

Legislative Action Committee January 10, 2008 meeting minutes

ATTENDANCE:

Corrine Delgado – Southland Properties

Catherine Nichols – GUSD

Doris Blum – GUSD

Brian Mejia – Supervisor Antonovich

Cliff Hamlow – Azusa Pacific University

Jennetta Harris – Edison Co.

Luis Cetina – Metropolitan Water District

Bob Cruz – So. Calif. Gas Co.

Corey Calaycay – Senator Margett

Marilyn Grinsdale – Citrus College

Matt Bartlett – Century 21

Ken Herman – City of Glendora

Dr. Pat Bushman – Ludwick Family Fdn.

Richard Evers – COUSD

Meeting called to order at 12:10 p.m. by Chairman, Cliff Hamlow

Welcome and Self- Introductions

Chairman's Report – Cliff Hamlow –Three Legislative Lunches are scheduled as follows:

January 18, 2008 – Former Senator Jim Brulte @ the Glendora Country Club.

February 22, 2008 – Supervisor Antonovich @ GUSD Board Room.

March 7, 2008 – State of the City Address @ Glendora Country Club with Mayor Ken Herman.

A motion was made by Jennetta Harris and seconded by Bob Cruz to accept the above three lunches as part of the Legislative Action Committee. Bob Cruz asked the committee to support Prop. 92 and mentioned that he is scheduled to speak to the Chamber Executive Committee to ask for support of the Sunrise Power Link which helps ensure that Southern California will have the energy they need when the need is the greatest.

Legislative Updates - Please limit reports to 3 minutes or less and bring handouts for the Committee:

Brian Mejia, Supervisor Antonovich: Brian reiterated that Supervisor Antonovich will be speaking at the February 22, 2008 Legislative Luncheon. In 1988 a L. A. County hotline was established for the reporting of misuse of County property. In 2007 from March to October, 384 new investigations were opened. Millions have been saved since the hotline was activated. To report a misuse, call 1-800-544-6861 or visit the website – www.lacountyfraud.org. Welfare costs for illegal aliens continue to soar with the County paying out over \$440 million in 2007. To report welfare fraud, call 213-749-4266. A hazardous waste roundup is scheduled for Saturday, February 9th at the Claremont Corporate Yard.

Corey Calaycay, Senator Margett: 1. Corey reported on the 14 million dollar budget deficit. 2. It's time we start holding our elected representatives accountable and get our priorities in order. The budget deficit should be more of a concern than the spaying or neutering of our pets. 3. An education summit is being held on January 24th at Citrus College. 4. January 22nd is the last day to submit new bills to the legislature. Cliff Hamlow asked Corey to report back to the Committee on several issues - 1. how much are bond issues affecting the budget. 2. Prop13 's effect on the budget 3. the proposed stoplights on the 57 freeway.

Steve Johnson, Assemblyman Adams: No report

Richard Rea, Congressman David Dreier: No report

Ken Herman, City of Glendora: The Mayor reported on the ground breaking ceremony for the theatre in the Diamond Ridge development. Also an El Torito Restaurant is coming into the development. The City is looking at more budget cuts, costs analysis and more diversification. 10 local businesses pay the majority of the sales tax. The Mayors Prayer Breakfast will be held on February 27th at 7:00 am at the Glendora Country Club. Since Glendora Hyundai has moved to LaVerne Ford, the City is in the process of talking to developers for the property. Bob Cruz suggested that Azusa Pacific Students be contacted to do an economic development study on the property. Luis Cetina asked what is going to be built on the corner of Grand and Gladstone. "A Tesco Market." Corrine Delgado suggested the City come up with a plan to encourage evening shopping in the Village. Jennetta Harris reported that it is a pleasure to work with the Glendora City Staff.

Glendora Unified School District, Catherine Nichols: Doris Blum reported on more budget cuts due to declining enrollment. Luis Cetina suggested a meeting be scheduled with the schools to hear Bill McDonald speak.

Charter Oak Unified School District, Richard Evers: Declining enrollment is a continuing challenge for the district. They are looking at the reconfiguration of programs and budget cuts.

Marilyn Grinsdale, Citrus College: No report

Metropolitan Water District, Luis Cetina: Luis reported that he is working with Assemblyman Adams on a Community Leaders Forum to be held in April. Suggested he bring a proposal to the February Legislative Action Committee meeting.

Jennetta Harris, So. Calif. Edison: Jennetta reported that the search is on for a replacement for Dr. Viera, Citrus College President, who is retiring in June. The Citrus College men's basketball team is number one in the state.

Bob Cruz, So, Calif. Gas: Bob reported that he is working with Edison to do a utilities forum at the May Legislative Luncheon.

Old Business – New Business :

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:15 pm.