

Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council
General Board Online Meeting
Meeting date: July 14, 2021 7:00pm
ZOOM Meeting Online or by Telephone

Item 1-3 Call to Order, Welcome, President's Opening Comments and Pledge of Allegiance

President Grant Calls meeting to order at 7:01 pm. She welcomes the Board and the audience and requests speakers respect others and stay on topic. She has heard so much talk about the police that she would like to share her own experience when her mother passed away in her car. It took 5 hours for the LA Coroner to come; the LAPD stayed with her the whole time and were very kind. Carol Hutchinson will act as Secretary for this meeting. Cindy Cleghorn is here, but calling in from the hospital.

Item 3. Roll Call (at 7:03pm)

Board Member	Roll Call	Funding Voting Eligibility	Board Appointment
Lydia Grant	Present	Yes	President
Lallah Rowe	Present	Yes	1st Vice President
Vacant		N/A	2nd Vice President - Outreach
Ed Babakhanian	Present	Yes	Treasurer
Vacant		N/A	Secretary
Mark Seigel	Present	Yes	At-Large Group Representative
Leny Freeman	Present	Yes	Region 1 Representative
K.T. Travers	Present	No	Region 1 Representative
Trevor Schmidt	Present	Yes	Region 2 Representative
Clare Gordon	Absent	Yes	Region 2 Representative
Jon von Gunten	Present	Yes	Region 3 Representative
Karen Perdue	Present	Yes	Region 3 Representative
Cheryl Schmidt	Present	Yes	Region 4 Representative
Carol Hutchinson	Present	Yes	Region 4 Representative
James Spishak	Present	Yes	Neighborhood Watch
Nina Royal	Present	Yes	STSERS
Cindy Cleghorn	Present Until 10:25	Yes	STSH Community Fund
Chris Rowe	Present	Yes	Toastmasters
Shirley Kim	Present until 9:38	Yes	Shekinah Church
Michelle Wadler	Present until 10:25	Yes	Apperson PTA
Janelle Hussion	Absent	Yes	ST Volunteer Team
Quorum: 11 17 present at roll call			

Item 4, Comments by Elected Officials / Representatives, DONE, City Departments

SLO Gloria Caloca, Tujunga – there has been a 10% decrease in part one crimes, a 26% increase in aggravated assault (5 incidents) an 8% increase in property crime. Has received lots of calls about trespassing, package theft. She suggests that if you are expecting a package; let a neighbor who is home know. She receives a lot of video footage from watchful neighbors. There are some RV campers on Foothill Blvd. The homeless situation at Day St and Pali Ave. is being worked on

Q&A:

Q: By Pres. Grant: Is anything being done about Patrick who camps on the sidewalk by Vons, Tujunga?

A: This is SLO's Contreras' area. Understands he is messy but he is compliant with ADA or will comply when requested to clear space. The City Council is working on a revised Section 4118 of the Municipal Code but as of now the policy is outreach regarding available homeless services, otherwise hands off.

Q: By Board Member Trevor Schmidt – is there anything we can do to influence the City Council on Section 4118?

A: Reach out to them regarding you views on way or the other. Not familiar with all provisions but understands it puts certain areas, such as around fire hydrants off limits to street camping.

SLO Cesar Contreras, Sunland – He is just back from vacation. Part one crimes are down in Sunland. The biggest challenge is quality of life issues RV's parking in front of houses, tent campers. There is still a ban on enforcement of vehicle camping, he tries to get voluntary compliance. He has heard the policy is going to change, he is curious about how they are going to implemented. He appreciates the STNC's support of the LAPD

Q&A:

Q: By Board Member Hutchinson: She saw a Facebook post about a hit and run accident on Sherman Grove where the LAPD response was very slow.

A: Patrol officers cannot be bogged down with a Police Report that can take 5 hours. The Valley Traffic Division lost a lot of officers and they have the same problem, they cannot do enforcement while writing reports. He sees a lot of red on his screens with officers being stuck on other calls. A non-injury traffic accident is low priority because these can be reported online.

Q: By Board Member Trevor Schmidt: What is the authority for the moratorium on vehicle camping enforcement?

A: The reasoning was that people would be less apt to get Covid 19, easier to contact if they were in vehicles or tents than if they were just on the street.

