



General Meeting Minutes

June 15, 2017

La Crescenta Library Community Room 7:00 pm

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1. Call to Order & Welcome: President Leon, 7:01 p.m.
2. Flag Salute and Invocation: Councilmember Stupakis
3. Roll Call: Recording Secretary Aram Ordubegian - Present: Leon, Claessens, Ordubegian, Ear, Rabinov, Lee, Studebaker, Stupakis and Lee. Not Present: Barnes, Griffin, Beatty, and Dickson.
4. Approval of May Minutes, Claessens moved, Ear second.
5. Approval of June Agenda, Claessens moved, Ordubegian second.
6. The Urban Coyote Problem In Los Angeles County - Jim Hartman of the County Department of Agricultural Commission/Weights and Measures Integrated Pest Management Division briefed the Council and the Community about the local coyote population and associated problems and tips to prevent potential harmful interactions with them.
7. Measure M Implementation Plan by Metro - Robert Calix, Community Relation Manager from Metro, presented the history of how Measure M made it onto the ballot and how those approved funds will be ultimately implemented in the County and our local community.
8. Planning and Department of Public Works – Carmen Sainz and Bruce Durbin from Regional Planning and Public Works updated the Council and the community about the pending Residential Street Lighting Survey and discussed various methods for community outreach.
9. Community Announcements (1 minute)
 - a. Library, Marta Wiggins, report of the current activities of the Library reported to Council and the Community, including new opening hours starting at 9 a.m.

10. Community Reports (3 min and questions)

- a. GUSD, Superintendent Wilfred Roberson -- provided his report, including discussing the various graduations at various GUSD schools; status of summer school; construction projects at various schools; and the retirement of Dr. Cynthia Livingston as principal at Rosemont Middle School.
- b. Laura Friedman, District 43 Assembly member: Sarojini Lall, District Director gave the Council a report of Assembly member Friedman's recent activities in the State Assembly.
- c. Crescenta Valley Community Association ("CVCA"), Mrs. Weisman, cross/multi-jurisdictional group meets the 4th Thursday of the month at the library to discuss local land use and related issues, at 7:00 p.m. Local land use projects were discussed and councilmembers' questions were answered. The June meeting will start at 6 p.m. and feature Glendale Councilmember Vrej Aghajanian
- d. CV Ready / Fire Safe Council, Judy Turner, reported recent activities of the Fire Safe Council to provide information to the Community.
- e. CV C.E.R.T. (Community Emergency Response Team): Paul Dutton: CERT and Red Cross Los Angeles Region are working together to present programs and preparing CERT teams in our community.
- f. Parks and Recreation – Alejandro Miranda discussed the local programs that are scheduled at CV Park and Two Strike Park for the community.
- g. Parks Needs Assessment/Measure A – Cheryl Davis discussed the status of Measure A funds for local park's needs. At present, La Crescenta/Montrose will receive approximately \$64,000 per year for future projects. In the future, the community will need to present grant requests for specific projects. The projection for when funds will flow to the community will be approximately Winter 2018.

11. Public Comment

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.

Matt Blundell asked that the pending Street Light Survey be worded to make sure all residents' views are considered.

Rola Moseri from Shields Street: SB-649 is a bill in Sacramento that passed the Senate and is now heading to the Assembly. It concerns where small cell sites/towers may be placed without the right of local government rights to consider where these sites can be locally placed.

Donna Libra spoke throughout the meeting on coyote issues and street lighting issues.

12. Council Business

- a. Correspondence – All correspondence was distributed by Corresponding Secretary Ear.
- b. Treasurer’s Report – A discussion of the current May report was conducted and the Treasurer’s report was reviewed. Ordubegian moved and Studebaker seconded and Council unanimously approved the report.
- c. Land Use Committee – Cheryl Davis discussed the most recent matters that are before Committee.
- d. CVTC Website Committee – Claessens provided a report of the Committee’s recent activities.
- e. County Skate Park – Council unanimously approved the transmission of a letter to the County about bullying and drug usage at the skate park. Motion was made by Claessens and seconded by Ear.
- f. Letter Regarding Marijuana Dispensaries – Council approved a motion to draft a letter to the County to limit the number of dispensaries in our Community. A draft of the letter will be circulated to all Council members.
- g. Letter Regarding Separate Report for 2016 Funds from the County – County funds have been stayed because in 2016 Council did not properly submit a back-up report to the County for funds received in 2016. President Leon will figure out what back-up documents were missing in 2016 and submit those to the County on the approved form.
- h. Pancake Breakfast will be Saturday, September 16, 2017. Preliminary organization steps have already started by Councilmember Studebaker and the Council thanked her for her work.

13. Adjourn: the meeting was adjourned at 9:28 p.m.