Draft Minutes from the June 12, 2013- Meeting of the Tarzana Neighborhood Council- **Public Safety Committee**Chair – Elliot Durant, Vice Chair –Warren Holden, Secretary – Mark Weiner Members present; Roozy Moabery, Varant Majarian, Barry Edelman, Fred Rabban, Irwin Koransky, Cary Iaccino, Victor Lerma, Denyse Selesnick, Kathy Delle Donne

- Meeting called to order at 7:08 pm
- Public Comments- Discussion on Safety Concerns in Tarzana-
 - 1. Safety concerns were raised about people loitering on Vanalden Avenue adjacent to the closed tunnel entrance under the 101 freeway during the day. Suspected drug activity occurring in their vehicle. Elliot reported that he confronted these people with the assistance of a local postal carrier and they did disperse.
 - 2. Irwin reported that there's a traffic situation problem at the corner of Amigo and Ventura and at the intersection near Starbucks and Ventura. Cars are stopping in the red zone and causing a blockage to Ventura Blvd traffic.
 - 3. There's a problem on Linnet Street between Crebs and Tampa. On Thursday morning, parking is limited due to trash pickup and there have been incidents in the neighborhood with local residents. Additionally, the trash collectors have been causing problems by knocking over trash cans and littering the neighborhood on purpose as retaliation.
 - Discussion on CD3 Public Safety Coalition- Partners, Purpose and Concept

Introduction of Guest Members at this evening's meeting; Cary Iaccino from Reseda and Victor Lerma from Winnetka Neighborhood Councils

- 1. Discussion on the possible venues; it was decided to try and reach out the LA Pierce College instead of Warner Park as parking is easier at that location. Event will be coordinated for all of the councils in district three and include a health component advisory to the public.
- 2. Location was formerly Warner Park, however, Roozy raised the idea of holding it at LA Pierce College. Cary, Victor and other member of the Tarzana committee agreed that this might be better location especially for parking.
- 3. A couple of items including insurance and the waiver of any site fees need to be worked out. Roozy will secure the insurance for this and Denyse and Kathy will assist in working out the fee issues.
- 4. Elliot is going to look into these matters as part of the pre-planning for this event.

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• Budget Motion- Vote

- 1. Warren Holden made a motion to set aside \$4,000 for the Public Safety Fair to be held in October 2013 with other councils. Roozy seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.
- 2. Committee needs to develop detailed zero-based budget outlining what exactly will be spent in the next fiscal year for hosted community events. Tarzana Public Safety intends to reach out to other local district neighborhood councils for a joint event October 12, 2013 and needs to identify the contributing amount from each council with the combined effort on a mass scale and present that to the board for approval.
- 3. Kathy Delle Donne discussed the proposal by outgoing Councilman Dennis Zine. She explained that the \$50,000 proposed has been approved for each neighborhood council, however, the funds are earmarked for street services only, so, and the Public Safety Committee will not have access to these funds for their programs.

• Discussion/Update on Tarzana Crossing Farmer's Market-

- 1. Warren Holden is working with the Department of Agriculture and Public Health.
- 2. Warren reported that he intends to go down to the Agricultural Offices this week and iron out the permit for the project to proceed.
- 3. The Department of Public Health will not sign off on the project start date until they have a signature from the Agricultural Department.

• Discussion on Neighborhood Watch- and local participation-

- 1. On Wednesday, June 19 at the West Valley LAPD Station, a seminar will be held to orient people on how to get actively involved in neighborhood watch.
- 2. Discussion on using electronic means like "Tarzana Next Door" and block captains who can exchange information and phone calls. An optional item that was discussed was groups of individuals who may want to walk the neighborhood and report suspicious activity. The purpose of the "watch" is not necessarily designed to have people confront individuals; rather they can report this activity to the police for action.

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- Warren Holden raised the idea of an "internet radio station" for the Tarzana Neighborhood Council-
 - 1. There was some discussion about this; however, details need to worked out as to who will staff this radio station.
 - 2. Denyse suggested that this could be an intern or volunteer who would like to gain experience doing radio.

• Other committee member business within district-

Varant reported that the Woodland Hills Chamber of Commerce is going to host a grand opening at the Warner Center Promenade Shopping Center, 2nd Floor on July 1, 2013 at 5:30 PM. All are invited to this public event.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM