



SUNLAND-TUJUNGA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

General Board Meeting MINUTES
Wednesday, November 8, 2017
6:30pm – 9:00pm
Approved

Meeting Location:
 North Valley City Hall
 7747 Foothill Blvd, Tujunga, CA 91042

Board Member	Roll Call	Funding Vote Eligible*	Category	Seat
Adran, Linda	Absent	YES	Representative	R2
Anderson, Amelia	Present 6:43PM	YES	Representative	SG
Avakian, Shooshig Treasurer	Present	YES	Treasurer	T
Barron, David	Present	YES	Representative	R3
Bradley, Charlie 1 st Vice President	Present	NO(FN)	Vice President	1st
Candler, John	Present	YES	Representative	SG
Clark, Krystee President	Present	YES	President	P
Cuddihy, Julie	Present	YES	Representative	SG
Grant, Lydia	Present 6:43PM	YES	Representative	R4
Hitt, Marlene	Present	YES	Representative	SG
Hussion, Janelle	Present	NO(FN)	Secretary	S
Juarez, Katherine	Absent	YES	Representative	R2
Kramer, Pat	Present	YES	Representative	R1
McArdle-Potter, Pati	Present	YES	Representative	R4
Miranian, Edwin	Present (8:06PM)	YES	Representative	SG
Orudyan, Ana	Absent	YES	Representative	R1
Ramirez, Ricardo	Present	YES	Representative	R3
Seigel, Mark	Present	NO(FX)	Representative	SG
Stangel, Dana 2 nd Vice President	Present	YES	Vice president	2nd
Vartzbekian, Hrant	Present	YES	Representative	SG
Von Gunten, Jon	Present	NO(FX)	Representative	SG
Vacant			Parliament	P
TOTAL: 21	15 PRESENT, 06 ABSENT			

*Funding vote eligibility key: **A**=age less than 18 yrs.; **E**=Ethics training; **F**=Funding training; **N**=not taken; **X**=expired
 ** Advance notice given for absence

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance Ms. Clark called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. There were 21 stakeholders present.
2. Krystee Clark, Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council President Announcements (7) Due to items on the agenda, Clark moved the events announcements up one item.
 - Meeting being dedicated to our Veterans
 - Announcement of Pat Kramer's birthday tomorrow.
 - Post La Tuna Fire Forum on November 18, 2107 from 2-4 pm details on STNC.org
 - Chamber of Commerce Business Expo on Saturday November 18, 2017 at North Valley City Hall
 - Outreach survey available on our website: [Take Survey Here](#)

- Housekeeping, Speaker Cards, Timekeeper and Facebook live stream of meeting. Meeting could not be streamed due to technical issues.

3. Event Announcements - 1 minute per speaker (10)

- Dawn Jenkins-McGroarty Art Center Chili Cook-off December 2nd and 3rd 10:00AM-5:00PM
- Dana Stangel- First Responders Event, All Nations Church November 17th 6:00PM
- Carrie Smith- Bolton Hall Museum Little Landers Historical Society November 11th 1:00PM
Bolton Hall Speaker Charles Hobbs, Hidden History in Los Angeles. December 9th 1:00PM
Bolton Hall The Randy Van Horne Singers
- Manuel Avilez- Verdugo High School, November 16th Fundraiser at Caruso's, November 15th 9:00AM-1:00PM UCLA Blood Drive School Library
- Sandy Capps- December 3rd 8:00AM-12:00PM Breakfast with Santa and Craft Fair Fundraiser at Our Lady of Lourdes. Making it Happen Adopt a Local Family for Christmas.
- Matthew Kruse, President of the Junior Youth Advisory Council- Toy and Pajama Drive November 8 and November 27 for City of Hope. 20% fundraiser November 9 at Joselito's for Desi Geestman from 11:00Am-10:00PM.
- Nayri Vartunian- December 2 10:00AM-2:00PM Sunland Park E-Waste recycling event. December 2 YMCA Winter Carnival to benefit their STEM program.
- Janelle Hussion- Chamber of Commerce Chamber Mixer November 15 6:00PM-8:00PM at Code Blue 21 and over
- Nina Royal- Mission College Tujunga Satellite classes start November 15 and need your support to have the campus grow.

4. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction (10)

- Amelia Anderson-homeless advocate holiday celebration for the homeless children on December 22
- Cat Herzon- Giving Music asked to be placed on next month's agenda for NPG
- Anna Malkhasian- issue with City Council's decision to implement the trash franchise fees.
- Regina Clark- Little Landers Historical Society presented a letter to the STNC about the funding for their fundraiser.
- Pati Potter- complaint against Sonya about lies she tells of the STNC LUC committee. The committee does not turn people in for land use violations. Any member of the community can file a land use violation complaint with the City.
- Mark Seigel-STSU community fund gave out grants of \$300 to six organizations in the community.

