

Valley VOTE

AGENDA

Monday, June 20, 2016 6:30pm - 8:40pm

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

Free parking in the Galpin Lot on the West side of Orion. Please do not park in the customer parking areas.

6: 30pm Networking

6:50pm Introductions - Flag Salute

7: 00pm Valley VOTE Committees - limited questions

Vic Viereck Access Dwelling Units

David De Voss Mass Transit

Ralph Kroy Sunshine Canyon

Susan Shelly Housing Development

Ernie Hilger Veterans Housing Update

7:40pm Metro Community Relations Manager - Karen Swift

Karen Swift has been a resident of the San Fernando Valley for 20 years. She previously spent 5 years as Field Deputy and Senior Caseworker for former Congressman Henry Waxman when he represented the Valley. She took a few years off at home with her children, returning briefly to public service for Congressman Adam Schiff assisting his district office with special projects, and staying active in the community as a volunteer. Before joining the staff of Metro last year, Karen handled community relations and communications for several Los Angeles-based non-profits, including The Help Group, headquartered in Sherman Oaks, and the Blind Children's Center in Hollywood. She and her husband live in Sherman Oaks with their three children. We are very pleased that Karen has taken the time out of her busy schedule to visit us today to discuss the proposed future plans of Metro.

8:10pm L.A. Councilmember Bob Blumenfield, 3rd District

Councilmember Bob Blumenfield was elected to the Los Angeles City Council in March, 2013, representing the 3rd Council District. Prior to his election to the City Council, Bob served in the California State Assembly from 2008 – 2013 working for all of the San Fernando Valley communities he continues to represent. Capitol Weekly called Bob "a shining light" with a "reassuring amount of perspective that is uncommon among so many politicians." He was extraordinarily prolific and effective in the Assembly, having had over 50 bills signed into law. He is considered an environmental and consumer champion and has won numerous accolades and was named "Legislator of the Year" from a diversity of groups. From 1989 – 1996, he worked in Washington, DC as a staff person to Senator Bill Bradley, Congressman Howard Berman and as staff designee to the House Budget Committee. Bob is a graduate of Duke University and the UCLA Anderson School of Management Business Executive Program. He lives in Woodland Hills with his wife, Kafi, and their two children. We are pleased to have Bob take time out of his busy schedule to be with us this evening.

8:40pm Adjourn

Valley VOTE is a 501c4 non profit with NO PAID STAFF. We need the ANNUAL dues payments from our members to continue to meet our goals.

If you have already paid your dues for 2016 we thank you for your support.

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Valley VOTE Mission Statement

Valley VOTE is a diverse coalition of San Fernando Valley residents, business people, educators, community activists, and organizations, 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. We meet monthly to address key policy issues and hear reports from our standing committee chairs.

For additional information about Valley VOTE, for an upcoming meeting agenda, or for previous meeting reports and press releases, we encourage you to go to our web site -

Valleyvote.org.

The press and public are invited to attend our meetings. Next meeting will be Monday evening, July 18, 2016