

Appendix B

EARLY PARTICIPANTS IN CITYHOOD EFFORTS

While mentioning all the details of the movement for self-government is not necessary to the narrative, those involved in the effort deserve mention.

At the meeting on October 28, 1970, Charles Bruhn of Old Orchard 1, Jeremy Jones of Old Orchard 2, William Chernish of Valencia Hills, Robert Silverstein of Friendly Valley, and I, representing Del Prado, were named as area representatives after caucuses in various parts of the room. The question arose as to why I had recommended that committees be established to look into various aspects of incorporation when I had already issued a report. I cited the need for people to learn for themselves, to build credibility.

We set up a steering committee consisting of area representatives and Lorne Braddock of Agramonte Drive in Happy Valley, Jim Coleman of Saugus, Tom Neuner of Happy Valley, Minnie Trimble of Oakridge, and Larry Wade, who was generously listed as a Chamber of Commerce observer although he was employed as a Vice President of Newhall Land. Lee Fogle of Del Prado was elected to head the county contracts subcommittee. Ellen Fleck of Oakridge would chair the police services group. Betty Byrne of Oakridge and Rex D. Soutar of Valencia Hills would study revenues. Andrew Martin of Newhall was to work on the issue of streets. *The Signal* listed all the home addresses of the participants in their story of Nov. 4, 1970. That was a different age.

A few days later we had a breakfast meeting at Tip's Restaurant, in the building later occupied by the International House of Pancakes on Pico Canyon Road at Interstate 5. Lee Arnold and David Williams, a professional in city administration, attended the meeting and lent an air of credibility to the proceedings. Martin B. Westerman, Robert Stumpf, William Schwartz, Michael Carey, Norman Matson, Robert Weiss, David Cook, Ronald Bauer, Joseph Meager, Ed Petras, Tony Fedel, Lucille Novak and Charles Whitlock joined the effort. Weiss, Bauer, Petras and Novak were all Del Prado residents, and while Ron Bauer left his work in physics at UCLA to join Lincoln Laboratories in the Boston area, the others remained in Newhall.

A week later Howard Leggett of Valencia Glen, and Serge Podtetenieff of Oakridge joined the group.

In August 1971 we elected a twelve-member board with an executive committee of Carl Boyer as chairman, Jerry Jones as vice-chairman, Mike Carey and secretary, Davis McLean (a local accountant) as treasurer, and members Lorin Chitwood (who owned a furniture store in downtown Newhall) and Tom Neuner. Other board members were Wayne Crawford, then a computer wizard for Lockheed, Joseph I. Gillaspay, Robert Hoffman, Andrew Martin and Paul Stumpf.