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SUN VALLEY AREA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Regular Board Meeting

AGENDA

In person at

Sun Valley Branch Library
7935 Vineland Avenue
Sun Valley, CA 91352

Tuesday / February 11, 2025 / 6:00pm – 7:50pm

Zoom Meeting Online or By Telephone

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Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board meeting. Public comment is limited to two (2) minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

SB 411 Updates:

In the event of a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting to members of the public using the call-in option or internet-based service option, or in the event of a disruption within the eligible

legislative body's control that prevents members of the public from offering public comments using the call-in option or internet-based service option, the eligible legislative body shall take no further action on items appearing on the meeting agenda until public access to the meeting via the call-in option or internet-based service option is restored. Actions taken on agenda items during a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting may be challenged pursuant to Section 54960.1.

(C) The eligible legislative body shall not require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the legislative body and offer comments in real time.

(D) Notwithstanding Section 54953.3, an individual desiring to provide public comment through the use of an internet website, or other online platform, not under the control of the eligible legislative body, that requires registration to log in to a teleconference may be required to register as required by the third-party internet website or online platform to participate.

(E) (i) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed.

(ii) An eligible legislative body that does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to subparagraph (D), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment.

(iii) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed general public comment period that does not correspond to a specific agenda item shall not close the public comment period or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), until the timed general public comment period has elapsed.

ITEM 1: Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call, Code of Civility

ITEM 2: Opening Remarks (President)

ITEM 3: EMERGENCY Personnel from Fire and Police departments will always be allowed to address the Board when they are ready in order to facilitate their schedule

- A. Senior Lead Officer Gabriel Ahedo, 33107@lapd.online, mobile (818) 634-0949
- B. Senior Lead Officer Eric Perez, 38338@lapd.online, mobile (818) 634-0755
- C. Senior Lead Officer Cesar Contreras, 36373@lapd.online, mobile (818) 634-0854
- D. Homeless Coordinator Senior Lead Officer Eric Herrera, 38507@lapd.online
- E. Sergeant Jesse Ojeda, 33272@lapd.online
- F. LAFD Chief, lafdbatallion12@lacity.org, office (818) 756-8612

ITEM 4: Presentation / Announcements from elected officials or their representatives

- A. Loreli Vallejo (residential area), Nayda Cantabrana (industrial area) (Councilwoman Imelda Padilla, CD6, lorel.vallejo@lacity.com, nayda.cantabrana@lacity.org)
- B. Diana Gonzalez (Councilmember Adrin Nazarian, CD2, diana.x.gonzalez@lacity.org)
- C. Betsaira Aguilera (L.A. Mayor Karen Bass, betsaira.aguilera@lacity.org, (213) 257-0224)
- D. Gus Villela (Assembly member Celeste Rodriguez, 43rd District, gus.villela@asm.ca.gov, Office (818) 504-3911)
- E. Karen Dominguez (Office of LA County Supervisor Lindsey P. Horvath, 3rd District, KDominguez@bos.lacounty.gov, (213) 595-9198)
- F. Cynthia Becerra (Congresswoman Luz Rivas, 29th District, cynthia.becerra@mail.house.gov)
- G. Diana Oganessian, Natalie Vartanian (Office of LA County Supervisor Kathryn Barger,

- 5th District, doganesyan@bos.lacounty.gov, navartanian@bos.lacounty.gov)
- H. Katherine Castrejon (Office of CA State Senator Caroline Menjivar, 20th District, Katherine.Castrejon@sen.ca.gov)
 - I. Ricardo Flores, Arthur Javadyan (Councilwoman Monica Rodriguez, CD7, ricardo.flores@lacity.org, arthur.javadyan@lacity.org)
 - J. María Flores (LAUSD Board Member Kelly Gonez, 6th District, m.d.flores@lausd.net, (818) 401-8585)
 - K. Elena Escobeda (Budget Advocate, Region 1)

ITEM 5: Comments from the Empower LA Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate (NEA) Lorenzo Briceno (lorenzo.briceno@lacity.org)

ITEM 6: GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS which are within the Board's subject-matter jurisdiction (comments only, no discussion)

ITEM 7: Board Member Comment on matters within the Board's subject-matter jurisdiction that DO NOT appear on the agenda (comments only, no discussion)

For ITEM 8-9: The applicant will make his/her candidate statement. A brief question and answer session will be held after which, a vote will be taken. If appointed, the applicant will be seated on the Board and will have full privileges including the ability to vote, except on funding matters. The new Board member will then read the SVANC Code of Civility which will serve as the Oath of Office.

