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Summary: The Board of Neighborhood Council Valley Village supports the amendment to the citywide mansionization ordinance that counts fully attached garages as livable floor space.

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Cole Walker, Student Representative



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## Minutes of the **NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL VALLEY VILLAGE (NCVV)** **GENERAL BOARD MEETING, Wednesday, July 27, 2016** Faith Presbyterian Church – 5000 Colfax Ave., Valley Village, CA 91601

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### **1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Agenda Distribution, Conflict of Interest Statement, Approval of June 2016 Minutes – Mr. Braswell.**

President Tony Braswell introduced himself and called the Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and explained the NCVV’s role. Roll Call was taken. Ten of the 15 Board Members were present at the Roll Call, including all four Executive Committee Members: Tony Braswell (President), Ginny Hatfield (Vice-President), Dale Liebowitz-Neglia (Secretary), Steven Stokes (Treasurer), Dorothy Apple, Richard Davies, Alice Hart, Suzanne Lewis, Lisa Miller and Jeff Walker. Three Board Members arrived later: Glenn Block, Paulette Stokes and Marc Woerschling. Two Board Members were absent: Daryl Baskin and Richard Poole. The NCVV quorum (the minimum number of Board Members needing to be present to take binding votes on Agendized Items) is eight including at least three Executive Committee Members (see <https://lacity.quickbase.com/db/bj3apxsp3?a=q&qid=32&qskip=0&qrppg=1000&dlt=su46~>), so the Board could take such votes. All fifteen of the 15 Board Seats were filled (by election). New Student Representative Cole Walker was appointed during the below Item #8 Elections and Bylaws report. Also attended: 19 Stakeholders and Guests. The Agenda was approved.

*[The following Motion was made after Item #4.]*

**MOTION** (by Ms. Lewis, seconded by Ms. Hart): Neighborhood Council Valley Village approves the Minutes of its June 22, 2016 General Board Meeting with corrections.

**MOTION PASSED;** zero opposed; zero abstained.

**2. Public Comment on Agenda Items**

There were no comments at this time.

**3. Executive Committee Report** – Ms. Hatfield

There was no report at this time.

[*The following was addressed after Item #8.*] Mr. Braswell paid tribute to Stuart Simen, long-time NCVV Parliamentarian and community service member, who recently passed away. There was a moment of silence in Mr. Simen's honor.

**4. Finance Report** – Mr. Stokes. Motion to approve June 2016 financial report.

Mr. Stokes explained the latest finances.

*Board Members Glenn Block and Paulette Stokes arrived at this time (6:35), making 12 Board (including at least three Executive Committee) Members present (the NCVV quorum is eight including at least three Executive Committee Members).*

Mr. Stokes continued that, at the end of Fiscal Year 2015-2016, a balance of \$13.88 remained and would be swept by DONE (the L.A. Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment). Citywide, Neighborhood Councils returned \$1.4 million to the City.

**FUNDING MOTION** (by the Finance Committee): Neighborhood Council Valley Village approves its June 2016 financial report.

**FUNDING MOTION PASSED** unanimously by a roll call vote of the 12 eligible voters present with all 12 in favor ("Yes" or "Aye") (Apple, Block, Braswell, Davies, Hart, Hatfield, Lewis, Miller, Liebowitz-Neglia, Paulette Stokes, Steven Stokes and Walker); zero opposed; zero abstained.

*Board Member Marc Woerschling arrived at this time (6:37), making 13 Board (including at least three Executive Committee) Members present.*

**5. Senator Bob Hertzberg**

18th District Senator Bob Hertzberg (818-901-5588; <http://sd18.senate.ca.gov/contact/email>; <http://senate.ca.gov/hertzberg>), paid tribute to Stuart Simen and his "attention to detail" and "getting it right." Senator Hertzberg will submit a resolution to the State Senate honoring Mr. Simen. The Senator's intern program has 136 interns; he's working "to govern for the next generation" and described his legislative work.

