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**MINUTES (FINAL)  
 Board Meeting (Regular)  
 Tuesday, May 13, 2014, 6:30PM**

Meeting Location:  
 Villa Scalabrini  
 10631 Vinedale St.  
 Sun Valley, CA 91352

Board Member Roll	Title	Status
Aggas, Gary	Board Member	Absent, Excused
Allen, Mark B.	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Absent, Excused
Bartlett, Susan	Board Member	PRESENT (out 9PM)
Bille, Elizabeth	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	PRESENT
Boyd, Debbie	Board Member	PRESENT
Carvajal, Sergio	Board Member	PRESENT (out 9PM)
Cuevas, Lysander	Board Member	PRESENT
Culley, Gene	Board Member	PRESENT
Housden, Linda	Board Member	PRESENT (in 6:42PM)
Khalaf, Sam	Board Member	PRESENT (in 9PM)
Koenig, Mylo	Secretary	PRESENT
Mardirossian, Mark	Treasurer	PRESENT
O'Gara, Barbara	Board Member	PRESENT
O'Gara, Mike	President	PRESENT
Perez, Carmen	Board Member	PRESENT
Salazar, Daniel	Board Member	PRESENT (in 6:41PM)
Thum, Wendy	Board Member	PRESENT
Vacas, Monica	Board Member	PRESENT
<b>TOTAL (18)</b>		<b>16 Present, 2 Absent</b>

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

- President Mike O'Gara officially called the general meeting of Sun Valley Neighborhood Council to order at 06:34 pm
- The Pledge of Allegiance and SVANC's Code of Civility were recited
- Mr. O'Gara stated that the Metro presentation for today's meeting was canceled
- Mr. Koenig took roll.
- 13 board members were present at 6:35PM, quorum was met.

**ITEM 2: Opening Remarks**

- None

**ITEM 3: Emergency Personnel from Fire and Police Departments**

*Officer Esther Vasquez, Senior Lead Officer*

- Officer Vasquez introduced her new partner Officer Richard Wall, who will handle A77 (the other part of Sun Valley).
- Officer Wall discussed efforts to shut down non-Prop. D marijuana clinics in the area.
- Officer Vasquez stated that crime is down by 1% in the area she covers; and Foothill

- Division is down overall by 23%--especially violent crimes. Property crimes are down.
- She discussed cleanup events partnered with Graffiti Busters and the Watershed Protection program, and that LAPD bike and horse units have visited Sun Valley Park.
- Officer Vasquez said that there is a work order to remove some of the benches at one corner of Sun Valley Park and that they are working with LASA to provide resources and services to the homeless to help decrease the number of homeless in the park and to increase the number of families who visit the park.

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

- Ms. Gabby Marquez from Congressman Cárdenas' office thanked the Board for their support at recent outreach events. She brought Congressional Certificates of Recognition for the SVANC board members who actively participated in the Affordable Health Care enrollment workshop organized by the Congressman's office, and added that through these efforts over 1,000 families were enrolled in health care.
- Certificates were presented to: Julie Monroy-Cantor, Barbara O'Gara, Linda Housden, Monica Vacas, Carmen Perez, Gary Aggas (absent), Mylo Koenig, Mike O'Gara, and one for the entire Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council.
- Cesar Huerta, CD6 field rep for Sun Valley, said that the Sun Valley Skate Park, currently called Southeast Valley Skate Park, will celebrate its grand opening on Thursday, June 5, 2014, at 3pm. Mr. Huerta invited SVANC's Board to have a booth at the grand opening. Congressman Cárdenas will attend the event. He said that the park is not officially named yet and all name suggestions are welcomed.
- Mr. Huerta announced a 'Clean-up-Green-up' workshop, May 14, 6pm, at Pacoima City Hall, organized by the City Planning Dept who will present a 'green policy proposal'.
- Mr. Huerta said that the City Council directed the City Attorney's office to instruct the City Planning Dept to draft an Interim Control Ordinance which would temporarily prevent permits from being issued to strip clubs, topless bars, massage parlors, dance halls, liquor stores and other adult businesses on Lankershim Blvd. between Roscoe & Tuxford; San Fernando Rd. between Sunland & Branford; and - on Sepulveda Blvd. between Oxnard & Rayen in Van Nuys. An amendment to add hotels and motels to the prohibited business list was also approved.
- Ms. Lorraine Diaz, Field Rep. for CD2 Councilmember Krekorian's office, thanked Ms. Linda Housden for her help, assistance and volunteerism with the Red Cross during the tragedy of the fire that burned down the 'San Fernando Rescue Mission', which displaced about 30 single mothers and their children. This is a local homeless shelter for families. The Dodgers are also inviting the affected families to attend a game, give away blankets to the children, and host a donation collection event.
- Ms. Diaz announced the following:
  - A community reminder to water lawns only on the scheduled day due to the severe drought: For odd-numbered addresses, watering is permitted Monday, Wednesday & Friday. For even-numbered addresses, watering is permitted Tuesday, Thursday & Sunday. No watering is permitted on Saturdays.
  - Upcoming events: a used motor oil/e-waste collection, fruit tree & seedling giveaways, and free sports camps for kids 7-14 at Hansen Dam Rec. Ctr. (with daily pickup at several area parks), Sun Valley Middle School open house, and LAPD's Tips For Kids at Bob's Big Boy.
  - The City of L.A. is hiring local youth between 14-24 years old, under the Summer Youth Program; about 18,000 youths should be hired for the summer.
  - The California High Speed Rail Authority informational meeting about the possibility high speed rail from L.A. to Palmdale, May 20<sup>th</sup> in San Fernando.
  - Mr. O'Gara said that SVANC will take part in Sun Valley Middle School event, and will help at the nonprofit Friends of the Sun Valley Library book sale at Sun Valley Library on Saturday May 31, with setup on May 30<sup>th</sup>.

- Ms. Lydia Grant, BONC’s Commissioner assigned to the North Valley NCs, introduced herself to the new board members. Ms. Grant informed SVANC that there are new rules about public posting requirements which can now take place in just one physical location under the Brown Act and BONC rules. This rule also requires posting on the NC's website and a copy to be emailed to "NC Support." She also encourages all NCs to utilize their mailing list to distribute information to stakeholders.
- Commissioner Grant asked all NC board members to sign up for the Presidential Volunteer Award System. This is an award system where the NC becomes a partner with the Federal government, and as people volunteer in the community they accrue hours into the federal site; this is also a great way to include youth as volunteers.