Eve Sinclair, Area Director for Councilwoman Monica Rodriguez – Covid infection rates are increasing, they are the worst since March so it may be a while before the moratorium on vehicle camping is lifted. She has worked on getting no overnight parking on some of the worst areas like Marnice Ave. near Foothill and Woodward from Foothill to McGroarty. The motion to do the same for Irma Ave. behind the Vons just passed. The best solution is to call LAHOP to get people housed and off the street.

Foothill from Sherman Grove to Apperson has been added to the high injury corridor. A Vision Zero Engineer is looking at how to improve safety on this section of Foothill. There is going to be a pop up event at Sunland Park to discuss this, she will be sending out notices soon. She notes the KSI rate between Fenwick and Wentworth was halved after the Vision Zero changes were made. The earmark grants for left hand turn signals at Oro Vista and Mt. Gleason, beacon lights at the fire station driveway and at Wyngate have been reinstated. The town meeting regarding the 10 million in flood control street and sidewalk improvements on Oro Vista near Foothill is scheduled for Aug. 4th. There will be a similar 3 million project around Tujunga Canyon Blvd. and Commerce. The \$100,000 grant for improved lighting at Finn Park is out to bid. The \$7,000 to fix the Verdugo Hills pool has been restored and will go out to bid in September.

The ST area under reports 311 requests vs. other areas in CD 7: 16, 900 calls YTD vs. 25,000 Pacoima and 33,000 for Sylmar. Goal is to double 311 calls in the area. She has met with area businesses re 311, is now working on Apartment Managers and schools. She recently went to Mountainview Elementary where each student adopted a street to do 311 reporting. Goal should be to make 1 311 call a week. You can download the 311 app, and send pictures.

Q&A:

By Treas. Babakhanian: He noticed that the sign at Oro Vista and Foothill has blown behind the signal. He also thinks some sort of mirror to aid visibility at Summitrose and Foothill would be helpful.

Q: By VP Rowe: Now that NVCH is done, can the STNC get their storage area back?

A: NVCH is not open to the public yet. She will check about access for storage only.

Q: By KT Travers: will the improvements around Tujunga Canyon Blvd.

A: Yes they are trying to use native plants, low water plants. There will be a town meeting about this project.

Q: By Board Member Perdue: is the ST council staff still at Pacoima?

A: No, now that the remodel of NVCH is done, the staff assigned to the ST area is back.

Q: By Pres. Grant: there are many homeless campers behind the Auto Zone

A: A case worker has been notified. Delia at the council office is working on this.

Q: By Board Member Von Gunten: where in the process is no overnight parking on Irma behind the Vons?

A: The motion was just passed by the City Council. There are many areas all over the City requesting this, so it will probably take a couple of months. The City still can't tow a vehicle someone is living in. The real solution is safe parking and outreach to try and find other housing solutions by working with Making it Happen and other homeless outreach groups.

Q: By Pres. Grant: what is the status of the left hand turn signal at Foothill and Valmont?

A: Since this is outside the high injury corridor, this traffic signal is approved, but without current funding. The City did improve the crosswalks at this intersection and make it no right on red.

Q: By Board Member Travis Schmidt: Is disappointed at the quality of the recent sidewalk repair near Verdugo Hills High, all that was done was asphalt patch. It is still a trip hazard.

A: There is a huge backlog citywide of sidewalks in need of repair. There are sidewalks around Mt. Gleason Middle School and Pinewood Elementary that also need repair. The ADA lawsuit settlement prioritized sidewalks near bus stops or nearby residences like apartments on Foothill.

Mary Jerejian, Field Representative for CA Assembly Member Luz Rivas – Assemblywoman Rivas is holding several events this month: Wildfire Preparation on July 28th, A small business loan Facebook Live Event on July 14th and a Cal Trans job fair on July 20th. Cal Trans is doing a clean-up event along several freeways in the area this month: 5, 170, 405, and 118. If you know of any problem areas on these freeways, send her an email. Her office has gotten a lot of calls about SB 9 and SB 10. SB 9 is still in the appropriations committee. it is in suspense and they won't know until after the recess if it is on hold, will be amended or up for a vote. SB 10 is on the floor and can be voted on, but most likely it will be after the summer recess and may be amended due to the concerns voiced by many, including Assembly Member Rivas. She is open to having a community zoom call to clear up some misconceptions about these bills. Her office is still dealing with EDD complaints, although they are fewer in number.

