



#### MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 18, 2021 MEETING OF THE WOODLAND HILLS - WARNER CENTER NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL PLANNING, LAND USE AND MOBILITY COMMITTEE VIA VIRTUAL MEETING TELECONFERENCE

- 1. **Call to Order:** the meeting was called to order by Chairperson Lauren Coffman at 6:39 pm.
- Roll Call/Members present: Lauren Coffman, Karen Koe, Martin Lipkin, Sean McCarthy, Henry Rice, August Steurer. Members Absent but Excused: Peter Fletcher.
- **3. Public Comment:** Chris Rowe wondered why, as a member of the public, she was unable to see the images on the screen via ZOOM; she opined that the West Hills Neighborhood Council uses a ZOOM link wherein the public can view the meeting.

David Johnson agreed with the public comment offered by Chris Rowe. He wanted to confirm that the Fry's project would not be heard at tonight's meeting. It was not to be heard.

Elizabeth Ene of Councilperson Bob Blumenfield's office offered that the Councilperson had introduced a motion to help small businesses during COVID-19. She offered that outdoor dining located in parking lots will not be counted as part of required parking spaces.

4. Approval of Minutes: by motion of Karen Koe, with a second by Martin Lipkin, the minutes of JANUARY 21, 2021 were approved by a Vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions.

## 5. Discussion re: Woodland Hills Streetscape Plan Discussion with Senior City Planner Andy Rodriguez and City Planner Andrew Jorgensen.

The Streetscape Plan, having been approved February 27, 1997, is outdated in certain specifications but detailed in its requirements. Andy Rodriguez, Senior City Planner, and Andrew Jorgensen, City Planner, were present for the discussion and responded to the following questions submitted to them by PLUM Chair Lauren Coffman.

The questions are as follows:

1. The Woodland Hills Streetscape Plan is very far reaching in its definition of the different areas of Ventura Boulevard and adjacent streets. Many / most of the upgrades are not property related, such as crosswalks, extensive tree planting, street furniture and bicycle racks, new street lamps, tree well upgrades, and art work such as murals at the freeway underpasses. How are these projects to be funded?

2. Can the Neighborhood Council use some of their allotted money to pay for any of the above referenced upgrades, such as a street mural? Since all of the mentioned upgrades are on city property, what would the approval process be?

3. If NC funds are allowed, what is the Right of the NC to receive the approvals of required agencies? Will it be a battle, such as receiving approval for a wall mural at the freeway underpass: is that street services, DOT, ?

4. If trees are planted ( there is a very large emphasize on developing the tree palette in Woodland Hills) would the city pay to water them and maintain them?

5. Understandably, many of the specifications are outdated, since the plan was written in 1997. Are there updated specifications for trees, lighting, street furniture and crosswalk material that should replace the existing specifications?

The discussion of this topic can be found at <u>www.whcouncil.org/PLUM</u> and is located on the PLUM webpage. For a complete review of the Committee's discussion in regard to the Woodland Hills Streetscape Plan see the video of this discussion which is incorporated herein by this reference and made a part hereof as though set forth in full.

6. DIR-2020-5379-SPP-VHCA; AA-2020-5375-PMLA 6100 North Canoga Avenue, 91364 Construction of a phased mixed-use development comprised of two mixed-use buildings with 880 dwelling units and a commercial building with a hotel. Project proposes 1,157,396 SF of floor area for a 3:02 floor area ratio. Present use: commercial - Proposed use: Apartments, work-live, retail, hotel. Action requested: Parcel map to subdivide the site into three ground lots; Project Permit Compliance Review for a phased, unified mixed-use development within the Warner Center Specific Plan, Downtown District.

Item is to be RESCHEDULED due to the unavailability of the owner to participate.

## 7. Future Agenda Items

# Committee members may raise issues for discussion at a future meeting relevant to areas under the committee's purview.

Committee meetings will be continued to be held on the first and third Thursdays of each month and may be canceled when there is no business for the Committee to conduct.

There will be 2 meetings in March. THE NEXT MEETING OF THIS COMMITTEE WILL BE THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 2021.

## 8. New Cases, Review of Current Cases, and Committee Business The committee will discuss the status of currently outstanding cases and assignment of new cases for consideration at future meetings.

There are no new cases.

August Steurer stated that there are 2 new filings and that new case packets should be forthcoming. They are (1) Erwin Street — change of use to medical; and (2) Gateway Plaza at Topanga and Ventura — restriping of the parking lot, a 2nd Starbucks store, and a pergola.

August Steurer has not done the door hangers. The San Blas project is on the agenda next week at the Mulholland DRB. The Mulholland DRB approved the Canoga Drive project.

The PLUM web page has many issues that need to be addressed.

Lauren will send the cover sheets from various Notices of Determination ("NOD") to August who will then load the NODs to the PLUM web page.

Lauren will contact Joyce Fletcher to discuss the Streetscape Plan.

9. Adjournment: the meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

Submitted by, Karen Koe