**ITEM 5: Public Comment** on matters within the Board’s subject-matter jurisdiction that do not appear on the agenda.

- The following people spoke during Public Comment:
- Ms. Liz Crosson, Executive Director of Los Angeles Water Keeper, an environmental non-profit organization that works on water pollution issues in L.A. County. Its website is [www.lawaterkeeper.org](http://www.lawaterkeeper.org)
- Mr. Bob Hertzberg, candidate for San Fernando Valley's 18th State Senate District
- Mr. Jorge Castaneda, organizer for [www.nextdoor.com](http://www.nextdoor.com)
- Mr. Karl Kunack, Sun Valley resident

**ITEM 6: Board member comments** on matters within the Board’s subject-matter jurisdiction that do not appear on the agenda.

- None

**OLD BUSINESS**

**ITEM 7:** Review, correct and approve the minutes from our April 8<sup>th</sup> Meeting

- Mr. O’Gara motioned to table April minutes until June 10<sup>th</sup>, seconded by Mr. Carvajal.
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a roll call vote
- The motion carried 15/0 with 3 absent.

YES – 15 - CARRIED	No – 0	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 0	Absent – 3
Bartlett, Bille, Boyd, Carvajal, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Koenig, Mardirossian, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Salazar, Thum, Vacas	NONE	NONE	N/A	Aggas, Allen, Khalaf

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ITEM 8: Committee Reports:**

Outreach/Election/Homeless/Beautification/CPAB/VANC/Planchek/LANCC/ Marijuana Clinic/Planning

- **Outreach:** Ms. Elizabeth Bille announced 2 outreach events: The Sun Valley Middle School open house, Thurs. May 15, 5-7pm. The SVANC will have an information booth—volunteers are needed. The Friends of the Sun Valley Library will host a used book sale. Volunteers are needed May 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>.
- **Election:** None.
- **Homeless:** Ms. Housden said that Mr. Gary Aggas attended a meeting at the VA hospital. Ms. Housden said that there is an organization called the ‘shoe crew’ through which new shoes are collected for homeless children.
- **Beautification:** None.
- **CPAB:** Ms. Bartlett said that this board met last week. A lot of time was spent discussing the reduction in crime rate. Ms. Bartlett also announced an eight-week CERT training program which will be held at the LAPD Foothill Division station.

- **VANC:** Mr. O’Gara said that they had a meeting last Thursday and the main subject was Solar Farms and their regulation.
- **Plancheck:** None.
- **LANCC:** Mr. O’Gara said that this meeting was held two weeks ago, and the LADWP attended to talk about consumer rebates available for residential properties.
- **Marijuana Clinic:** Mr. O’Gara said that Ms. Bartlett and Mr. Cuevas are members of this ad-hoc committee, and added that the LAPD is doing a wonderful job keeping illegally-run marijuana dispensaries out of the neighborhood.
- **Planning:** Mr. O’Gara stated that due to the Memorial Day weekend, the planning meeting will be held on May 21, 2014
- **Bylaws:** Mr. O’Gara stated that a meeting is planned in about two weeks.

**ITEM 9: Following this item there are three more items (10, 11, & 12) pertaining to what is the intent and how you interpret the bylaws regarding The Composition of the Governing Body.** The first two are placed on your agenda by the President of SVANC and the third one was requested by EmpowerLA and the City Attorney. The definition of a Stakeholder in our bylaws is in Article IV and states;

SVANC is open to all stakeholders within the boundaries of SVANC. A stakeholder is anyone who lives, works, owns property, or is a member of an organization within SVANC’s boundaries. In addition, Stakeholders include those who participate in Schools, Religious institutions, and community organizations, and any individual who declares a stake in the neighborhood and affirms the factual basis for it.

Mr. O’Gara stated that "any individual who declares a stake in the neighborhood and affirms the factual basis for it" is also considered under the "community interest stakeholder" category and in SVANC’s board that seat is currently held by Mr. Sergio Carvajal.

**ITEM 10: Discussion/Motion/Vote Article re: GOVERNING BOARD Section 1 COMPOSITION (of the Governing Body) (A).** Our bylaw regarding the qualifications or definition to be considered to be a Board member in the RESIDENT stakeholder category. It states: An individual whose primary residence is within SVANC’s boundaries. The President would like to know what you think the intent of this is: whether you think the intent is that it means you need to live in Sun Valley or that there can be another interpretation of this wording. A **yes** vote means that you believe the intent of this wording means that a person who wishes to fill a seat in the Resident category for SVANC must physically live or reside within the SVANC boundaries. A **no** vote means you think the intent of this allows another MEANING other than physically living in Sun Valley

- Ms. Vacas motioned to table items 10 & 11 until the June meeting, seconded by Mr. Cuevas
- The motion was on the floor for a roll call vote.
- The motion carried 13/2 with 3 absent.

<b>YES – 13 - CARRIED</b>	<b>No – 2</b>	<b>Recuse – 0</b>	<b>Not Eligible – 0</b>	<b>Absent – 3</b>
Bartlett, Bille, Boyd, Carvajal, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Mardirossian, O’Gara-B, Perez, Salazar, Thum, Vacas	Koenig, O-Gara-M	NONE	N/A	Aggas, Allen, Khalaf

**ITEM 11: Discussion/Motion/Vote Article V GOVERNING BOARD Section 1 COMPOSITION (of the Governing Body) (B)**

- This item was tabled with item 10. See item 10 for motion and vote count.

