

Sunland Tujunga Neighborhood Council
 General Board Meeting Minutes
 June 8, 2022

Meeting Called to Order at 7 PM with welcome from Lydia Grant, President

- a. *Celebrating STNC's 19th year as a Certified Neighborhood Council*
- b. STNC is proud to sponsor the 4th of July Parade - flyer on stnc.org website. Parade starts at 10 a.m. at Mt. Gleason & Foothill
- c. Save the Date: National Night Out, Aug 2 at Little Landers Park.

Roll Call, Voting Eligibility

Board Member	Roll Call	Funding Voting Eligibility	Board Position
Lydia Grant	Present	Yes	President
Lallah Rowe	Present	Yes	1st Vice President-CIGA
Karen Perdue	Present	Yes	2nd Vice President - Outreach
Ed Babakhanian	Present	Yes	Treasurer
Carol Hutchinson	Absent	Yes	Secretary
Mark Seigel	Arrived 8:15 p.m.	Yes	At-Large Group Representative
Leny Freeman	Present	Yes	Region 1 Representative
K.T. Travers	Present	Yes	Region 1 Representative
Trevor Schmidt	Present	Yes	Region 2 Representative
Claire Gordon	Absent	Yes	Region 2 Representative
Jon von Gunten	Present	Yes	Region 3 Representative
Karen Moran	Present	Yes	Region 3 Representative
Cheryl Schmidt	Present	Yes	Region 4 Representative
Belinda Woodruff	Absent	Yes	Region 4 Representative
Stakeholder Group Rep	Vacant		
Nina Royal	Present	Yes	STSERS
Cindy Cleghorn	Present	Yes	STSH Community Fund
Chris Rowe	Present	Yes	Toastmasters
Shirley Kim	Absent	Yes	Shekinah Church
Michelle Wadler	Arrived 7:15 pm	Yes	Apperson PTA
Stakeholder Group Rep	Vacant		
Quorum: 11	17 present 2 absent		

3. Pledge of Allegiance led by Leny Freeman
4. Comments: LAPD, Elected Officials/Representatives, DONE, City Departments
 - a. Senator Portantino: Declan Floyd
 - b. Julissa Hernandez (Assembly member Rivas) - not present
 - c. Raul Preciado (DONE) reminders on upcoming end of fiscal year funding. Raul will send written report to board.
 - d. Eve Sinclair (Councilwoman Rodriguez) sent written report received after meeting, posted on stnc.org website.
5. Land Use Committee (LUC): City Planning Zoning Administrator has approved final application for the Sunhill Shopping Center. Expect to see revitalization with new tenants soon as all approvals as to signage, parking and zoning are now completed. For more details go to the stnc.org website to see a copy of the Determination Letter and link to plans and presentations.
7. Committee & Liaison Reports from the following:
 1. Ed Babakhanian - Budget & Finance - Committee projects spending of \$25,351 for year and we are on track to spend all but \$9,680 which will roll over into the new fiscal year.
 2. Lenny Freeman - STAT - Foothill Blvd. tree mulching / watering event is June 11 and will begin at 8-11 a.m.
 3. Cheryl Schmidt - Outreach - 4th of July entry for the board will be with Armen - Pizza Guy offered his truck with a trailer. Boardmembers arrive 8-8:30 a.m. on July 4th to decorate and line up for the parade
 4. Lallah Rowe – Youth & Adult Education - Successful Town Halls on fire hardening and water with more being planned.
 5. Liaison Reports: Budget Day is June 18
8. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS (FUNDING)
 1. Discussion/Action: Approve April 2022 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) and Balances.
 2. Discussion/Action: Approve May 2022 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) and Balances. – ***Item Removed as this report not available from City Clerk.***
 3. Discussion/Action: Approval of up to \$500 to replace damaged STNC light pole banners (Gold Media) [*Outreach committee recommendation. Not incremental \$, funds will be used from existing light pole banner funds already approved.*]
 4. Discussion/Action: Approval of up to \$1,800 to purchase additional / spare light pole banners using same artwork as current from Gold Media – [*Outreach committee recommendation. Not incremental \$, funds will be used from existing light pole banner funds already approved.*]
 5. Discussion/Update: Request for \$350 to support STAT committee tree watering event approved in April shall be amended to include use of same funds to purchase fertilizer vs mulch. [*STAT committee recommendation.*]
 6. Discussion/Action: Approval of up to \$300.00 for pet waste bags to refill parks and provide for general clean up of community areas. [*Budget & Finance Committee recommendation / L. Freeman Region 1*]