ITEM 8: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve the appointment of María Nolasco-McNally to a Business Stakeholder open seat, term ends on 2027 (Chávez, Elections)

ITEM 9: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve the appointment of Anthony Rivera to a Business Stakeholder open seat, term ends on 2025 (Chávez, Elections)

ITEM 10: Presentation / Review of the 2024-2025 Budget and current finances (Valle)

Note: Consent calendar items 11A – 11G are considered to be non-controversial and will be treated as one agenda item. There will be no discussion on these items unless an item is removed from the consent calendar, in which case it will be considered as time allows on the regular agenda. Any member of the Board may request that an item be removed.

ITEM 11: Consent Calendar: one motion and one vote

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting held on April 9, 2024 (Chávez)
- B. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on October 8, 2024 (Chávez)
- C. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on November 12, 2024 (Chávez)
- D. Approval of the Monthly Expenditure Report for November 2024 (C. Valle)
- E. Approval of the Monthly Expenditure Report for December 2024 (C. Valle)
- F. Approval of the Monthly Expenditure Report for January 2025 (C. Valle)
- G. Approval of the Monthly Expenditure Report for February 2025 (C. Valle)

ITEM 12: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve submitting a Community Impact Statement (CIS) in support of **Council File 24-1600**, which urges city leaders to preserve and prioritize funding for critical emergency services programs, including Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT), air operations, tactical EMS units, and disaster response teams (Chávez)

- ITEM 13: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to approve a letter of support for *The Stonehurst* to be located at 9485 N Sunland Blvd., Sun Valley, CA 91352. The project is proposing a zone variance to permit use of a banquet hall on the site for private events otherwise not permitted in the RE40-1-K within the existing buildings (Chávez, PLUM)
Case Number: ZA-2024-7342-ZV, ENV-2024-7343-CE
<https://planning.lacity.gov/pdiscaseinfo/search/casenumbr/ZA-2024-7342-ZV>
<https://planning.lacity.gov/preservation-design/overlays/stonehurst>
<https://www.thestonehurst.com/>
- ITEM 14: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to approve a Letter/Resolution/Community Impact Statement (CIS) to oppose the Executive Directive 1 Housing project to be located at 10974 W. Ratner St. (8022 N. Vineland Ave), Sun Valley, CA 91352. The project proposes a multi-family residential complex with 96 units with 66 parking spaces; increase in Floor Area Ratio from the allowed 1.5 to 1.75; reduction of three side yard setback to allow 5 feet in lieu of the required 7; reduction of the rear yard setback to allow 8 feet in lieu of the 16 feet required; reduction of on-site trees to allow 18 trees in lieu of the required 24 trees.
Case Number: ADM-2024-7122-VHCA-RED1 (Chávez, PLUM)
<https://la.urbanize.city/post/affordable-housing-proposed-10974-w-ratner-street-sun-valley>
- ITEM 15: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to approve a Letter/Resolution/Community Impact Statement to *support with conditions*, the continued use and maintenance of an existing un-permitted 10-foot in height fence (6-foot block wall atop 4 foot wrought iron fence) with a vehicle gate and pedestrian gate located within the required 15-foot front yard setback and the zone variance to provide zero landscaping within the front yard setback otherwise required by CPC-30476 per Ordinance Number 157,675 (1983) condition number 6. (Chávez, PLUM)
Case Number: ZA-2024-291-ZV, ENV-2024-292-CE
<https://planning.lacity.gov/pdiscaseinfo/document/OTc20/32d019b8-1d0c-4d58-9258-fba315e88f6f/esubmit>
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<https://planning.lacity.gov/pdiscaseinfo/document/OTc40/32d019b8-1d0c-4d58-9258-fba315e88f6f/esubmit>
- ITEM 16: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to approve holding an *Immigration: Know Your Rights* Workshop in partnership with the International Rescue Committee, Council members Imelda Padilla and Adrin Nazarian, the LAPD Foothill Area and other organizations on March 22, 2025 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Holy Rosary Church (Chávez)
- ITEM 17: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to approve holding a 2nd Citizenship Workshop in partnership with the International Rescue Committee, Council members Imelda Padilla and Adrin Nazarian, Congress member Luz Rivas and other organizations on mid-June 2025 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Holy Rosary Church and create the SVANC committee (Chávez)
- ITEM 18: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to approve restoring the Welcome to Sun Valley sign on Glenoaks Blvd and Lanark and using \$500 from the Clean Streets funds and partnering with Council member Nazarian and local businesses to complete the funds (Chávez)
- ITEM 19: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to approve restoring the Welcome to Sun Valley sign on

