

NORTH VALLEY AREA PLANNING COMMISSION
OFFICIAL MINUTES
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2021
(VIA TELECONFERENCE)

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In accordance with Government Code Section 54953, subsections (e)(1) and (e)(3), and in light of the State of Emergency proclaimed by the Governor on March 4, 2020 relating to COVID-19 and ongoing concerns that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees and/or that the State of Emergency continues to directly impact the ability of members to meet safely in person, the North Valley Area Planning Commission’s October 21, 2021 meeting was conducted via telephone and/or videoconferencing.

Commission President Eric Nam called the regular meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. with Commissioners Gerlie Collado and Araz Parseghian in attendance.

Commissioners Martina Diaz and Victor Sampson were not in attendance.

Also in attendance were Andy Rodriguez, Senior City Planner and Oscar Medellin, Deputy City Attorney. Commission Office staff participation included, Irene Gonzalez, Commission Office Manager, Alice Inawat, Commission Executive Assistant and Diego Vazquez, Administrative Clerk.

ITEM NO. 1

DETERMINATION TO CONTINUE HOLDING MEETINGS VIA TELECONFERENCE

Motion Required. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(1)(B)-(C), determination that due to COVID-19 State of Emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees, and possible Commission action.

MOTION:

Commissioner Collado moved to adopt the resolution under which the Commission finds that holding meetings in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Commission President Nam seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Collado
Second: Nam
Ayes: Parseghian
Absent: Diaz, Sampson

Vote: 3 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 2

DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS

- Election of Officers:
Commissioner Parseghian nominated Commissioner Nam as President for the North Valley Area Planning Commission. The vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Parseghian
Second: Collado
Ayes: Nam
Absent: Diaz, Sampson

Vote: 3 – 0

MOTION PASSED

- Election of Officers:
Commission President Nam nominated Commissioner Diaz as Vice President for the North Valley Area Planning Commission. Commissioner Parseghian seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Nam
Second: Parseghian
Ayes: Collado
Absent: Diaz, Sampson

Vote: 3 – 0

MOTION PASSED

- Andy Rodriguez, Senior City Planner, had no report.
- Oscar Medellin, Deputy City Attorney, had no report.
- There were no Commission requests.
- Minutes of Meeting:
Commissioner Parseghian moved to approve the Minutes of Meetings February 4, 2021. Commissioner Collado seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Parseghian
Second: Collado
Ayes: Nam
Absent: Diaz, Sampson

Vote: 3 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 3

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL PRESENTATION

There were no Neighborhood Council presentations.

ITEM NO. 4

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

No speakers addressed the Commission during general public comment.

ITEM NO. 5

RECONSIDERATIONS

There were no requests for reconsiderations.

ITEM NO. 6

ZA-2018-7197-ZV-1A

CEQA: ENV-2018-7198-CE

Plan Area: Sun Valley – La Tuna Canyon

Council District: 2 – Krekorian

**Last Day to Act: 10-21-21

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

PROJECT SITE: 10644 – 10648 West Wixom Street;
7712 – 7716 North Clybourn Avenue

IN ATTENDANCE VIA TELECONFERENCE:

Jonathan Hershey, Associate Zoning Administrator, and Andy Rodriguez, Senior City Planner, representing the Department of City Planning; and Robert Amond, representing the Applicant/Appellant.

MOTION:

Commissioner Collado put forth the actions below in conjunction with the denial of the following project with amendments as stated on the record:

Addition of one spray paint booth to each of two existing, adjacent auto repair shops (total of two new spray booths) on an approximately 21,034 square foot site in the M1-1 Zone.

The proposed project does not require review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and CEQA does not apply to the proposed project. When a project is denied by the Department of City Planning, it is exempt under CEQA Guidelines, Section 15061(b)(4) and 15270. No further environmental review is required.

1. Deny the appeal and sustain the Zoning Administrator's determination dated April 16, 2021;
2. Deny, pursuant to Charter Section 562 and Section 12.27 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code, a Zone Variance from Section 12.17.6A.13(a) to authorize the use and maintenance of two spray

- paint booths located less than 500 feet of an R zone, on property located within the M1 zone; and
3. Adopt the Amended Findings.

Commission President Nam seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Collado
Second: Nam
Abstain: Parseghian
Absent: Diaz, Sampson

Vote: 3 – 0 – 1

MOTION PASSED

There being no further business before the Commission President Nam adjourned the meeting at 6:07 p.m.

Eric Nam

Eric Nam, President
North Valley Area Planning Commission

Cecilia Lamas (Electronic Signature due to COVID-19) for
Alice Inawat, Commission Executive Assistant
North Valley Area Planning Commission

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