7. Discussion / Action: Confirm Karen Perdue to join the Budget & Finance committee and request for additional committee members. *[Karen is currently the STNC Outreach Chair. Approved at Budget & Finance Committee 5-25-22.]*
8. Discussion / Action: 1st pass at 2022 – 2023 fiscal year budget with budget packet due July 1, 2022. *[Budget & Finance Committee recommendation]*

Items 8.1 - 3 - 4 - 5 - 6- 7 – 8: Motion to Approve Consent Calendar Funding Items: April 2022 MER; Gold Media up to \$500 for repairs; Gold Media up to \$1,800 for 10 new banners; Fertilizer up to \$350; Pet Waste Bags up to \$300; First Pass at 2022-2023 Budget package; Karen Perdue to join STNC Budget committee;					
Motion: L. Rowe Second: Freeman					
Yes	No	Ineligible	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L Rowe, Babakhanian, Perdue, Freeman, Travers, T. Schmidt, von Gunten, Moran, C. Schmidt, C. Rowe, Cleghorn, Royal, Woodruff, Kim, Wadler					Hutchinson, Gordon, Seigel
16 yes, 0 no, 0 ineligible, 0 abstain, 3 absent					

9. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS (NON-FUNDING)

9.1 Discussion/Motion: Supports appointment of Glenn Klatter as recommended by the STAT Committee. *[Glenn Klatter is a longtime Sunland resident and has volunteered on tree care events. The current committee members of STAT have unanimously approved the recommendation to present his appointment to the STAT Committee.]*

9.3 Discussion/Motion: That STNC Supports the Alcohol Delivery / Merchant Committed” project working with local retailers to reduce the likelihood of youth accessing alcohol via delivery and prevent possible citations for sales to minors. *[STAT Committee recommendation]*

9.8 Discussion/Motion: CF 22-0102 Equity Analysis / Violence and Crime / Black Women and Girls / Missing Person Cases. [CIGA Committee recommends Support]

9.9 Discussion/Motion: 20-1524-S1 To Council Motion (de Leon - Blumenfeld) relative to instructing the City Administrative Officer to execute any necessary documents to accept the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Program Round 3 funding. [CIGA Committee recommends Support]

9.10 Discussion/Motion: 22-0600-S18 To Public Safety Committee Budget Recommendation, dated May 18, 2022, relative to instructing the Emergency Management Department to report to the Public Safety Committee on the programming breakdown of the Innovation and Development Division and how resources are currently distributed to address climate change challenges, such as wildfires. [CIGA Committee recommends Support]

9.12 Discussion/Motion: Approve May 11, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes

9.13 Discussion/Motion: Approve May 11, 2022 Special Board Meeting Minutes

<p>Items 9.1 - 3 - 8 - 9 - 10 - 12- 13. Motion to Approve Consent Calendar Non-Funding Items: 9.1 – Glenn Klatter to the STAT Committee; 9.3 – STNC Supports “Let’s Make a Difference” project, safe medication practices; 9.8 – CIS to support CF22-0102 – Equity Analysis/Violence and Crime / Black Women & Girls; 9.9 – STNC Supports HHAP Round 3 funding; 9.10- Support 22-0600-S18 how resources are currently distributed to address climate change challenges such as wildfires and 9.11 – Opposition to CF 22-0158 – Shelters for the Homeless / Interim Housing / Zones; 9.12 – Approve May 11, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes; 9.13 – Approve May 11, 2022 Special Board Meeting Minutes.</p> <p>Motion: Cleghorn Second: Royal</p>

Yes	No	Ineligible	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L Rowe, Babakhanian, Perdue, Freeman, Travers, T. Schmidt, von Gunten, Moran, C. Schmidt, C. Rowe, Cleghorn, Royal, Woodruff, Kim, Wadler 16 yes, 0 no, 0 ineligible, 0 abstain, 3 absent					Hutchinson, Gordon, Seigel

Item 10. Discussion/Motion: to approve STNC Elections Worksheet for 2023 – Draft Worksheet reviewed line by line.

