



# General Meeting AGENDA May 21, 2015

*La Crescenta Library Community Room*

Meeting starts promptly at 7:00 pm

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*Thank you so much to Todd Black from Electromotive for sound*

1. Call to Order 7:08 pm **President Battles**
2. Presentation of Colors by the CVHS JROTC & Flag Salute
3. Invocation
4. Roll Call **Present:** Battles, Leon, Suh, Dickson, Classens, Kang, Rabinov, Beattie, Griffin, Davis, **absent:** Barnes, Studebaker

5. Approval of Agenda for May 21, 2015: 1st Leon, 2nd Rabinov, Unanimous
6. Approval of Minutes from April 16th, 2015: 1st Beattie, 2nd Leon, Unanimous

7. Land Use - recommendation regarding the Options for Youth Charter School CUP  
**Mike Classens:** School would like to occupy 7000+ sq.ft located at 2626 Foothill Blvd

LUC asked applicant to create a plan to mitigate residents concern. LUC spent 3 meetings working with applicant. **Applicant did not provide documents/reports requested. LUC voted 5-0 to not support the CUP application.**

Motion to accept Land Use Committee's recommendation: 1st Leon, 2nd Griffin

#### Public Comments:

Robert Besedick (2662 Mary St) -- opposed to Options for Youth CUP

Karla Cuffern (4439 Raymond) -- opposed to Options for Youth CUP

Robert Cosell -- opposed to Options for Youth CUP

Craig Wilson (2654 Mary St) -- opposed to Options for Youth CUP

#### **Unanimous vote to accept LUC motion to deny CUP**

8. First Responder's Reports
  - a. CHP: traffic collisions 16 (YTD 44), citations 10 and plus 10 parking tickets (YTD 43), total fatalities 0, DUI arrests 0

New website:

[https://www.chp.ca.gov/find-an-office/southern-division/offices/\(575\)-altadena](https://www.chp.ca.gov/find-an-office/southern-division/offices/(575)-altadena)

- b. Sheriff Rummage Sale: May 30th  
1 Robbery at Massage Parlor, domestic violence (from out of area), 2 residential burglaries (open garage, stolen bikes, stolen alcohol), 4 grand thefts (unlocked)
  - c. Prom Plus - May 30th, 12 am to 5 am at the YMCA,
  - d. Firehouse - art classes rescheduled
  - e. CERT - Fire extinguishers should be less than 3 years old.
9. CV Water District introduction of the new General Manager **Mr. Thomas Love**
- a. 25% reduction to residents. Not equal, some communities are 30%, baseline is 2013. Therefore only required to reduce 24%. Tier 1 isn't required to conserve, just continue current usage. Report water waste online, a postcard will be sent to resident so they are aware of water waste.  
Aging infrastructure - pipelines installed in 1947, unlined steel pipeline due to unavailable materials during WWII. Water shut-offs at the base of reservoir in case of pipe failure.
  - b. Watering is Tuesday and Saturdays evening hours only.
  - c. Rebate incentive for rain barrels
  - d. 2014 we are 12% less than 2013, therefore we have 12% more to go to reach the 24% goal
10. 710 Draft EIR discussions  
Glendale Mayor Ara Najarian  
Anthony Portantino, La Canada City Council

Q&A from Metro:

- Current design does not include interchange in the middle of the tunnel. Last meeting June 20th. Online July 6th comment period closes.
- 26,000 pages of EIR - is there a rescue plan for the boring machine breaking? Executive summary is on the website.
- 2010 a cost-benefit analysis was required. The draft is not finalized yet.
- Comments online at: <http://www.sr710northcomments.com/>
- Traffic control lights on the 2N/210E have never been in operation (SWRM metering for corridor efficiency. Might be used if the tunnel causes traffic to increase on the 210.)
- plan for incidents in the tunnel, like an emergency elevator for handicap. A: firewall to block pedestrian walkway. First responders permanently stationed at either side of tunnel.
- Current daily traffic on the 210 freeway A: unsure of current numbers
- 210 west of 2 freeway isn't part of the study. A: it is part of the traffic numbers. chapter 3.5

**Mayor Ara Najarian:** SCAG (Southern California Association of Governors) provided traffic numbers to Metro. SCAG said, “time for discussion is over. Build the tunnel now.”

**Anthony Portantino:** Above ground route was decommissioned a decade ago. Similar projects are \$1 billion per miles. Metro is using \$500 million per mile.



11. Presentation of Scholarships & Recognition awards to graduating Seniors **VP Leon**
12. Presentation my Metro regarding 710 EIR Presentation from Metro: Michelle Smith (Metro Project Manager) John Lee (CT Project Manager), Yoga Chandran, Loren Bloomberg from CH2MHill
  - Public Comments on the 710-EIR are due by July 19, 2015  
<http://www.sr710northcomments.com/>
13. Motion to Request Immediate Pro-active enforcement from County with regard to all illegal signage along Foothill Blvd in the unincorporated areas of La Crescenta.  
**President Battles**

**Signage Motion:**

Robbyn presented a motion to write a letter requesting LA County Code enforcement immediately start weekly Pro-active enforcement of all illegal signage included but not limited banners, temporary sandwich display boards, large banner flags, as well as pole and building

signage. County to provide monthly updates to Council. Council together with County to decide on the timeframe for County to subsidize or stop weekly enforcement. 2nd Leon, **Passed unanimously**

14. Public Comments and Community Announcements
  - a. CV Chamber: upcoming Golf Tournament June 20th, School Canyon
  - b. Sharon Weisman - CVCSA Meeting agenda: High Speed Rail, Rim of the Valley, building on the Mix property
  - c. Paul Rabinov - Rosemont Preserve docent led tour Saturday, May 23rd, 9 am
  - d. American Legion Post 288, Vice Commander Gerry Collins - Memorial Day on Monday, 8 am.
  - e. Marta Wiggins, La Crescenta Library - summer reading program, teens who need volunteer hours should contact Marta, music in July
  - f. Pat Boone concert on June 7th, reserve spot online.
  - g. Jan SooHoo: watch May 13th webcast to learn about traffic patterns <http://www.ci.south-pasadena.ca.us/index.aspx?page=57>
  - h. 710-EIR, comments need to be on Administrative Record, must submit comments via online or letter writing: <http://no710.com/deir-info.html>

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15. Council Business
  - a. Correspondence
    - i. I-210 resurfacing through spring 2018. Cal-Trans will talk to CVTC about improvements
    - ii. Edison will talk to CVTC in June Sharon substation, pole replacement
  - b. Pancake Breakfast **Councilmember Leon**
  - c. La Crescenta Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony **President Battles**

Christmas Tree lighting:

Robbyn Battles presented motion to write a letter to start an annual Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony at the La Crescenta Library. The main front tree to be decorated by County to create an annual event for La Crescenta Montrose unincorporated. Letter to be sent to Supervisor Antonovich as well as the County Library. 2nd, Beattie, **passed unanimously**

- d. Motion to donate \$250 to CV Garden club **President Battles**  
1st by Battles, 2nd by Griffin, passed unanimous
- e. Treasurer Report **Corresponding Secretary Davis**  
Battles Motion to table treasurer report, 2nd Beattie, passed unanimously

Adjourn at 9:44 pm

*Adjournment. In memory of Robin Goldsworthy's sister, Rhonda McGrath Pepper*