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SUN VALLEY AREA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Regular Board Meeting

AGENDA

In person at

Hope Fellowship Church

12055 Wicks St.

Sun Valley, CA 91352

Tuesday / March 11, 2025 / 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Zoom Meeting Online or By Telephone

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Every person wishing to address the Board must dial **(669) 900-6833**, and enter **987 6658 0221** and then press # to join the meeting. When prompted by the presiding officer, to provide public input at the Neighborhood Council meeting the public will be requested to dial *9 or use the Raise Hand option, to address the Board on any agenda item before the Board takes an action on an item. Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered.

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 and conversation with Guest speakers Council member Imelda Padilla and Empower LA General Manager Carmen Chan (60 minutes)

ITEM 5: 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. Dayana Ramos (field deputy), Diana Gonzalez (Homelessness) (Councilmember Adrin Nazarian, CD2, dayana.ramos@lacity.org, 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, doganessian@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. Alena 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)

Note: Consent calendar items 7A – 7D 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 7: Consent Calendar: one motion and one vote

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting held on April 9, 2024 (Venegas, Chávez)
- B. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on February 11, 2025 (Chávez, Rivera)
- C. Approval of the Monthly Expenditure Report for January 2025 (C. Valle)
- D. Approval of the Monthly Expenditure Report for February 2025 (C. Valle)

ITEM 8: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve to sign on to the charter reform commission letter requesting Mayor Bass move forward with her Charter Reform Commission Appointees.

NOTE: If approved, SVANC is not writing a letter. SVANC's name gets added to the list of supporters requesting Mayor Bass move forward with her Charter Reform Commission Appointees.

ITEM 9: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve a community cleanup along the San Fernando Rd. Bike Path from Sunland Blvd to Branford St. on Sunday, March 16, 2025 from 8:00 am to 11:00 am in partnership with CD6 and with local businesses to provide food and beverages for the volunteers (Valle, Beautification)

ITEM 10: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve SVANC's participation at the Spring Festival at the Sun Valley Recreation Center on April 12, 2025 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm and a budget \$50 for crafts/candy. (Chávez)

ITEM 11: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve SVANC's participation at the Spring Festival at the Fernangeles Recreation Center with details to come with a budget of \$50 for crafts/candy. (Douglas, Outreach)

ITEM 12: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve SVANC's participation at the GR818ERS' Shell City Skate Fest on May 17, 2025 from 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm at the Sheldon Skate Park. (Chávez)

ITEM 13: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve a Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) workshop in partnership with the International Rescue Committee and CHIRLA on a Saturday in May from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm with location TBD (Chávez)

ITEM 14: Motion / Discussion / Vote to appoint board members to the following committees:

- A. Finance – one member
- B. Environment/CHSR Ad Hoc Committee – one member
- C. Community Impact Statement (CIS) Filer
- D. LADWP-NC MOU monthly meeting – one member, alternate

ITEM 15: 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 – Setting up the Admin Packet 2025-2026
- 3. Beautification – Cindy I. Valle – We have a meeting on Friday, March 21 from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm to continue discussing the Earth Day event and a cleanup on one of the 5 Fwy ramps on Sunland Blvd in partnership with Assembly member Celeste Rodriguez and/or Senator Caroline Menjivar.
- 4. Planning and Land Use (PLUM) – Norma O. Chávez – The committee reviewed the application by *Ay Papá Que Rico Restaurant* located at 8204 Sunland Blvd., Sun Valley, CA 91352 which is proposing adding a covered outdoor dining area (260 sq ft) and an open trellis partially over the existing outdoor parking. PLUM members will be visiting the site. They made some observations regarding safety and green space. Updates were provided on the projects previously reviewed and their current status. Information was shared on Notices of Demolitions and the projects to come after that. The Executive Directive page from the Los Angeles Department of Planning was discussed. Next meeting is on Wednesday, March 26 at 6:30 pm. We will go back to our regular schedule of fourth Thursdays of the month in April.
- 5. Public Safety/Emergency Preparedness – Eddie Venegas – Coming to the SVANC's office on Saturday to continue the Clothing Drive for the DART program for the meeting on March the 21st when all donations will be gifted to the DART Team. We continue to plan National Night Out. We are also working on finding a location to hold this training. An email was sent to LADWP to request the use of their facilities.

B. Ad Hoc Committees:

- 1. Environmental and CHSR – Wendy Thum
- 2. Homelessness – Monica Vacas
- 3. Bylaws – Norma O. Chávez – no updates
- 4. Elections – Norma O. Chávez – SVANC board members whose term ends in 2025 have already filed their candidate application (Rosalío García, Cindy Valle, Monica Vacas, Eddie Venegas). The registration to request Vote-By-Mail ballots opens on April 4. Nacho Average SVANC Board went great! We had two new neighbors who are interested in joining SVANC, but are working on their school schedule to be able to commit. We reviewed the timeline of our elections. If no one challenges the current candidates' seats, we will not trigger elections again.

C. City-wide community liaisons:

1. LANCC – Norma O. Chávez – There was a presentation by a representative of the group Our Neighborhood Voices to get a ballot initiative on the 2026 or the 2028 ballots that would amend the California State Constitution to make planning, zoning, and land use a matter of local control. If you want to learn more about it, visit ourneighborhoodvoices.org
2. VANC – Ben Blandford attended the meeting and brought a CIS proposed regarding public participation at City Council meetings via telephone.
3. NCEPA – Cindy I. Valle, Eddie Venegas – no report
4. PLANCHECKNC – Norma O. Chávez attended the meeting.
5. NCBA – Norma O. Chávez attended. The art and theme of the White Page document was decided.
6. C-PAB – Norma O. Chávez, Rosalío García – fliers have been collected and shared in the newsletter and Facebook. Fifteen community members from the Foothill area signed up for the OVB Community Police Academy. The CPAB meeting for March 13 has been cancelled.
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 16: Public Comment on matters within the Executive Board’s subject-matter jurisdiction that DO NOT appear on the agenda (comments only, no discussion)

ITEM 17: 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 18: Adjournment

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