



Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council

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Regular Board Meeting MINUTES
Tuesday, February 13, 2024
6:00 pm – 7:50 pm

Meeting At
Sun Valley Branch Library
7935 Vineland Avenue
Sun Valley, CA 91352
Zoom Webinar ID # 987 6658 0221

* No training sessions completed, not eligible to vote **No funding training, not eligible to vote on fund matters

BOARD MEMBER	BOARD POSITION	PRESENT	ABSENT	NOT VOTING ELIGIBLE
Almanza , Jaquin	Business Property Owner	X		
Chávez, Norma O. President	At-Large Stakeholder Director	X		
García, Rosalio	Residential Stakeholder Director	X		
Gonzalez, Hector	Residential Stakeholder Director		X	
Hill, Emilie A	Residential Stakeholder Director		X	
Kim, Ian	Youth Representative Director	X 6:12		X
Mares, Lionel	Residential Stakeholder Director	X		
Moore, Mariam	Residential Stakeholder Director	X		
Sierra, Douglas 2nd Vice-President	Business Stakeholder Director	X 6:06		
Tascian, Leticia	Senior Representative Director	X		
Thum, Wendy	Residential Stakeholder Director		X	
Vacas, Monica 1st Vice-President	Business Stakeholder Director	X		
Valle, Cindy I. Treasurer	Business Stakeholder Director	X		
Venegas, Eddie Secretary	Business Property Director		X	
Virgen, Symbria	Business Stakeholder Director		X	
TOTAL: 15 Quorum:7 (at least one officer)	10 Present, 5 Absent, 1 Ineligible	10	5	1

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

Norma O. Chávez president, called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm. and began the meeting by leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Norma O. Chávez, president, led the Code of Civility. Roll call was taken by Ms. Chávez and quorum was established with 8 members present at the time of roll call.

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ITEM 2: Opening Remarks (President)

Ms. Chávez shared about fliers of coming events in Sun Valley.

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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 Eric Perez, 38338@lapd.online, mobile (818) 634-0755

B. Senior Lead Officer Cesar Contreras, 38338@lapd.online mobile (818) 634-0854

C. Sergeant Jesse Ojeda, 33272@lapd.online

D. LAFD Chief, lafdbatallion12@lacity.org , office (818) 756-8612

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

A. Rafael Gonzalez (Councilwoman Imelda Padilla, CD6, rafael.a.gonzalez@lacity.org)

B. Diana Gonzalez (Councilmember Paul Krekorian, CD2, diana.x.gonzalez@lacity.org)

C. Michelle Vergara (L.A. Mayor Karen Bass, michelle.vergara@lacity.org)

D. Salvador Manriquez (Office of CA State Assemblymember Luz Rivas, 43rd District, salvador.manriquez@asm.ca.gov)

E. Savannah Portillo Heap (Office of LA County Supervisor Lindsey P. Horvath, 3rd District, SPortillo@lacounty.bos.gov (213) 595-9198)

F. María Flores(LAUSD Board Member Kelly Gonez, 6th District, m.d.flores@lausd.net, (818) 401-8585)

G. Laura Juarez (Office of Congressman Tony Cárdenas, 29th District, laura.juarez@mail.house.gov)

H. Diana Oganessian, Natalie Vartanian (Office of LA County Supervisor Kathryn Barger, 5th District, doganessian@bos.lacounty.gov , navartanian@bos.lacounty.gov)

I. Katherine Castrejon (Office of CA State Senator Caroline Menjivar, 20th District, Katherine.Castrejon@sen.ca.gov)

J. Lionel Mares (Budget Advocate, Region 1, lionel.mares@svanc.com)

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ITEM 5: Comments from the Empower LA Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate (NEA) Lorenzo Briceno

(lorenzo.briceno@lacity.org)

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ITEM 6: GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS which are within the Board's subject-matter jurisdiction

(comments only, no discussion)

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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)

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OLD BUSINESS

ITEM 8: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve sending a letter to Councilmember Imelda Padilla and Council President Paul Krekorian to urge them to send a letter to the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) to request the implementation of a series of measures that will address protections for overburdened and under-regulated communities, and would also improve the health and quality of life for all who live in the Los Angeles region. (Moore, Environmental AHC)