**ITEM 12:** (This item is placed on your agenda at the request of EmpowerLA and the City Attorney. They want to know how you interpret the qualifications for At-Large Stakeholder.)  
**Discussion/Motion/Vote Article V GOVERNING BOARD Section 1 COMPOSITION (of the Governing Body) (C).** Our bylaw regarding the qualifications or definition to be considered to be a Board member in the At-Large Stakeholder category. It states: An individual who participates in an organization or group within the boundaries, including but not limited to community-based, faith-based, or educational, which is not already identified in the stakeholder groups listed above. EmpowerLA, and the City Attorney would like to know if you think the intent of this bylaw means the organization or group referred to needs to have an office or an outlet within Sun Valley or that it might be interpreted another way, such as, but not limited to an organization that is not physically located within the boundaries of SVANC. A **yes** vote means you believe that the organization must have an office or outlet physically located within Sun Valley. A **no** vote means you think the intent of this allows another MEANING other than physically located in Sun Valley

- Mr. O’Gara stated that DCA Darren Martinez’ letter, which every board member has a copy of, states that under item 10’s definition you have to be a resident, under item 11’s definition you have to have a work or have a business in Sun Valley, and under item 12 it has to be decided whether...‘a community organization that has ties to the community is sufficient for naming a person to the vacant seat’...in other words, it means that per SVANC’s bylaws, it states that “you need to be a member, an individual who participates in an organization or a group within the boundaries, including but not limited to a community-based, faith-based or educational-based which is not already identified in the stakeholders groups listed above”.
- Mr. O’Gara said that the motion is for the Board to vote and decide whether or not an organization has to ‘physically be or have a physical address’ within the boundaries or is it acceptable for that organization not be located within SVANC’s boundaries.
- Mr. Cañas, EmpowerLA, read DCA Martinez’ email responding to the matter of how SVANC’s Board interprets the intent of the bylaws’ section in question, and that it lies within the Board’s discretion to determine the intent of its bylaws; your Board could address the issue in two different ways: that you place an item on the Agenda to decide how your Board will interpret the eligibility requirement for an at-large-seat; and under a different item to fill the vacancy...thus separating this issue into two separate Agenda items.
- Mr. O’Gara stated that the word ‘interpret’ is unclear because one needs to know the ‘intent’ of the authors. The way the bylaws have been interpreted for many years is that a person who wants to serve must belong to an organization within Sun Valley
- As suggested by Mr. Cañas, Mr. O’Gara clarified the motion to state that this section of SVANC’s bylaws means that the organization or group has to have a physical address within SVANC’s boundaries, seconded by Ms. Vacas.
- The motion was on the floor for discussion
- Ms. Boyd said that this issue came up because a question was raised about the ‘Gallant Few’ organization and whether this potential candidate, who is a volunteer in this organization, qualifies to serve on SVANC’s board under the bylaws’ definition of an At-Large seat. Ms. Boyd questioned the interpretation of SVANC bylaws’ definition of the At-Large category.
- Mr. Mardirossian stated that his understanding is that this describes a person who volunteers for an organization in Sun Valley’s boundaries and he/she must be a constant volunteer at the organization, which has a physical address within the NC’s boundaries.
- Ms. Vacas stated that it is important that the person who wants to become a SVANC member under the At-Large category must live in the community they want to serve.
- Mr. Cañas restated that this issue refers to a community organization that the ‘person claims a relationship to’ so therefore the question is, ‘Does that organization have to have

a physical address within the NC boundaries?'

- The motion as amended was on the floor for a vote
- Public comment was called for on this motion.
- The following individuals spoke during public comment:
  - Mr. Mark Reed, Ms. Cindy Sower, Ms. Zella Knight, Mr. Karl Kunak, Ms. Lydia Grant
- Mr. Mike O'Gara stated that the board has veterans now, Mr. Gary Aggas (who is also a member of the election committee who reviewed all candidate applications) who volunteers 50-60 hours a week at the VA, and he himself who is a US Navy veteran and proud of it.
- Ms. Boyd stated that she is against this motion and this should be taken up with the Bylaws Committee. She stated that Board member Mylo Koenig is in exactly the same situation as the candidate in question because Mr. Koenig does not live in Sun Valley and the organization he belongs to, Friends of The Sun Valley Library, does not have a physical address in Sun Valley, so if this motion passed, he will not be qualified to continue as a board member.
- Mr. Cañas advised the board member that was challenged to respond.
- Mr. Koenig responded to Ms. Boyd's statements that his candidate application included proof of membership in the Friends of the Sun Valley Library and that this proof was accepted by the Los Angeles City Clerk's office. Further he stated that he has lived in Sun Valley for almost 20 years. He knows the Friends of the Sun Valley Library operates out of the Los Angeles Public Library's Sun Valley Branch on Vineland and Saticoy which is within the SVANC boundaries, and that mail sent to them at that address would be received.
- Mr. Mardirossian said that the comments made about SVANC's board members being discriminatory against veterans is unfounded because currently there are at least 2 veterans serving on the board, and have been members for a number of years. He added that all the board members have the same goal: to serve and improve the Sun Valley community. Ms. Vacas and Ms. Perez agreed with Mr. Mardirossian's comments.
- Ms. Boyd stated that she still does not think that Mr. Koenig lives within the SVANC boundaries.
- Ms. Thum said that she felt that the only person who's actually being discriminated against is Mr. Koenig. The issue is really what's in our name: it's a "neighborhood" council. Everyone who qualifies has demonstrated an allegiance to the neighborhood, to the Sun Valley area - the events, businesses, people, churches, and groups within it - this is local. Candidates should show allegiance on a local level to the Sun Valley Area. It must be some sort of physical involvement in the community, not necessarily the address.
- Mr. Cuevas said that in fact some current SVANC board members don't live in Sun Valley but they do a lot of work, volunteer and otherwise, here. He also feels that the Election Committee took it upon themselves to interpret the bylaws on behalf of the board, and that not all board members got copies of the emails sent back and forth to candidates. All board members should have been included in all email communication with candidates and the entire board has to be in agreement, and gray areas should be referred to the Bylaws Committee. There are a lot of communications that don't get sent to everybody and that's wrong. Mr. Cuevas added that the fact that people applied and are interested in serving in the board is very significant and appreciated.
- Mr. O'Gara called for the vote

- Mr. Cañas restated the motion.
- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote
- The motion passed 9/6 with 3 absent that an organization or a group must have a physical address within SVANC’s boundaries in order to qualify under the At-Large category.

