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Vanguardians Purpose: To Inform, Educate, & Motivate the people for their Non-Violent Involvement, Engagement & Advocacy in local government.

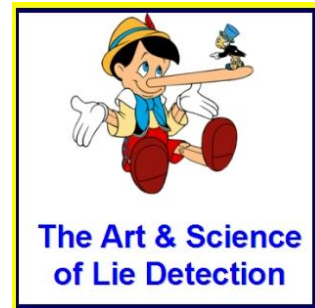
OPEN LETTER TO GLENDALE CITY COUNCILMAN JOHN DRAYMAN:

You are an elected member of the Glendale City Council and you are running for reelection on April 5, 2011. You recently have come under suspicion of allegations involving unethical and possibly criminal conduct. Until now, you have decided to have loyal followers speak on your behalf claiming the charges to be false.

You have an alternative, an obligation to be straight forward and provide the information needed to clear the air your supporters claim. If you have nothing to hide, you should be forthright to validate your supporters' assertions.

You have a duty to the Glendale voters to reveal the facts surrounding the charges. It is your ethical responsibility as an elected official who claims adherence to government transparency.

However, there is one caveat; if you are under criminal investigation it is entirely understandable for you to continue your present position of keeping completely quiet on the subject.



You can:

1. Produce all contractual agreements between you and your contractor showing the scope of the work and payment arrangement.
2. Produce the minutes of your HOA board meetings where the flood damage issue was discussed, including insurance issues. State whether you filed a claim with the HOA or a private insurance company that covers interior damage and property loss.
3. Produce building permits or give an explanation of why you were not required to obtain such permits under city codes.

4. State who referred you to the contractor who performed the work on your renovation. Tell us why you selected National Fire, a company that has not done an interior renovation before. Your statement in the paper claimed you chose them because the owner, uniquely, was willing to work out a schedule of payments.
5. Do you think that a council member should vote on transferring millions of taxpayer dollars to ADI, now a known fraudulent prime contractor, while taking thousands of dollars in campaign donations and getting what appears to be a sweetheart deal from one of its subcontractors who stated he was 'forced' by ADI to perform the work, but assured by ADI that he would be paid?

You could pull this information together in an hour or so and present it to the voters of Glendale. It is the responsible thing to do. Anything less will continue to erode your standing as an elected official going into the reelection campaign.

S// Glendale Registered Voters and Stakeholders

If you have given, donated or contributed any money, service or thing of value to a candidate for public office or a City Official on behalf of or for any other person or entity with the expectation of being reimbursed or paid back, now is the time to step forward. You could be charged with money laundering.

Contact Barry Allen at 818 243 1502 for information on what to do and who to talk with.

"I predict future happiness for Americans if they can prevent the government from wasting the labors of the people under the pretense of taking care of them." – Thomas Jefferson.

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Vanguard is increasing its Glendale stakeholder's distribution to 50,000 per month. Sponsors can reach this audience every week. Call Barry Allen at 818 243 1502 or email info@vanguardians.org,

[Former Orange County](#) Sheriff turned himself over to prison authorities to begin his 5^{1/2} year sentence for witness tampering.

[Cortines: LAUSD cop will be fired for lie | VIDEO](#) LAUSD Superintendent Ramon Cortines said on Friday that LAUSD Officer Jeffrey Stenroos will be fired for filing a false police report.

[Cash-strapped Bell to consider disbanding police department, cutting salaries and benefits](#)

[Governor says, "Give me your redevelopment money."](#) Measuring the effect of redevelopment efforts is difficult. Pasadena's Old Town and San Diego's Gaslamp Quarter have succeeded, but other such projects have floundered. In Costa Mesa, a mall partly paid for with redevelopment funds in the early 1990s now is largely vacant.

"The general picture on redevelopment is that it doesn't really pay for itself," said Tracy Gordon, a local-finance expert at the Brookings Institution think tank in Washington, mentioning an oft-cited 1998 study by the nonpartisan Public Policy Institute of California that found the redevelopment agencies' work didn't increase property values enough to justify the tax revenue spent.

Vanguardians will host a candidate briefing for Glendale Council candidates to bring them up to date on the major issues that the Glendale City Council will be facing. All verified candidates will be notified of the particulars.

SAMUEL ADAMS: It does not require a majority to prevail, but rather an irate, tireless minority keen to set brush fires in people's minds.

