



1 General Council Meeting Minutes  
September 19, 2024

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1. Call to Order & Welcome by President Baghdassarian: 7:01 p.m.
2. Flag Salute: Led by: Councilmember Donna Libra
3. Invocation: Led by: Pastor Andrew Segovia of Highland Vision Church
4. Roll Call: Recording Secretary: Daniel Kim - Present: Rodriguez, Baghdassarian, Mueller, Ordubegian, Ahlers and Kim Not Present: Leon, Lewin, and Libra
  - Motion to amend the agenda to move July minutes to today's minutes. Motion moved by Rodriguez. Second by Muller.
  - Motion to approve July minutes – move Ahlers, second Rodriguez
  - August general minutes. Move Ahlers, second Rodriguez
  - Motion to approve September minutes move Ahlers, second Rodriguez
5. Community Reports (Continued):
  - a. Sheriff - Sheriff – Cpt. Rob Hahnlein gave the following updates – August Report – We received complaints about picnic tables being burned and have forwarded this to the Parks Bureau. Part 1 crimes: 6 residential burglaries, 2 GTA, 4 commercial burglaries, 1 vandalism, 1 narcotic incident, 1 catalytic converter incident, 4 identity fraud incidents. We issued 98 citations.
  - b. LA County Fire – Maria – Gave statistics for the month of August. No fires, 48 medical calls, 38 patients transported. Total responses for the month was 65. Focus of the month was water safety. Emphasis on pool and children safety. Answered questions from the council about the current wildfires in Southern California. Firefighters did a good job containing the fires. No mention of the fires being arson.
  - c. CHP – Officer Keller – Statistics for August given. 7 traffic collisions, 2 hit and runs, 5 injuries reported. Monitoring school zones due to high complaints. Deployed 2 speed trailers. Reported their general area citation numbers. Answered questions

- from the council on hit and runs. Defined a hit and run as a situation when one of the drivers flees the scene.
- d. CV Chamber – Not present
  - e. CV water – 3 announcements. Inviting the community to “imagine a day without water” event. Family friendly event to go over how to handle emergency situations. They have been doing quarterly office hours at the library. Next one is October 29<sup>th</sup>. Gave an update on Humphry Way pipeline project. 4<sup>th</sup> in house pipeline project this year. Can track projects and details on their website. Answered questions from the council about the criteria of how projects are chosen. Answered questions about water rationing. No restrictions.
  - f. CV Cert – Not present.
  - g. CV Ready - Fire Council – Not present.
  - h. CVCA – Not present.
  - i. GUSD – Dr. Watson – Back to school nights have gone great, they are all wrapped up. Looking to provide resources and support to chronic absentee. Hate speech is a focus, having strong conversations with families to try to minimize that. Many measure S projects are still ongoing. A bond oversight committee was recently set up. First student advisory council was set up and their representative will be announced shortly. Had their first African American family student council, turn out was great. Wanted to address school shootings. They had to address rumors of these threats as they affect attendance. This is not a joke and encourage everyone to take it seriously. But other than that a great start to the school year. Answered questions from the council. Addressed possible reasons for absentees. Hate speech has impacted many different demographics. In regards to threats, most of them are coming through social media. In regards to no cell phone policy, it was recently presented to the board. They have a policy, students should not be using it during instructional time. They are intaking different opinions on the current policy. Survey had low participation. Hoover High is doing a pilot policy on cell phone usage at this time. Addressed another pilot program at CV where only seniors can leave the campus. Answered a question from the public about the specifics of the cell phone procedure. There are numbered pockets at the front of the class where students put the phone at the start of instruction and they can pick them up after instruction ends. When it comes to wireless earphones, they have not addressed that.
  - j. Land Use Committee – Vice President Rodriguez – During the last meeting (9-5) they discussed the proposed a possible development up on Briggs Terrace. The community used county property as a trail and as an evacuation route during the Canyon Fire. He would like to use the access way as a driveway to his property. He has rescinded proposed purchase of this area. The west San Gabriel plan is in final review. Will take place at the Hall of Records on September 25<sup>th</sup>. This is a part of

the community standard district for our area. Some changes are still pending and it will be a part of the West San Gabriel Plan.

#### Presentation by LA County office of Cannabis Management

Currently cannabis is not allowed in Unincorporated LA County. They are proposing a pilot program to allow a regulated commercial market.

Office of Cannabis Management is tasked to oversee the program.

Explained an overview of how commercial cannabis is regulated and how licenses are given in the State of California. 90 total permits were approved by the LA County board back in February 2022.

The proposed requirements in the county will use existing code and policies as well as new proposed ordinances. Reviewed security measures, their good neighbor policy, requirements for corporate social responsibility, local and targeted hiring mandate, proposed zoning regulations, allowable business activities, permit application requirements, what type of owners are prohibited, how compliance will be enforced, violations and penalties issued, ways to report unlicensed businesses, and estimated timelines.

Answered questions from the council:

Will take about 6-9 months for business to get license and explained what procedures will be given to the local community to give feedback to the proposed business.

An official 45 day public comment period take place at a future time.

The official presentation will be sent to the council.

Public comments are more for feedback vs whether it will continue or not.

Currently the staff of Cannabis Management is "small".

#### 6. Community Announcements (2 minutes)

- a. Library: Ms. Martha Wiggins – La Crescenta is #2. Kids are using the library facilities. They are troubleshooting chromebook wifi connection. The library has been used as a cooling center. Each day it was hot, library attendance increased by about a 100. An on going event on "Book Banning" is taking place during the month of October. Answered questions from the council. It will be a "Banned Book" month. There have been some occasional vagrant situations around the library. The library will try to connect people in need with appropriate services. The library is a safe space for all. They must respect the rules of the library.
- b. Park & Rec – Not present
- c. American Legion – Not present
- d. Promplus/Firehouse – Not present

### 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.

### 14. Council Business

- a. October 12 – Annual Pancake Breakfast. Proceeds will go towards the student scholarships.
- b. LUC – Gave by Vice President Rodriguez earlier
- c. Treasurer – Reviewed June, July, August, approval of all reports, moved by Ordubegian, seconded by Ahlers. Unanimously approved.
- d. Election – Encouraged the community to run for office. November 8-9 is the election. Voter rolls are set.
- e. Pancake Breakfast – Set up date TBD.
- f. Community traffic forum – Council member Muller gave an update - they spoke about the access to Rosemont and CV rear access. Update on pothole repairs.
- g. Tree lighting – Tree lighting will be December 4<sup>th</sup>, councilmembers will be there to support!
- h. Treasurer – Check from the county for tree lighting and pancake has been received.

12. Adjourn: the meeting was adjourned at 8:51 p.m.