



# SUNLAND-TUJUNGA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

**General Board Meeting MINUTES  
Wednesday, November 14, 2018  
6:30PM  
(DRAFT)**

**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
Alvarez Oscar	Present	YES	Representative	R3
Andonian, Rita	Absent	YES	Representative	SG
Anderson, Amelia	Absent	YES	Representative	SG
Boyadjian, Chris	Absent	YES	Representative	R2
Bradley, Charlie 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Present	YES	Vice President	1st
Capps Sandy Treasurer	Absent	YES	Treasurer	T
Grant, Lydia	Present	YES	Representative	R4
Hemelians, Sevada Secretary	Present	YES	Secretary	S
Hussion, Janelle 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Present	YES	Vice President	2nd
Kramer, Pat	Present	YES	Representative	R1
McArdle-Potter, Pati	Present	YES	Representative	R4
Miranian, Edwin	Absent	YES	Representative	SG
Orudyan, Ana	Absent	YES	Representative	R1
Ramirez, Ricardo	Present(6:53PM)	YES	Representative	R3
Seigel, Mark	Present	YES	Representative	SG
Stangel, Dana President	Absent	YES	President	P
Vartzbedian, Hrant	Absent	YES	Representative	SG
Von Gunten, Jon	Present	YES	Representative	SG
Vacant			Representative	SG
Vacant			Representative	SG
Vacant			Parliamentarian	SG
<b>TOTAL: 19</b>	<b>9 PRESENT, 10 ABSENT</b>			

\*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, Pledge of Allegiance and Board Introductions- Mr. Bradley notified the audience that the Board did not have quorum, but that the meeting would proceed with public comment and event announcements.

Mr. Bradley moved the meeting to item 4, event announcements.

3. Event Announcements –
  - a) Roger Swart, Neighborhood Watch- LAPD Foothill Division has a new captain, David Grimes. There will be Coffee with the Captain on Monday, November 26, 2018 hosted by Sunland Starbucks 8241 Foothill Blvd from 11:30AM-12:45PM. Both SLOs will be in attendance.

- b) Dawn Jenkins, McGroarty Arts Center and START- the McGroarty Art Center will be hosting the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Chili Bowl Fest and Art & Craft Faire on December 1<sup>st</sup> 10:00AM- 5:00PM and the 2<sup>nd</sup> 10:00Am-4:00PM. There will be additional parking this year at the college. There will be live bands, thirty-five vendors and the best chili you will ever have. The Winter Session classes start December 10<sup>th</sup> and run six weeks. Come out and take a class. The START Committee is sponsoring Chanukah in the Foothills at the Elks Lodge on December 10th.
- c) Madelline Hernandez, Mission College- The main campus in Sylmar will be presenting Cabaret from November 8-17 with shows on Thursday and Friday at 8:00PM and two shows on Saturday at 2:00PM and 8:00PM. Tickets are \$10.00 and \$20.00 and you can purchase them online. [www.lamcstage.com](http://www.lamcstage.com)
- d) Regina Clark, Bolton Hall Museum- the annual holiday party will be held on December 8, 2018 at 1:00PM and will feature the Randy Van Horne Singers and the event is free. On December 15, 2018 the museum will be hosting Little Landers, Little Gifts. This is a Yule Log event and they will supply the gifts and that event is free.
- e) Phil Tabbi, LAPD Foothill Division CPAB- Annual Thanksgiving Community Appreciation Dinner at All Nations Church on November 16, 2018 from 6:00PM-9:00PM. They will be donating \$1000 to LAFD Fire Stations 74, 77, and 94. There will be a free dinner and show.
- f) Sheri Smith, Bolton Hall Museum- Chasing History was on November 3, 2018 at Bolton Hall. It was a great event and the museum will have more events later.

Mr. Ramirez joined the meeting at 6:53PM. Quorum was still not met.

Mr. Bradley continued the meeting and moved to Item 5. Public Comment.

- 5. Public Comment - Non-Agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction.
  - a. Kim Bailey- community churches will be offering a Thanksgiving Dinner on November 18, 2018 from 4:15PM at The Chapel of the Hills. The dinner is free.
  - b. Mark Seigel- Announced that one of Jason's children from Jason Automotive has passed away from a brain illness and asked for a moment of silence.
  - c. Cindy Cleghorn, PLUC Chair- announced that there is an open house and hearing for the CEQA and transportation update on November 28, 2018 from 6:00PM-8:00PM at City Hall East and on November 29, 2018 at Marvin Braude Center from 5:00PM-7:00PM. Additional meetings will be held on December 4, 2018 from 5:00PM-7:00PM at the Kaiser South Bay North Hospital and December 6, 2018 at the Henry Medina Building, Exposition Blvd from 5:00PM-7:00PM. On December 5, 2018 will be the Restaurant Beverage Ordinance Program meeting.