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1 COMMENTARY

You may agree or disagree with the views below. Feel free to comment on them. The commentaries do not necessarily reflect the position of Vanguardians

From the Publisher... SITTING IN THE CAT BIRD SEAT



I spoke at the joint meeting of the Transportation and Parking Commission and the Planning Commission on January 24th. Here was my statement:

“On January 4th during a contentious City Council meeting, Bill Weisman Transportation & Parking Commission Chair made serious and defamatory allegations about Vanguard and me in particular.

Weisman publicly accused me of being a liar or a criminal because of a satirical section in Vanguard that purported to show intercepted text messages from members of the city council while on the dais.

I am not sure if he spoke as a City Official, if he did; his remarks become an issue of truthfulness, honesty, believability and integrity in his role as a City Official.

I am certain he did not speak as a person seeking accountable government.

I am flattered that he is a collector and an aficionado of Vanguard memorabilia.

For too long, members of the city council and other commission members read electronic screen messages while agenda issues were being debated. Many people believe that such electronic conversations may include conferences where voting may be arranged or instructions are given on how to respond to speakers.

Irrespective of the particular conversations taking place electronically, such closely held communications during open meetings violate the intent of the Brown act.

Mr. Weisman at the Homeowners Coordinating Council became loud, contentious and disruptive during a presentation by the editor of the Glendale News-Press.

No matter how we try to justify the disruption, the abusive language or the inflammatory rhetoric, Mr. Weisman's conduct demonstrates a blatant disregard for civil and open dialogue with behavior and attitudes unbecoming the chair of a city commission.

The problem extends beyond Mr. Weisman's inability to separate parody and satire from reality.

It raises the question of competence in his ability to distinguish fact from fiction, or in his repudiation and lack of support for the authorities who are investigating fraud and abuse within the government of the city of Glendale.

I call on Chair Weisman to offer a public apology to me for his libelous comments, to the press, and to all present at the HOCC who were denied the opportunity to have their questions answered on the on-going investigation of Councilman John Drayman.

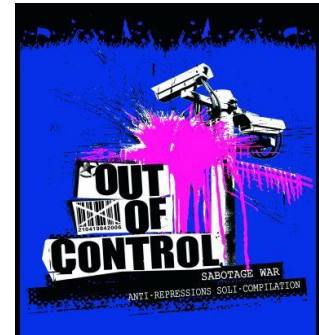
His conduct is both reprehensible and contrary to the expectations we have of official members of the city's boards and commissions.

As such, I am asking for his resignation as chair and member of the Transportation and Parking Commission.

Commission members must demonstrate a willingness to hold the city government accountable, and to support the efforts of law enforcement to root out waste, fraud and corruption in government. His actions clearly show his unwillingness to serve effectively in the role for which he was chosen as a member of this commission.

The ADI case under investigation impacts the TPC directly. ADI was given a variance of at least 40 parking spaces when members of the community came with petitions asking the council to deny the arrangement. Apparently those community members had come to the parking and transportation staff to have a formal hearing of their concerns and were rebuffed. That was the testimony given at the hearing of July 8, 2008.

Mr. Weisman has already demonstrated a bias against the on-going investigation and, as such, is unqualified to serve as chair of the TPC. This body must proceed to remove Mr. Weisman from this commission."



Glendale City Election season is upon us. Voters are looking forward to getting the 4-color mailings from Independent Expenditure Committees like the very powerful city unions. There are very serious issues facing not only Glendale but every city.

Glendale is unique in the fact that it has a vibrant Armenian population of whom many long time residents are, for no reason, fearful. Recently a voter made some very disparaging remarks about how the Armenians sitting on the Council are ruining Glendale. I pointed out that there is only one Armenian Council member.

Now is the time to look at those that are running for City Council and the reasons they are running, not who they are ethnically nor whether they are Republicans or Democrats, as local government is non-partisan.

When John F. Kennedy was running for the Presidency of the United States his detractors said his allegiance was to the Pope as Kennedy was a Catholic.

And of course the rancor when Barak Obama was elected and we heard the noise about a black man in the White House.

In Glendale the choice is simple. The City Policymakers deal with an \$800,000,000 budget. One City Council member acknowledged that her husband manages the finances. How about the incumbents and the challengers?

