



General Council Meeting Minutes  
January 16, 2025

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1. Call to Order & Welcome by President Baghdassarian: 7:00 p.m.
2. Flag Salute: Led by: Councilmember Libra
3. Invocation: Led by: Father Jim
4. Roll Call: Recording Secretary: Daniel Kim - Present: Rodriguez, Baghdassarian, Libra Mueller, Lewin, Leon, Kilpatrick, and Kim Not Present: Ordubegian
5. Swearing of councilmembers Mueller, Kilpatrick, and Baghdassarian by Captain Hahnlein.
6. Slate of officers and voting
  - a. All officer positions have been affirmed.
    - i. Recording Secretary – Daniel Kim
    - ii. Corresponding Secretary – Keri Lewi
    - iii. Vice President – Jeffery
7. President Baghdassarian thanked the first responders for their service in fighting the wildfires.
8. Approval of November general meeting minutes. All approved, Kilpatrick abstained.
9. Approval of January agenda.
  - a. Councilmember Lewin moved to have GUSD to give community reports first.
10. Community Reports:
  - a. Sheriff - Sheriff – Captain Hahnlein – Gave report from the month of November. Gave warnings of a string of condo thefts going around. He demonstrated a device that blocks electronic signals. Confiscated from a car with masked drivers. Warned

us that if we see it, we should report it. Also pinhole cameras have been seen in the area to monitor people's homes. Be vigilant about suspicious devices and people. Answered questions from the public and council.

- b. GUSD - Superintendent Watson – Gave an update on some of the school closures and their impact due to the wildfires. All schools were closed for 3 days. Rosemont Middle School had a large tree that fell over, it impacted water lines. They are repairing lines and it should be ready for back in session next week. Masks and air filters are in place where requested and needed. 22 faculty members in GUSD lost their homes.
- c. Los Angeles County Fire – Maria – No fire report available. Gave updates on the Eaton Fire. It is at 55% containment. They are expecting it to stay contained. She gave an update on structure loss and damages. Answered questions from the council and public. Gave an overview of watch duty and GENASYS app.
- d. CHP – Not present
- e. CV Chamber – Not present
- f. CV water – Armine – They have been part of the Eaton fire central command and did help provide water for the fire. Both heilo pads, that were procured last year, were used to fight the Eaton fire. Answered questions from the council. February 16 will be the next meeting that will go over their next rate study. Gave an overview of their well rehabilitation project and their pipeline overview projects.
- g. CV Cert – Dutton – Went over what “slopping winds” are. They are an increase of wind speed as they come over the mountains. Gave reminders to heed warnings and for the public to have evacuation packs ready. Recommended all households have at least a small generator. Answered questions from the public.
- h. CVCA – Not present.
- i. Land Use Committee – No updates.

#### 11. Updates from LA County Lee Miller Senior Civil Engineer

- a. Public works are servicing critical services.
- b. Road paving projects are currently on pause.
- c. They have completed 9 out of 20 tree clearance projects.
- d. Public works is working to secure funding for a signal on Altura and Ramsdell.
- e. Gave updates on new public work projects around Rosemont.
- f. Gave updates on new public work projects around Monte Vista.
- g. New waste hauler service to stay the same.
- h. Answered questions from the council and public.

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

- a. Library: Ms. Martha Wiggins – La Crescenta Library was used as a FEMA resource center. They were able to register 100 people and / or families. N95 is available for

the public here. Next Saturday will be the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary for the library! There will be a small celebration here, details TBD. Still number 2 in terms of volume.

- b. Park & Rec – Not present
- c. American Legion – Not present
- d. Promplus/Firehouse – They are in need of donations of pancake mix and non perishables.
- e. Women’s Club – Having bingo February 25<sup>th</sup>. They are housing people who are in need with food, wifi and shelter.

### 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. Member of the public brought up the wildfire plan that was started in 2015. Councilmember Muller answered questions about future plans about wildfire preparedness and information.
- b. Member of the public asked about possibility of underground power lines. Edison high tension wires are all uninsulated.
- c. Community member of Briggs Terrace asked to explore a possibility to find a second exit from Briggs Terrace.

### 14. Council Business

- a. Treasurer – All reports are posted to the website. Lewin motioned to approve; Rodriguez seconded. Unanimously approved.
- b. Christmas Tree Lighting – Councilmember Mueller gave overview of the successful tree lighting. We did purchase a new 12’ tree. Library staff helped save the tree.
- c. Corresponding – A hearing to review the ADU restriction to limited access areas in high fire area. Mailbox was locked.

12. Adjourn: Kim motioned, Lewin seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 p.m.