<https://www.svanc.com/archives/agendadocs/2024/02/SVANC-Letter-to-CD6-CD2-AQMDrevised.pdf3>

The following will be copied in the letter:

South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD), California Air

Resource Board (CARB), Assemblywoman Luz Rivas (District 43), California State

Senator Caroline Menjivar (District 20), Supervisor Lindsey Horvath (District 3), Supervisor Katherine Barger (District 5)

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Yes - 10	No - 00	Recused - 00	Not Eligible - 00	Absent - 05
1 st Mares, 2 nd R Garcia				
Almanza, Chávez, R.Garcia, Kim, Mares, Moore, Sierra, Tascian, Vacas, Valle	NONE	NONE	NONE	Thum, E. Hill, Gonzalez, Venegas, Virgen

ITEM 9: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve sending a letter to Councilwoman Imelda Padilla to request she initiate a City Council motion requesting the Los Angeles County Public Works take timely action to flatten the grounds of future Rory Shaw Wetlands Park grounds to address the issue of cumulative environmental and serious health impacts on the surrounding community, as well as raising serious safety and security concerns. The Los Angeles County Public Works will also be copied in the letter. (Moore, Environmental AHC)

<https://www.svanc.com/archives/agendadocs/2024/02/SVANC-letter-to-Padilla-re-RoryShaw-Feb-13-2024.pdf>

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Yes - 10	No - 00	Recused - 00	Not Eligible - 00	Absent - 05
1 st R García/Mares, 2 nd Vacas				
Almanza, Chávez, R.Garcia, Kim, Sierra, Mares, Moore, Tascian, Vacas, Valle	NONE	NONE	NONE	Thum, E. Hill, Gonzalez, Venegas, Virgen

ITEM 10: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve a Neighborhood Purpose Grant, NPG, for Glenwood Elementary School for \$300 to support a campus beautification project that consists of a garden and a mural that would become a reading and relaxing space for students. The funds will help with expenses for plants, building materials, paint, and/or an irrigation system. (Chávez)

Grant Letter: https://www.svanc.com/archives/agendadocs/2024/01/SVANC-Grant-LetterREV-1_5_24.pdf

Grant Application: <https://www.svanc.com/archives/agendadocs/2024/01/NCFP107-NPGApplication-rev3-GLENWOOD-GARDEN-2024.pdf>

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Yes - 09	No - 00	Recused - 00	Not Eligible - 01	Absent - 05
1 st Mares, 2 nd Almanza				
Almanza, Chávez, R.Garcia, Mares, Moore, Sierra, Tascian, Vacas, Valle	NONE	NONE	Kim	Thum, E. Hill, Gonzalez, Venegas, Virgen

ITEM 11: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve using the funds from the Clean Streets account to support the NPG request for \$300 from Glenwood Elementary School for their campus beautification project (Chávez)

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Yes - 09	No - 00	Recused - 00	Not Eligible - 01	Absent - 05
1 st Valle, 2 nd R Garcia				
Almanza, Chávez, R.Garcia, Mares, Moore, Sierra, Tascian, Vacas, Valle	NONE	NONE	Kim	Thum, E. Hill, Gonzalez,

					Venegas, Virgen
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NEW BUSINESS

ITEM 12: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve up to \$150 to renew the Microsoft Bundle license to be assigned to the SVANC'S office computers rather than to board member accounts. (Chávez)

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Yes-09 1 nd Valle, 2 nd Garcia	No - 00	Recused - 00	Not Eligible - 01	Absent - 05
Almanza, Chávez, R.Garcia, Mares, Moore, Sierra, Tascian, Vacas, Valle	NONE	NONE	Kim	Gonzalez, E. Hill, Thum, Venegas, Virgen

ITEM 13: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve up to \$80 to purchase laser inkjet business cards to be printed in the office for board members (Mares, Chávez)

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Yes - 08 1 st R Garcia, 2 nd Mares	No - 00	Recused - 00	Abstained - 01	Not Eligible - 01	Absent - 05
Chávez, R.Garcia, Mares, Moore, Sierra, Tascian, Vacas, Valle	NONE	NONE	Almanza	Kim	Gonzalez, E. Hill, Thum, Venegas, Virgen

ITEM 14: Motion / Discussion / Vote to send a letter of support to the Administrator Office from the Planning Department regarding the McDonald's project on 9009 Laurel Canyon Blvd. Sun Valley, CA 91352 (Chávez, PLUM)

<https://www.svanc.com/archives/agendadocs/2024/02/SVANC-CIS-McDonalds-Feb2024.pdf>

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Yes - 10 1 st R Garcia, 2 nd Vacas	No - 00	Recused - 00	Abstained - 00	Not Eligible- 00	Absent-05
Almanza, Chávez, R.Garcia, Kim, Mares, Moore, Sierra, Tascian, Vacas, Valle	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	Gonzalez, E. Hill, Thum, Venegas, Virgen

ITEM 15: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve a letter of support for the project presented by Will Nieves representing the JBUSA Los Angeles Baptist Church regarding the project at 8525 Glenoaks Blvd, Sun Valley requesting a Plan Approval to modify CUZ1983-423 to 4 allow an expansion of two new modular office buildings (2,160 sf each equaling 4,320 sf total) in conjunction with an existing 13,400 sf church (Chávez, PLUM)

<https://www.svanc.com/archives/agendadocs/2024/02/SVANC-ltr-support-Baptist-ChurchFeb-2024.pdf>

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Discussion took place and a board member shared that he and his dog were almost ran over by someone entering the church's parking. Voting took place and the motion was approved with 5 votes in favor.

Yes - 05 1 st R Garcia, 2 nd Sierra	No - 03	Recused - 00	Abstained - 02	Not Eligible - 00	Absent - 05

Chávez, R.Garcia, Kim, Sierra, Tascian	Almanza, Vacas, Valle	NONE	Mares, Moore	NONE	Gonzalez, E. Hill, Thum, Venegas, Virgen
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ITEM 16: Motion / Discussion / Vote to send a Letter/Resolution/CIS regarding the Complex Apartments project at 10898 W. Olinda St. – Construction of 3-story, 78-unit-100% affordable housing (executive directive 1) development seeking on/off menu incentives and waivers per LAMC 12.22A.25, AB1763, AB2345, AB2334 (Chávez, PLUM)
<https://www.svanc.com/archives/agendadocs/2024/02/SVANC-letter-10898-olinda-st-feb2024.pdf>

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Yes - 10	No - 00	Recused- 00	Not Eligible - 00	Absent - 05
1st R Garcia, 2nd Chávez				
Almanza, Chávez, R.Garcia, Kim, Mares, Moore, Sierra, Tascian, Vacas, Valle	NONE	NONE	NONE	Gonzalez, E. Hill, Thum, Venegas, Virgen

ITEM 17: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve submitting a CIS in support of Council File 23-1210 (Leading Pedestrian Intervals (LPI) / Vision Zero Safety Study / Signal Phasing and Timing / Traffic Violence). (Mares)

Original motion: <https://www.svanc.com/archives/agendadocs/2024/02/motion-councilfile-23-1210-10-27-23.pdf>

SVANC Proposed CIS: <https://www.svanc.com/archives/agendadocs/2024/02/SVANCCIS-CF-23-1210-leading-pedestrian-intervals-2-2024.pdf>

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Discussion took place. Vote was taken and the motion passed with five votes in favor.

Yes - 05	No - 00	Recused - 00	Abstained - 05	Not Eligible - 00	Absent - 05
1st Mares, 2nd Valle					
Mares, Moore, Sierra, Vacas, Valle	NONE	NONE	Almanza, Chávez, García, Kim, Tascian	NONE	Gonzalez, E. Hill, Thum, Venegas, Virgen

ITEM 18: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve sending a letter to inform a current board member that due to lack of attendance of three meetings in a 12 month period, the stakeholder's seat will be declared vacant the month there is a fourth absence. According to the SVANC's Bylaws, four absences in a 12 month period is considered an automatic resignation. (Executive Board)

https://www.svanc.com/archives/agendadocs/2024/02/2024-02-14_notice_three_absences.pdf

