melissa. Pat gave a description of what was needed. No discussion ensued.

<p>Item 8f. Motion to approve up to \$300 for meeting refreshments at March 2026 board meeting from Smart & Final and Domino's</p> <p>Motion: Schmidt Second: Sagastume</p>					
Yes	No	Abstain	Ineligible	Recuse	Absent
<p>Sagastume, Glover, Cleghorn, Moran, McCoy, Von Gunten, Calvo, Seigel, Schmidt, Royal, Keshish</p> <p>11 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 1 ineligible, 5 absent, 17 total</p>			<p>Cerpa</p>		<p>Grant, Mardirousi, McEnany, Freeman, Dorothy</p>

9. **DISCUSSION/ACTION: Motion to approve CIS and letter regarding City Budget priorities from STNC to Mayor Bass.** Cindy displayed the letter and Melissa read it (April 8, 2026 draft CIS City Budget Priorities for ST). It is on the stnc.org website. Glenn recommended Glen recommended filing the Community Impact Statement to Council File 26-0600 for the proposed Fiscal Year 2026-2027; this way we have a relevant CIS on file. A motion was made by Melissa, seconded by Mark. Melissa/Mark. Cindy asked if infrastructure should be included (street lights, street maintenance, etc.) and Melissa and Barry agreed it was a budget concern. Nina wanted to add Whiteman airport concern also but Cindy noted this was discussed in the past and STNC supported it then.

- A. A vote was taken to approve CIS and letter regarding City Budget priorities from STNC to Mayor Bass; the motion made by Melissa and seconded by Mark.
- B. A second vote was taken to **approve CIS and letter regarding City Budget priorities from STNC to Mayor Bass letter as amended with addition of infrastructure concerns**; the motion made by Cindy and seconded by Mark.

Item 9a. Motion to approve CIS and letter regarding City Budget priorities from STNC to Mayor Bass. Motion: Sagastume Second: Seigel					
Yes	No	Abstain	Ineligible	Recuse	Absent
Sagastume, Glover, Cleghorn, Moran, McCoy, Von Gunten, Calvo, Seigel, Schmidt, Royal, Keshish <i>11 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 1 ineligible, 5 absent, 17 total</i>			Cerpa		Grant, Mardirousi, McEnany, Freeman, Dorothy

Item 9b. Motion to approve CIS and letter regarding City Budget priorities from STNC to Mayor Bass letter as amended with addition of infrastructure concerns. Motion: Cleghorn Second: Seigel					
Yes	No	Abstain	Ineligible	Recuse	Absent
Sagastume, Glover, Cleghorn, Moran, McCoy, Von Gunten, Calvo, Seigel, Schmidt, Royal, Keshish <i>11 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 1 ineligible, 5 absent, 17 total</i>			Cerpa		Grant, Mardirousi, McEnany, Freeman, Dorothy

10. **DISCUSSION/ACTION: Motion to approve Letter to City, CD7, copy County, State Assembly County Public Works regarding upcoming dredging of Big Tujunga Dam and Pacoima Dam at the same time.** Cindy read the letter (Subject: Re Urgent Public Safety Concern – Overlapping Dredging of Big Tujunga and Pacoima Dams, dated April 8. Cindy made the motion and Melissa seconded. Mark made a comment about how dangerous it could be if both dams were closed at the same time and there was a fire.

<p>Item 10. Motion to approve Letter to City, CD7, copy County, State Assembly County Public Works regarding upcoming dredging of Big Tujunga Dam and Pacoima Dam at the same time.</p> <p>Motion: Cleghorn Second: Sagastume</p>					
Yes	No	Abstain	Ineligible	Recuse	Absent
<p>Sagastume, Glover, Cleghorn, Moran, McCoy, Von Gunten, Calvo, Seigel, Schmidt, Royal, Keshish</p> <p>11 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 1 ineligible, 5 absent, 17 total</p>			<p>Cerpa</p>		<p>Grant, Mardirousi, McEnany, Freeman, Dorothy</p>

11. **DISCUSSION/ACTION:** Motion to approve letter to City, CD7 and copy State Assembly regarding changes to implementation of SB9 which has created a situation where developers build 3,800 sq ft Accessory Dwelling Units. Cindy read the draft letter. Cindy made a motion to approve and Nina seconded it.

