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## SYLMAR NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL AGENDA

**Thursday, January 12, 2006 - 6:30 pm –8:40 pm**

**Hubbard Street Elementary School**

**(Auditorium)**

**13325 Hubbard Street**

**Sylmar, CA 91342**

The public is requested to fill out a "Speaker Card" to address the Board on any item of the agenda prior to the Board taking action on an item. Comments from the public on Agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the Agenda that is within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction will be heard during the Public Comment period. Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker, unless waived by the presiding officer of the Board. Agenda is posted for public review at: **1)** Sylmar Chamber of Commerce, 13867 Foothill Blvd Sylmar, CA 91342 **2)** Sylmar City Library, 14561 Polk Street Sylmar, CA 91342. **3)** Mission College, Office of the President Posting location, 13356 Eldridge St, Sylmar, CA 91342 **4)** Ross Liquor, Corner of Polk & San Fernando Road Sylmar, CA 91342 **5)** Roxford Veterinarian Clinic, 13571 Glenoaks, Sylmar, Ca 91342 **6)** Sylmar Neighborhood Council Office, 13515 ½ Hubbard Street, Sylmar, Ca. 91342.

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**All agenda items are subject to discussion and possible board action.**

- 6:30 – 6:32 p.m. 1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance – President, Tammy Flores (2)
- 6:32 – 6:35 p.m. 2. Roll Call – Secretary (3)
- 6:35 – 6:38 p.m. 3. Adoption of 12/8/05 BOD Meeting Minutes. (3)
- 6:35 – 6:37 p.m. 4. Housekeeping and explanation of Stakeholder comments and Speaker Cards. (2)
- 6:37 – 6:40 p.m. 5. Explanation of procedure regarding motions for reconsideration and SNC grievance process. (3)
- 6:40 – 6:43 p.m. 6. President Flores comments and announcements: Board Member resignation; Co-Chair assignment Senior Issues Committee; Chair assignment for School Issues, Beautification & Faith Based committees (3)
- 6:43 – 6:46 p.m. 7. Discussion and possible Board action regarding Land Use Committee recommendation that the SNC support the 84-unit increase to the Cascade project at 16325 Silver Oaks Drive, and future adjustments to the final tract map, so long as the total number of units remains the same and none of the areas of the development exceed an RD-3 density. Note: The developer has separately agreed to build a larger file station than originally agree to. (3)
- 6:46 – 6:49 p.m. 8. Discussion and possible Board action regarding the Land Use Committee recommendation that the SNC support the Conditional Use Permit applied for by Union Rescue Mission to use the former Forest Haven nursing-home on Lopez Canyon Road as transitional housing for single mothers and their children as they return to work and a more normal life. URM presented their plans and details about the requirements for women making the transition and we believe the new Hope Gardens will be an asset in the area, helping families rebuild and protecting 71 acres of land from overdevelopment. (3)
- 6:49 - 6:52 p.m. 9. Discussion and possible Board action regarding the Land Use Committee recommendation that the SNC require that an Environmental Impact Report be done before we can support the 97-foot tall, 136 bed, 802 parking space proposed expansion of Providence/Holy Cross Hospital in the nearby Mission Hills community. The traffic impacts, construction impacts and close proximity to a school more than meet the CEQA requirements for an EIR and we deserve the same consideration that PHC gave other communities with similar projects in Santa Clarita and in Oregon. (3)

- 6:52 – 6:55 p.m. 10. Discussion and possible Board action regarding the Land Use Committee recommendation that the SNC support the 14 lot subdivision at 12747 Norris Avenue if parking is increased to 12 guest parking spaces and subject to future approval of architectural design. It is similar to other developments in the areas. (3)
- 6:55 – 6:58 p.m. 11. Discussion and possible Board action regarding the Land Use Committee recommendation that the SNC support a proposed 5-lot subdivision at 15503 El Cajon Street. The plan is to remove 1 of the 2 residences on the RA-1 property and replace it with 4 new R1-1 homes which is allowed within the Community Plan. The builder has agreed to maximize the rear-yards giving the horse-keeping neighbors the maximum opportunity to protect the equestrian lifestyle. (3)
- 6:58 – 7:01 p.m. 12. Discussion and possible Board action regarding the Land Use Committee recommendation that the SNC support the 23 small-lot home project at 14334 Tyler Street if it is build with a solid curb and a horse trail, with or without a sidewalk, and with attractive architectural details on the street-facing sides of the homes. This will help blend the higher building density along Foothill Blvd. down to the equestrian homes down Tyler to Glenoaks Blvd. (3)
- 7:01 – 7:21 p.m. 13. Public Comments - Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. Public comments are limited to **two** minutes per speaker. (20)
- 7:21 – 7:26 p.m. 14. Presentation by Rick Pulido LAUSD regarding Valley Region Span K-8 #1 Site Selection Meeting #2 at Olive Vista Middle School Auditorium 14600 Tyler Street 1/26/05 at 6:30 p.m. (5)