Dave Weaver, an incumbent running for re-election, voted for higher and retroactive pensions in 2001 leading to the financial dilemma we face today. This is a man that bounced a \$525.83 reimbursement check to the City and paid \$9000 to the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) for 3 counts of violating the Political Reform Act. Mr. Weaver will tell you that he voluntarily went to the Glendale Police to complain of 'Mafia' like people. He then refused to help catch the 'bad guys'. Weaver will also tell you he voluntarily turned himself into the FPPC – after being told to by the District Attorney's Office of Public Integrity.



Then there is the favorite son from Montrose who claims his home was flooded and a contractor working for Advanced Development and Investment (ADI), National Fire, gave Council member Drayman 'special terms' to pay for the renovation. Neither Drayman nor anyone took out any building permits. Sam Engle, the Neighborhood Services Administrator, refused to have a code enforcement officer investigate the complaint because of an ongoing investigation by the City.

Many people have called upon Mr. Drayman to provide information to clear the air and to date he has refused,

Do Drayman and Weaver have the ethics and integrity to earn your vote?

Let's take a serious look at all the candidates.

Let's also tell the Council and Management that before the election the people want

1. The Budget process to start
2. The Prop 218 General Fund Refund Report needs to be discussed
3. The Eminent Domain pursuit of the Patel Hotel property needs to go before the RDA
4. Any Bond issues need to be presented
5. Any Fee Increases need to be put before the public



"Politics is entertainment. It's a sport. It's for the well groomed and well heeled. The impeccably dressed. Party animals. Politicians are interchangeable." - Bob Dylan

The penalty good men and women pay for indifference to public affairs is to be ruled by evil men. PLATO

Most people want the benefits of an accountable government but are afraid to work for accountability or to support those that do often because they fear retaliation or are the beneficiaries of the largesse or corruption of government

A COUNCILMAN IN SEARCH OF ENLIGHTENMENT

SCRIPT FOR A SINGLE ACT PLAY AT THE LUNA PLAYHOUSE – GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA



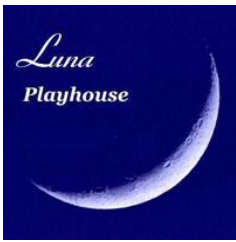
A councilman walks into the reception area of a national CPA firm and asks for an immediate appointment with the senior partner.

Councilman: (Walking into a very large office overlooking Los Angeles) "Mr. Peterson? Glad to meet you. I've been a councilman for a mid-sized city in California for many years and I am a bit confused."

Mr. Peterson: "Glad to be of help councilman. You are in luck that I can squeeze a few minutes now. What seems to be the problem? You know, we have some very large cities as clients."

Councilman: "That's why I came to see you. But first let me tell you that the chances of us engaging your firm at this time are not very good. So you can be as brutally honest with me as you can be. I can take it."

Mr. Peterson: "That's a very unusual attitude for a city politician. Usually they scurry to hide under the skirts of their city manager who massages their talking points with the public. Councilmen then plug their ears to bad news."



Councilman: "That's what people keep telling me. But I helped select our city manager, and I can't believe that he would lead me astray."

Mr. Peterson: "Well, I can understand your confusion. Let's cut to the chase. May I see those papers?"

Councilman: (While handing out the packet of documents) "Those were prepared by a city activist who claims he's got a financial background. He's been a thorn on my side for years. He claims that me and my colleagues have practically ruined the city financially. I brought his charts and a couple of the city's annual financial reports. Here, take them."

Mr. Peterson: (Now sitting down and browsing through the papers) "Oh, goodness!"

Councilman: "What is it, Mr. Peterson?"

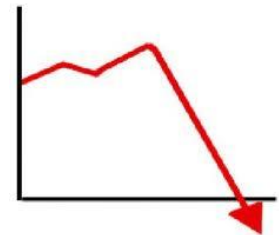
Mr. Peterson: "Please, call me Frank. Take a load off your feet. Go ahead. Take a seat. Are you sure you are ready for this? Do you understand what this means?"

Councilman: "Well, Frank, the activists tell us that we sunk the city into so much liability that we won't have much money left over to pay for anything except salaries and pensions. I hate those Chicken-Littles!"

Frank: "Sounds to me that you may not be ready for bad news."

Councilman: "The city manager assures me that all is well, and that he'll take care of everything."

Frank: "Hmmm. It does seem that starting in 2001 you've been approving the most massive transfer of wealth in the city's history from taxpayers into the funds of the city's safety unions."



