

GREATER TOLUCA LAKE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL



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PUBLIC SAFETY & TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES for: Monday, May 5, 2008 7:00 PM 10116 Riverside Drive, Suite 200 Toluca Lake, CA 91602

1. Meeting Opening and Call to Order:

Start time: 7:05 PM

Members Present: Jay Goldberg-Chair, Craig Strong, Janice Eaton, John Adair, Wendy Mogul, Betsy Mogul and Steve Hampar.

Absent (and those excused): Excused-Jack Thomas, Sol Ajalat and Frank Banyai.

Guests: Standing: Rob Benavidez

Motion to Approve April Minutes. Passed

1.1 Priority Item(s)

May 14th C.E.R.T. Town Hall Meeting Toluca Lake Elementary School 7 PM to get people to sign up for the training classes

Logistics

- United Methodist to host training/CERT personnel will be available/Send out emails/Flyer in Toluca Times/Flyer Distribution
- Karen Emailed flyer as attachment to Stakeholder list and will send reminder on Monday, May 12th.
 - John reported that ads have been placed; flyers have been taken to all schools, numerous businesses, churches and library.
 - 5/6 Email blasts have been sent
 - Training begins 25th

2.1 On-Going Business –Public Input limited to 3-minutes

Local Crime: Rob Benavidez, LAPD Senior Lead Officer Update:

- Mostly theft from vehicles-keep items out of sight.

Discussion regarding the possibility of **surveillance cameras** in neighborhoods

- May put cameras in NoHo Business Improvement District (BID) area.
- Neighborhood Watch areas are helping.
- Jay recommended getting flyers to put on vehicles (citation that states you would have been a victim).
- Maybe Police Explorers to walk around and check cars and put flyers on.

Neighborhood Watch Lead: Steve H.

- Meeting held at Frank B.'s house on Talofa between Riverside and Moorpark.
- 10-12 people attended
- Discussed having a meeting with all block captains
- Two additional meetings coming up in May for Arcola and Talofa from Moorpark to Toluca Lake Avenue.
- Work on getting more watches north of Riverside Drive.

2.2 Work In-Progress Status –Public Input limited to 3-minutes

Public Safety Budget Needs

Current budget at \$2500. Start Thinking.

- Discussed what type of events the Committee may host next year and what costs may be involved.
- Also, what signs may be needed for Neighborhood Watch Programs
- Committee agreed to ask for \$4500 for budget.

2.3 Continuing Issues

Cahuenga Blvd. Secondary Highway designation and downgrading- Glenda Baskin Council District-4 has been requested to expedite this matter.

No news.

The following items are on track with the City

Riverside and Talofa (Trader Joe's corner) Add a traffic signal?

Planning Committee has CDO Report to substantiate putting in a traffic light. Frank to get a copy before getting consensus.

- o Committee recommends adding crosswalk on west side.
- o Repainting existing crosswalk to make more visible.

Clybourn and Camarillo: Add a traffic signal

No news.

Camarillo between Lankershim and Tujunga- Improving safety and traffic

No news.

Valley Spring Lane-(between Lakeside and Cahuenga)

- o Resurfacing completed on Valley Spring between Cahuenga and Forman
- o No date set for resurfacing on Valley Spring between Forman and Lakeside Golf Club.

Cahuenga Blvd. Improvements: No news.

- Glenda to check on the designs/Mary.
- Update on Project Schedule. Design 50% completed.

1. Widen the east side of Cahuenga Boulevard between Camarillo Street and Addison Street approximately 7ft. to provide a drop-off zone in front of Toluca Lake Elementary School and to eliminate an existing jut-out.

2. Install a northbound right-turn pocket on Cahuenga Boulevard south of Magnolia Boulevard by widening both sides of Cahuenga Boulevard approximately 5ft on each side from Magnolia Boulevard to the alley just south of Magnolia Boulevard.

3. Install left-turn pockets at the intersections of Cahuenga Boulevard and Valley Spring Lane, Whipple Street, Woodbridge Street and Bloomfield Street.

4. Install left-turn phasing at the intersections of Cahuenga Boulevard and Camarillo Street, Riverside Drive and Moorpark Street.

5. Install two permanent speed display signs on Cahuenga Boulevard.

This is the tentative schedule for completion of the work and DOT may have to adjust the dates later as design progresses.

Completion Date

Environmental April 2008 **Design** June 2008 **Right-of-Way** July 2008 **Construction** Mar 2010

- The schedule must and will be adjusted to accommodate a rule which forbids work to be done during school hours.

Universal Development Plans No news.

The Universal/MTA Community Working Group plans to have a Town Hall meeting for the community on the progress of discussions with Universal. Visit their website for information: www.universalworkinggroupnews.org

3. New Business Public Input limited to 3-minutes

Public Works Committee Development?

- o Discussion on drainage on curbless streets.
- o Whose responsibility is that and how to get it done?

4. Event/Meeting Calendar (Please forward proposed dates to Terry Davis for the GTLNC Master Calendar)

C.E.R.T. Class days

5. Meeting Close and Wrap-Up 8:45 PM

Meeting Dates for 2008: (first Monday of the month unless there is a Holiday) June 2; July 1; August 4; September 8; October 6; November 3; and December 1.

Time: 7:00 PM **Location:** 10116 Riverside Drive, Suite 200