

## **October 28, 2025 STAT Meeting Minutes**

### **1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL - Welcome - STAT Chairperson Pat Kramer**

Call to order 6:00pm

Quorum was:

Pat Kramer, chairperson

Jon von Gunten, cochair

George Arakel, member

Cheryl Schmidt, member

Not present: Dante Calvo, member

### **2. Motion to approve minutes from Sept. 2025 meetings.**

Jon moves to approve, Cheryl seconds, motion passes unanimously.

### **3. Chairperson's Message:**

Tree watering on 9/14 at DIY

Tree watering on 4 October Joselito's

Tree watering on Friday, 24 October: 30 Crespi Carmelite young men watered 49

Sunland trees. Very eager to help. CD7 provided water.

We are planning another on Sunday, November 16, at Ralph's. They ask we water trees front and back of their property.

### **Proposal to lower speed limit on Foothill.**

STNC has our motion against expanding bike lanes to accommodate Emergency vehicles and will vote on it at their next regular board meeting.

### **4. LAPD Traffic Stats: Recent fatalities/accidents.**

Week ending 18 October. THREE killed on Glenoaks within 10 days, but not in S-T.

Most dangerous intersections are not in our area.

50% increase in accidents over last month, but one fewer fatality.

Traffic stats from LAPD Traffic Officer Sal Venegas are included herewith.

### **5. Tree Adoptions and Watering Events:**

Friday, Aug. 22 (SFC),

Saturday, August 30 (CD7)

& Sunday, Sept. 14 (DIY).

Jon will be able to help in a couple of weeks.

Cheryl suggested the real estate Donut Guy would donate muffins and donuts and they did. She will ask her friend, the owner of Elite Barbershop. Later she did, and he'll help.

A Shadow Hills lady said she'd help contact S-T businesses. She's moving but may help before leaving.

Getting individuals and businesses to water is vital, as many are not watered. A volunteer watering trees at Von's said there is evidence that a food vendor there still tosses greasy water. Jon to report them again.

## **7. Getting Business Sponsorships.**

Some vendors committed to water trees, one with unused ice. Pat asks for help contacting vendors to water trees.

**Jon to reach out to Public Storage for free storage.**

**Jon to send message to SevenHills WhatsApp group.**

George will contact some Armenian businesses to water trees.

Cheryl got Cindy Cleghorn's okay to use Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council storage space for empty water bottles.

## **8. Public Comments.**

George mentions accident and his calls to Ricardo.

## **9. Committee Reports.**

Jon reports motorcycle chase—at one point on I-210 and Campus—following sheriff deputy's murder. Perp was tumbled off his bike while reloading his firearm by an off-duty narcotics deputy whose action was praised by his sheriff.

## **10. Next Meeting: Nov 25, 2025**

## **11. Adjourn at 6:51 p.m.**

**Minutes by Jon von Gunten**