<b>YES – 9 - CARRIED</b>	No – 6	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 0	Absent – 3
Bille, Carvajal, Koenig, Mardirossian, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Thum, Vacas	Bartlett, Boyd, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Salazar	NONE	N/A	Aggas, Allen, Khalaf

**Election of Candidates for Open Board Positions  
ALL Candidates must receive a majority vote to win a seat**

**ITEM 13: There is one open Position in the Business Category**

There is one candidate- Salvador Najarro. Mr. Najarro will be asked why he would make a good Board member for a seat on the SVANC board. Each candidate will have One (1) minute to read their answer. The filing statement is 150 words or less and should be read in close to one minute. After his response, the board will vote Each Board member will have one vote- Yes or No. We will vote on Mr Najarro. If Mr Najarro wins a majority of the votes he will take a seat on the Board with the ability to vote. If he fails to win a majority of votes the position will be declared still vacant and the Board will be asked to recruit more candidates for a future election.

- Mr. O’Gara stated that for this seat the candidate must win a majority of the vote
- Mr. Najarro stated the reasons why he wanted to be a candidate
- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote for Mr. Salvador Najarro for the Business seat.

<b>NAJARRO: YES – 16</b>	No – 0	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 0	Absent – 3
Bartlett, Bille, Boyd, Carvajal, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Koenig, Mardirossian, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Salazar, Thum, Vacas	NONE	NONE	N/A	Aggas, Allen, Khalaf

- Mr. O’Gara announced that Mr. Najarro with 16 ‘yes’ votes was the candidate with the majority of votes.
- **Mr. Najarro was appointed to SVANC’s board under the Business category.**
- The board now has 16 members present, 3 absent.

**ITEM 14: There are two open positions in the At-Large Category.** These positions will be voted on one at a time. There are eight (8) candidates. THE CANDIDATES ARE: -Josefina Flores, Casey Gray (pending), Sean Inkelaar-Cruz, Zella Knight, Chuck Loring, Robert McAllister, Julie Monroy-Cantor, Samuel Palomino. These names are in alphabetical order here, but will actually be called per a list from EmpowerLA. The candidates will be invited up in front of the board in an order determined by EmpowerLA. After they are all in front of the board each candidate (in the same order) will be asked to tell us why they would make a good Board member for a seat on the SVANC Board. Each candidate will have one (1) minute to read their answer. The filing statement is 150 words or less and should be read in close to one minute.

Each board member will have ONE vote, YES or NO. If no candidate wins a majority vote, the two candidates receiving the least number of votes will be eliminated and the board will vote again-if no candidate wins a majority vote on the second vote the two candidates with the least number of votes will be eliminated and we vote again to see if one person wins a majority of votes- And we do it again if necessary if one person wins a majority of votes-That person will be seated on the board with the ability to vote. If no one garners a majority of the votes the seat will be declared still vacant and the Board will be asked to recruit more candidates for a future election.

- Mr. O’Gara stated that one application is still pending, awaiting documentation that the candidate is a member of a local organization, and that is Mr. Casey Gray. Mr. O’Gara

asked if Mr. Gray was present.

- Mr. Casey Gray came forward and stated that the board discriminated against the organization he works for, and presented a membership letter from the American Legion, which has a branch in Sun Valley. Mr. O’Gara stated that this had been requested earlier but it was not given. Mr. Gray’s qualification as a candidate for SVANC’s At-Large board seat was confirmed with this letter.
- The following candidates were asked to come forward to speak: Mr. Robert McAllister (absent), Mr. Chuck Loring, Mr. Casey Gray, Ms. Josefina Flores (absent), Mr. Sean Inkelaar-Cruz, Mr. Samuel Palomino, Ms. Zella Knight, and Ms. Julie Monroy-Cantor
- Each candidate was given one minute to speak. Each candidate present made a statement on the reason/s why each is running as a candidate for SVANC’s Board
- Roll call votes were taken for each candidate for the first of two At-Large seats.

- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote for Mr. Robert McAllister for the 1<sup>st</sup> At-Large seat:
- Mr. McAllister received -0- YES votes, 16 NO votes, with 3 absent.

<b>McALLISTER:</b> Yes – 0	No – 16	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 0	Absent – 3
NONE	Bartlett, Bille, Boyd, Carvajal, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Koenig, Mardirossian, Najarro, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Salazar, Thum, Vacas	NONE	N/A	Aggas, Allen, Khalaf

- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote for Mr. Chuck Loring for the 1<sup>st</sup> At-Large seat:
- Mr. Loring received 3 YES votes, 13 NO votes, with 3 absent.

<b>LORING:</b> Yes – 3	No – 13	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 0	Absent – 3
Culley, Housden, Salazar	Bartlett, Bille, Boyd, Carvajal, Cuevas, Koenig, Mardirossian, Najarro, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Salazar, Thum, Vacas	NONE	N/A	Aggas, Allen, Khalaf

- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote for Mr. Casey Gray for the 1<sup>st</sup> At-Large seat:
- Mr. Gray received 8 YES votes and 8 NO votes, with 3 absent.

<b>GRAY:</b> Yes – 8	No – 8	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 0	Absent – 3
Boyd, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Mardirossian, Perez, Salazar, Vacas	Bartlett, Bille, Carvajal, Koenig, Najarro, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Thum	NONE	N/A	Aggas, Allen, Khalaf

- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote for Ms. Josefina Flores for the 1<sup>st</sup> At-Large seat:
- Ms. Flores got -0- YES votes, 16 NO votes with 3 absent.

<b>FLORES:</b> Yes – 0	No – 16	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 0	Absent – 3
NONE	Bartlett, Bille, Boyd, Carvajal, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Koenig, Mardirossian, Najarro, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Salazar, Thum, Vacas	NONE	N/A	Aggas, Allen, Khalaf

- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote for Mr. Sean Inkelaar-Cruz for the 1<sup>st</sup> At-Large seat:
- Mr. Inkelaar-Cruz received 11 YES votes, 5 NO votes, with 3 absent.

<b>INKELAAR-CRUZ:</b> Yes – 11	No – 5	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 0	Absent – 3
Bartlett, Bille, Carvajal, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Koenig, Najarro, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez	Boyd, Mardirossian, Salazar, Thum, Vacas	NONE	N/A	Aggas, Allen, Khalaf

- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote for Mr. Samuel Palomino for the 1<sup>st</sup> At-Large seat:
- Mr. Palomino received 4 YES votes, 12 NO votes with 3 absent.

