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**ZINE, SMITH ANNOUNCE CONTEST
TO NAME NEW COMMUNITY POLICE STATION IN CANOGA PARK**

(Los Angeles) – Councilmembers Dennis P. Zine and Greig Smith are announcing a contest to name the new community police station located in the West San Fernando Valley. The Councilmembers are calling on community members that work or reside in Woodland Hills, West Hills, Canoga Park, and Winnetka to give their creative input and help name the new 54,000 square-foot station scheduled to open its doors in 2008 or 2009.

Westfield is partnering with the Council Offices to offer a \$1,000 gift card to their many shopping centers for the winner of the naming contest. Forms for the contest can be obtained from Westfield Topanga at 6600 Topanga Canyon Boulevard in Canoga Park, at Councilman Zine’s or Councilman Smith’s District Offices, or online at www.lacity.org/council/cd3/ or www.lacity.org/council/cd12/. A winner will be chosen by a naming committee during February 2008. All entries must be received by 5:00pm on January 31, 2008.

“Councilman Smith and I are seeking the public’s help in naming the new station because we want the community to feel a sense of ownership with the facility. The police station is here to serve our constituents, so they should be included in the naming process,” said Councilman Dennis P. Zine. “The new station is going to have a very positive impact on public safety in the region and we want a name that reflects how

proud we are to have such a state-of-the-art facility in the Valley.”

“This new police station will be a major asset for the public safety of our community. It will also be a community resource, with a community room and other design features meant to present an open and inviting place for residents to interact with the police,” said Councilman Greig Smith. “Inviting the public to participate in naming the new station is a great way to connect the community to the new station and bolster their relationship with our local police.”

The new police station, located at 21501 Schoenborn Street in Canoga Park, will bring police officers closer to the community in hopes of improving police service and reducing crime.

As LAPD Reserve Officers and members of the Public Safety Committee, Councilmembers Smith and Zine have continually worked to ensure public safety throughout the San Fernando Valley and the City of Los Angeles.

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