# Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils

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

### Thursday, September 14, 2023 6:30-9:30p.m.

Via zoom: Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/98759241651 Recording of this meeting can be found at www.VANC34.ORG

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

DONNA ARRECHEA, 311 Director and Kilay Maranon, 311 Chief Comm

Reminder: VANC meetings are to discuss various topics so that you can educate your NC for further discussion/vote

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. The **Broken Windows Theory** of Criminology suggests that visible signs of disorder and neglect, such as broken windows or graffiti, can encourage further crime as they signal a lack of order and law enforcement.

3. Guest Speaker – Donna Arrechea, 311 Director <u>donna.arrechea@lacity.org</u> and Kilay Maranon, 311 Chief Comm. <u>https://lacity.gov/myla311</u>

4. New City Council committee assignments

https://clerk.lacity.gov/clerk-services/cps/council-committee-meetings/info-assignmentsstructure

**5.** One third of the 99 NCs are in the valley, about 4 million people in the city of LA and just under 2 million live in the Valley - Council File <u>23-0799</u> Hold City **Council meetings at Van Nuys City Hall** (previous CF20-1000)

**6.** City Council, not allowing NCs with **official CIS** to speak at City Council Meetings nor take into consideration NCs viewpoints, appearance of disinterest in public opinions.

**7. SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, 14 OCT Housing Element Town Hall** in Lake Balboa, at St. Michael's Church 16643 Vanowen St Lake Balboa 9140 The meeting will start at 1pm

- 8. SAVE THE DATESaturday September23, 2023Congress of NeighborhoodsIN PERSON AT CITY HALLLos Angeles Congress of Neighborhoods (neighborhoodcongress.la)
- 9. BONC Commissioners Len Shaffer, South Valley Karen Waters recommendation for North Valley
- 10. DONE: Interim General Manager Vanessa

# 11. Independent redistricting, city council expansion, city charter reform all rolled up into CF22-1196-S1

12. UPDATE SB411 – Provided by Glenn Bailey

#### 13. Budget Advocates Update

- 14. Items from the floor:
- **15. THANK YOU** for all you do for your communities, the city of Los Angeles and I appreciate your participation in VANC!

#### NC Anniversaries – CONTRATULATIONS! 21 years Granada Hills North Greater Toluca Lake Valley Village North Hollywood Northeast NoHo 19 years Lake Balboa 13 years North Hills East

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR VANC VIRTUAL Meeting Thursday September 14, 2023 Guest speaker: Petty Santos, Executive Officer, Office of the City Clerk

### \*PlanCheck 10AM 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month, details <u>www.plancheckncla.com</u> Educate yourself on City Planning and Land Use issues.

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

Budget Advocates - <u>www.budgetadvocates.org</u> Did you miss BUDGET DAY? watch the recording at: <u>Budget Day 2023 - Zoom</u> (press control and left click)

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# HOT TOPICS For September 14, 2023

- 1. Health Hazards What is the current status of:
  - a. Aliso Canyon
    - i. SoCal Gas had paid a penalty fine of a relatively small \$4 million U.S. dollars,
  - b. Sunshine Canyon Landfill
    - i. Discharging quantities of air contaminants to cause injury, detriment, nuisance
  - c. Santa Susana Field Laboratory
    - i. In the courts for 10 years
- 2. LA City Planning 1 million four hundred thousand more housing than mandated, Why?

How to access/use **HOUSING ELEMENT MAP** click on link... https://ladcp.maps.arcgis.com/apps/instant/minimalist/index.html?appid=58d1ac6a73764a36bb76c271117a428c

Check out what your neighborhood will look like: