

Design Advisory Committee
Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council
April 23, 2007 – 7:00 p.m.
North Valley Neighborhood City Hall

Present: Lloyd Hitt, Tomi Lyn Bowling, Victor Castro, Saro Minassian, Cindy Cleghorn, Vic Aghakhanian, Debby Beck, Mark Seigel arrived late.
Absent: Deborah Ray. Also present: Dale Thrush, CD2 Planning Deputy, Jackie Keene, CD2 Field Deputy, Anita Cerna, City Planning Dept. Approx. 40+ in the audience (see sign-in sheets).

Call to Order 7:20 pm

Introductions – audience and City officials & DAC.

Public Comment: Acknowledge passing of Sylvia Gross. Michelle Sahfran re: Rim Canyon Tower and DWP fencing and trail access. Michelle requests to fence top pad of water tower and provide level asphalt trail access to the rim of the Valley Trail. Jackie Keene will call and work with DWP.

RE: 6501 Foothill Blvd. – neighbors major concern is utility poles now on sidewalk on Tujunga Cyn. Place in front of the development. This was not part of the design plans. All other utility poles in the neighborhood are in the rear of homes. Is this temporary or permanent? Additional concern regarding work site etiquette. Workers leave trash, graffiti, etc. Neighbor obtained petition signed by 34 neighbors regarding these issues.. Would appreciate clarification on several issues. Mr. Castro suggests a community meeting with residents.

CD2 – Dale Thrush gave the following updates: 1. GPA Amendment at City Planning Commission on 4/26/07. 2. Angeles National Golf Club in progress. Filed to obtain acceptance of satisfaction of conditions and clarifying what conditions have been met. CD2 asked for this to be done as a public hearing. Includes dedication to SMMC, money set aside, identifying trails and compliance with environmental conditions. 3. 6501 Foothill – not been able to set up a meeting with residents to date. Last he heard, the developer wanted to have underground cables behind the property. Inquiry is in progress. 4. 10637 Mt. Gleason & Oswego – Developer has verbally committed to meeting with community. Dale informed him that his request for 6 units would not be supported by CD2. 5. Home Depot – Attorneys

asked for additional work to be completed for security and roof for weather. No word from DBS per Dale Thrush.

Pointed out by chair that all developments proposed – Canyon Hills, Home Depot, Sterlings, etc. will be given conditions to their approvals and if we are unable to get conditions met by ANGC there's no point in requiring future conditions on future developments as they just get away with not doing them and not complying.

Anita Cerna - Much discussion about Hookah Lounge at 7024 Foothill Blvd.

Update from Debby Beck re: 7200 Foothill at Commerce Ave. – Owners waiting for construction funding.

Medical Marijuana establishments – apparently we have two that we are aware of in Sunland-Tujunga but in accordance with the new ordinance, only one would be allowed due to the milieage radius limit. Mr. Hitt & Mr. Castro discussion re: State law allows, but no city regulation, medical marijuana violates Federal law, number of shops went from 20 to 400 in no time.

RE: 10240 Commerce presentation for 3-story, 18 unit condominiums was approved in 2005 for 22 units. Requesting an exception on height (10%). Motion (Cindy Cleghorn/Tomi Bowling): That DAC appreciates owners and developer's reduction in density to allow for more open space for this project and that it is has been presented as a more family oriented condo project. The DAC would prefer that the height limit be in accordance with the Foothill Blvd. Corridor Specific Plan. Motion passed unanimous.

RE: 6852 St. Estaban – item moved to 5/7/07 DAC meeting.

Public Comment – Announced 4/24 is Armenian Genocide commemoration. Visit any Armenian church.

Adjourn: 10:15 p.m.

Minutes taken by Tomi Lyn Bowling, DAC Corresponding Secretary