Item 5, Presentation & Training on the Neighborhood Council System

President Grant notes if anyone wants an item on the agenda, they should submit it early because the agenda fills up quickly. You also need to go to one of the Committees before submitting an item to be on the Board agenda. Regarding motions, positions stated in the agenda are not endorsements, board members are free to vote any way they like.

Item 6, Administrative Items

6A Motion to Appoint Karen Perdue as 2nd VP, Outreach					
Motion: Lallah Rowe Second Nina Royal Roll call vote BAC Signed					
Yes	No	Ineligible	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L. Rowe, Seigel, Freeman, von Gunten, Perdue, Hutchinson, Royal, Cleghorn, Kim, T. Schmidt, C. Schmidt, J. Spishak, C. Rowe, 14 yes, 2 no, 1 abstain, 1 ineligible, 2 absent motion passed	Wadler	Travers	Babakhanian		Gordon Hussion

President Grant reads the duties of the position.

Board Member comments: von Gunten would like the letter the candidate submitted read to the board.

President Grant and Board member Nina Royal noted the candidate has been very active, attending all sorts of NC meetings all over the City.

The following stakeholders gave comments: Judith Quinones, Mary Soracco, Pati Potter, Oma El, Mike, Mark Dutton, Georgia Brown.

6B Motion to Approve Carol Hutchinson as Temporary STNC Secretary until next meeting				
Motion: Nina Royal Second Lallah Rowe Roll call vote BAC Signed				
Yes	No	Ineligible	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L. Rowe, Babakhanian, Seigel, Freeman, von Gunten, Perdue, Hutchinson, Royal, Cleghorn, Kim, T. Schmidt, C. Schmidt, J. Spishak, C. Rowe 15 yes, 2 no, 1 ineligible, 0 recuse, 2 absent motion passed	Wadler	Travers		Gordon, Hussion

Items 6C and 6D, approval of the May and June Board minutes delayed because they are not yet ready.

6E Motion: Standing Rule Amendment/ Bylaws; Removal of Petition Process from the STNC Bylaws due to inability to verify signatures as required by the Bylaws.				
Motion: Carol Hutchinson Second Karen Perdue Roll call vote BAC Signed				
Yes	No	Ineligible	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L. Rowe, Babakhanian, Seigel, Freeman, von Gunten, Perdue, Hutchinson, Royal, Cleghorn, Kim, T. Schmidt, C. Schmidt, J. Spishak, 14 yes, 2 no, 1 ineligible, 0 recuse, 2 absent motion passed	Wadler C. Rowe	Travers		Gordon, Hussion

President Grant reads the section of this Bylaw re 50 stakeholders being able to force the Board to vote via petition. The problem is there is no way to verify signatures, neither the City Attorney’s office, City Clerk or Done are willing to do this. Now there is an agenda portal where anyone can submit an item. The Brown Act says that board actions need to be transparent but when the last petition was filed there was a demand that the names be redacted.

Stakeholder Quinones thinks this motion will fundamentally undermine stakeholder participation. When the Board did not want to hear anti-racism measures this was the only way they could get the Board to hear them. She submitted a Community Impact Statement on immigration for this meeting; it is not on the agenda tonight.

Stakeholder Capps wonders if the Bylaws committee should be hearing this. President Grant responds that the Bylaws committee was an ad hoc committee since this is not the time that Bylaws amendments are being accepted by DONE. This can be re-discussed the next time it is time to revise the Bylaws.

Board Member Travers wonders what guarantee is there that public concerns will be agendized. One of the speakers said she had an item that was not. Is there anything to replace this? President Grant says these things can be discussed in committees. We are the only NC in the system that has this in their bylaws.

Board Member Seigel notes when this bylaw was first proposed they thought DONE could verify signatures, it ends up they can’t. Every stakeholder has at least three board members they can contact, their region reps or a group rep.

Board Member Rowe notes the agendas are too long to handle in one meeting as is without these petitions.

Board Member Hutchinson thinks these petitions are a way to bully.

President Grant notes the Board needs to be a voice to City Hall on local issues, not national issues.

Stakeholder Mary Soracco does not think it is bullying to expect to be heard.

