



General Council Meeting Minutes

June 20, 2024

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1. Call to Order & Welcome by President Baghdassarian: 7:03 p.m.
2. Dedicating the meeting to the fallen fire fighter
3. Flag Salute: Led by: Donna Libra
4. Invocation: Led by: Mikael Karapetyan
5. Roll Call: Recording Secretary: Daniel Kim - Present: Ahlers, Rodriguez, Lewin, Mueller Baghdassarian, Libra, and Kim Not Present: Ordubegian and Leon
6. June minutes amended for bank account – moved by Baghdassarian, seconded by Rodriguez

Names and titles of those being removed.

Hraier Leon, President

Aram Ordubegian, Co-Owner

Names and titles of those being added.

Frida Baghdassarian, President

Jeffrey Rodriguez, Vice President

Donna Libra, Treasurer (to remain on account)

7. Approval of June Agenda. Motion approved unanimously
8. Council Member Lewin read a statement to dedicate the June as LGBTQ month.
9. Scholarship Committee - Council Members Lewin, Baghdassarian, and Mueller presented scholarship recipients with their honors. Recipients were Alyssa Cavataio, Alexzander Awni, Joshua Kim, Rachel Kim, Sophia Lavanchy, Wesli Moore.
10. Youth Council has completed their term. New applications will be distributed in August.

11. Community Reports (Continued):

- a. Sherrif - Gave monthly crime updates. Crimes are trending down from last year. Traffic citations remain about the same. Most robberies take place in the rear sliding door of the home. He advised a 3M coating on doors. He asked community to not support unlicensed food vendors due to unsanitary conditions. Answered questions from the council about wired vs unwired security alarms. Answered questions from the public and council from local food vendors.
- b. LA County Fire – Not present
- c. CHP – Officer Keller – Statistics for May given. Traffic collisions are down for the year last month in the unincorporated of La Crescenta. Any traffic complaints can be sent via email to CHP. Answered questions from the public about canyon traffic citations and window tinting. Answered questions from the council about exhaust systems and exact ticket statistics.
- d. CV Chamber – Councilmember Libra invited the public to the CV Country Fair and 4th of July Fireworks.
- e. CV Cert – Not present.
- f. CV Ready - Fire Council – Not present.
- g. CVCA – Not present.
- h. GUSD – Not present.
- i. Land Use Committee – Inez Chesum – Gave update. No meetings last month. Did met with representatives with Regional Planning over the Community Area Plan. Discussed CSD R1 zone plans and sidewalks. CSD has jurisdiction over the foothill corridor and multifamily zoning. They would like to add language to square footage usage restrictions to R1 properties. Gave updates on progress on CSD updates with Regional Planning. Answered questions from the council about the specific limiting state bill. Answered questions from the public clarifying square footage usage allowed.

12. Community Announcements (2 minutes)

- a. Library: Ms. Martha Wiggins – Gave updates on upcoming events. Summer calendar of events ongoing. Answered questions from the Council about circulation ranks in LA County.
- b. Park & Rec – Not present
- c. American Legion – Not present
- d. Promplus/Firehouse – Not present

13. President Baghdassarian introduced Regional Planning presentation about rehab centers in La Crescenta.

14. Department of Regional Planning – Presentation by Alex Garcia going over land use regulation for substance use recovery and fair housing code.

- a. Meeting Objective is to review zoning and code regarding recovery and rehab center establishments and regulatory codes.
- b. Residential substance use facilities are issued by the state.
- c. Defined what counts as an unlicensed housing sober living home.
- d. Took questions from the council
 - i. Clarified the definition of the family.
 - ii. Clarified what the lease rules and ramifications in terms of violations of the rules of these lease rules are.
 - iii. No code restricts the number of these facilities at the county level.
- e. Took questions from the public about specific properties.
 - i. Can the county address loopholes to the residential code (such as registered sex offenders) that these facilities may be taking advantage of County has no requirement to check that specifically.
 - ii. Staff member from Supervisors Barger's gave correspondence updates from two properties in question.
 - iii. Answered questions about regulatory processes' in the area.
 - iv. Answered questions about details about the possible participants of these facilities. Only thing the county can check is that there is not 24 hour medical care and it is less than 6 people or less at a time.
 - v. Answered questions about the clarification about the definition of the facilities. They don't regulate number of names the business operates under at the same facility.
 - vi. Answered questions about the type of business license. They reiterated that the state level regulates.
 - vii. Answered questions about who to file complaints to at the state level.
 - viii. Answered questions about who represents us at the unincorporated level during an issue like this. It's affecting the safety of our community with these facilities so close to park and schools. They would like more protection and representation. Would like a clear definition of "disability". Staff member from Supervisors Barger's office did reiterate they did represent us. Gave us the history of SB9.
 - ix. Answered questions about why "bigger homes" don't need to notify neighbors about what is going on. They answered that if it complies with standards they do not need to do so.
 - x. County said they would give guidance on state regulatory agencies to write to for complaints on the rehab center issue.
 - xi. County gave some overview of a history of some of these facilities in Altadena.

13. 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.

- a. Michael Bierman – Work with “poor” communities and as a theater company. Wrote a newspaper about public spaces in conjunction with multiple countries. Newspaper in Finland. Newspaper is available to the public.
- b. Nanor Kabakian – Gave personal update on the ongoing with U-Matter. Litter noticed in the area and a loud altercation was observed.

14. Council Business

- a. Treasurer’s Report: Councilmember Libra – May 2024 is OK.
- b. Streets and Roads – Muller gave updates on future street paving.
- c. Corresponding Secretary – Councilmember Lewin gave the following updates – No updates.
- d. Discussed set up for council country fair. Schedule set up via text message. Supervisor Barger will be there at noon.

12. Adjourn: the meeting was adjourned at 9:48 p.m.