Councilman: "No way! Those unions are my friends. They help me on my campaigns and are the nicest guys you can find. Are you sure you are reading those papers correctly?"

Frank: "(Pointing to a page on the financial reports.) "Do you understand what these actuarial liability tables indicate? It means that your city has dug a hole so deep that in the next few years the walls of that hole will come down crashing on you unless your city starts conducting serious layoffs or comes up with tens of millions of additional revenues to fund the safety employee pensions."

Councilman: (Blushing red and getting to his feet.) "What?! No way! What are you talking about? You don't even live in Glendale! I don't even know why I came to see you in the first place!"

Frank: "Sounds to me like we really won't have any chance of having your city as a client anytime in near future. Will we?"

Councilman: (Now beet-red and sweating) "Are you outta-your-mind? No-way. No-how!.... What are you reading there!?... Are you listening to me!?"

Frank: (Still browsing the documents) "Whew! This is even worse. Your payroll is growing at an unbelievable rate! This is very, very serious!"

Councilman: "I don't even know why I walked into your offices! Give me that! (He grabs the documents from Frank's hands with a hard jerk and starts walking out.) You guys are morons! I need a second opinion!"

Frank: (Leaning back on his chair with his hands joining at the fingertips and smiling at the councilman) "Sure, no problem. You are fat, ugly, and a boorish fool."

**JUST RELEASED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE DATA FOR THE 12 FIRE DEPARTMENTS SERVED
BY VERDUGO DISPATCH CENTER**



The data reveals that the Glendale Fire Department continues to degrade its emergency response times and is now performing below both Burbank and Pasadena. Glendale once was able to tout superior performance in comparison to the other two cities, but no longer can.

Emergency Calls for Service for Calendar Year 2010:

	<u>Glendale</u>	<u>Pasadena</u>
Emergency Fire calls:	1,592	2,838
Emergency Medical calls:	13,073	12,076
Total Call Volume:	14,665	14,914
	<u>Glendale</u>	<u>Pasadena</u>
Average Fire response time:	6:55	6:44
Average Medical response time:	6:04	6:01

Glendale is rated a Class I department and Pasadena is rated Class III with Class I considered the best, yet Glendale has the poorest response times, even when compared to Burbank, a Class II department. The Sierra Madre Fire Department, which is a totally volunteer fire department and rated Class IV, posted significantly better response times on fire calls with an average of 6:03.

Pasadena's superior response data as compared to Glendale is even more sharply contrasted when you consider that while Pasadena had a higher overall call volume, it operated with 50% fewer truck companies, 13% fewer engine companies and 25% fewer rescue ambulances.

A question the Glendale fire chief should be asking his staff: Why is Pasadena, with fewer resources and higher call volume able to get to the scene of fires and medical emergencies faster? The same question could be asked when compared to the all volunteer Sierra Madre Fire Department. These are the kind of questions the city manager should be asking before he gave out annual performance bonuses.

The Glendale fire department has demonstrated that it is more interested in allowing the union president to take his entire engine company out of service so he can appear before the city council to promote a needless investment of \$40 million to build two new fire stations. The fire chief allows engine and truck companies to needlessly remove their emergency apparatus from first responder status to attend functions such as a private BBQ hosted by the mayor at his hillside residence.

I have presented to the city council, with supporting factual data, needless and avoidable activities that contribute to slower response times, first identified by a private consultant, who referred to the slow responses as "Failed Incidents". Yet the fire chief, city manager and city council turn a blind eye to this important policy issue that can save lives. Now that the slower response data has been officially posted, I hope Fire Chief Scoggins is willing to address the causes. History has shown, however, that he will continue to ignore one of the most important responsibilities of a fire chief.

Several years ago, the Glendale Fire Department touted a new and innovative method of reducing response times. Spending tens of thousands of dollars to electronically override traffic signals to allow green lights in their favor to travel to emergency locations has not accomplished its intended goal. Spending more money is not the answer. Changing policy on station closures and restoring geographic integrity will accomplish the goal.

Other less important but thought provoking observations follow:

The call volume for emergency fire and medical responses for Glendale has not increased over the past several years. Glendale's engine companies still average 4.5 calls per 24 hour shift, with 4 medical and 0.5 fire calls. Of the 1,592 annual fire calls, only a fraction of 1% were actually structural fires. The rest were false alarms, car and trashcan fires and other miscellaneous events that were easily handled by a single engine company. Averaging 15 minutes per call, Glendale engine companies are involved in their primary emergency activities for less than one hour and fifteen minutes per shift. This leaves on average a total of 22 hours and 45 minutes for other activities. If you subtract one hour for training and one hour for maintenance, there remains a total of almost 21 hours of non-productive time left on a shift.