**6. LAUSD update on Colfax School renovations – Fortunato Tapia**

Ankur Patel, School and Community Coordinator for LAUSD Board Member Scott Schmerelson (ofc. 818-654-3785; [Ankur.Patel@lausd.net](mailto:Ankur.Patel@lausd.net); <http://achieve.lausd.net/schmerelson>), introduced Fortunato Tapia of their Community Relations Dept. Director of Planning and Design Management Alex Walsh-O'Brien described their planned renovation of Colfax Charter Elementary

School [<http://www.colfaxelementary.org>] between Addison and Huston. They expect it to grow to around 820 students, which it formerly had. She said “the existing school is deemed to be historic” and they plan to “maintain trees . . . the animals will stay on the campus.” She showed slides including aerial photos and site plans. “The auditorium is remaining as it is . . . we’ll be improving the play yards.” She said “we’ve hired consultants” regarding traffic and pedestrian flow and safety. They are working with the City Dept. of Transportation on mitigating design problems regarding driveways and crosswalks. Public meetings will be held. They expect demolition and construction to start in late 2017 to early 2018. Asbestos and other hazardous materials will be removed. “We will provide temporary housing as needed” for schooling during construction, expected to take around two years. “The goal would be to open it in the fall of 2020.” She will return here and report.

## 7. Valley Village Power Outage - DWP

No DWP representative was present and there was no report.

## 8. Committee Reports

Valley Village Vision Committee – Mr. Woersching.

Mr. Woersching reported that their Meeting will be rescheduled due to the recent power outage.

City Services – Mr. Walker

Mr. Walker introduced Carol Sawamura, LAPD North Hollywood Division Senior Lead Officer (office 818-623-4016; [31322@LAPD.LACity.org](mailto:31322@LAPD.LACity.org); [http://www.lapdonline.org/north\\_hollywood\\_community\\_police\\_station](http://www.lapdonline.org/north_hollywood_community_police_station)), who is covering for Manny Arreygue while Officer Arreygue is out on medical leave. Officer Sawamura thanked the community for recent gifts to the Station. Mr. Walker announced, tentatively, an October 9<sup>th</sup> CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) (818-756-9674; [www.cert-la.com](http://www.cert-la.com), [lafdcert@LACity.org](mailto:lafdcert@LACity.org)) event.

Communications – Ms. Lewis

Ms. Lewis reported that the NCVV Facebook page had up to 8,000 views since last month. The Neighborhood Councils Congress will be September 24<sup>th</sup> at City Hall; register online. Expected are 600-700 people. You can get emergency alerts from the City’s Emergency Management Department by signing up at <http://NotifyLA.org>.

Elections and Bylaws – Ms. Hatfield

Motion – approve the nomination of Cole Walker for NCVV Board student seat (1).

[*This Agenda Item was addressed after Item #3.*] Ms. Hatfield introduced Mr. Walker, who described his background and desire to serve.

**MOTION** (by the Elections and Bylaws Committee): Neighborhood Council Valley Village approves the nomination of Cole Walker for NCVV Board Student Seat.

**MOTION PASSED** unanimously by a voice vote; zero opposed; zero abstained.

Planning and Land Use – Ms. Liebowitz-Neglia  
Motion – NCVV [see the below Motion].

**MOTION** (by the Planning and Land Use Committee): Neighborhood Council Valley Village requests that City Council approve the revisions to the Baseline Mansionization Ordinance as proposed in the original motion from Councilman Paul Koretz (CIS).

**DISCUSSION:** Ms. LN explained that the maximum Floor Area Ratio would be .45. The Committee voted to support with one abstention.

**MOTION PASSED;** zero opposed; zero abstained.

Mr. Braswell reported that the Midtown North Hollywood Neighborhood Council supported the NoHo West project, which the City Planning Commission will discuss at their meeting around September 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Events & Outreach - Ms. Hatfield

Ms. Hatfield reminded about the August 2<sup>nd</sup> National Night Out. She and Ms. Stokes described other activities. Volunteers are needed.

#### **9. Committee Appointments**

Mr. Braswell explained that NCVV “can’t have more than four Board Members on any Committee” per the Brown Act; “if we go to a fifth Board Member it becomes a Board Meeting.” He explained possible meeting arrangements. He suggested and the Board agreed to make its August Meeting a Board Retreat. He recommended forming an ad hoc Committee to recommend Committee appointments to the President, who appoints Committee Members; there is no Board vote. He explained challenges to assign all Board Members to their desired Committees.

#### **10. Public Comment**

[*This Agenda Item was addressed after Item #1.*] Ann Bowman, Acting Senior Librarian, North Hollywood Library, announced that the UCLA Mobile Clinic will return August 24<sup>th</sup>; last time they did eye exams. She described upcoming Library programs.

#### **11. Future Agenda Items, Closing Comments**

No future Agenda Items were requested.

Mr. Braswell **ADJOURNED** the Meeting with no opposition at 8:20 p.m.

Minutes written by DL, possibly edited by NCVV. *The first paragraph of some Items, Motions/Resolutions and other wording may have been directly copied from the Agenda.* The NCVV Minutes page is <http://www.myvalleyvillage.com/agendas-minutes>.