5. Public Official and Community Representative Announcements (20)

- FD William Pond, ASM Bocanegra, Their new district office is at 9300 Laurel Canyon Blvd. 1st Floor Arleta, CA 91331 818-504-3911. The Assembly is out of session and the ASMs will be working in their districts. The office will be looking for grants to help Little Landers and other events. More details coming for enrollment for Covered California.
- FD Eve Sinclair, Councilmember Rodriguez, November 3rd the City Council voted to return the money mentioned in Item 9. La Tuna Fire Community Town Hall November 15th from 6:30PM-8:00PM All Nations Church. Will review what happened at the fire and what needs to be done for the next rainy season. Report back from all the departments for CF 17-1037 La Tuna Fire will be available.
- NEA Kathleen Quinn, DONE, Vanessa Serrano was unable to attend, please refer to your monthly profile on information about community murals. A Geo-hub training will be scheduled for November 15th 5:30PM-7:30PM at the Boys and Girls Club in Pacoima. Civic U 2.0 RSVPs need to be in by December 15th. Your funds have been credited to your account. Your new City Clerk Funding representative is Shanna.
- FD Esmeralda Marcial, LAUSD Boardmember Kelly Gonez, (via email) November 9th Final day to apply for magnet/ dual school. Last week to fill out school experience survey. Please share with friends and families that have students in LAUSD to fill the survey out. Ms. Clark will place the links to the application and survey on the STNC website.

Questions/Comments from the Public (10)

Pat Kramer made request to have CM Rodriguez attend one of the STNC's meetings in the future as the Board has not seen her since she was elected to the Council. Lydia Grant requested and update on the Vision Zero banners. Ms. Sinclair stated she does not have a report, but will have a report next meeting.

Mr. Chandler left meeting at 7:45PM
 Mr. Miranian joined meeting at 8:06PM
 Mr. Chandler joined meeting at 8:06PM

6. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Do you think the speed limit on Foothill should be raised to 40 mph? The Neighborhood Council has been advised that LADOT is recommending to “revise the speed limit on Foothill Boulevard between Lowell Avenue and Sunland Boulevard from 35 miles per hour to 40 miles per hour” Motion to support a response letter to LADOT addressing the issue.

Public comment:

- Nina Royal
- Stakeholder (female)
- Karen (no last name)
- Cindy Cleghorn

STNC ITEM 6 Motion to postpone letter to next meeting Moved: Clark Second: Bradley				
Yes - 18	No - 00	Recuse - 00	Not Eligible -00	Absent - 03
Avakian, Anderson, Barron, Bradley, Candler, Clark, Cuddihy, Grant, Hitt, Hussion, Kramer, McArdle, Miranian, Ramirez, Seigel, Stangel, Vartzbedian, Von Guten	NONE	NONE	NONE	Adran, Juarez, Orudyan,

7. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Motion to submit a Community Impact Statement in support of Council File #12-1625-S1 approving the installation of a sign to commemorate the Tuna Canyon Detention Station Historic Cultural Monument #1039 on the Northwest corner of La Tuna Canyon Road and Tujunga Canyon Boulevard / Honolulu Avenue

Public comment:

- No comment

STNC ITEM 7 Motion to submit CIS for CF 12-1625-S1 Moved: Clark Second: Seigel				
Yes - 18	No - 00	Recuse - 00	Not Eligible -00	Absent - 03
Avakian, Anderson, Barron, Bradley, Candler, Clark, Cuddihy, Grant, Hitt, Hussion, Kramer, McArdle, Miranian, Ramirez, Seigel, Stangel, Vartzbedian, Von Guten	NONE	NONE	NONE	Adran, Juarez, Orudyan,

8. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Motion to support a letter to The Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (BONC) citing problems with the new funding system being run by The City Clerk's office. Difficulty with the new system is beginning to affect the reputation of our Neighborhood Council and we have had extensive problems getting events funded that have been funded in the past

Public comment:

- Brian Allen
- Regina Clark

STNC ITEM 8 Motion to submit letter to City Clerk Moved: Clark Second: Avakian				
Yes - 17	No - 01	Recuse - 00	Not Eligible -00	Absent - 03
Avakian, Anderson, Barron, Bradley, Candler, Clark, Cuddihy, Hitt, Hussion, Kramer, McArdle, Miranian, Ramirez, Seigel, Stangel, Vartzbedian, Von Guten	Grant	NONE	NONE	Adran, Juarez, Orudyan,

9. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Motion to support a letter to Councilwoman Monica Rodriguez requesting a new City Council motion to request the \$13440.00 that we have still not received as was promised to us by our former Councilman. We should not have to wait for DONE to submit the request to City Council in the New Year.

STNC ITEM 9 Motion to submit letter to CM Rodriguez Moved: Second:				
Yes – 00	No – 00	Recuse – 00	Not Eligible –00	Absent – 00
Removed from agenda				

10. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Motion to form a new committee called STEP (Sunland-Tujunga Emergency Preparedness) for the Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council. Co-Chairs will be STNC member Pat Kramer (patkramerstnc@gmail.com) and community stakeholder Sandy Capps (sacapps@icloud.com). Committee will consist of a minimum of 5 members and 2 alternates with a quorum of 3. The duty of the committee will be "to provide emergency preparedness resources and training to the community as well as outreach to city officials on any issues relating to emergency preparedness."

Public comment:

- Cindy Cleghorn
- Sandy Capps
- Nina Royal

STNC ITEM 10 Motion to form STEP Moved: Kramer Second: Seigel				
Yes – 18	No – 00	Recuse – 00	Not Eligible –00	Absent – 03
Avakian, Anderson, Barron, Bradley, Candler, Clark, Cuddihy, Grant, Hitt, Hussion, Kramer, McArdle, Miranian, Ramirez, Seigel, Stangel, Vartzbedian, Von Guten	NONE	NONE	NONE	Adran, Juarez, Orudyan

Please contact the Co-Chairs if you are interested in becoming a member of this new committee.

Item 13D moved to after item 10 so youth council could be dismissed.

d. Youth Advisory Council

- DISCUSSION/ACTION: Motion to spend up to \$600 on T-shirts as Outreach for the committee as well as promotion for our website: <http://www.stnc.org> Motion to amend and move by Ms. Clark to add the STNC logo. No vote was taken on the amendment.

STNC ITEM 13D Motion to fund \$600 for outreach t-shirts Moved: Clark Second: Vartzbedian				
Yes – 16	No – 00	Recuse – 00	Not Eligible –02	Absent – 03
Anderson, Avakian, Barron, Bradley, Candler, Clark, Cuddihy, Grant, Hitt, Kramer, McArdle, Miranian, Ramirez, Seigel, Stangel, Vartzbedian	NONE	NONE	Hussion, Von Guten	Adran, Juarez, Orudyan

- ANNOUNCEMENT: The Youth Advisory Council is collecting Toys and Pajamas that will be donated to the Desi Geestman Foundation for their December event and fundraiser tomorrow at Joselito's.

Item 13F moved to after 13D

- DISCUSSION/ACTION: Motion to approve up to \$400 for new badges for our Neighborhood Council that will include the City Seal, a name and their position on the board.

Public comment:

- No comment

STNC ITEM 13F Motion to fund up to \$400 for new badges for our Neighborhood Council that will include the City Seal, a name and their position on the board Moved: Clark Second: Bradley				
Yes – 15	No – 00	Recuse – 00	Not Eligible –02	Absent – 04
Anderson, Avakian, Bradley, Candler, Clark, Cuddihy, Grant, Hitt, Kramer, McArdle, Miranian, Ramirez, Seigel, Stangel, Vartzbedian	NONE	NONE	Hussion, Von Guten	Adran, Barron(left room) Juarez, Orudyan

Item 13G moved to after 13F

- **DISCUSSION/ACTION:** Volunteers needed for November First Responders Event November 17, 2017
g. Sunland-Tujunga Arts, Recreation and Culture Committee (STARC)
 - **DISCUSSION/ACTION:** Motion to send a letter of support for the updated gate design at the Redmont Pumping Station site and request a letter from Councilwoman Rodriguez
- Public comment:

- No comment

STNC ITEM 13G Motion to send a letter of support for the updated gate design at the Redmont Pumping Station site and request a letter from Councilwoman Rodriguez Moved: Committee Second: McArdle				
Yes – 18	No – 00	Recuse – 00	Not Eligible –00	Absent – 03
Avakian, Anderson, Barron, Bradley, Candler, Clark, Cuddihy, Grant, Hitt, Hussion, Kramer, McArdle, Miranian, Ramirez, Seigel, Stangel, Vartzbedian, Von Guten	NONE	NONE	NONE	Adran, Juarez, Orudyan

Item 13G1 moved to after 13G

- **DISCUSSION/ACTION:** Motion for \$500 for outreach and refreshments for the “Jewish Cultural Festival of the Foothills” to be held at The McGroarty Arts Center on December 19, 2017 being produced by the STARC committee
- Public comment:

- No comment

STNC ITEM 13G1 Motion to fund \$500 for outreach and refreshments for the “Jewish Cultural Festival of the Foothills” to be held at The McGroarty Arts Center on December 19, 2017 being produced by the STARC committee Moved: Clark Second: Kramer				
Yes – 13	No – 01	Abstain – 02	Not Eligible –02	Absent – 03
Avakian, Barron, Bradley, Candler, Clark, Cuddihy, Hitt, Kramer, McArdle, Ramirez, Seigel, Stangel, Vartzbedian	Grant	Anderson, Miranian	Hussion, Von Guten	Adran, Juarez, Orudyan

Item 13E moved to after 13G1

- e. Land Use Committee
 - **DISCUSSION/ACTION:** Motion to support comments regarding 6433 La Tuna Canyon Road recirculation of a portion of the DEIR regarding energy conservation
- Public comment:

- No comment

STNC ITEM 13E Motion to support comments regarding 6433 La Tuna Canyon Road recirculation of a portion of the DEIR Moved: Clark Second: Von Guten				
Yes – 18	No – 00	Recuse – 00	Not Eligible –00	Absent – 03
Avakian, Anderson, Barron, Bradley, Candler, Clark, Cuddihy, Grant, Hitt, Hussion, Kramer, McArdle, Miranian, Ramirez, Seigel, Stangel, Vartzbedian, Von Guten	NONE	NONE	NONE	Adran, Juarez, Orudyan

Cases before LUC: Presentation 10638 Sherman Grove conversion rec room to apartment will be brought to the Board next month. LUC has a few inquiries on a few properties where building is underway, but no applications have been submitted to the committee.

Ms. Clark returned to the order of agenda items.

11. **DISCUSSION/ACTION:** Approve minutes from the October 11, 2017 Meeting

Corrections: Needed correction to Items 9 and 10. The Boardmember who had seconded both motions was omitted. Mr. Bradley had seconded both motions. Ramirez’s name was misspelled in Call to Order. Name was corrected.

Public comment:

- No comment

(Vote continued below)

STNC ITEM 11 Motion to approve October 11, 2017 minutes as amended Moved: Clark Second: Ramirez				
Yes - 17	No - 00	Abstain - 01	Not Eligible -00	Absent - 03
Avakian, Anderson, Barron, Bradley, Candler, Clark, Grant, Hitt, Hussion, Kramer, McArdle, Miranian, Ramirez, Seigel, Stangel, Vartzbedian, Von Guten	NONE	Cuddihy	NONE	Adran, Juarez, Orudyan

Mr. Miranian left the meeting at 8:55PM

12. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Review and approve October 2017 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER)

Public comment:

- No comment

STNC ITEM 12 Motion to approve October 2017 MERS Moved: Clark Second: Avakian				
Yes - 14	No - 01	Recuse - 00	Not Eligible -02	Absent - 04
Anderson, Avakian, Barron, Bradley, Candler, Clark, Cuddihy, Hitt, Kramer, McArdle, Ramirez, Seigel, Stangel, Vartzbedian	Grant	NONE	Hussion, Von Guten	Adran, Juarez, Orudyan, Miranian

13. Neighborhood Council Board and Committee Reports including Discussion/Possible Action

a. Report from Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates by Rick Ramirez, Budget Advocate for the North East Valley. Mr. Ramirez stated that the Budget Advocates will be meeting with Police and Fire to review their budgets. There is a \$300M budget gap that the Budget Advocates is reviewing. The Budget Advocates will be publishing an article in City Watch.

b. Report from representatives:

- VANC- Ms. Cleghorn reported that VANC will be having an event on transportation November 9th. You must register in advance to attend because of security issues.
- LANCC- Ms. Grant has volunteered to attend LANCC meetings and report back each month.
- NC Coalitions or Alliances- no report

c. Region & Group Representatives

- Ms. Stangel reported that there is a memorial event for the Veterans in Sunland Park on November 10th at 11:00AM and that as many Boardmembers attend as possible with their name badges on. November 17th is the All Nations Church First Responder Event
- Ms. Grant inquired as to who the Public Works Liaison was. Ms. Clark stated that the position is open and that the opening will be filled at the next General Board meeting.

f. Outreach

- ACTION: New group photograph of our Neighborhood Council

h. Women Empowering Sunland-Tujunga (WEST) Committee met November 7th and is planning a tea party and outreach event to be held at the North East Valley City Hall on January 27th. The budget will be submitted next week for the December General Board meeting.

i. Beautification- No report

j. Animal Issues Committee-No report

k. Bylaws Committee – Bylaws will be voted on at an upcoming meeting and submitted before the next deadline

14. Closing Comments by President, Acknowledgements, and Adjournment. (1)

STNC ITEM 14 Motion to adjourn Moved: Clark Second: Bradley 9:29PM				
Yes - 18	No - 00	Recuse - 00	Not Eligible -00	Absent - 03
Avakian, Anderson, Barron, Bradley, Candler, Clark, Cuddihy, Grant, Hitt, Hussion, Kramer, McArdle, Ramirez, Seigel, Stangel, Vartzbedian, Von Guten	NONE	NONE	NONE	Adran, Juarez, Orudyan, Miranian