With so much non-productive time on their hands, one could wonder why the City of Glendale pays private contractors more than \$40,000 per year to do yard maintenance at the eight fire stations. How are they able to justify this expense? While between four and twelve firefighters per station enjoy all of this leisure time, private contractors mow their small

lawns and trim the bushes in front of the fire stations. A reasonable question would be why continue the practice of employing a private gardening service when other primary programs such as libraries and recreational services are being cut.

BRUCE PHILPOTT

TAKE ACTION – GET INVOLVED – BE INFORMED – SHARE VANGUARD – VOLUNTEER

2 Shout Box

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Your comments [Barry Allen – [See Commentary](#)] to and about Bill Weisman the Chair of the TPC were very welcomed by some of us who sit on the dais with him. His bullying was even more noticeable at the GHCC meeting. As he is Frank Quintero’s appointee everyone is afraid of speaking up except you, Mr. Allen. Thank you. PDQ

I asked the Housing Authority and the City Attorney three questions, questions they didn't answer.

1. What is the time frame between accepting campaign contributions and when a member can vote on a housing authority issue without a conflict of interest for 2007 and 2008?
2. If you as an elected official do some kind of remodeling in your home, are you or your contractor required to take out a building permit?
3. What is the penalty if an elected official circumvents the city’s campaign finance laws and building permit laws?

Mike Mohill

An interesting display of ‘family’ by Najarian and Weaver. Mayor Najarian is being divorced by Darlene who, no doubt, was tired of the mental abuse. Just ask any of her friends and family. Then Weaver, the reprobate, who was asked not to return to read in classrooms because he asked a young Asian girl if she had an older sister, according to the teacher. Then his two harassments of a member of Starbird’s staff including his showing of a picture of his grand-daughter in the womb. And his peccadillo with Virgelia Villegas, the owner of Miss Asia. It goes on. How sad that people are being bilked by him. I wonder who pays his hotel bill. JC

Mayor Najarian is so bland. It seems as if he has lost his voice. Is it because John Drayman holds the reins and can jerk Najarian off the MTA in a heartbeat? WD

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Public Information



“Just the facts”

This is in response to your public records request dated January 4, 2011. Your specific requests and the City’s responses are set forth below.

1. Please provide the policies, procedures and practices for the reporting of a police officer driving a City vehicle running into and colliding with a person in a motorized scooter designed as transportation of the disabled.

The Glendale Police Department does not have records outlining the “policies, procedures and practices for the reporting of a police officer driving a City vehicle running into and colliding with a person in a motorized scooter designed as transportation of the disabled.” However, in an effort to assist you, the following record will be available for inspection at the City Clerk’s office after 12 noon on Monday, January 30, 2011.

[Glendale Police Department Manual Policy 502 \(Traffic Collision Reporting\)](#)

2. Provide the accident or other report for such a collision on or about the afternoon of December 16, 2010 involving Lt/Capt Bruce Fox.

The records you seek are exempt pursuant to Government Code section 6254 subparagraphs (f) and (k), and Vehicle Code sections 16005 and 20012. However, the Detailed History involving the incident will be available for inspection after 12 noon on Monday, January 30, 2011. The Detailed History report includes an entry to cancel the report. However, this entry was made in error because there was confusion regarding two separate incidents. The document indicates a secondary cancellation. This entry is also inaccurate as it was made without directly speaking with the individual involved.

3. Provide any memos or correspondence regarding the aforementioned incident.

Your request is denied. The records you seek are exempt pursuant to Government Code section 6254 subparagraphs (f) and (k), and Vehicle Code sections 16005 and 20012.

Carmen O. Merino General Counsel - Police

“All truths are easy to understand once they have been discovered; the point is to discover them.”- Galileo Galilei.

Agendas for the City of Glendale CA



Click to view the agenda [City Council](#) [Housing Authority](#) [Redevelopment Agency](#)

Meetings at City Hall (CH) are in the Council Chambers, 2nd Floor at 613 E Broadway.

Meetings at the Municipal Services Bldg. (MSB) are in room 105 at 633 E Broadway.

