**TARZANA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

**BOARD MEETING**

**Tuesday June 28, 2022 7:00 PM**

VIRTUAL TELEPHONIC MEETING

1. **Call to Order** by TNC President Leonard J. Shaffer.
2. **Roll call** by Eran Heissler, recording secretary. Quorum reached with 14 board members: Eran Heissler, Jeff Mausner, Harvey Goldberg, David Garfinkle, Joyce Greene, Matthew Clark, Pam Blattner, Susan Lord, Terry Saucier, Iris Polonsky, Susan Rogen, Bob Shmaeff and Christopher Ahuja. **Absent**: Barry Edelman, Daniel B. Gruen, Isabel Frost Gerhardt, Michon Rickman and Esther Wieder. (Max Flehinger passed away. Devon is resigning and was not present).
3. **Remarks by representatives of public officials**:

Blake Sheldon, County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl’s office: A group called About My Father’s Business is holding a West Valley Community Resource Fair at St. Paul’s United Methodist Church on Saturday, July 30, 2022 at 12:30 p.m. Supvs. Hahn and Solis have put forward a motion asking for a legal analysis on gun control regulations going back to 2018 on gun control regulations. The Encino/Tarzana Library homeless encampment has been cleared.

Michael Liu, City Attorney, reminded the board that it is illegal to possess and discharge fireworks in the City of L.A. There is a new app (beyond 311) for reporting fireworks FXreporter (only on Apple).

LAPD Sr. Lead Officer Daryl Scoggins announced National Night Out on August 2, 2022 at the park next to the police station. Crime stats: 4 robberies, 6 aggravated assaults, 32 burglaries, 17 cars stolen, 15 cars broken into, and 15 plain thefts. Crime is up for this year. W. Valley up in total and in Tarzana 43.9%. Robberies are the highest category that is increasing followed by burglaries. El Caballero CC cancelled their fireworks this year. Daryl said there have been arrests for catalytic converter thefts.

1. **Public Comments:** Glenn Bailey suggested to adjourn in memory of max. The new LAUSD Superintendent was confirmed**.** Glenn is on the new EBG hybrid work group.
2. **Executive Secretary’s Report:** There was no report.
3. **Budget Advocate:** Glenn Bailey spoke about Budget Day, which was held on June 18, 2022. It was recorded and is BudgetAdvocates.org. Glenn is now the Region 3 Budget Advocate. Len said it was one of the best he’s attended.
4. **Approval of Minutes**: **(Goldberg/Garfinkle) moved approval** of the board meeting minutes of May 24, 2022 meeting as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

**8. Committee and other Reports:**

**Budget:** $6500 will carry over from the current fiscal year budget as well as the funding for the banners. July 20, 2022 is the next budget committee meeting.

**Land Use** – David talked about the proposal to subdivide the 14-acre Foxwell Ranch at 5300 Oakdale and to develop one half as luxury homes. The City is now going to come up with a formal proposal on this project.

**Outreach** – Terry said a meeting will be held in August. Len reminded everything that TNC will have a booth at National Night Out.

**Events** – No report.

**Transportation** – No report

**Public Safety** – Susan Rogen talked about a former rehab house that she has contacted the City Attorney about. Len said that the CERT trainings often have openings that are not advertised so those who are interested can just show up and see if they can attend. Len said there will be a Disaster Preparedness Fair after the 1st of the year. Nov. 13th, there will also be an event at Exposition Park. Susan said this event will be in concert with the local Chamber.

**Rules** – No report.

**Government Action** – No report.

**Animal Welfare** – The City shelters are overcrowded. He suggested people foster dogs, if possible. Fireworks create panic for many dogs.

**Beautification** –Iris said she has not heard back on the banners. She said 6 more banners are damaged.

**Homelessness** – Joyce said she is looking to set up a new date for her next committee meeting for July 6, 2022. Susan Lord said they have decorated the tiny cabins for the 4th of July and Joyce has been caring for the plants. Daryl Scoggins said that he believes the Tiny Homes situation is working.

**DWP MOU Report –** No report.

**VANC Report** – LAFD provided good info on emergency preparedness. There are a few motions that came out of VANC. Next month, LAUSD new superintendent will be at the VANC meeting on the 2nd Thursday at 6:30 p.m. Glenn said LANCC.org has the link for the recording of the last meeting’s presentation on fire safety.

