



Agenda - March 21, 2011

Time: 6:30pm - 8:15 pm

**Place: Galpin Ford - 2nd floor meeting room
15555 Roscoe Blvd (at the 405)**

**Parking: Free parking in the Galpin Lot on the West side of Orion
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Agenda

6:30pm - 7:00pm

Networking

7:00pm- 7:45pm

Introductions

Reports by Valley VOTE Committees

(~5 minutes for each including Q&A)

Financial Issues

Vic Viereck

Membership

Richard Leyner

Transportation

Bart Reed

LAWA

Denny Schneider

Redistricting

Joe Vitti

7:45pm - 8:15pm

Wendy Greuel



Wendy Greuel was sworn in as City Controller of Los Angeles on July 1, 2009 and has been doing an outstanding job of ensuring City Hall spends taxpayer dollars wisely. She has been identifying and eliminating wasteful spending and exposing fraud and abuse in city government.

Wendy is a "Valley girl" who was born and raised in the San Fernando Valley and attended Kennedy High School in Granada Hills. Upon graduation from U.C.L.A., Wendy learned how to make things work for people at City Hall in the office of Mayor Bradley. She was the mayor's liaison to the City Council, City Departments, and the community,

on public policy issues including child care, the homeless, the elderly, and health issues. In 1993, Wendy served with Cabinet Secretary Henry Cisneros as the Field Operations Officer for Southern California for the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). She oversaw HUD's emergency response and recovery programs after the 1994 Northridge earthquake. In 1997, Wendy joined the Corporate Affairs Department of DreamWorks SKG where she worked on the company's government and community affairs programs.

In 2002, Wendy was elected to the Los Angeles City Council and represented the Second District in the San Fernando Valley for seven years. As Councilwoman, Wendy worked tirelessly to be an independent voice fighting for the Valley's fair share of city resources. She focused on reducing traffic; banning road construction during rush hour; creating anti-gridlock zones; ensuring the completion of the Northbound 405 carpool lane. Wendy worked to make Los Angeles more business friendly by cutting the City's business taxes.

Wendy, as City controller saved taxpayers millions of dollars by consolidating departments, cutting wasteful government spending and identifying fraud and corruption in city government.

She currently lives in Studio City and is married to Dean Schramm. They have a seven-year old son, Thomas.

Controller Greuel will update us on recent audits she has completed.

It would also be of interest to see how Wendy's recommendations to improve the future financial balance sheet of the city have been implemented, and if not, why not. Also, what financial impact is expected with the passage of some of the March 8 Ballot measures.

We are very pleased to have Wendy Greuel take time out of her very busy schedule to visit with us.

Questions from the audience, as time permits, will follow each speakers remarks. The public and press are invited to the meeting.

The next regular monthly meeting of Valley VOTE will be:
Monday, April 18, 2011
at Galpin Ford.

Valley VOTE Mission Statement

Valley VOTE, a diverse coalition of San Fernando Valley residents, businesspeople, educators, community activists, and organizations, is committed to exploring and fostering the implementation of programs that empower the people of the San Fernando Valley and the City of Los Angeles, to improve local governance, education and public participation on policy matters.

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