

Design Advisory Committee  
Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council  
January 22, 2007 – 7:30 p.m.  
North Valley Neighborhood City Hall

Meeting called to order at 7:40 p.m. with approximately 40 people in attendance (per sign-in sheets).

In attendance: Victor Castro, DAC Chair, Tomi Lyn Bowling, Rec. Sec., Deborah Ray, Mark Seigel, Lloyd Hitt, Penny Blackwell, Vic Aghakhanian, Cindy Cleghorn, Debby Beck, Ed Rock. Absent: Saro Minassian (out of town). Also in attendance, Anita Cerna from City Planning Dept., Dale Thrush from CD2.

Introductions of DAC, Anita Cerna, City Planning; Dale Thrush. Audience introductions.

Briefing on STNC Elections from Cindy Cleghorn. Elections will be held on Monday, March 19, 2007 4-8 p.m. here at NVCH.

Minutes review requested of DAC.

Joe Barrett, NHDC, briefing on the hearing held Jan. 19<sup>th</sup>. Looking forward to hearing a positive decision very soon. Congratulations and thanks to all speakers and community.

Future suggested agenda item for DAC, Mar. 26 to be educational, informative on process with Dale Thrush, CD2.

Mr. Castro and Ms. Cleghorn spoke at the Jan. 19 public hearing for 7101 Foothill regarding gas station request to sell alcohol. Denial of request expected.

Angeles National Golf Course pulled permits to trench in the wash that resulted in Victor pulling over 300 permits that were issued to ensure those have been followed. 78 of those permits issued to Angeles Golf Course are things that have requirements that have to be met by a certain time. These will become due in March so we will be looking into whether or not they have complied with all requirements.

Asked CD2 about medical marijuana facilities.

Hookah lounge announced that two sites appear to be in process of opening for business. Hookah is a kind of pipe smoking lounge. Elaine Brown and Cindy Cleghorn have been looking into info about this type of business.

Homeless rehab and medical and legal center purchased a building in Downtown L.A. for this purpose. (Sterling, Donald T Foundation) 1200 W. Olympic Blvd is the supposed purchased property. CD2 unaware of this or how it could effect the Hope Gardens project in Kagel Canyon.

Penny Blackwell signage update for various signs in the area that are being asked to conform to the FBCSP guidelines.

Dale Thrush gave updates: Congratulates community. Hearing officer took it under advisement for two weeks which includes time that hearing officer will be on vacation. So in roughly 3 weeks there should be a determination from him on the appeal filed by the No2Home Depot Campaign. Further appeal follows but not until March. Meanwhile, Home Depot will continue to do the work where permits have already been issued. CD2 asked DBS to revoke permits but DBS does not have legal grounds to do so. Many questions about work that is on going on the site.

RE: 10638 Commerce Ave. – “attic” property. Announced motions presented by Wendy Greuel to be presented at City Council this week. A press conference is planned for next Monday with Wendy at the site. The oak tree appears to be dying. Will inform us.

RE: 8737 Fenwick – Mario Sterlings – Dale told Mr. Lamishaw that it was likely dead on arrival and told to bring a new project to this site. This a few weeks ago and no new news as yet. Discussion about zoning of space which is a “P” zone which would prohibit building. Initial plans are for 49 condos.

RE: 10189-93 Tujunga Canyon Blvd. – extended three weeks re: wireless monopine cell site. Elaine Brown has alternative places to recommend.

RE: Oro Vista – still waiting for environmental review.

RE: 7101 Foothill – appears to be headed for decline

RE: Mt. Gleason site grading – being handled by Jackie Keene at CD2. Criminal hearing expected.

RE: Verdugo Hills Golf Course – letter being written by Wendy’s office to go to Antonovich.

RE: Scoville/Foothill – Proposed banquet hall inquiry. Presentation possibly on next agenda for a restaurant.

RE: 11021 Odell – in residential area nearly one acre for sale.

RE: 9664 Tujunga Cyn Blvd. – property for sale – early warning from recording secretary.

RE: Tujunga Canyon traffic study report expected at City Transportation Committee on Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>.

Anita Cerna – re: Home Depot’s sign, will check permit. 10637 Mt. Gleason – applied for townhouse subdivision. PetSmart approved to install two new dormers. Jan. 29 deadline to appeal. Discount Tires report on appeal from DBS has been sent to planning.

RE: 7200 Foothill – old Ford property – permit is ready and issued. Next week the work schedule is expected to be completed.

Public Comment: Elaine Brown has form letter for 49 condos project at Mario Sterlings. Penny Blackwell announced that S-T BPW is honoring Cindy Cleghorn on Tuesday, Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> at the Elks in Tujunga. Debby Beck announced Pan Tang’s is open after the accident and recommends supporting their business and great food. Victor Castro gave Verduog Hills High School Football news.

RE: 8556 Foothill – presenters met with Debby Beck for color and materials. Brought two choices of color and material. Answered all previous questions and 50-60 signatures of support of neighbors. Motion by Tomi Lyn Bowling: That DAC supports this project with the use of rustic terra cotta stone materials. Seconded by Penny Blackwell. Questions/comments: Victor would like to make note that we do not want any future CUP on this site for sale of alcohol. Owner acknowledged and agreed. (site is next door to a full service liquor store). Straw vote of audience with majority supports. DAC passed by unanimous vote.

RE: 10430 Pinyon – presentation for lot subdivision to two lots each in compliance with minimum 5000 sq. ft. lots by right. This was a courtesy, does not need to come before us. Did so to be a good neighbor. Plans to keep existing oak trees. Will eventually build on second lot but not at this time.

Just to note in minutes. Some committee members expressed concern about the future use of the land and little outreach in the neighborhood prior. Neither was required so it is just noted herewith. No approvals are needed. Presenter thanked for coming before the community.

RE: 7751 Beckett may be on next agenda. Scoville should be on agenda next meeting. Ford property update on next meeting’s agenda as well as Angeles National Golf Course.

Upcoming DAC meetings: Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, March 5<sup>th</sup>. No meeting on March 19<sup>th</sup> (will need to move DAC meeting to alternate date).

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

*Minutes taken by Tomi Lyn Bowling, DAC Recording Secretary*