

**Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council**  
**Beautification Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday April 17, 2025**  
**Sunland Tujunga Library**

Roll Call at 6:02 p.m.	
KT Travers*	Present
Roger Klemm	Absent
Nelly Luboff	Present
Gerardo Barrientos	Present
Angela Nordhagen	Present
Matt Walker	Absent
Committee Quorum: 4	Quorum met at 6:02 p.m.
	*STNC Board Member

Additional Attendees: Senior Field Deputy Ricardo Flores, Assistant Field Deputy Arthur Javadyan, STNC Board Member Ross Herman, Marjorie Maxon

Agenda Item 2. Public Comments: 1) On April 19th there will be a meadow planting at the MRCA open space, 12400 Big Tujunga Canyon Road. 2) 100 small plants were planted at the Tuxxunga Welcome Garden of Resilience and Inclusion last Saturday. They have 200 out of 700 feet of this garden now completed.

Senior Field Representative Flores would like to share several upcoming events 1) The 2025 Spring Festival will be this Saturday, April 19th at Sunland Park. 2) The City's Public Works Department is planning a City wide clean up / beautification event in celebration of AAPI History Month on May 31st. There will be 2 local events, one in Tujunga where the City will partner with the STAT committee to plant trees in empty tree wells, primarily in the area East of North Valley City Hall, another will be in Lake View Terrace where the City will partner with All Nations Church to have a clean up of the area. LA Public works plans to have a website with a list of projects citywide. Co-Chair Luboff requests a flyer so she can advertise it on the Facebook page she administrates.

Board member Travers suggests native trees be planted, she suggests Desert Willows. Co-Chair Luboff would like to have the 4 empty tree wells on the Fenwick side of the Sunhill Mall planted, they would be easy to water at the same time as the other street trees near Sunland Welcome Garden that committee members already water.

Senior Field Representative Flores also notes that the Office of Beautification now has a website to coordinate all requests for beautification supplies like loaner tools and trash bags. He also suggests including him on the email.

The City has a new 311 system, you need to set up a new account on the 311 website. The new app can determine the address from the location. The goal is to make illegal dumping, potholes, graffiti, missing road signs etc. easier to report. Our area continues to have a low reporting rate compared to the rest of the City.

Member Nordhagen wonders if the street lights in our area are going to become solar. She has heard this is being tried in other areas where wire theft is a problem. S.F. Representative Flores responds this program is experimental, there are some test areas around schools in Shadow Hills and La Tuna. Each Council district is getting a few sites. The City is also replacing yellow street lights with brighter LED lights.

A couple committee members express concern about street food vendors dumping grease in the tree wells and sewers. Field Representative informs them that LA Sanitation can look into this.

Agenda Item 3. Motion: Approve March 20, 2025 Meeting Minutes: Co-Chair Luboff moves, Member Nordhagen seconds. Minutes approved, no corrections noted.

Agenda Item 4: Update On Pinewood Mural: continued to next meeting.

Agenda Item 5: Update on Welcome Garden: continued to next meeting.

Agenda Item 6: Suggestions for Future Beautification Projects: continued to next meeting.

Agenda Item 7: Expenditure of \$300 Awarded to Beautification Committee— Board Member Travers reports that the STNC Board approved the \$420 to repair the sprinklers at the Welcome Garden as a separate item and the committee still has \$300 budgeted to spend on other items. Co-Chair Luboff would like to spend the \$300 on plants and watering hoses for the Sunland Welcome Garden.

Agenda Item 8: STAT Committee Adopt a Tree Program: Member Barrientos reports that he has adopted the trees on the Sunland Blvd side of Ralph's. Co-Chair Luboff will follow up on requesting the trees for the Fenwick side.

Next meeting will be May 15, 2025, 6:00 p.m., at the Sunland Tujunga Library.

Meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

Minutes By Marjorie Maxon