<p>Item 11. Motion to approve letter to City, CD7 and copy State Assembly regarding changes to implementation of SB9 which has created a situation where developers build 3,800 sq ft Accessory Dwelling Units.</p> <p>Motion: Cleghorn Second: Royal</p>					
Yes	No	Abstain	Ineligible	Recuse	Absent
<p>Sagastume, Glover, Cleghorn, Moran, McCoy, Von Gunten, Calvo, Seigel, Schmidt, Royal, Keshish</p> <p>11 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 1 ineligible, 5 absent, 17 total</p>			<p>Cerpa</p>		<p>Grant, Mardirousi, McEnany, Freeman, Dorothy</p>

12. **DISCUSSION / POSSIBLE ACTION:** – Approve Draft STNC Bylaws Changes and submit to DONE. Topics include: Committees, Region Representative vacancies (Regions 1, 2, and 4); Clarification of Education Representative role. Ability to conduct selection-style elections, staggered board terms (voting for half the board each election). Cindy read the letter. A motion was made by Melissa and seconded by Barry. Jon asked about Terms and Term Limit changes that were being suggested. Changes appeared to require elections every two years if offices were staggered. Cindy will bring a new draft for review and vote on during the Executive Meeting (4-29-226); no vote was taken.
13. **DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** Approve STNC Board Minutes for meeting held March 11, 2026. Barry made the motion and Mark seconded; no discussion.

Item 13. Motion to approve STNC Board Minutes for meeting held March 11, 2026.					
Motion: Glover Second: Seigel					
Yes	No	Abstain	Ineligible	Recuse	Absent
Sagastume, Glover, Cleghorn, Moran, McCoy, Von Gunten, Calvo, Seigel, Schmidt, Keshish 10 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain, 1 ineligible, 5 absent, 17 total		Royal	Cerpa		Grant, Mardirousi, McEnany, Freeman, Dorothy

14. **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS** - Glenn complimented the STNC team, said the City has submitted it's budget, and the Mayor's office could be contacted for comments but it is the 11th hour now. Glen said that Hybrid voting allegedly will cost the City \$916,000 to do and this money could better be used to help balance budget cuts and elections could be postponed until 2029 with terms extended 2 years. recommendation for funding of NC elections,. Glen said hybrid voting would cost \$916,000 city wide to do this. If anyone has feelings about vote by mail being the only option offered last year, it needs to be voiced; otherwise it goes to City Council and they will debate it.
15. **DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** Committee & Liaison Reports and Confirm Assignments – by liaison chairs present. Cindy briefly went through the following, saying that we need to repopulate our Homeless liaison position(s) and remind people about the VANC meeting tomorrow morning.
- **Homeless**
 - **Citywide Budget / Budget Advocates - meeting 4-6-26**
 - **LADWP MOU / LADWP Committee - virtual meeting with DWP 4-4-26**
 - **LANCC - virtual meeting held 4-4-26**
 - **VANC - virtual meeting w/Mayor Bass 4-9-26**
 - **PlanCheckNC – virtual meeting 4-11-26**
 - **Emergency Preparedness**
 - **Sustainability**
16. **PRESENTATION & TRAINING** on the Neighborhood Council (NC) System. Cindy suggested we discuss the funding manual at a future meeting, and commended Dante for the newsletter.
- a. Bylaws, Standing Rules, BONC Policies, Brown Act (Meeting Agenda Posting, ENS).
 - b. NC Meetings: Agenda Items, Presenters, Meeting Agendas, Making Motions, Community Impact Statements.
 - c. NC Alliances (Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils - VANC meets 2nd Thursday on Zoom; LANCC meets 1st Saturday at 10am; PlanCheckNC meets 2nd Saturday at 10am, STNC Community Events/Meetings, Other Training Opportunities.
17. **FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS** - Upcoming events. Items below were noted by Cindy.
- a. Sign up for STNC Newsletter at: stnc.org Earth Day cleanup and resource fair (April 18).

- b. Verdugo Hills Pool Movie Night (June 6).
- c. Fourth of July parade planning with the STSH Rotary on Tuesdays
- d. STNC is on Instagram and Facebook

18. ADJOURN. 9:42pm.