

Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils

VANC

34 San Fernando Valley Neighborhood Councils
Established March 03, 2003 by Jill Banks Barad-Hopkins

Thursday, January 9, 2025 6:30-9:00p.m.

Via zoom: Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/98759241651>

Phone access 888 475 4499

Recording of this meeting can be found at www.VANC34.ORG

Note: VANC is an independent Alliance and is not required to follow the Brown Act. We are able to prevent individuals from participating in VANC meetings if they are disruptive, or sufficiently unrelated to VANC business.

Note: To be added to the email list, send your information to www.VANC34.org

**Grayce Liu, Interim General Manager Personnel
And
Steven Sann & Coby King, Sepulveda Transit Corridor**

Reminder: VANC meetings are to discuss various topics so that you can educate your NC for further discussion and possible action.

Reminder: VANC agenda is posted at www.VANC34.ORG
Zoom attendees, please identify your NC along with your first name

AGENDA

- 1. Welcome and Introductions:** Linda Gravani, chair VANC34.chair@gmail.com
- 2.** Today is the official day of mourning for President Jimmy Carter – Let's take a moment of silence as we remember President Carter as a world leader and Humanitarian. He & Mrs. Carter are Habitat for Humanity's most famous volunteers and the awareness they raised has resulted in assisting over 59 Million people in 70 Countries and all 50 states.
- 3. Guest Speaker:** Grayce Liu, former GM of DONE, current Interim GM of Personnel. Why can't vacant positions be filled?

4. **CF 24-0932 LAPD Youth Programs** – Cadet Program / Police Academy Magnet Schools (PAMS) / Associated Community Officer Program (ACOP) / Police Orientation Preparation Program (POPP) / Law Enforcement Career Pathways / Participation / Recruitment
https://clkrep.lacity.org/online/docs/2024/24-0932_rpt_BPC_12-13-24.pdf

5. **DONE/ GM Chang - NC Meetings with Councilmember Padilla**

- **8 Jan Van Nuys NC**
- **13 Jan North Hills East NC**
- **14 Jan Sun Valley Area NC**
- **21 Jan Arleta NC**
- **23 Jan Panorama City**

6. **City Clerk – Melvin – Status of Work Group**

7. **Dept of Public Works – Will be holding town halls for NCs starting in March**

8. **Guest Speakers** – Steven Sann, & Colby King **STC4ALLCoalition** working Group and Mr Sann is a member of Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC) Discussion and possible action to support STC mission to include a UCLA stop with direct connection to **METRO's D Line (purple)** **See HOT TOPIC on page 4**

9. **BONC Commissioners**

South Valley – Len Shaffer, commissionerlenshaffer@gmail.com

Canoga Park, Encino, Greater Toluca Lake, Greater Valley Glen, Lake Balboa, NoHo, North Hollywood North East, North Hollywood West, Reseda, Sherman Oaks, Studio City, Tarzana, Valley Village, Van Nuys, West Hills, Winnetka, Woodland Hills-Warner Center

North Valley - Keren Waters, keren.waters@lacity.org

Arleta, Chatsworth, Foothill Trails District, Granada Hills North, Granada Hills South, Mission Hills, North Hills East, North Hills West, Northridge East, Northridge South, Northridge West, Pacoima, Panorama City, Porter Ranch, Sun Valley Area, Sunland-Tujunga, Sylmar

10. **CF15-0989-S47 2028 Olympic & Paralympic Games / Venues, Facilities, Structures, Sites EXEMPTIONS / Planning Approvals / Zonine Regulations / Conditions [15-0989-S47 \(CFMS\)](#)**

11. METRO to remove close to **600 street trees** on Van Nuys Blvd – between Van Nuys Blvd between the G Line and San Fernando Road The Sidewalk will be narrowed from 12 foot to 10 foot sidewalks - **The trees gotta go!!!! How HOT can the valley get without trees?**

Some photos of the beautiful trees to be removed.....

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1XZP1fEKb_Nme16TDNrqhKFVBytIzHjDI?usp=sharing

12. City employees' have been using "Google Chat" messages that are automatically deleted after 24 hours, which allows officials to skirt the California Public Records Act.
<https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2024-12-23/l-a-city-officials-use-disappearing-google-chats-the-city-attorney-is-investigating>

13. Budget Advocates – update: www.budgetadvocates.org

14. Items from the floor:

- Ken Ross-Assistance for Illegal families

15. NC Anniversaries: CONGRATULATIONS!

23 Years – West Hills

22 Years – Tarzana

19 Years – Granada Hills South

14 Years – North Hollywood West

MARK YOUR CALENDAR
VANC VIRTUAL Meeting [Thursday February 13, 2025](#)

*PlanCheck 10AM 2nd Saturday of the month, details www.plancheckncla.com
Educate yourself on City Planning and Land Use issues

*LADWP MOU 1ST Saturday of the month, details at:
<https://www.ladwpnews.com/dwp-nc-mou-and-advocacy-committee-meetings/>

*Community Forest Advisory Committee 2nd Thurs of the month 1p-3p



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HOT TOPIC

What is the STC4ALL Coalition?

a broad coalition of organizations working to ensure an accessible and equitable Sepulveda Transit Corridor (STC). Our members include: Educational entities | Neighborhood groups | Environmental groups Justice advocacy groups | Community groups | Business groups

The following Valley Neighborhood Councils support the Coalition:

Lake Balboa NC,
North Hills East NC,
Pacoima NC
Studio City NC
Winnetka NC

STC4ALL advocates that the Sepulveda Transit Corridor must include the following:

A station on UCLA's campus

A direct connection to the Metro D Line (Purple) at Westwood Village.

Coalition website: www.stc4all.org/

Coalition YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EnGtDQ_y4Qg

How your NC can join the Coalition: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YQJcMXb3K-8>

For your convenience, template letters to METRO

<https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/#inbox/WhctKLbNHVjdPVjzJmfDhfSHMzQkbWbdszwXmxdgnHJrvXtzbzHfLtJXcNpkpbgxvSbSLI?projector=1&messagePartId=0.1>

PROPOSED MOTION:

- I move that VANC join the [Sepulveda Transit Corridor for All \(STC4All\) Coalition](#) and support the Sepulveda Transit Corridor project which includes a direct, on-campus station at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) and a seamless connection to the Metro Purple/D Line Westwood Village station.”