**Recess 7:26 – 7:36 p.m.**

- 7:36 – 7:41 p.m. 15. Presentation by Pacific Charter School Development and Partnerships to uplift community regarding Charger School being built at Foothill Blvd. & Arroyo Ave. (5)

**Old Business:**

- 7:41 – 7:44 p.m. 16. Discussion and possible Board action regarding **amended to exclude reference to "Eminent Domain"** Resolution letter of opposition for Community Impact Statement prepared by Eugene Hernandez due to the Las Lomas proposed development will increase dramatically the traffic congestion at the intersection of the 14 Freeway and the I5 Freeway and will destroy important wildlife corridors between the San Gabriel Mountains and the Santa Susana mountains and will deplete water resources and should be recommended that the land be preserved as a protected parkland area. (3)
- 7:44 – 7:47 p.m. 17. Discussion and possible Board action regarding **amended** Resolution letter to City Council & the Mayor prepared by Eugene Hernandez regarding the SNC supporting and urging the City Council to support the South L.A. farmers who have preserved a section of urban land and converted it into useful farm land and want to remain on this land and create more green space in the City of Los Angeles, including Sylmar. (3)
- 7:47 – 7:50 p.m. 18. Discussion and possible Board action regarding **re-written** letter prepared by Eugene Hernandez to Valley urging them to endorse a moratorium on further building in the Los Angeles hillsides and mountain areas which has cost taxpayers of Los Angeles millions of dollars in fire and flood protection from this overdevelopment. (3)
- 7:50 – 8:05 p.m. 19. **Reports: (15) Reports Only - No discussion or action by the BOD**  
Treasurer's Report - Report on Budget Committee meeting .  
Secretary's Report – Correspondence  
Public Service – Report on action taken on requests from Stakeholders.  
Beautification – **Chair needed**  
Public Safety/Preparedness – Report on Committee meeting.  
Land Use – Report on Committee meeting  
Outreach - Report on Committee meeting  
Special Events Reports: Report on Committee Meeting.  
Faith-Based: **Chair needed**  
Business Development: Report on Committee Meeting.  
**Other:**  
 Bylaws – Report on Committee Meeting.  
 Senior Issues – Report on Committee Meeting.  
 School Issues – **Chair needed**  
 Youth Issues – Report on Committee Meeting.  
 Election Committee – Report of Committee Meeting

- 8:05– 8:15 p.m. 20. Board Member Comment - Comments from Board on subject matters within the Board’s jurisdiction. (10)
- 8:15 – 8:18 p.m. 21. Next Meeting date 2/9/06; Future Agenda Items: (3)
- 8:18 – 8:23 p.m. 22. Closing Remarks, Announcements; Acknowledgements & Adjournment (5)
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**GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE**

Any grievance by a Stakeholder must be submitted to the Secretary who will forward the grievance to the Board. The Board of Directors shall then refer the matter within fifteen calendar days to an ad hoc grievance panel. The ad hoc grievance panel will be comprised of five Stakeholders who are randomly selected by the Council Secretary from a list of Stakeholders who have previously expressed an interest in serving from time to time on such a grievance panel. The Secretary will coordinate a time and a place for the panel to meet with the person(s) submitting a grievance to discuss ways in which the dispute may be resolved within fifteen calendar days of forwarding the grievance to the panel.

Thereafter, a panel member shall prepare a written report within three days to be forwarded by the Secretary to the Board outlining the panel's collective recommendations for resolving the grievance. The Board of Directors will receive a copy of the panel’s report and recommendations within ten (10) days prior to any meeting of the Board. But, the matter shall not be discussed among the Board members until the matter is heard at the next regular meeting of the Board pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act.

This formal grievance process is not intended to apply to Stakeholders who simply disagree with a position or action by the Board at one of its meetings. Those grievances can be aired at Board meetings. This grievance process is intended to address matters involving procedural disputes, e.g., the Boards failure to comply with Board Rules or these Bylaws, or its failure to comply with the City’s Charter, the Plan, local ordinances, and /or State and federal law. In the event that a grievance cannot be resolved through this grievance process then the matter may be referred to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment for consideration or dispute resolution in accordance with the Plan

(Remove after 1/12/06)

Approved By: BB1606