<b>PALOMINO:</b> Yes – 4	No – 12	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 0	Absent – 3
Bille, Mardirossian, Najarro, Perez	Bartlett, Boyd, Carvajal, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Koenig, Najarro, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Salazar, Thum, Vacas	NONE	N/A	Aggas, Allen, Khalaf



- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote for Ms. Zella Knight for the 1<sup>st</sup> At-Large seat:
- Ms. Knight received 9 YES votes, 7 NO votes with 3 absent.

KNIGHT: Yes – 9	No – 7	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 0	Absent – 3
Bille, Boyd, Carvajal, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Mardirossian, Najarro, Vacas	Bartlett, Koenig, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Salazar, Thum	NONE	N/A	Aggas, Allen, Khalaf

- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote for Ms. Julie Monroy-Cantor for the 1<sup>st</sup> At-Large seat:
- Ms. Monroy-Cantor received 15 YES votes, 1 NO vote, with 3 absent.

MONROY-CANTOR: YES – 15	No – 1	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 0	Absent – 3
Bartlett, Bille, Carvajal, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Koenig, Mardirossian, Najarro, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Salazar, Thum, Vacas	Boyd	NONE	N/A	Aggas, Allen, Khalaf

- Mr. O’Gara announced that Ms. Monroy-Cantor with 15 ‘yes’ votes was the candidate with the majority of votes.
- **Ms. Monroy-Cantor was appointed to SVANC’s board under the first At-Large seat.**
- The board now has 17 members present, 3 absent.

**ITEM 15: We will vote for the second At-Large candidate seat.** All the candidates who did not win the first open seat will be voted on again. They will not read their Statement of why they would make a good board member a second time. Each board member will have ONE vote, YES or NO. (Additional information as stated in item 14 was repeated to the board.)

- Mr. O’Gara stated that a new roll call vote was going to take place for the second open At-Large seat.
- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote for Mr. Robert McAllister for the 2<sup>nd</sup> At-Large seat:
- Mr. McAllister received -0- YES votes, 17 NO votes, with 3 absent.

McALLISTER: Yes – 0	No – 17	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 0	Absent – 3
NONE	Bartlett, Bille, Boyd, Carvajal, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Koenig, Mardirossian, Monroy-Cantor, Najarro, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Salazar, Thum, Vacas	NONE	N/A	Aggas, Allen, Khalaf

- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote for Mr. Chuck Loring for the 2<sup>nd</sup> At-Large seat:
- Mr. Loring received 2 YES votes, 15 NO votes, with 3 absent.

LORING: Yes – 2	No – 15	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 0	Absent – 3
Culley, Salazar	Bartlett, Bille, Boyd, Carvajal, Cuevas, Housden, Koenig, Mardirossian, Monroy-Cantor, Najarro, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Thum, Vacas	NONE	N/A	Aggas, Allen, Khalaf

- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote for Mr. Casey Gray for the 2<sup>nd</sup> At-Large seat:
- Mr. Gray received 7 YES votes and 10 NO votes, with 3 absent.

GRAY: Yes – 7	No – 10	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 0	Absent – 3
Boyd, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Mardirossian, Salazar, Vacas	Bartlett, Bille, Carvajal, Koenig, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Thum, Najarro, Monroy-Cantor	NONE	N/A	Aggas, Allen, Khalaf

- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote for Ms. Josefina Flores (absent) for the 2<sup>nd</sup> At-Large seat:
- Ms. Flores received -0- YES votes, 17 NO votes, with 3 absent.

FLORES: Yes – 0	No – 17	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 0	Absent – 3
NONE	Bartlett, Bille, Boyd, Carvajal, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Koenig, Mardirossian, Monroy-Cantor, Najarro, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Salazar, Thum, Vacas	NONE	N/A	Aggas, Allen, Khalaf

- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote for Mr. Sean Inkelaar-Cruz for the 2<sup>nd</sup> At-Large seat:

- Mr. Inkelaar-Cruz received 11 YES votes, 6 NO votes, with 3 absent.

<b>INKELAAR-CRUZ: YES – 11</b>	No – 6	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 0	Absent – 3
Bartlett, Bille, Carvajal, Culley, Koenig, Monroy-Cantor, Najarro, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Vacas	Boyd, Cuevas, Housden, Mardirossian, Salazar, Thum	NONE	N/A	Aggas, Allen, Khalaf

- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote for Mr. Samuel Palomino for the 2<sup>nd</sup> At-Large seat:
- Mr. Palomino received 8 YES votes, 9 NO votes with 3 absent.

<b>PALOMINO: Yes – 8</b>	No – 9	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 0	Absent – 3
Bille, Koenig, Mardirossian, Monroy-Cantor, Najarro, Perez, Salazar, Thum	Bartlett, Boyd, Carvajal, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Vacas	NONE	N/A	Aggas, Allen, Khalaf

- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote for Ms. Zella Knight for the 2<sup>nd</sup> At-Large seat:
- Ms. Knight received 9 YES votes, 8 NO votes with 3 absent.

<b>KNIGHT: Yes – 9</b>	No – 8	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 0	Absent – 3
Bille, Boyd, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Mardirossian, Monroy-Cantor, Najarro, Vacas	Bartlett, Carvajal, Koenig, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Salazar, Thum	NONE	N/A	Aggas, Allen, Khalaf

- Mr. O’Gara announced that Mr. Sean Inkelaar-Cruz with 11 ‘yes’ votes as the candidate with the majority of votes.
- **Mr. Inkelaar-Cruz was appointed to SVANC’s board under the second At-Large seat.**
- The board now has 18 members present, 3 absent.

**ITEM 16: There are two open positions for Senior Representative. These positions will be voted on one at a time. There are two candidates- Mike Boyd and Cindy Sower.**

The two candidates will be called before the board in an order determined by EmpowerLA. Each candidate will be asked to tell us why they would make a good Board member for Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council. Each board member will have ONE vote, YES or NO. If no candidate wins a majority vote, the one candidate receiving the least number of votes will be eliminated and the board will vote again. If the single candidate being voted on wins a majority vote on the second vote, that person will be seated on the board with the ability to vote. If that person does not win a majority of the vote that seat will be declared still vacant and the Board will be asked to recruit more candidates for a future election.

