



CRESCENTA VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL

General Meeting Minutes August 20, 2026

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1. Call to order and welcome – Jeffrey Rodriguez – 7:00 p.m.
2. Flag Salute – Donna Libra
3. Invocation – Jo Ann Stupakis
4. Roll Call - Present - Rodriguez, Stupakis, Libra, Leon, Mueller, Brautigam, Kilpatrick
Absent: Baghdassarian, Kim
5. Approval of July General Meeting Minutes – Motion Libra, second Brautigam, unanimously approved.
6. Approval of August agenda – Leon asked to adjourn the meeting in the memory of Lisa Yeghiayan (Prom Plus and community member) Motion Brautigam, Second Libra, unanimously approved.
7. Certificate of Recognition – Ruben Karapetian, ANCA Executive Director, recipient of Rep. Judy Chu Community Activist of the Year award.
8. Community Reports
 - a. Sheriff – Sergeant Lee – July report – No murders, rapes, non residential burglaries or arson, one robbery, two aggravated assault and 15 larceny robberies. 90 citations, 50 warnings. Six catalytic converter thefts in July, thefts 8 in June to 15 in July.
 - b. Los Angeles Fire – Maria Grycan – July report – 58 responses, no fires. 45 medical responses, 46 patients. One service call and 12 no emergency. 6 traffic collisions July 8 Fairmount car vs. bicyclist. July 9 Raymond and Foothill traffic car vs. e bike (16 year old male 30 mph struck from the side). Patient transported. Safety tip: you can text 911. Goes to law enforcement, then gets transferred. Let them know if you need fire or law enforcement and the address. Zone zero – Board of Forestry adopted final recommendations for zone zero. Putting together a fact sheet with criteria. Very different than 5 years ago. Most recent change about wood fences, time and money to change out the fences. Fences will be allowed to stay. If you replace fence, it has to be non combustible. Gate has to be non combustible. Applies to those who live in fire zone, when brush inspections are done next year violations will written but not enforced. Enforced in 2030. Insurance companies an enforce zone zero. Cal Fire bases fire zones based on hazards, insurance companies look at risk.
 - c. CHP – Officer Alec Pereyda – working with us. Email alec.pereyda@chp.ca.gov Six traffic crashes in July. In August 3 crashes, in this area. One crash on August 19 with LA County Fire Rosemont at 6-7 p.m. Increasing patrols with school

being in session, three officers out every morning and afternoon and senior volunteers on patrol. 210 Freeway – 10 a.m. August 19 westbound near Sunland, big rig overheated and caught on fire. Full freeway closure. Opened up evening of August 19. Major traffic crash westbound at Pennsylvania, two semis and one vehicle, one oversize haul lithium ion batteries 100,000 lbs. in batteries. Full freeway closure, diverted at Ocean View. Apologize for gridlock. Did the best they could. Opened up at midnight. Minor to moderate injuries. Comment from community member regarding parked cars on southbound Ramsdell blocking left turns onto Ramsdell. See LA County Public Works. Question about how to get notifications when emergencies. Cal Trans website if systems are up. LA Communications Center is good about providing updates. If extreme, rely on first responders getting on PA system to inform community. Also tune into the radio, KNX.