Laurel Canyon Blvd and Web St and using \$500 from the Clean Streets funds and partnering with Council member Imelda Padilla and local businesses to complete the funds (Chávez)

- ITEM 20: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to approve spending \$400 from the Clean Streets account to support the improvement of the Armenian Genocide Memorial at the Sun Valley Recreation Center to raise its height and partner with Council members Imelda Padilla and Adrin Nazarian and local businesses to complete the funds needed (Chávez)
- ITEM 21: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to approve holding the 2nd annual National Night Out on Tuesday, August 5, 2025 from 6:00 to 8:30 pm at the Sun Valley Area Recreation Center in partnership with Council member Imelda Padilla and Council member Adrin Nazarian, Parks and Recs, and local businesses. (Venegas, Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness Committee)
- ITEM 22: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to approve holding a Clothing Drive to support the LAPD Domestic Abuse Response Team (DART) Program, which pairs an LAPD police officer with a domestic violence advocate to respond to incidents of reported domestic violence with the goal of providing education, resources, and follow-up services to those who have been affected by such violence. The clothing drive would be held at the SVANC's office every Saturday after approval until March 15.
(Venegas, Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness Committee)
- ITEM 23: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to approve a second *Nacho Your Average SVANC Board Meet and Greet* on February 28 from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm to continue promoting community involvement in the coming SVANC elections (Chávez, Elections)
- ITEM 24: Motion / Discussion / Votes** to approve sending a letter to Council member Imelda Padilla to request a graffiti cleanup of the Sheldon Skate Park and to hold all possible art until the recreation center gets completed and there is full time staff that can keep control of graffiti.
(Blandford)
- ITEM 25: Motion / Discussion / Vote** to appoint board members to the following committees:
- A. SVANC Secretary
 - B. Finance – one member
 - C. Beautification – one member
 - D. Outreach Committee – one member
 - E. Homelessness Ad Hoc Committee – one member
 - F. Environment/CHSR Ad Hoc Committee – one member
 - G. Community Impact Statement (CIS) Filer
 - H. LADWP-NC MOU monthly meeting – one member, alternate
- ITEM 26: Report** by the **2024-2025** Committee Chairs and Community Liaisons:
- A. Standing Committees
 1. Outreach/Community Affairs – Douglas Sierra
 2. Finance and Budget – Cindy I. Valle – the 2025-2026 Budget Packet is ready
 3. Beautification – Cindy I. Valle – looking for potential areas for cleanups, asking the community to make their recommendations, working on an Earth Day event
 4. Planning and Land Use (PLUM) – Norma O. Chávez – three motions in this agenda from reviewed projects, the February and March meetings may have to move to the

fourth Wednesday of the month to accommodate the schedule for committee members to attend some trainings, “Ay Papa Que Rico” will be invited to attend the February PLUM meeting

5. Public Safety/Emergency Preparedness – Eddie Venegas – three motions in this agenda, planning a clothing drive for LAPD DART, preparing for National Night Out

B. Ad Hoc Committees:

1. Environmental and CHSR – Wendy Thum
2. Homelessness – Monica Vacas
3. Bylaws – Norma O. Chávez – The committee is pending review and update of the Standing Rules. A meeting will be scheduled for late February or mid-March.
4. Elections – Norma O. Chávez – SVANC board members whose term ends in 2025 must run through elections (Rosalío García, Cindy Valle, Monica Vacas, Eddie Venegas). Candidate filing period begins Friday, January 30, 2025. All candidates need to create an Angeleno account to file their application, candidate statement, and documentation at <https://clerkappsele.lacity.org/NCElection/login>,

C. City-wide community liaisons:

1. LANCC – Norma O. Chávez – unable to attend the meeting due to conflict of schedule with the Public Works meeting at the Van Nuys City Council
2. VANC – Eddie Venegas, Ben Blandford (alternate)
3. NCEPA – Cindy I. Valle, Eddie Venegas
4. PLANCHECKNC – Norma O. Chávez, Ben Blandford
5. NCBA – Cindy I. Valle, Rosalío García
6. C-PAB – Norma O. Chávez, Rosalío García – fliers have been collected and shared in the newsletter and Facebook
7. Homelessness Liaison – Monica Vacas
8. NCSA – Cindy Valle
9. LADWP-NC MOU – vacant

If anyone from the public wishes to join a committee, please email info@svanc.com

ITEM 27: Public Comment on matters within the Executive Board’s subject-matter jurisdiction that DO NOT appear on the agenda (comments only, no discussion)

ITEM 28: Board Members Announcements on matters within the Executive Board’s subject-matter jurisdiction that DO NOT appear on the agenda (comments only, no discussion)

ITEM 29: Adjournment

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