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Yes - 08	No - 00	Recused - 00	Abstained - 02	Not Eligible - 00	Absent - 05
1st Vacas 2nd Garcia					
Chávez, R.Garcia, Kim, Moore, Sierra, Tascian, Vacas, Valle	NONE	NONE	Almanza, Mares	NONE	Gonzalez, E. Hill, Thum, Venegas, Virgen

ITEM 19: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve making changes in membership of the following Committees for the remainder of fiscal year 2023-2024: A. Homelessness Ad Hoc, B. Beautification, C. Finance & Budget

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Yes-10	No - 00	Recused - 00	Not Eligible - 00	Absent - 05

1 st R Garcia, 2 nd Valle				
Almanza, Chávez, R.Garcia, Kim, Mares, Moore, Sierra, Tascain, Vacas, Valle	NONE	NONE	NONE	Gonzalez, E. Hill, Thum, Venegas, Virgen

- A- Homelessness will remain the same**
- B- Beautification – Mares withdraws, Valle joined.**
- C- Finance- Sierra withdraws and Virgen joined.**

ITEM 20: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve the application by Benjamin Sierra to volunteer in the Outreach Committee for the remainder of fiscal year 2023-2024 (Chávez, Elections)

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Yes-10	No - 00	Recused - 00	Not Eligible - 00	Absent - 05
1 st Valle, 2 nd Vacas				
Almanza, Chávez, R.Garcia, Kim, Mares, Moore, Sierra, Tascian, Vacas, Valle	NONE	NONE	NONE	Gonzalez, E. Hill, Thum, Venegas, Virgen

ITEM 21: Motion / Discussion / Vote to approve a Citizenship Workshop Event in the summer and create an Ad Hoc Committee to begin planning. The workshop will consist of three meetings: information session for potential clients, training for the volunteers, and a session to fill out the applications. (Chávez)

Discussion took place. The following members volunteered to be part of this ad hoc committee: Norma O. Chávez, Monica Vacas, and Cindy Valle.

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Yes-10	No - 00	Recused- 00	Not Eligible - 00	Absent - 05
1 st Chávez , 2 nd Vacas				
Almanza, Chávez, R.Garcia, Kim, Mares, Moore, Sierra, Tascian, Vacas, Valle	NONE	NONE	NONE	Gonzalez, E. Hill, Thum, Venegas, Virgen

ITEM 22: Consent Calendar: one motion and one vote

A. Approval of the Monthly Expenditure Report for September 2023 (Valle)

https://www.svanc.com/archives/agendadocs/2024/02/SVANC_September_2023_MER.pdf

B. Approval of the Monthly Expenditure Report for October 2023 (Valle)

https://www.svanc.com/archives/agendadocs/2024/02/SVANC_October_2023_MER.pdf

C. Approval of the Monthly Expenditure Report for November 2023 (Valle)

https://www.svanc.com/archives/agendadocs/2024/02/SVANC_November_2023_MER.pdf

D. Approval of the Monthly Expenditure Report for December 2023 (Valle)

https://www.svanc.com/archives/agendadocs/2024/02/SVANC_December_2023_MER.pdf

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Yes-9 (22-A) (22-B) (22-C) (22-D)	No - 00	Recused - 00	Not Eligible - 01	Absent - 05
1 st Vacas, 2 nd R Garcia				
Almanza, Chávez, R.Garcia, Mares, Moore, Sierra, Tascian, Vacas, Valle	NONE	NONE	Kim	Gonzalez, E. Hill, Thum, Venegas, Virgen

ITEM 23: Report by Committee Chairs and Community Liaisons:

No reports shared due to lack of timing. Please note that motions are brought by the committees.

ITEM 24: Public Comment on matters within the Executive Board's subject-matter jurisdiction that DO NOT appear on the agenda (comments only, no discussion) no commentary

ITEM 25: Board Members Announcements on matters within the Executive Board's subject-matter jurisdiction that DO NOT appear on the agenda (comments only, no discussion) no commentary

ITEM 26: Adjournment – Rosalío García moved to adjourn and Monica Vacas seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:54 PM.

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