



# General Meeting Minutes

March 16, 2017

La Crescenta Library Community Room 7:00 pm

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1. Call to Order & Welcome: President Leon, 7:00 p.m.
2. Flag Salute: ROTC – Troop 391 and 303. A report of the activities of Troop 391 and 303 was provided to the Council.
3. Invocation: Councilmember Randy Foster, Christian Life Church, 3013 Montrose Avenue
4. Roll Call: Recording Secretary Aram Ordubegian - Present: Leon, Claessens, Ordubegian, Barnes, Rabinov, Griffin, Lee, and Studebaker. Not Present: Ear, Dickson, Stupakis, and Beatty.
5. Approval of February Minutes, Studebaker moved, Claessens second.
6. Approval of March Agenda (as amended by Council Member Rabinov to include the Womens' Proclamation and Executive Committee meeting schedules), Rabinov moved, Lee second.
7. Approval of March 2, 2017 Special joint meeting with LUC Minutes, Studebaker moved, Claessens seconded and it passed unanimously.
8. Community Announcements (1 minute)
  - a. Proclamation Recognizing Its Responsibility To Promote Equality For All Its Citizens, Residents and Visitors – Council Member Brandon Lee, moved; Claessens seconded. Passed unanimously by all members present. A copy of the Proclamation is attached to these minutes.
  - b. Proclamation – March is recognized as Womens' History Month and Council Member Rabinov moved, and seconded by Claessens. A Discussion held. Motion to approve passed with all in favor, except for Studebaker.
  - c. Library, Marta Wiggins, report of the current activities of the Library reported to Council and the Community.
  - d. American Legion, report of American Legion's recent bingo provided; next bingo is April 22 for Prom Plus and the American Legion's support of Prom Plus was noted by Council Member Studebaker. Memorial Day commemoration will be held for the third year in a row at Two Strike Park.

9. Southern California Edison's Update: electrical infrastructure improvements (4kV-16kV upgrade) in Crescenta Valley – Haig Kartounian Government Affairs SCE – the “Panorama Circuit” was recently completed and the upgrades are moving east to La Canada and future upgrades and the reasons for such upgrades was discussed.
10. Richard Nino, Vice President, Burrtec Waste Industries – a report of the transition from approximately 2 years ago was provided to Council and the Community. A report of the upcoming events benefiting the community was provided as was copies of the quarterly newsletter. Procedures for “bulky item” pickups and how hazardous waste can be picked up was also discussed. President Leon thanked Burrtec for their continued support of the Community.
11. Community Reports (3 min and questions)
  - a. GUSD, Maria Gandra -- Open Houses at ongoing at local schools and spring break is about to begin. State testing will begin shortly after school reopens after spring break. Testing scores of GUSD and construction update information, among other updates, was provided. April 5, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. is the next Sagebrush territory transfer discussion at the LACOE board.
  - b. CVWD, Tom Love, updated the Council on the local water supply and that of the State of California generally. Due to recent rains, the conservation alert level may return back to a “Normal” conservation level from “Extreme” conservation.
  - c. CVCA, Ms. Sharon Weisman, multi-jurisdictional group meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month at the library to discuss local land use and related issues, at 7:00 p.m.
  - d. LA County Sherriff's Department – Officer Covian -- local crime statistics was provided to the Council and the Community. Captain Song has been promoted and our Sheriffs' Station will have a new captain.

## 12. Public Comments

Public Comments and Community Announcements: This is for non-agenda items only. Please submit a speaker card to the President or Vice President. Speakers are allowed 2 minutes. Council may ask questions or respond to the speaker but there will be no debate or decision. The President may refer the matter to the appropriate committee for investigation and report.

Sunrise Glendale Rotary, Irene & Peter Keller, is sponsoring a “Walk For Water” to raise awareness and as a fundraiser for Aid Africa on March 25, 2017.

Grainne Ong Yiu spoke about the herbicide spraying in local parks by Los Angeles County Parks and her efforts to protect the community.

Dannette Erickson discussed the April 22, 2017 Prayer Breakfast of the Town Council to be held at the First Baptist Church from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Laurie Duncan, President of CV High PTA, discussed the vape juice being sold at Walgreens and the problems that such sales can occur so close to the school.

### 13. Council Business

- a. Correspondence – All correspondence was distributed at the EC meeting by Council Member Ear since he is not available for the meeting today.
- b. Treasurer’s Report – A discussion of the current March report was conducted and the Treasurer’s report was reviewed. Ordubegian moved and Studebaker seconded to approve the report.
- c. Land Use Committee (LUC) – Council Member Studebaker moved, Ordubegian seconded, to have agenda updated to allow for discussion of 6-Month Lighting Moratorium. The motion to amend the agenda passed with Council Member Rabinov voting against and Council Member Barnes abstaining as she was at the Human Rights meeting on the March 2, 2017 joint Council and LUC meeting. A motion was made to have Council send a letter to the County and recommend an extension of the 6-Month Moratorium for another 6 months while the County is considering the letter from Council asking for a survey of the Community; Studebaker moved, Griffin seconded. After discussion, the Motion passed with Studebaker, Griffin, Lee, and Ordubegian voting in favor with Rabinov, Barnes and Claessens voting against.
- d. The Council will hold a special meeting to discuss the mission and goals of the Council for 2017 and a tentative date February 22, 2017 at 7:00 pm at the Crescenta Valley Library was proposed.
- e. Scholarship – Deadline for applications is April 5, 2017
- f. Sagebrush Territory Transfer – April 5, 2017 is the next LACOE meeting on this issue and the Sagebrush Committee will continue to monitor the proceedings.
- g. New Website Budget, Website Update, e-Blast, and Social Media – Council Member Barnes listed the quotes that were received for the necessary updates and discussed the pros and cons of each of the quotes. The Website/Technology Committee will meet to make further recommendations to Council.
- h. Donation to ROTC – ROTC has been supportive to Council Meetings and related Special Meetings. Council has been asked to donate \$100.00 for ROTC’s upcoming conference. Ordubegian moved and Studebaker seconded. Motion unanimously passed.
- i. Update on Measure “A” (Parks Needs Assessment) – President Leon was informed by the County that Measure “A” monies will be allocated in 2018.
- j. Safe Route To School – Council Member Rabinov discussed the Safe Route To School program in the community. A motion was made by Rabinov, seconded by Studebaker, to send a letter to the Supervisor’s office for a design study for our community. The specific language of the motion is attached to these Minutes. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

- k. Schedule of Executive Committee Meetings – Council Member Rabinov asked for a more set schedule for EC meetings so that council members can better schedule their calendar. This request will be considered by the EC.
- l. Sherry Mudd’s petitions regarding the 3037 and 3045 Foothill Blvd. development that she referenced at a LUC meeting regarding this development was handed to President Leon by Council Member Studebaker.
- m. Council Member Studebaker discussed that on April 8, 2017 at CV High School the Special Olympics will hold a presentation of their various services to the community.

14. Adjourn: the meeting was adjourned at 9:07 p.m.