6G Motion to Approve May MER				
Motion: Carol Hutchinson Second Karen Perdue Roll call vote BAC Signed				
Yes	No	Ineligible	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L. Rowe, Babakhanian, Seigel, Freeman, von Gunten, Perdue, Hutchinson, Royal, Cleghorn, Kim, T. Schmidt, C. Schmidt, J. Spishak, C. Rowe, Wadler		Travers		Gordon Hussion
16 yes, 0 no, 1 ineligible, 2 absent motion passed				

Treasurer Babakhanian notes of the \$14,443 left the STNC will be allowed to carry over \$10,000.

6 H Motion to Approve the June MER				
Motion: Lallah Rowe Second Karen Perdue Roll call vote BAC Signed				
Yes	No	Ineligible	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L. Rowe, Babakhanian, Seigel, Freeman, , von Gunten, Perdue, Hutchinson, Royal, Cleghorn, Kim, T. Schmidt, C. Schmidt, J. Spishak, C. Rowe, Wadler 16 yes, 0 no, 1 ineligible, 2 absent motion passed		Travers		Gordon Hussion

Treasurer Babakhanian notes this is mostly carryover of old unpaid bills because the new Board did not have access to a credit card.

6 I Approve Payment of 4 Invoices Totaling \$310.68 to Insight Investments for the Copier Lease, 7-1-19 to 10-31-19					
Motion: Lenny Freeman Second Nina Royal Roll call vote BAC Signed					
Yes	No	Ineligible	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L. Rowe, Babakhanian, Freeman, von Gunten, Perdue, Hutchinson, Royal, Cleghorn, Kim, T. Schmidt, C. Schmidt, J. Spishak, C. Rowe, 14 yes, 0 no, 1 ineligible, 2 abstain, 2 absent motion passed		Travers	Wadler Seigel		Gordon Hussion

These invoices are late, but since the treasurers past and present can't find proof of payment the need to be paid. VP Perdue thinks this is too much to pay for a copier. This machine was returned when the STNC moved out of NVCH for the remodel.

6 J. Approve Beautification Committee Request for up to \$3,500 for the Pinewood Mural Event (Previously approved and carried over previous fiscal year)				
Motion: Lallah Rowe Second Karen Perdue Roll call vote BAC Signed				
Yes	No	Ineligible	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L. Rowe, Babakhanian, Seigel, Freeman, von Gunten, Perdue, Hutchinson, Royal, Cleghorn, Kim, T. Schmidt, C. Schmidt, J. Spishak, C. Rowe, Wadler 16 yes, 0 no, 0 recuse, 1 ineligible, 2 absent motion passed		Travers		Gordon Hussion

President Grant notes this item is a carryover item, so it will be part of the \$10,000 carried over from last fiscal year and not from the \$32,000 granted for this year. It is for the paint and for insurance. VP Rowe

would like to see the actual plan to accomplish this project she proposes an amendment that the money will be set aside but not approved until the artist and the design is seen by this Board. Leny Freeman seconds this amendment. Other board members also express concerns about project readiness and the potential for more Covid related delays. Member Hutchinson has a rendering she shows the Board. Former treasurer Sandy Capps notes that an event plan has already been submitted to the City Clerk, including a Covid protocol and the new Pinewood Principal has signed off on the project. After this discussion VP Rowe withdraws her proposed amendment.

6 K. Motion to Approve up to \$6,000 for the installation of the STNC Neighborhood Council Light Pole Banner Project					
Motion: Lallah Rowe Second Nina Royal call vote BAC Signed					
Yes	No	Ineligible	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L. Rowe, Babakhanian, Freeman, Perdue, Hutchinson, Royal, Cleghorn, Kim, T. Schmidt, C. Schmidt, C. Rowe, Wadler	J. Spishak	Travers		von Gunten	Hussion, Gordon Seigel,
13 yes, 1 no, 1 ineligible, 1 recuse, 3 Absent motion passed					

Member Rowe notes that this is a carry-over from last fiscal year. President Grant notes the banners have now been approved by the City Council. Budget and Finance Committee member Potter notes that the \$10,000 carryover has not yet been granted. Treasurer Babakhanian is confident it will be; given the City's improved finances.