Meetings at the Perkins Bldg (PB) are in the Conference Room at 141 N Glendale Ave.

Phone numbers are in area code 818 unless noted otherwise

Monday, January 31

Special Meeting -- Historic Preservation Commission – 6:00 pm,
MSB 548-2140

City Council -- 6:00 pm, CH 548-4844

Wednesday, February 2

Planning Hearing Officer – 9:30 am, MSB 548-2140

Planning Commission – 5:00 pm, MSB 548-2140

Tuesday, February 1

Housing Authority – 2:30 pm, CH 548-2060

Redevelopment Agency -- 2:30 pm, CH 548-2005

Joint Meeting –RE: A Review of Guidelines and Standards for CDBG Funding; and the Doran Gardens Open Space Acceptance – 2:30 pm CH 548-4844

Thursday, February 3

Design Review Board #2 – 5:00 p.m., MSB 548-2140

4 *Vanguardians*

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People from all over LA County are asking for Vanguard and for Vanguardians training. We are expanding our coverage of LA County activities to accommodate the needs of the community.

Vanguard is following these lawsuits and others: the 5 GPD officers; Rodriguez; Gillespie; Hayn; Hunter; Mendoza. The cases cited are from the Randy Adams regime and continue under Chief DePompa.

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- The [Political Reform Act of 1974](#) allows public access to the financial reports of public officials.
- www.maplight.org to follow the money trail from special interests to the policy maker

To become more involved in your community, to learn how to use these important tools, call 818 243 1502



5 the Insider is written by city employees that care about the way the City is run. As they are concerned about retaliation, their identities are secret. Vanguard provides them the opportunity to have this forum. The comments are their own.



Here are three charts showing the detail of the merit pay during Starbird's term. First off he didn't follow the Administrative Policy Manual. Second he gave more awards to his personal staff. Third, the departments that played a role in the ADI scandal fared much better than average while fourth the GPD and the GWP were at the bottom of the money heap. [ED – The charts are available upon request.]

With the new consolidation of power under Mr. Haghani, look for him to lead the way for Drayman's construction project. Haghani can control the code enforcement, planning, permitting and inspection parts! Just what the consolidation was intended to do for the Council. Since the City Attorney is always there to defend the Council, as opposed to defending the public, don't expect any threats from the CA's office like the rest of the public gets when they do work without a permit!

Ten cops are suing the GPD and 7 others are on administrative leave. PD clams up on hitting a disability scooter.

Your employee Association doesn't support you, DON'T support them. Instead, send your union dues to Vanguardians as allowed by the [Meyers-Milias-Brown Act](#) for LOCAL PUBLIC EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS

6 THE DENIZENS ON THE DAIS



An indictment contains allegations that a defendant has committed a crime. Every defendant is presumed to be innocent until and unless proven guilty in court.

In response to the Weaver gibberish...Vanguard presents quotes from the reports from the Glendale Police Department, the Los Angeles County District Attorney and the Fair Political Practices Commission.

Notes from FPPC PRA Dave Weaver 05/0272 merged with 04/624 9-12-05

In late 2004 Weaver met with city employee Daniel Rodriguez who told Weaver that he knew two Armenian men that could help him get the Armenian vote. They were:

Armen Masaderyan [sic Musaderyan] (the owner of Royal Palace Banquet Hall) and Nick Babakhanians a print shop owner

In January 2005 Masaderyan gave Weaver an envelope with \$2000 in cash. Weaver asked for names. Masaderyan gave him 4 names indicating each gave \$500.

The names given to Weaver were:

Bronze House, Inc Development, 501 W Glenoaks #6 91202
 Pioneer Construction, Inc. 639 W Broadway, 91204
 Grigor Kasabyan, 727 Porter St, 91205 Partner in Hypnotic Lounge
 GAG Jewelry, 1446 Capestrano Ave., 91208 [Capistrano]

Early in February 2005 Babakhanians introduced Weaver to Levon Termendzhan at a Starbucks. According to Weaver Termendzhan had a crew that looked like Mafia. They went to Anoush Banquet Hall where they met with the owner about a fundraiser.

From there Weaver, Babakhanians and Termendzhan went to a strip mall at Grandview and Glenoaks. They entered a vacant storefront where Termendzhan introduced his father Gevork aka Cheetah Termendzhan and a boxer known as Fabiano Iha. They told Weaver they wanted to open a Karate studio there.

Next week more notes and quotes and the chronology...