Public Comments: None

Board Comments: L. Rowe

Item 10. Discussion/Motion: to approve STNC Elections Worksheet for 2023 Motion: L. Rowe Second: B. Woodruff					
Yes	No	Ineligible	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L Rowe, Babakhanian, Perdue, Freeman, Travers, T. Schmidt, von Gunten, Moran, C. Schmidt, C. Rowe, Cleghorn, Royal, Woodruff, Kim, Wadler 15 yes, 0 no, 0 ineligible, 0 abstain, 3 absent					Hutchinson, Gordon, Seigel

11. Discussion/Motion: to approve STNC Elections Outreach Plan for 2023 STNC Board Elections – Tabled

Public Comments: None

Board Comments: None

Item 11. Discussion/Motion: to table this item Motion: L. Rowe Second: N. Royal					
Yes	No	Ineligible	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L Rowe, Babakhanian, Freeman, Travers, T. Schmidt, von Gunten, Moran, C. Schmidt, C. Rowe, Cleghorn, Royal, Woodruff, Kim, Wadler 15 yes, 0 no, 0 ineligible, 0 abstain, 4 absent					Hutchinson, Gordon, Seigel, Perdue

Following items were removed from CONSENT and voted individually:

Item 9.2: Discussion/Motion: That STNC **Supports** the “Let’s Make a Difference” project to promote “safe medication practices” (safe storage, not sharing, and proper disposal of all unused or expired medications). This project is from the San Fernando Valley Partnership, Inc. *[STAT Committee recommendation]*. *Bart Trevino presented a PowerPoint presentation and requested STNC support letter for this program.*

Public Comments – None.

Board Comments – K.T. Travers

Items 9.2 Motion That STNC **Supports** the “Let’s Make a Difference” project to promote “safe medication practices” (safe storage, not sharing, and proper disposal of all unused or expired medications). This project is from the San Fernando Valley Partnership, Inc. *[STAT Committee recommendation]*
Motion: Cleghorn Second: L. Rowe

Yes	No	Ineligible	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L Rowe, Babakhanian, Freeman, Travers, T. Schmidt, von Gunten, Moran, C. Schmidt, C. Rowe, Cleghorn, Royal, Woodruff, Kim 13 yes, 2 no, 0 ineligible, 0 abstain, 4 absent	Travers, Wadler				Hutchinson, Gordon, Perdue, Seigel

Item 9.4: Discussion/possible action: CF 11-0002-S24 regarding AB 1594 (Ting - Gipson - Ward) / Firearm Manufactures and Retailers / Non-Compliance Lawsuit / AB 1621 (Gipson) / Ghost Gun Regulations / AB 2571 (Bauer - Kahan) / Firearm Marketing to Minors Restrictions. The STNC is **AGAINST** this motion. The right to bear arms is guaranteed in the Second Amendment in the Bill of Rights. This motion only harms LAWFUL gun owners. Criminals have no problem obtaining guns regardless of laws. We are seeing the results of disarming the populace in the War in the Ukraine where people have been disarmed by the government and now are fighting for their lives with whatever is at hand. *[CIGA Committee recommends **Against**]*
Board Comments: None
Public Comments: None

Items 9.4: Motion that STNC is AGAINST CF11-0002-S24 regarding AB 1594 (Ting – Gipson – Ward)
Motion: Cleghorn Second: Royal

Yes	No	Ineligible	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L Rowe, Babakhanian, Freeman, T. Schmidt, von Gunten, Moran, C. Schmidt, C. Rowe, Cleghorn, Royal, Woodruff, Kim, 13 yes, 2 no, 0 ineligible, 0 abstain, 4 absent	Travers, Wadler				Hutchinson, Gordon, Seigel, Perdue

Item 9.5: Discussion/possible action: CF 22-0002-S41 Homekey Program 2.0 / Homelessness Crisis / State Coronavirus Relief Fund / State General Fund / Funding Increase. The STNC is **AGAINST UNLESS AMENDED**. “While the upcoming budget that begins on July 1 is “balanced” according to Garcetti, it relies on an aggressive 8.5% increase (\$577 million) increase in continuing General Fund revenues. The Mayor is also raiding the Reserve Fund for \$105 million, forgetting that this fund is reserved for emergencies such as earthquakes or pandemics. He is also underfunding the City’s infrastructure and pension plans.” LA Watchdog, Apr 22. Therefore, the STNC is AGAINST unless Amended. The people of CA and especially Los Angeles are struggling under skyrocketing inflation and gas prices and some of the highest taxes in the nation.. Many have lost jobs due to governmental restrictions and mandates. This is NOT the time to be wantonly increasing funding, especially when there is lack of accountability from non profits funded by the City for the purpose of housing the homeless. It has been shown the City is literally GIVING tax payer owned properties to Non Profits which the non profit can then turn around and sell- and keep the money. This reckless tax and spend is driving taxpayers to other states merely for relief

from all the taxation. There MUST be accountability for the taxpayers hard earned money- NON PROFITS should NOT be wantonly profiting off the people. Unless there is accountability by the City and non profits- the STNC is AGAINST this CF. *[CIGA Committee recommends **Against unless amended**]*
Board Comments: L. Grant
Public Comments: J. Greco