6 L. Approve Outreach Committee Request for up to \$1,500 for Outreach Materials				
Motion: Nina Royal Second Lallah Rowe Roll call vote BAC Signed				
Yes	No	Ineligible	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L. Rowe, Babakhanian, Freeman, von Gunten, Perdue, Hutchinson, Royal, Cleghorn, Kim, T. Schmidt, C. Schmidt, J. Spishak, C. Rowe, Wadler		Travers		Gordon Hussion Seigel,
15 yes, 0 no, 0 recuse, 1 ineligible, 3 absent motion passed				

Treasurer Babakhanian notes that this was reduced from \$2,500 given the possibility of another Covid shutdown. Board Member Royal notes people need to know about the STNC. Member Freeman does not think this is a worthy expense. Member von Gunten wonders how the items will be distributed.

6 M Approve Outreach Committee Request for up to \$1,500 for Board Member T Shirts, Name Badges, Business Cards				
Motion: Carol Hutchinson Second Karen Perdue Roll call vote BAC Signed				
Yes	No	Ineligible	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L. Rowe, Babakhanian, Freeman, von Gunten, Perdue, Hutchinson, Royal, Cleghorn, Kim, T. Schmidt, C. Schmidt, J. Spishak, C. Rowe, Wadler		Travers		Gordon Hussion Seigel,

15 yes, 0 no, 1 ineligible, 3 absent motion passed				
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Member Royal notes that the shirts are the same as last year; so they will only have to order them for the new board members. They are getting the same price as last year. She also notes the shirts can be worn anywhere and are good outreach.

6 O Approve STNC National Night Out Event Form for August 3, 2021, One Event at Little Landers Park				
Motion: Lallah Rowe Second Karen Perdue Roll call vote BAC Signed				
Yes	No	Ineligible	Abstain	Absent
Grant, L. Rowe, Babakhanian, Freeman, von Gunten, Perdue, Hutchinson, Royal, Cleghorn, Kim, T. Schmidt, C. Schmidt, J. Spishak, C. Rowe 14 yes, 1 abstain 1 ineligible, 3 absent motion passed		Travers	Wadler	Gordon Hussion Seigel,

President Grant asks if this is for two events. Board Member Royal says it is for one event at Little Landers Park. Having two events was a suggestion from the Business and Finance Committee. Former Treasurer Capps says this a precaution since it might be easier to get a permit for larger Sunland Park. Member Royal says a permit not needed since this is a LAPD event, the STNC is just co-sponsoring. Little Landers park chosen because of Bolton Hall and because Tujungga has more people than Sunland. Member von Gunten has some concerns re the safety of Sunland Park given what he has heard at recent neighborhood watch meetings. Member Rowe notes if co-sponsors can be found there could also be an event a Sunland Park.

Item 7, Recommendations from the Community Improvement/Government Affairs Committee
Items 7 A. and 7B. Postponed Since meeting is running late

7 C. Motion to Approve STNC Board Meeting New Minute Taker/Lloyds Staffing at the rate of \$28.85 per hour				
Motion: Carol Hutchinson Second Lenny Freeman Roll call vote BAC Signed				
Yes	No	Ineligible	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L. Rowe, Babakhanian, Freeman, von Gunten, Perdue, Hutchinson, Royal, Cleghorn, Kim, T. Schmidt, C. Schmidt, J. Spishak, C. Rowe, Wadler 15 yes, 0 no, 1 ineligible, 3 absent motion passed		Travers,		Gordon Hussion Seigel

President Grant notes that since no one has volunteered to do this, she found this minute taking service that has an experienced minute taker who is available for STNC Board Meetings

Item 9 Committee Reports (taken out of Order)

9a Approve Certificates of Appreciation to LAPD for National Night Out				
Motion: Carol Hutchinson Second Nina Royal Roll call vote BAC Signed				
Yes	No	Ineligible	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L. Rowe, Babakhanian, Freeman, von Gunten, Perdue, Hutchinson, Royal, Cleghorn, Kim, T. Schmidt, C. Schmidt, J. Spishak, C. Rowe 13 yes, 1 no, 1 ineligible, 4 absent motion passed	Wadler	Travers		Gordon Hussion Seigel Cleghorn

Item 8. STNC Support Letter for a Conditional Use Permit to sell full line of alcohol for off-site consumption at 7240 Foothill, Tujunga AKA ST Market

Motion to Approve Support Letter for a Conditional Use Permit to sell full line of alcohol for off-site consumption at 7240 Foothill, Tujunga AKA ST Market				
Motion: Carol Hutchinson Second Ed Babakhanian Roll call vote BAC Signed				
Yes	No	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L. Rowe, Babakhanian, Freeman, von Gunten, Perdue, Hutchinson, C. Schmidt, J. Spishak, C. Rowe 10 yes, 3 no, 1 abstain, 1 recuse, 4 absent motion passed	Travers, Wadler, Royal,	T, Schmidt	Cleghorn	Gordon Hussion Seigel, Kim

Land Use Committee chair Potter explains this is a specialty grocery store in the Commerce Town Center who wants to sell gift liquor sets. All liquor will be kept under lock and key.

Board Member von Gunten – will the beer be under lock and key?

The owner’s representative, Janelle, is not sure they are going to be selling beer, but plan is to have all liquor behind a locked wall. Less than 5% of sales are projected to be from liquor.

Board Member Royal – this is in the same complex as LA Mission College’s Satellite Campus. Does not like the idea of a liquor store in this complex there are a lot already in the neighborhood.

Board Member Travers – the state gives out liquor licenses based on density, if this business takes a license it will make it harder for a high end restaurant to get one.

Land Use Chair Potter notes Mission College does not look open and this is for a permit, not for the liquor license.

Motion to Extend Meeting

At 9:31 pm President Grant moves that the meeting continue to hear a few more motions. Since no board members oppose this, the meeting continues.

Item 7, (Continued) Recommendations from the Community Improvement/Government Affairs Committee (items 7b and 7e skipped because of time)

Item 7d, Motion for CIS In Support of Council File 21-2002-S118, a Resolution in Favor of HR 1280, the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act of 2021

Motion to Approve for CIS In Support of Council File 21-2002-S118, a Resolution in Favor of HR 1280, the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act of 2021; letter to be revised by Jon von Gunten to remove center paragraph				
Motion: Lallah Rowe Second KT Travers Roll call vote BAC Signed				
Yes	No	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Travers, Wadler 2 yes, 12 no, 1 recuse, 4 absent motion did not pass	Grant, L. Rowe, Babakhanian, Freeman, von Gunten, Perdue, Hutchinson, Cleghorn, T. Schmidt, C. Schmidt, J. Spishak, C. Rowe		Royal	Gordon Hussion Seigel, Kim

Board Member Royal recuses herself because her son is in law enforcement.

Board Member Hutchinson notes she has been attending Police Commission hearings and crime is way up.

Board Member Freeman FBI statistics show that 51.2% of homicides and shooting incidents involve African Americans when they are only 12% of the population. There are crimes such as rape where whites have a higher percentage, but for shootings there is a problem in these communities.

Board Member C. Schmidt: thinks the police should be accountable. Thinks the LAPD is trying to do their job so hesitates to make it harder.

VP Perdue thinks this counsel file embellishes the issue. She does not want local law enforcement federalized. This bill bypasses local police and puts everything in the hands of the DOJ. Homicides are up 50% in South Central LA, shooting and stabbing victims up 88%.

Board Member Travers – This is not about defunding police, it is about police accountability.

Board Member T. Schmidt – this seems to be an effort to debilitate police. He does not want police to be federally accountable. Justice was done in the George Floyd case.

Board Member von Gunten – appreciates the amendment but this is still a measure that will decimate policed. Once personal immunity is gone, many will quit and move to an area of the country that is more supportive of law enforcement. Police can already be dismissed, lose their pensions, be sued civilly. If the Police mess up there are many other things that can be done.

_Motion to Remove Center Paragraph of Draft CIS In Support of Council File 21-2002-S118, a Resolution in Favor of HR 1280, the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act of 2021; letter to be revised by Jon von Gunten				
Motion: Lallah Rowe Second Leny Freeman Roll call vote BAC Signed				
Yes	No	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L. Rowe, Babakhanian, Freeman, von Gunten, Perdue,	Travers Wadler			Gordon Hussion

Hutchinson, Royal, Cleghorn, T. Schmidt, C. Schmidt, J. Spishak, C. Rowe 13 yes, 2 no, 4 Absent motion passed				Seigel, Kim
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Public Comment:

Stakeholder Mike: read this letter and agrees people should not be public nuisances or call names but this letter is full of statistics weighted to get people all riled up. Given the cuts in law enforcement the police are unable to enforce the laws we already have.

