Public Safety and Transportation (PS&T) Committee
Minutes for Tuesday, May 20, 2014 at 7:00 PM
Chatsworth Train Depot, Hal Bernson Meeting Room, 10038 Old Depot Plaza Road, Chatsworth

1. Call to order and roll call of committee members at 7:10pm
   a. Chair: Lucie Volotzky
   b. Vice Chair: Scott Munson
   c. Secretary: Jesse Fuller
   d. Attending: Rudy Schultz, Nick Montaño (arrived late), Matt Weintraub, Jesse Fuller, Jim Rahm, Mary Kauffman
   e. Absent: Erik Pampalone

2. Stakeholder and Public Comment
   a. Josef Matthew
      i. St. Mary’s Orthodox Christian Corporation
         1. Located at 10850 Topanga Canyon
      ii. Community member is concerned that the church isn’t following the building code
          1. They applied for a permit, but they were denied
          2. Head of the church is just going to go through with it anyway
          3. Email about it was received by Lucie
      iii. City (Building and Safety) will come out to visit
          1. Notify them that they will have services on a certain date
          2. Fire Department will also go visit (but usually isn’t)
          3. They already have a citation

New Business
1. Approval of the 04/15/14 PS&T Committee Minutes
   a. Scott: Accepted Valley Alliance for CNC (Lucie) for continue to work with communities
   b. Rudy approve as amended, Nick second
   c. Yay: Rudy, Nick, Jesse, Scott, Mary
   d. Abstain: Matt and Jim
2. Tim Torsney from LAPD Div. to propose a volunteer bike patrol to help to reduce local property crimes
   a. Matt discussed with Tom Torsney and Sr. Lead officer Danny Del Valle
   b. LAPD has an idea for a volunteer bike patrol
   c. Utilizing the squad as a force multiplier to be a visible deterrence to property crime
   d. Volunteers would have to pass a background check and a training
   e. Group of 10-20
      i. Deploy details of 6-8 with one officer as a group
      ii. About high visibility patrol
      iii. Not for confrontation
      iv. Just for information relay
   f. Opportunity to show community involvement
g. Opportunity to give cyclists a better image
h. Opportunity to prevent property crime
i. Similar to VST
   i. Eyes and ears
   ii. No enforcement on their own
j. What would you bring up at the Rally
   i. A table
   ii. Hand out flyers
k. Equipment
   i. Uniform would be likely
   ii. Their own bicycle
l. Schedule
   i. Would match the people’s schedules
   ii. Most likely daytime
m. VST
   i. Volunteer Surveillance Team
   ii. A person in their own vehicles
n. Examples
   i. Use them at a mall parking lot
   ii. Around schools
   iii. In neighborhoods with burglaries
o. Would be their own neighborhood, volunteer
p. City liability
   i. Insured as a volunteer
   ii. Different for horses
      1. Mary is on the Foothill patrol
      2. Sunland park, Northridge Mall, Hansen Dam
q. Mary: Good idea to have it start here
r. Plan is to pitch it at the bike rally
   i. Need a local recruiter
s. Might be a good thing to add as part of the tidbit
t. We do know a couple of folks who might be interested
u. Might be a good idea to bring back up to see if we can help pay for some of the equipment/uniforms

3. Discussion of what to do with meeting recordings (Request by Vicki Briskman)
   a. The previous secretary recorded the meeting for her own use
   b. Jesse has not recorded the meeting
   c. We do not send them to DONE and have not decided to record the meetings
   d. The Sept 2013 meeting has been recorded by Clara (not by the secretary nor the PS&T committee)
   e. Various people have recorded the meeting in the past
   f. Clara sent the recording of the Sep 2013 meeting to DONE 9/26/2013

4. Discussion how the minutes to be written
   a. At the retreat, someone had a problem that the minutes were not detailed enough
b. They wanted more specifics on why things were voted as they were so they could have a better record

c. Suggested that we record as much dialog as possible

d. There is a disagreement as to how much should be recorded

e. The goal was that if the motion is brought to the board, the board wants to know what was discussed

f. Scott doesn’t look at other committees minutes

g. Tabled for next time

3. Lucie is doing a class June 28th on CPR, First Aid, AED
   a. There is no budget
   b. She is worried about getting paid
   c. Give your packets back to

Old Business

4. Painting the curb red at the entrance to the Santa Susana Historic Park

5. Concern about speed De Soto and Chatsworth
   a. Mary spoke with Ken Faroozmond many times
      i. He thinks we are worried about the traffic headed south from the 118 freeway to Rinaldi, but we are more concerned with people headed south from Rinaldi to Chatsworth
   b. What is the speed limit
      i. 40? 45?
   c. Truck driver died in an accident with an armored truck
   d. Lots of accidents
   e. LADOT is investigating it
   f. Mason solutions
      i. Speed board
      ii. Crossing with flashing lights

6. Committee member comments and adjournment
   a. Nick
      i. Flagging issue with the billboards (where the billboard material blows off)
         1. Los Toros has another incident where the billboard was flagging
         2. Devonshire and Topanga was flagging
         3. Mitch called Nick to see if he could look at it
            a. Nick called Clear Channel
               i. They fixed the one on Topanga
               ii. They said it was too windy above Los Toros to do anything
               iii. Called 911, fire department wasn’t able to anything
            b. Nick is working with BID to get the Chatsworth billboards down
               i. Every one near the powerlines
   4. Who permits these?
      a. LA City
   5. Renew Contracts automatically for 10 years
6. Varie1/Devonshire has similar issues
7. Chatsworth, you can’t have a banner
8. Not very many of them
9. Are there high wind issues
10. Sounds like a public nuisance

b. Scott
   i. Budget Form
      1. Rudy will take over and work with Clara on it
   ii. Contact List
      1. Jesse will update
   iii. Sierra Canyon Sidewalk
      1. Update on the bollards
      2. Mary: Can you call about horses
      3. Matt: Can you call about bikes

c. Lucie
   i. Conversational Councils
      1. Mitch – Thursday June 5th
      2. 4-6pm
      3. About Building and Safety and Traffic
      4. Register By June 2nd
      5. 19900 Plummer Street
      6. Ron Rubin
         a. Ron.rubine@lacity.org
      ii. Brought some FEMA and other emergency information
      iii. 50 year shelf life can product

d. Jesse

e. Mary
   i. Sunday Morning, June 8th
   ii. Volunteers
      1. Check in
      2. Bibs
      3. Food
   iii. Discussed Route
   iv. Day of the house
      1. Good times, a little hot
      2. Served Robecks Juice at the CNC booth

f. Jim
   i. The Devonshire Division break room looks great

g. Motion to adjourn
   i. Moved: Lucie
   ii. Seconded: Scott
   iii. Unanimously approved
   iv. Meeting adjourned at 8:56pm