

Valley VOTE

AGENDA

Meeting Date: Monday Oct.19, 2015

Time: 6:30pm - 8:30pm

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 -5 minutes each, limited questions
	Vic Viereck Street Vending
	Ralph Kroy Sunshine Canyon
	Ernie Hilgar Veterans
	Susan Shelly Pierce College
	Denny Schneider LAX

7:30pm **City Councilmember Mitchell Englander**

Mitchell Englander was born and raised in the San Fernando Valley. He attended valley public schools and has dedicated his life to public service and to making the city a safer and better place to live, work, and raise a family.

He was elected to serve as Los Angeles City Councilmember for the Twelfth District on March 8, 2011, to represent the communities of the North West Valley. In July 2013, he was unanimously voted by his peers to serve as President Pro Tem of the City Council. He serves as Chair of the Public Safety Committee, Vice-Chair of the Budget and Finance Committee and is a member of the Planning and Land Use Management Committee, and the Executive Employee Relations Committee. **He was re-elected in 2015 with 100% of the vote.**

Mitch's top priority is public safety, and is committed to re-focusing the City on its core services, including public safety, infrastructure and planning. He is also an active LAPD Reserve Officer at Devonshire Division.

Mitch is a dedicated family man, and lives in Granada Hills with his wife Jayne and their daughters Lindsey and Lauren and their three dogs. One of his proudest achievements was being named Father of the Year by the National Father's Day Council in 2006.

We look forward to hearing an update from Mr. Englander on the latest issues faced by the City of L.A. and Council District 12.

8:00pm **Kevin James - President, Board of Board of Public Works**

Kevin is President of the Board of Public Works for the City of Los Angeles. He and his four colleagues are the chief administrators of the Department of Public Works. The Department consists of over 5,400 employees who are responsible for design, construction, renovation and operation of public projects ranging from bridges to wastewater treatment plants and libraries; curbside collection and graffiti removal; and maintenance of streets, sidewalks, sewers, street lights and street trees.

Beginning his legal career almost 25 years ago in L.A., James has worked most recently for Lavelly & Singer. As an Assistant United States Attorney for the Dept. of Justice, he received an Award for Superior Performance presented by U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno in 1992.

James has also worked as a broadcaster and host of a local issues talk show that focused on L.A. City Hall on 870 KRLA.

After growing up in Texas, James completed an Accounting Degree at the University of Oklahoma before pursuing his Law Degree at the University of Houston, College of Law. We look forward to the remarks of Mr. James regarding the current issues faced by Board of Public Works.

8;30 pm Adjourn

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 is on November 16, 2015.**