Items 9.5: Motion regarding CF 22-0002-S41 Homekey Program 2.0 / Homelessness Crisis / State Coronavirus Relief Fund / State General Fund / Funding Increase. The STNC is AGAINST UNLESS AMENDED .					
Motion: Freeman Second: Woodruff					
Yes	No	Ineligible	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L Rowe, Babakhanian, Freeman, T. Schmidt, von Gunten, Moran, C. Schmidt, C. Rowe, Cleghorn, Royal, Woodruff, Kim, 13 yes, 2 no, 0 ineligible, 0 abstain, 4 absent	Travers, Wadler				Hutchinson, Gordon, Seigel, Perdue

Item 9.6: Discussion/possible action: CF 20-1575 regarding CF 22-0002-S61 2021-2022 State Legislative Program / Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act. The STNC is **AGAINST** the resolution by the Mayor and the City Council to oppose the State Legislative CF 22-0002-S61. Californians and especially Angelenos already pay some of the highest taxes in the nation. We now have skyrocketing inflation and doubled gas prices. The state and city mandates have crippled the lives of many of the residents. People are fleeing this state in order to have some relief from oppressive taxation. Yet, Mayor Garcetti and the City Council look to fund their spending spree on the backs of taxpayers. We continue to see our city deteriorate with rising crime and homelessness for which the residents have already been severely taxed. The idea that the Mayor and the City Council would be against taxpayer protection and government accountability literally boggles the mind. The Government is accountable to the people. Something this City Council and Mayor seem to have forgotten. *[CIGA Committee recommends **Against**]*
Board Comments: L. Rowe
Public Comments: None

Items 9.6: CF 20-1575 regarding CF 22-0002-S61 2021-2022 State Legislative Program / Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act. The STNC is AGAINST the resolution by the Mayor and the City Council to oppose the State Legislative CF 22-0002-S61.					
Motion: Cleghorn Second: L. Rowe					
Yes	No	Ineligible	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L Rowe, Babakhanian, Freeman, T. Schmidt, von Gunten, Moran, C. Schmidt, C. Rowe, Cleghorn, Royal, Woodruff, Kim, 13 yes, 1 no, 0 ineligible, 1 abstain, 4 absent	Travers		Wadler		Hutchinson, Gordon, Seigel, Perdue

Item 9.11: Discussion/Motion: 22-0158 Los Angeles Municipal Code / 12.03 / 12.80 / 12.81 / Shelters for the Homeless / Interim Housing / Zones. *[CIGA Committee recommends **Against**]*
Board Comments: Travers, T. Schmidt, L. Rowe, L. Freeman, L. Grant, C. Cleghorn
Public Comments: None

Items 9.11 Discussion/Motion: 22-0158 Los Angeles Municipal Code / 12.03 / 12.80 / 12.81 / Shelters for the Homeless / Interim Housing / Zones. Motion: Cleghorn Second: L. Rowe					
Yes	No	Ineligible	Abstain	Recuse	Absent
Grant, L Rowe, Babakhanian, Freeman, T. Schmidt, von Gunten, Moran, C. Schmidt, C. Rowe, Cleghorn, Royal, Kim, Travers, Wadler 14 yes, 0 no, 0 ineligible, 0 abstain, 5 absent					Hutchinson, Gordon, Seigel, Perdue, Woodruff

OLD BUSINESS

Item 12. PRESENTATION & TRAINING on the Neighborhood Council (NC) System - None presented

- Bylaws, Standing Rules, BONC Policies, Brown Act (Meeting Agenda Posting, ENS)
- NC Meetings: Agenda Items, Presenters, Meeting Agendas, Making Motions, Community Impact Statements
- NC Alliances, STNC Community Events/Meetings, Other Training Opportunities

Item 13. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS –

S. Capps: CERT Class to start Sept. 1, to be given by LAFD. Announcements to start July 1 to sign up. Ad Hoc Bylaws / Standing Rules update Sandy Capps reported that DONE requested a strike out and changes version of our Bylaws changes which will be submitted.

14. FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS & BOARD COMMENTS

Meeting Adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Minutes taken by C. Cleghorn, Board Member