

Valley VOTE

AGENDA

Meeting Date: **Monday Oct.17, 2016**

Time: 6:30 pm - 8:20 pm

Place: 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

7: 05pm Introductions - Flag Salute

7: 10 pm Valley VOTE Committees - limited questions

Vic Viereck	Housing
Ralph Kroy	Sunshine Canyon
David DeVoss	Prop.64
Ernie Hilger	Veterans Update
Denny Schneider	LAX

7:40 pm **State Senator Robert Hertzberg**

Robert Hertzberg, was the 64th Speaker of the California Assembly - twice unanimously elected in 2000 and 2002 by Democrats and Republicans alike. After 12 years out of government, Hertzberg returned to state government, now as a California State Senator, representing nearly 1 million San Fernando Valley Residents. Elected in 2014, he is Chairman of the Senate Governance and Finance Committee.

As a legislator he has delivered BIG for the Valley -- including 226 million dollars of sound walls on our freeways, a big portion of the funding for the Valley Performing Arts Center at CSUN, funding for the Orange Line, as well as many other projects that are important to the Valley. In its "googlism" summary, Google characterizes Bob Hertzberg as "one of the most talented and respected legislators ever to come out of the California Assembly."

In an editorial, the Los Angeles Times said this about Bob Hertzberg: "He is a high-velocity wonk; he loves BIG ideas, and will flesh out every one of them if you give him a chance." The Daily News has said: Hertzberg "has relentless dedication and indefatigable energy....he has a reputation for integrity and perseverance."

In his efforts, he has appeared on many national and international news shows, including the BBC, Nightline, CNN, Bloomberg, CBS Evening News and has been the subject of stories in The Economist and Fortune, among other publications. After leaving the Legislature in 2002, Mr. Hertzberg served on the transition team of Governor Schwarzenegger and, in 2005, was a candidate for Mayor of Los Angeles, narrowly missing the runoff by less than 1%. Mr. Hertzberg then served as Chairman of the transition team for Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, and served as the Co-Chair for the transition teams of Los Angeles City Attorneys Carmen Trutanich and Mike Feuer.

After leaving the Legislature, he also co-founded a solar company, which was the **2005 Wall Street Journal recipient of the Innovation Award**, in the Energy and Power sector. Later he co-founded another solar company in the UK which earned Hertzberg honors as one of CNBC European Business's **Top 100 Low-Carbon Pioneers** (January, 2008), a **World Bank Award for a project in Rwanda**, and The Guardian's (UK) designation as one of the **"50 People Who Could Save The Planet"** (January, 2008).

Mr. Hertzberg replaced Leon Panetta as Co-Chair of California Forward (2009-2012). California Forward is a bi-partisan policy organization funded by California's largest foundations. Mr. Hertzberg also has served on The Think Long Committee of California.

Named as **"One of the Most Influential People in Southern California"** by the Los Angeles Times, and one of the **Top 100 Lawyers in California** by the Daily Journal, Mr. Hertzberg remains active in civic life throughout the community and is particularly active in and deeply committed to the San Fernando Valley.

Twice Bob served as Chairman of the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation (2004 and 2011). He is Of Counsel at the Los Angeles Law Firm of GlaserWeil, and is a Magna Cum Laude graduate of the University of Redlands (1976) and received his J.D. from the University of California, Hastings College of the Law (1979).

We thank Senator Hertzberg for taking time out from his very busy schedule to be with us today.

Adjourn 8:20pm

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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. Our next meeting will be Monday evening, Nov.21, 2016