Mr. Bradley continued the meeting to item 6, public officials.

- 6. Public Official and Community Representative Announcements with Q&A –
  - a. SLO Contreras and SLO Caloca, LAPD- SLO Contreras stated that the area has had some major events with a shooting two weeks ago that was a domestic incident. The suspect was arrested outside of the state. Home burglary is up and residents should not keep their garage doors open or leave their garage door openers in their cars. Leave all items in your car out of sight.

Mr. Swart had mentioned Coffee with the Captain. Challenge him with questions about the service of LAPD in the area. A question was asked about a community surveillance team. SLO Contreras asked for volunteers to help staff the program because Foothill only had seven volunteers. Devonshire Division has the program and has had some of the most reduction in crime. Another question was asked about the accidents in the area and if the board could get the stats. SLO Contreras stated that LAPD does not have accident stats and that the community can look up the stats at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Another question was asked if there could be more motor officers deployed to enforce speed. LAPD does not have the resources to enforce speeding on Foothill. Another question was asked if there can be a speed trailer utilized on Foothill. SLO Contreras stated that he will request. The Council Office is working on funding to get four permanent speed signs. The last question was asked if the speed signs work. SLO Contreras stated that they do work. A Business Watch meeting was held in cooperation with the Council Office to meet with the businesses to find a common way to solve problems in the area. The Coffee with the Captain will not preempt the Neighborhood Watch Meeting next week.

- b. FD Eve Sinclair, Office of Monica Rodriguez- Ms. Sinclair announced about the update of the first safe parking pilot program. The parking lot was opened on October 1, 2018 and provided showers and social programs to 20 vehicles. Although it is a pilot program, it has been successful for the last month. Four participants have found permanent housing and one now works for the brush clearance program. The Councilmember has also been working on bridge housing for women that will have 85 beds at the Sylmar Armory that was once a temporary shelter. It will be one to three months to break ground to rehab the building. The County will cover the costs of the rehab of the building. The Councilmember put forth a motion to help fund operations for \$3.7 M for the next three years. Brush clearance on public lands funding has been secured to staff 85 positions until the end of the year. The crew is working the McGroarty Art Center, La Tuna trails and Lopez Canyon. The city is waiting for a letter from the Corp of Engineers of no objection to start work in the Hansen Dam area. Six additional months of grant funding is currently being secured to have the program go through until June 2019. Flyers for all events are available in the back. A question was asked about the 24 hour security at the Sylmar Armory. Ms. Sinclair stated she did not know and would have to get an answer. A question was asked about how to get people living in their cars to get them in the safe parking pilot program. Ms. Sinclair stated that people living in their cars need to be referred to LASHA.
- c. Madelline Hernandez, Mission College- stated that winter classes will be starting soon and that fliers were in the back. There will be a few classes offered at the Foothill and Commerce campus and that spring classes will start in February with fourteen sections that will include general education classes, hybrid classes, and basic medical classes. Registration at the location will be held on November 16, 2018 from 8:30AM-1:30PM and November 29, 2018 from 4:00PM-7:00PM. Councilor appointments are first come, first serve.
- d. FD Arturo Garcia, Office of Luz Rivas- If you are about to attend, please go to the Thanksgiving Dinner that Mr. Tabbi had spoken of at All Nations Church this Saturday. The theme is to honor our heroes. The annual Holiday Parade will be held on December 8, 2019 at 9:00AM and the theme will be design and growth and the Assemblymember will be the Grand Marshall. Contact the office for more information. Follow the Assemblymember on Facebook and Twitter.

- e. FD Vickere Murphy, Senator Anthony Portantino- The holiday party will be on December 16, 2018 next to the field office. Call the office for additional information. December 4, 2018 will be the celebration of Women in Business and the winners will be announced. The Senate is on break and will be back in January 2019. A question was asked if the state could help to fund additional police on the street. Ms. Murphy stated that it was a good question and come back with an answer.

Mr. Bradley thanked the attendees for coming out, but the Board was unable to meet quorum and that the next meeting would be next month. Mr. Bradley stated that he would poll the board to see if they could have a special meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40PM.