Then we will vote on the second open seat and the remaining candidate. If the single candidate being voted on wins a majority vote - that person will be seated on the board with the ability to vote. If that person does not win a majority of the vote that seat will be declared vacant and we will continue to search for a candidate that the board will elect.

- Mr. Mike O’Gara informed both Mr. Boyd and Ms. Sower that the Board was going to vote for each candidate, in random order, for the first Senior Rep category position.
- Each candidate stated the reason why he or she was running as candidates for the position under this category.
- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote for Ms. Cindy Sower for the 1<sup>st</sup> Senior Representative seat.
- Mr. Khalaf arrived prior to this vote. The board now has 19 members present, 2 absent.
- Ms. Sower received 19 YES votes, -0- NO votes with 2 absent.

<b>SOWER: YES – 19</b>	No – 0	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 0	Absent – 2
Bartlett, Bille, Boyd, Carvajal, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Inkelaar-Cruz, Khalaf, Koenig, Mardirossian, Monroy-Cantor, Najarro, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Salazar, Thum, Vacas	NONE	NONE	N/A	Aggas, Allen

- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote for Mr. Mike Boyd for the 1<sup>st</sup> Senior Representative seat.
- Mr. Boyd received 10 YES votes, 9 NO votes, with 2 absent.

<b>BOYD-M: Yes – 10</b>	No – 9	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 0	Absent – 2
Boyd-D, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Inkelaar-Cruz, Khalaf, Mardirossian, Najarro, Salazar, Vacas	Bartlett, Bille, Carvajal, Koenig, Monroy-Cantor, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Thum	NONE	N/A	Aggas, Allen

- Mr. O’Gara announced that Ms. Sower with 19 ‘yes’ votes was the candidate with the majority of votes.
- **Ms. Sower was appointed to SVANC’s board under the 1<sup>st</sup> Senior Representative seat.**
- The board now has 20 members present, 2 absent.
- Mr. O’Gara also announced that there is one more vacancy in the Senior Representative category. He added that this candidate must get a majority vote from SVANC’s Board in order to take this seat.

- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote for Mr. Mike Boyd for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Senior Representative seat.
- Mr. Boyd received 12 YES votes, 8 NO votes, with 2 absent.

<b>BOYD-M: YES – 12</b>	No – 8	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 0	Absent – 2
Boyd-D, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Inkelaar-Cruz, Mardirossian, Monroy-Cantor, Najarro, Perez, Salazar, Sower, Vacas	Bartlett, Bille, Carvajal, Koenig, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Thum	NONE	N/A	Aggas, Allen

- Mr. O’Gara announced that Mr. Boyd with 12 ‘yes’ votes was the candidate with the majority of votes.
- **Mr. Boyd was appointed to SVANC’s board under the 2<sup>nd</sup> Senior Representative seat.**
- The board now has 21 members present, 2 absent.

**ITEM 17: There remain two open seats for youth advisor. The board will continue to search for candidates.**

- No action taken

**ITEM 18: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve 2 pieces of equipment for Board meetings \$65, and 3 items for computer \$320, and Website Server/Domain name \$100 NOT TO EXCEED \$425 (Koenig)**

- Mr. O’Gara stated that the motion needs to be amended to read “amount not to exceed \$485”, therefore, an amendment was made to this motion to change the amount from \$425 to \$485, seconded by Ms. Vacas.
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a funding vote
- Since this is a motion regarding funding, only those who have taken ethics and funding training are eligible to vote.
- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote of those eligible to vote on funding matters.
- The motion passed 16/0 with 2 not eligible and 5 absent.

<b>YES – 16 - CARRIED</b>	No – 0	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 2	Absent – 5 (*temporarily)
Bille, Boyd-D, Boyd-M, Carvajal, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Koenig, Monroy-Cantor, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Salazar, Sower, Thum, Vacas	NONE	NONE	Inkelaar-Cruz, Najarro	Aggas, Allen, Bartlett, Khalaf*, Mardirossian*

**ITEM 19: Motion/Discussion/Vote to sponsor the Congress of Neighborhood Councils not to exceed \$300**

- Mr. O’Gara stated that this NC Congress will be held on September 20<sup>th</sup> in City Hall and all 95 neighborhood councils participate from 8:30am–5pm. Parking will be provided
- The motion was made by Mr. O’Gara, seconded by Mr. Mardirossian

- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a funding vote
- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote of those eligible to vote on funding matters.
- The motion passed 18/0 with 2 not eligible and 3 absent.

<b>YES – 18 - CARRIED</b>	No – 0	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 2	Absent – 3
Bille, Boyd-D, Boyd-M, Carvajal, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Khalaf, Koenig, Mardirossian, Monroy-Cantor, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Salazar, Sower, Thum, Vacas	NONE	NONE	Inkelaar-Cruz, Najarro	Aggas, Allen, Bartlett

**ITEM 20: Motion/Discussion/Vote to Sponsor the Budget Advocates not to exceed \$100**

- Mr. O’Gara said that the Budget Advocates group consist of about 20 reps from neighborhood councils. They review the mayor’s budget and meet with representatives of each City Department. SVANC board members are welcome to participate as budget advocates.
- Mr. Cánas said the City is divided into 7 planning regions and all NCs are invited to participate and choose two budget reps from each NC along with a number of alternates.
- The motion was made by Mr. O’Gara and seconded by Mr. Koenig
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a funding vote
- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote of those eligible to vote on funding matters.
- The motion passed 15/3 with 2 not eligible and 3 absent.

<b>YES – 15 - CARRIED</b>	No – 3	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 2	Absent – 3
Bille, Boyd-D, Boyd-M, Carvajal, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Khalaf, Koenig, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Salazar, Sower, Vacas	Mardirossian, Monroy-Cantor, Thum	NONE	Inkelaar-Cruz, Najarro	Aggas, Allen, Bartlett

**ITEM 21: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve Mike O’Gara to pick up all registration forms from the City Clerk’s office**

- Mr. O’Gara said that these are registration forms that people filled out who voted in the last SVANC election. The information on the forms will be input into the SVANC’s mailing list.
- The motion was made by Mr. O’Gara and seconded by Mr. Koenig
- The motion was on the floor for discussion a vote
- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote
- The motion passed 20/0 with 3 absent.