- d. CV Chamber – nothing to report
 - e. CVWD – Armineh – Crews Foothill and Briggs replacing valves. Valves allow to isolate pipeline for shutoffs. Work is complete. Valve maintenance scheduled in the rest of the year, will email to Council. Stevens, Raymond, Henrietta, Pennsylvania. Water shutoff today on Henrietta and Cloud. Foothill pipeline replacement from Ramsdell to Ocean View and Montrose Avenue Ramsdell to Ocean View. Will bring details at next meeting. Businesses have been notified. Will be updating on navigation apps. Sept. 30, 2026 at 6 p.m. at Montrose Library – community to meet with staff office hours with ideas and questions.
 - f. CV Cert – no one present.
 - g. CV Ready – no one present
 - h. CVCA – no one present
 - i. GUSD – Dr. Kelly King – CV graduating class of 2026-450 seniors completed 55,000 community service hours and earned \$1,000,000 in scholarships. 25,000 students in the district, decline in enrollment in other areas. U.S News and World Report published best high schools. 18,000 high schools are part of the ranking system, Clark Magnet #217 nationally, #30 in California and #10 in LA Metro. CV High ranked #699 nationally, 106 California and 46 in LA Metro. New dual immersion Western Armenian at Glenoaks. Applications in November. Campus improvements – CVHS new pool deck, showers. Resurfaced parking lots at Rosemont and Dunsmore, removed tree roots. New roofs at Lincoln. Anything you see at schools let Jo Ann Stupakis know and she will inform the district.
 - j. LUC - Chris Kilpatrick – Nothing to report. Briggs and Foothill nothing new. Speaking with developer and supervisor's office. 66 units down from 80 units. Updates soon.
 - k. LA County DPW – Lee Miller – Community Liaison – 5th District – Trying to get a speaker for upcoming El Nino. Thank you for the street signs. Thank you for fixing sidewalk at La Crescenta Elementary.
9. LA County Regional Planning – West San Gabriel Valley Area Infrastructure Improvements – Jesus and Evan Sensibile (esensibile@planninglacounty.gov)– Asking CV Town Council to appoint a community advisory member. WSGV – Altadena, E Pasadena, Kinneloa, La Crescenta-Montrose, San Pasqual, South El Monte, South Monrovia, South San Gabriel and Whittier Narrows. Capital Improvement planning for

infrastructure for new 17,000 housing units. Capital Improvement Plan is a long-term plan county owned. 5-10 years. Addresses mobility/transportation, sewer and stormwater management. Also energy and water, privately funded. Also identify community preferences. Timeline finished Spring 2029. Early results of community survey: Water, storm water improvement, transportation and mobility. Entire planning area, not just La Crescenta. Poor road conditions, lack of connectivity. Aging or deteriorating pipelines. Storm water management. Asking for one rep from CVTC to be on the WSGV CIP Community Advisory Committee. Serves as community liaison. Initial interest by Harry Leon. Chris Kilpatrick is also interested. Council will discuss via email. Would like a name within a week. Prioritization is based on areas, but also there is an opportunity for each community to prioritize their own needs. Brautigam asked for a short survey link to post on social media. Evan will send something.

10. Community Announcements

- a. Library - Marta Wiggins – Still #1 in the system, widened our gap 27,120 items checked out, Culver City 3,000 less. Shared information from an article about library use by Gen Z. Handed out motivational stickers.
- b. Parks and Rec – No one present – DeDeMueller – issues with Two Strike Park – kids throwing rocks, e-bikes. Sheriff Dept has a park bureau. Sending more deputies to police the park. Caught some kids with e-bikes riding on walkways. Trying to get some no e-bike signs at parks. Let DeDe know if you see something. Will put the phone number to the Parks Bureau dispatch on our website.
- c. American Legion/ VFW – no one present
- d. Prom Plus – no one present
- e. Fire House – no one present

11. Public Comments: Errol Kaufman – Shared traffic problems with a display. Lives on Community Avenue. 152 cars average between 7:30-8:30 a.m. Also map around Vons. Representative Julian Suh Toma from Senator Sascha Perez office introduced himself.

12. Council Business

Treasurer - motion to approve July Treasurer's Report Brautigam, second Mueller. Unanimously approved

Committee Reports – Election committee – needs to meet regarding dates, venues, candidate forum. Tuesday August 25 10:30 a.m. via zoom – Donna, Jo Ann, Chris.

Streets and Transportation – none

Corresponding – none

Announcements – none

Adjourn meeting in memory of Lisa Yeghiayan. Motion Libra, second Brautigam. Adjourned 8:50 p.m.