**NCSA Liaison –** Terry said the L.A. City Council has passed a motion to develop a region-wide connectivity wildlife master plan.

**9.(Goldberg/Lord) moved approval** **of TNC’s May 2022 expenditures for submission to City Clerk (MER).** **The motion carried unanimously.**

**10. (Goldberg/Heissler) moved** **approval of TNC’s Financial Statements as of May 31, 2022**. **The motion carried unanimously.**

**11. (Goldberg/Polonsky) moved, “Resolved: The TNC Board adopts the recommendation of the Budget Committee and approves a budget for the 2022-23 Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2022 as follows: Revenue $32,000, Operations $4,825, Outreach $3,380, Elections $1,000 and Unallocated (to be classified as Operations for reporting purposes) $22,795. Total $32,000.** **For details refer to the full proposed budget posted on the TNC website.”** **The motion carried unanimously.**

**12. (Goldberg/Heissler) moved, “Resolved: The TNC board adopts the recommendation of the Executive Committee to approve the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year Administrative Packet.” The motion carried unanimously.**

**13.** **(Goldberg/Greene) moved: “Resolved: The TNC Board adopts the recommendation of the Executive Committee to approve the payment of ongoing expenses as follows: For the fiscal year 2022-2023, the TNC authorizes its Treasurer or other designee to pay previously budgeted recurring monthly or periodic expenses, in small amounts, defined as those not to exceed $75/day for each item and expense classification category. These expenses include, but are not limited to, copies and postage for committees, Board and committee meetings, officers, and committee chairperson expenses etc., and refreshments for meetings (other than Board meetings) etc. The recurring expenses are AppleOne, or other temporary staffing agencies for preparation of minutes or other clerical functions not to exceed ("NTE") $375/meeting, Net Atlantic or other such company for mailing list maintenance and distribution NTE $40/month and The Web Corner or other such company for web site hosting and maintenance NTE $150 for each month’s services and the purchase of food and refreshments for Board meetings from any vendors NTE $250 per meeting.” The motion carried unanimously.**

**14**. **VANC Motion: (Shaffer/Mausner) moved, “Whereas the Los Angeles City Council**

**has exempted itself from virtual meetings and is now meeting in person, and whereas**

**while all other boards, commissions and council committees are still meeting virtually,**

**and whereas unlike the boards, commissions, and council committees the City**

**Council now allows only in-person public comment, and Whereas this places a severe**

**burden on many members of the public who must take time off work and drive long**

**distances in order avail themselves of one minute of public comment time, whereas**

**with COVID still very active in the community and because of age or health concerns**

**many members of the public do not want to be in contact with others in a closed**

**environment and will therefore forgo any opportunity to address the City Council, and**

**whereas some members of the public will not be allowed to enter City Hall because of**

**Covid restrictions, now therefore: Resolved: The TNC board approves the**

**recommendation of the Executive Committee to adopt the VANC motion urging the**

**City Council to reinstate public comment via phone, in addition to in-person public**

**comment, and to communicate this motion to CM Blumenfield and CM Martinez with**

**copies to the L.A. City Council.” The motion carried unanimously.**

**15. VANC Motion: Len recused himself from this motion or at the Executive**

**Committee meeting in putting it on the agenda. (Goldberg/Greene) moved, “Resolved:**

**The TNC Board approves the recommendation of the Executive Committee to adopt**

**the VANC motion to recommend amending CF - 11-1020-S3 to allow neighborhood**

**councils which donate to the fund, whatever its name, to specify which alliance is to**

**benefit from those donations.”** **The motion carried unanimously: 13-0-0.**

**16**. **Board Business** – Joyce asked what will happen with Max’s two commitments on the board.

Len said the board would elect the Exec. Secretary next month. Iris said that Kathy Della Donne’s

husband also passed away.

David said a Town Hall Forum is being planned with several speakers cosponsored by the Tarzana

Property Owners Association.

Jeff talked about the difficulty in tallying the votes on the board meeting.

Len said Assemblymember Nazarian attended his Emergency Preparedness meeting and spoke on

sustainability and preparedness.

**17**. **Adjournment:** The TNC meeting adjourned in memory of Max Flehinger, longtime TNC board member, at 8:55 p.m.

* Minutes by Pat Kramer, Apple One -