<b>YES – 20 - CARRIED</b>	No – 0	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 0	Absent – 3
Bille, Boyd-D, Boyd-M, Carvajal, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Inkelaar-Cruz, Khalaf, Koenig, Mardirossian, Monroy-Cantor, Najarro, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Salazar, Sower, Thum, Vacas	NONE	NONE	N/A	Aggas, Allen, Bartlett

**ITEM 22: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve Mike O’Gara to write a CIS for two City Council Motions, one for an Interim Control Ordinance CFI 14-0465 and one for Open Space CFI# 14-0399**

- Mr. O’Gara said that both these motions were presented by Councilmember Martinez.
- The motion was made by Mr. O’Gara, and seconded by Mr. Koenig
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a non-funding vote
- Mr. O’Gara stated that the Interim Control Ordinance provides an area free from prostitution; and, the open space ordinance is regarding the property on Strathern and Tujungua. One portion of the property will be the Strathern Wetland Park, which will be designed by the Army Corps of Engineers, and the other portion will be a driving range. This property used to be a landfill. The Community Impact Statement will be written and state that the SVANC is for these motions.
- Mr. Cuevas asked for the letter to be presented to the Board before it is sent out. Mr. O’Gara reiterated that he is not writing a letter, only a simple statement which will say ‘SVANC is in favor of this motion.’ Due to time constraints it is not always practical to seek a second approval or wait for comments.

- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote
- The motion passed 20/0 with 3 absent.

<b>YES – 20 - CARRIED</b>	No – 0	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 0	Absent – 3
Bille, Boyd-D, Boyd-M, Carvajal, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Inkelaar-Cruz, Khalaf, Koenig, Mardirossian, Monroy-Cantor, Najarro, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Salazar, Sower, Thum, Vacas	NONE	NONE	N/A	Aggas, Allen, Bartlett

**ITEM 23: Motion /Discussion/Vote to approve money for the Foothill Police Jeopardy Program. This is a Neighborhood Purposes Grant, not to exceed \$1000 (Vacas)**

- Ms. Vacas said that this item was proposed to SVANC’s Finance Committee. This will be used for at-risk youth in the Jeopardy program to provide activities like boxing competition training, tutoring services, parenting classes. 15 of the 35 students are from Sun Valley.
- Ms. Vacas stated that if SVANC approves \$1,000 for Jeopardy, SVANC’s banner will be placed around the ring at an upcoming event on May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2014, 8am-7pm, in Pacoima.
- Ms. Vacas made the motion, seconded by Ms. Monroy-Cantor
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a funding vote
- Mr. Culley asked for a description of a Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG). Mr. C anas stated that a demand warrant is the ‘vehicle/form’ through which you request NPG funds; NPG funds are for non-profit organizations, and documentation must be filed verifying how the funds were used.
- A Board member also suggested that in the future the Foothill Cadet/Explorers should be considered for these types of grants.
- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote of those eligible to vote on funding matters.
- The motion passed 12/4 with 2 not eligible and 5 absent.

<b>YES – 12 - CARRIED</b>	No – 4	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 2	Absent – 5 (*temporarily)
Bille, Cuevas, Housden, Khalaf, Koenig, Mardirossian, Monroy-Cantor, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Sower, Thum	Boyd-D, Boyd-M, Culley, Salazar	NONE	Inkelaar-Cruz, Najarro	Aggas, Allen, Bartlett, Carvajal, Vacas*

**ITEM 24: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve purchase 12 Gross of Balloons imprinted with our name, not to exceed \$80 (M. O’Gara)**

- Mr. O’Gara said that these balloons are used in all of SVANC’s outreach events. Mr. O’Gara amended the motion to read “...1 gross of balloons...,” seconded by Ms. Monroy-Cantor
- The motion, as amended, was on the floor for discussion and a funding vote
- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote of those eligible to vote on funding matters.
- The motion passed 16/0 with 2 not eligible and 5 absent.

<b>YES – 16 - CARRIED</b>	No – 0	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 2	Absent – 5 (*temporarily)
Bille, Boyd-D, Boyd-M, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Khalaf, Koenig, Mardirossian, Monroy-Cantor, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Salazar, Sower, Thum	NONE	NONE	Inkelaar-Cruz, Najarro	Aggas, Allen, Bartlett, Carvajal, Vacas*

**ITEM 25: Motion/Discussion/Vote to allow the “P” card holder to spend up to \$300 for last minute items for the running of the office or Committee needs. (Aggas)**

- Mr. O’Gara made the motion, seconded by Ms. Monroy-Cantor.
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a funding vote
- Mr. O’Gara said that the “P” card holder is Mr. Aggas, and this motion is made each year.
- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote of those eligible to vote on funding matters.
- The motion passed 16/0 with 2 not eligible and 5 absent.

<b>YES – 16 - CARRIED</b>	No – 0	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 2	Absent – 5 (*temporarily)
Bille, Boyd-D, Boyd-M, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Khalaf, Koenig, Mardirossian, Monroy-Cantor, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Salazar, Sower, Thum	NONE	NONE	Inkelaar-Cruz, Najarro	Aggas, Allen, Bartlett, Carvajal, Vacas*

**ITEM 26: Motion/Discussion/Vote to purchase a Helium tank and dolly and a regulator and helium for outreach events, not to exceed \$900 (Aggas/Khalaf)**

- The motion was made by Mr. O’Gara, seconded by Ms. Monroy-Cantor
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a funding vote
- Mr. Khalaf stated that a helium tank costs about \$600.
- Mrs. Boyd stated that this amount will be better used in community programs.
- Mr. Culley said that he has access to an empty tank and the supplies that come with it, at no charge.
- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote of those eligible to vote on funding matters.
- The motion passed 13/4 with 2 not eligible and 4 absent.