Board Member Royal agrees with last speaker.

VP Rowe would like to remove the second paragraph that quotes from the LA Times about the disproportionate deaths of minorities. The circumstances are not explained, you need the full data

Item 7f CIS in Support of Council File 21-0263 to analyze, report on, and pursue street harassment mitigation strategies.

Motion in Support of Council File 21-0263 to analyze, report on, and pursue street harassment mitigation strategies as amended to include harassment of anybody				
Motion: Jon von Gunten Second Nina Royal Roll call vote BAC Signed				
Yes	No	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Travers, von Gunten 2 yes, 11 no, 1 abstain, 5 Absent motion did not pass	Grant, L. Rowe, Babakhanian, Freeman, Perdue, Hutchinson, Royal, T. Schmidt, C. Schmidt, J. Spishak, C. Rowe	Seigel,	Royal	Gordon Hussion Cleghorn Kim Wadler

President Grant reads the motion. Member Seigel wonders who this motion is directed to and who will implement it. President Grant notes it is aimed at educational programs. Member T. Schmidt does not see the need for this since there are already laws covering this behavior. VP Perdue read the council file there is no fiscal impact, no enforcement. She thinks it is discriminatory because it leaves out other groups who are also harassed on the street such as the elderly or those wearing religious T-shirts. Member KT Travers thinks this needs to be explored. If we don't support this motion the City will think we are not interested in this subject. Member Hutchinson is tired of picking and choosing which communities deserve protection, the mentally ill on the street harass everyone. Member T. Schmidt thinks this sounds like more critical race theory. Nina agrees with Carol when you pass laws like Prop 47, and AB 109 and have a DA who refuses to prosecute what do you expect to happen?

Motion to amend_Motion in Support of Council File 21-0263 to analyze, report on, and pursue street harassment mitigation strategies to include harassment of everyone, Jon von Gunten to rewrite				
Motion: Jon von Gunten Second Nina Royal Roll call vote BAC Signed				
Yes	No	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L. Rowe, Babakhanian, Freeman, von Gunten, Perdue, Royal, Cleghorn, T. Schmidt, C. Schmidt, J. Spishak, C. Rowe 11 yes, 2 no, 2 abstain, 4 absent motion passed	Travers Wadler	Seigel, Hutchinson,		Gordon Hussion Kim Cleghorn

10. Discussion/Motion: Appoint Vacant STNC Liaisons, Reports and Updates from Alliance Members, and other STNC Representative Appointments

Item not addressed due to time constraint.

Item 11. General Public Comment On Non-Agenda Items

Stakeholder Mary Soracco— Lydia, sorry for the loss of your mother. Does not like it that board member Leny Freeman is soliciting and collecting addresses of people accused of setting off fireworks. Also upset he wrote a letter to Devin Nunes and used his STNC title when signing the letter.

Glen Bailey—Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils. This is an alliance of the 34 neighborhood councils in the San Fernando Valley. They usually meet the second Thursday of the Month. This month is an exception in that they are meeting tomorrow night. The Guest speakers will be LA City Attorney Mike Feuer and LAUSD Board member for District 3, Scott Schmerelson. Regarding the NC Budget Advocates, there are supposed to be 3 for the East valley, currently there is only one. Every NC is also supposed to have 2 representatives; they can be stakeholders and not members of the board. Budget Day this year will be Saturday, August 21st at 10am and it will be virtual. The Mayor and the City CAO will probably be guest speakers. There will be breakout sessions by region. More information at budgetadvocates.org

Sandy Capps – is still interested in being the RYLAN rep. President Grant notes she still is. Sandy is also a Battalion 12 coordinator.

Item 12 Final Announcements and Board Comments

President Grant would like all committees to submit lists of their members by the next board meeting. She will send an email re the date of the Board retreat.

VP Perdue would like to thank Marjorie Maxon for taking the minutes for two years. She also sends her well wishes for Cindy Cleghorn’s speedy recovery.

Member Royal wants to make comment but can’t get through. President Grant imagines she is asking Board members to help with National Night Out. All Board members should help with this event.

Member T. Schmidt wonders when in person Board meetings will resume. President Grant knows that meetings will be virtual until at least the end of the year.

The Next STNC Board Meeting will be on August 11, 2021.