

Minutes of the
Design Advisory Committee
Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council
December 5, 2005 – 6:30 PM

Meeting called to order at 6:35 PM by DAC Chairman, Richard Pozzo. Committee members in attendance included Cindy Cleghorn, Lloyd Hitt, Mark Seigel, Penny Blackwell, Deborah Ray, Julianne Maurseth, Don Breeding, Roberta Actor-Thomas, Debby Beck, Shelly Albert. Also, Dale Thrush and Jackie Keene from CD2 and Anita Cerna and Dick Platkin from City Planning. Approximately 25 people in the audience.

Announcements: Richard Pozzo announced that there are vacancies on the DAC and if anyone is interested to submit a statement of interest and resume to him by 12/19/05.

Public Comments: No2Home Depot: Joe Barrett spoke about the N2HomeDepot in Sunland-Tujunga is alive and well. They have 4,000 boycott signatures and will send to Robert Nardelli with Home Depot, Wendy Greuel and others. They also have started an EIR petition drive. They are working on getting translations of documents in Farsi and Armenian done. No2Home Depot has had a booth at recent holiday events in the community with great success. The community is united with a united message: No Home Depot in Sunland-Tujunga. They also attended the Glassell Park Neighborhood Council meeting with Home Depot reps. Learned that Home Depot won't assist with additional retail on their site. Their focus is to get only what Home Depot wants.. They are unable to mitigate the traffic in the Atwater area. They can mitigate the day laborers.

Minutes of November 21, 2005 approved as presented.

Presentations:

7123 Greeley, Tujunga. 12 unit, 3-story multi-family complex with maximum height of 31 feet (FBCSP has 33' height limit). Design includes waterfall (no pictures provided). **Comments** Open space: Square footage says over 1,200. Has 1,190. Is a little short. Developer willing to change.

Will go to subdivision process next which may impose additional requirements. This project is within the FBCSP area and will need to include 10 feet dedication at front. Julianne commented that Westlake exit in Thousand Oaks has variation with color and use of awnings. Roberta commented that proposal has lack of articulation in front. Looks more like an office building. Would be nice with distinctive style. Motion by Cindy Cleghorn and seconded by Lloyd Hitt that this project return to the DAC with updated design rendering, including building materials. Motion passed: 7 in favor, 1 abstain. Motion by Deborah Ray seconded by Mark Seigel that project continue through City process for subdivision. Motion failed: 4 in favor, 3 opposed, 2 abstentions. (Requires 6 votes to pass.)

7655 Day Street, Tujunga - 26 unit Town Homes. This site is located near Tommy's Burgers (on Foothill Blvd near Plainview) on the lower end of a dead end street. Project is for low impact residential and will exceed the open space requirements. They propose double specific plan requirements. Design is of a Craftsman style with pathways, green areas with porches, 2-car garages that are oversize for work area and laundry. Project completion is two years. Price range will be \$429-489,000 approx. Depends on market. Motion by Cindy Cleghorn, seconded by Lloyd Hitt that DAC supports the designs as presented and that the project move forward through City's process. Motion passed unanimous. Note: After vote comments for developer to consider: native trees, bamboo flooring. Requested color copy of architectural elevations for DAC and City Planning Department staff. Fire Dept. red tag day and turnaround consideration. Julianne commented that it is appreciated that their design does not maximize the site. They presented a reasonable project.

10014 Tujunga Canyon Blvd., Tujunga – Manufactured home. Proposal is for a Silvercrest manufactured home to match existing design on the lots now. Available lot size is 1,475 sq. ft. Although plans indicate lot size at 16,880, the lot size recalculated is 12,240 which is of question as this effects total area that can be built. Use code on Parcel Profile Report = 0300 which is 3 units, 4 stories or less. Motion by Deborah Ray, to support proposed project contingent on confirmation of what is allowed by right from City Planning. Motion passed: 6 in favor, 1-opposed and 1-abstain.

8040 Foothill Blvd. – former K-Mart site, proposed Home Depot. Anita Cerna showed a copy of the banner sign to place on the former K-Mart site. Plans are incomplete so this is on hold. They are allowed to display a banner of this type three times a year for 90 days each time.

Public Comments

1. Question regarding the old Bigue Barn site which is apparently a Korean Church. Change of Use from residential to church. Any information? Anita Cerna will follow-up on this item.
2. Crest Paint on Foothill near Tujunga Canyon Blvd. appears to be used as a warehouse. Need physical address to check.
3. Glendale Tile – proposed to open soon.
4. Love Boutique – status on this use and occupancy. Business related to badboys.com – This is also site that had a permit pending. Needs follow-up.
5. 10105 Commerce – What is current status? Property is up for sale with NAI Capital sign. Printing business is in operation at present time. No retail activity. Question as to how long before owner needs to comply? Anita Cerna will follow-up on this item.
6. Question regarding definition of retail for the proposed Home Depot. Hold to ask Frank Bush from Building and Safety at our next meeting.
7. Old Sundance Realty has a Thrift Shop that opened recently.

Other Announcements:

1. Letter of resignation received from Roberta Actor-Thomas, effective 12-31-05. She will continue to work on items such as the ICO, etc.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Minutes taken by Cindy Cleghorn, Design Advisory Committee Member.