<b>YES – 13 - CARRIED</b>	No – 4	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 2	Absent – 4 (*temporarily)
Bille, Culley, Housden, Khalaf, Koenig, Mardirossian, Monroy-Cantor, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Salazar, Thum, Vacas	Boyd-D, Boyd-M, Cuevas, Sower	NONE	Inkelaar-Cruz, Najarro	Aggas, Allen, Bartlett, Carvajal

**ITEM 27: Treasurers report; Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve the Treasurer’s Report.**

- Mr. Mardirossian gave the following expense report for April 2014’s expenses on the ‘P’ card for a total of \$1,816.05:
  - Fernangeles Park Easter Egg Hunt: \$142.51, Helium Tank: \$43.59, Elections Social Media (Facebook): \$21.71, Supplies and ID tags; \$76.41, Pizza for monthly meeting: \$60.30, Sun Valley Park Easter Egg Hunt: \$147.15, SVANC’s website: \$9.95, Desktop computer: \$904.69, Flat monitor: \$163.49, Software for computer: \$246.25
- Mr. Mardirossian said that the cumulative expenditures for this fiscal year as of April 24, 2014 is \$26,566.69.
- Mr. Mardirossian said that the outstanding demand warrants add up to about \$5000
- Mr. Mardirossian said that year-to-date expenditures and outstanding encumbrances is \$32,955, leaving a balance of \$4,045 available to spend by the fiscal year end on June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a funding vote
- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote of those eligible to vote on funding matters, to approve the Treasurer's report
- The motion passed 17/0 with 2 not eligible and 4 absent.

<b>YES – 17 - CARRIED</b>	No – 0	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 2	Absent – 4 (*temporarily)
Bille, Boyd-D, Boyd-M, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Khalaf, Koenig, Mardirossian, Monroy-Cantor, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Salazar, Sower, Thum, Vacas	NONE	NONE	Inkelaar-Cruz, Najarro	Aggas, Allen, Bartlett, Carvajal

**ITEM 28: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve to fund our account for next month’s anticipated expenditures.**

- Mr. Mardirossian made a motion to approve \$4,572.25, seconded by Ms. Thum
- The motion was on the floor for discussion and a funding vote
- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote of those eligible to vote on funding matters.
- The motion passed 17/0 with 2 not eligible and 4 absent.

<b>YES – 17 - CARRIED</b>	No – 0	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 2	Absent – 4 (*temporarily)
Bille, Boyd-D, Boyd-M, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Khalaf, Koenig, Mardirossian, Monroy-Cantor, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Salazar, Sower, Thum, Vacas	NONE	NONE	Inkelaar-Cruz, Najarro	Aggas, Allen, Bartlett, Carvajal

**ITEM 29: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve the Planning Committee to write a letter to Planning and Zoning regarding the application of the mini mall on Glenoaks Blvd for a variance.**

- Mr. O’Gara motioned to vote on items 29, 30, 31, 32, & 33 as a block. This motion would give Mr. O’Gara permission to write a letter to the City’s Planning Dept. regarding zoning issues on various land use/planning projects. Mr. O’Gara stated that

the projects under these items will be presented within the next two-three weeks.

- A motion was on the floor for discussion and a vote for all five items
- Ms. Boyd asked if the Board will be able to review the letters prior to being sent out/delivered to the addressees. Ms. Vacas suggested that any Board member interested can accompany Mr. O’Gara at the time he is writing each letter.
- Ms. Thum suggested that a deadline to review a letter should be announced in order for anyone who is interested in reviewing it can make suggestions within the deadline period so as not to impede the progress of SVANC.
- A number of unidentified board members asked to have the letters emailed to the rest of the board prior to them being sent out.
- Mr. O’Gara stated that he will send the letters to the board members, time permitting; Mr. O’Gara added that he has constantly asked the rest of SVANC’s Planning Committee members to assist in the letter writing process, to no avail.
- Additionally, Mr. O’Gara stated some examples of what are included in letter writing are for precedents the SVANC has already set. For instance an apartment owner was asked to install Wi-Fi in his building for low-income people and to commit to buy bus passed for those 26-apartment dwellers for a lifetime... these are just some of the examples of the letters written and negotiations therein accomplished.
- Mr. Koenig took roll for a vote on items 29, 30, 31, 32 & 33 to give permissions to a member of SVANC’s Planning Committee to write a letter for each of these items and approve them ‘as written’ with the majority of these in opposition to the projects as proposed.
- Mr. Koenig took a roll call vote
- The motion passed 17/2 with 4 absent.

YES – 17 - CARRIED	No – 2	Recuse – 0	Not Eligible – 0	Absent – 4 (*temporarily)
Bille, Cuevas, Culley, Housden, Inkelaar-Cruz, Khalaf, Koenig, Mardirossian, Monroy-Cantor, Najarro, O’Gara-B, O’Gara-M, Perez, Salazar, Sower, Thum, Vacas	Boyd-D, Boyd-M	NONE	N/A	Aggas, Allen, Bartlett, Carvajal

**ITEM 30: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve the Planning Committee to write a letter to Planning and Zoning regarding the application of LA Paperstock to double its intake of waste materials.**

- Items 29-33 voted as a block. See item 29 for vote results.

**ITEM 31: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve the Planning Committee to write letters in opposition to opening a topless bar on Lankershim near Roscoe.**

- Items 29-33 voted as a block. See item 29 for vote results.

**ITEM 32: Motion/Discussion/Vote to approve the Planning Committee to write a letter to Planning and Zoning regarding the application of the 7/11 on Lankershim and Roscoe request for a 10 year CUP renewal, sale of single alcohol container and signage issue.**

- Items 29-33 voted as a block. See item 29 for vote results.

**ITEM 33: Discussion and Possible Action of the items on the last Planning Committee Agenda:**

- The Petaluma project;
- The Community Recycling application (pending)
- WIG and CR&RR;
- Athens Recycling;
- LA Paperstock
- News about all other pending planning projects.

- Items 29-33 voted as a block. See item 29 for vote results.

*These planning items on agenda are subject to Discussion and Possible Action.  
The Land Use Committee will meet the **week of May 19<sup>th</sup>** (date TBA)*

**ITEM 34: Public Comment**

- No public comment.

**ITEM 35: Board Member Comments**

- No board member comments.

**ITEM 36: Adjournment**

- A motion was made by Mr. Mardirossian, seconded by Monica Vacas, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 10:27pm

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