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<p>MEETING MINUTES Regular GTLNC Meeting July 18, 2006 - 7:12 to 9:05 PM</p>	<p>Campo de Cahuenga 3919 Lankershim Blvd. North Hollywood, California 91604</p>
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Chair: Terry Davis, President
Members Present: Barbara Carroll, Betsy Mogul, Cathy Naugle, Cathy Saliba, Craig Strong, Edith Gursel, Gene Elerding, Jeff Rector, Julie Yanow, Michael Weisler, Peter Hartz, Reyn Blight, Roy Disney, Terry Davis & Wendy Mogul
Members with Excused Absence: Gary Gordon & John Moskal
Members Absent: None
Standing Guests: Rob Benevidez (LAPD), Sheryl Appleton (Planning) & Stacy Marble (CD4)
Grievance Committee Members Present: Bonnie Holcomb
Stakeholders: 13

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1.	<p>Meeting Opening and Call to Order Terry Davis, President, called the meeting to order at 7:10. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll Call was taken. David McGowan has resigned since the last meeting. Agenda was reviewed. Minutes from June 2006 were reviewed and approved with two modifications.</p> <p>Terry gave updates on the LA DWP rate hike hearings that will occur next week (see email from Terry) and on the City Council proposal on extending term limits by one additional term (hearing is 7/18).</p> <p>Reyn Blight, the GTLNC appointee to the 912 Commission, reported that the first meeting occurred today and that it was predominantly an organizational meeting.</p> <p>Terry, Peter Hartz and Cathy Naugle met with Manny Durazo from DONE. Manny will most likely be unable to attend our meetings but is available by phone or email</p>	<p><i>Reyn Blight moved that the minutes from June be approved with two amendments. Motion carried: 15/0/0.</i></p>	<p>Barbara to make changes and send out to all (done).</p>

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	<p>The recruitment for the DONE general manager is underway; there will be a public hearing 8/4 in Van Nuys, final interviews will occur in October and November, and final selection will occur in December.</p> <p>Deuk Perrin welcomed all to the Campo and provided a brief summary of recent work done to improve the facility. He handed out materials to sign up to become a friend of the Campo de Cahuenga.</p>		
<p>2.</p>	<p>Open Forum for Stakeholders Marlo Brawer spoke on the planned 4th annual Halloween Spooktacular. This year proceeds will go to the Make a Wish Foundation with the message of the importance of sharing. Last year about 1500 people attended and \$6000 was raised. The event is considering a change of venue; alternate locations are behind Honey Baked Ham or on the vacant lot near Bob Hope’s home. The event is requesting that additional street closures occur this year to accommodate the expected crowd. Marlo can be reached at 310-801-8013.</p>		<p>Public Safety Committee to review request to close additional streets.</p>
<p>3.</p>	<p>City & Neighborhood News and Announcements Council District 4 (CD4) – Stacy Marble introduced the summer intern Steven Markowitz (sp?) from the University of Michigan. She announced that there is a new speed bump on Valley Spring between Forman and Arcola.</p> <p>Toluca Lake Chamber of Commerce - Roy Disney reported that preparation is underway for the annual President’s dinner/gala on August 12th at the Lakeside County Club. The Chamber is working on a number of serious issues and developing positions on the net increase in parking necessitated by new construction, the rise in adult businesses, and the proposed developments at Washington Mutual and the Toluca Lake Florist.</p> <p>LAPD – Rob Benevidez reported that crime is down 81/2% overall year-to-date. We have about 60 crimes per month, mostly car break-ins. There was a sweep on outstanding warrants this past weekend resulting in a number of arrests. Problems such as homelessness and illegal massage parlors continue. Rob reported that a number of NCs are helping LAPD purchase LPRs (License Plate Readers) as part of a Community Efforts Against Auto Theft, which cost about \$20K and can scan in about 1000 license plates per hour. Sun Valley bought one, Valley Glen donated \$10K for one and MidTown NoHo donated \$8K toward the purchase of one. Rob asked that we consider a donation toward this.</p> <p>DONE – No representative present.</p>		<p>Public Safety Committee to address and Barbara to place LPR on September agenda (done).</p>

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<p>4.</p>	<p>GTLNC Bylaws Gene Elerding reported that he is negotiating with the City on our Bylaws. The City wants us to have 50% plus 1 on all votes. Gene should hear back in a week.</p>		
<p>5.</p>	<p>Committee Reports –</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Planning Committee – See separate report. Sheryl Appleton reiterated that the key issue facing us is the zoning changes being requested for new developments. She stated that the recommended changes and the end-result can and do differ. Sheryl is working on the CDO; Roy Disney offered assistance with formatting the issues. Refer to write-up on the Washington Mutual proposed development. 2. Public Safety Committee – See separate report. Wendy summarized the written report. Jay Goldberg reported that the CERT training is in progress and is well attended. Peter Hartz inquired about the left turn signals at Cahuenga and Riverside; referred back to Public Safety. LPR will be on the September agenda. 3. Outreach/Hospitality Committee – See separate report. Jeff Rector reported that the new web site is nearing completion and that the newsletter is going to be mailed out. Rocky’s Bar has closed down and the Kansas City Barbeque will be moving in. Edith Gursel thanked Jeff for her business cards; she has found them useful for recruiting others. 4. Elections – Wendy Mogul reported that elections are still on track for November 5th at Ramsey Shilling. The second draft of our procedures was submitted to DONE. She encouraged everyone to do outreach. Terry recommended door-to-door canvassing. Michael suggested that flyers be distributed to businesses in the areas. Candidate statements are due September 2nd. 5. Administrative Committee – Cathy Naugle had no report. She asked that this committee become Ad Hoc and meet and report as needed. 6. Environmental Affairs Committee – See separate report. Terry Davis turned over the Chair to Gene Elerding while she reported for the committee. The Moorpark median plans have been approved and sent to HLABT for bid. Tree and flower plantings are this Sunday the 23rd and 30th in Toluca Lake; meet under LaBonge’s office at 7:00 AM to help. Six trashcans are on order to replace the old ones in Toluca Lake. 	<p><i>Betsy Mogul moved that we prepare a letter to the City Attorney demanding enforcement of wall requirements. No second was made; motion failed.</i></p> <p><i>Reyn Blight moved that we approve the condominium conversion at 10735 Bloomfield, subject to the developer agreeing to widen the street. Motion carried: 12/1/0.</i></p>	<p>Barbara to put on Sept. Agenda the MOU between NCs and LA City Planning (done).</p> <p>Peter Hartz to send a PDF file of the newsletter to the Chamber for inclusion in their newsletter.</p> <p>Peter Hartz to submit demand warrant to DONE for trash cans (done 8/30 – 50% payment of \$3837.43)</p>

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6.	<p>Treasurer’s Report Peter Hartz reported that the GTLNC Budget has been approved by DONE for a total of \$104K for fiscal 2006-07. The assumption is that we have good detail in the budget and can spend on any item in the budget under \$5K but will need DONE approval for items over \$5K.</p>		
7.	<p>Open Forum & Announcements</p>		
8.	<p>Meeting Close and Wrap-Up Terry Davis adjourned the meeting at 9:05. Reminder – there will not be a meeting in August since the Council is on recess for the month. The next meeting is September 19th at Toluca Lake Elementary.</p>		<p>Julie Yanow to follow up on the need for the Conflict of Interest classes and whether or not the Council needs to take the course if taken in the past. (Done – no classes offered currently). Gene Elerding to cover at Sept. meeting.</p>