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South Valley Area Planning Commission Minutes
February 9, 2017
Van Nuys City Hall, Council Chambers
14410 Sylvan Street, 2ND Floor
Van Nuys, California 91401

MINUTES OF THE SOUTH VALLEY AREA PLANNING COMMISSION HEREIN ARE REPORTED IN ACTION FORMAT. COMPLETE DETAILS, INCLUDING THE ENTIRE DISCUSSION, RELATING TO EACH ITEM ARE CONTAINED IN THE AUDIO RECORDING FOR THIS MEETING. COPIES OF COMPACT DISC RECORDINGS ARE AVAILABLE BY CONTACTING CENTRAL PUBLICATIONS, AT (213) 978-1255 AND ARE ALSO ACCESSIBLE ONLINE AT planning.lacity.org.

The meeting was called to order at 4:45 p.m., with Commissioners Cochran, Mather, Beatty, Bishop, and Dierking present.

Also present were, Jonathan Hershey, Senior City Planner, representing the Director of Planning; Kathryn Phelan and Kimberly Huangfu, Deputy City Attorneys and Renee Glasco, Commission Executive Assistant.

ITEM NO. 1

DEPARTMENTAL REPORT

Jonathan Hershey presented the Departmental Report on behalf of the Director of Planning by updating the Commission on the City Council's approval of the 33rd and 34th Historic Preservation Overlay Zones in Los Angeles. Mr. Hershey discussed ordinances pending in the Planning and Land Use Management Committee, such as the Second Dwelling Unit Ordinance; Home Sharing Ordinance; and the Affordable Housing Linkage Fee.

ITEM NO. 2

COMMISSION BUSINESS

- A. Advance Calendar:
The Commission made no changes to the advance calendar.
- B. Commission Requests:
There were no requests made by the Commission.
- C. Approval of the Minutes
Commission Beatty moved to approve the minutes for the January 12, 2017 meeting. Commissioner Bishop seconded the motion. The vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Beatty
Seconded: Bishop
Ayes: Dierking, Mather, Cochran

Vote: 5 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 3

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

There were no presentations given by any Neighborhood Council representative on any item listed on the February 9, 2017, agenda.

President Cochran recessed the regular meeting agenda and opened the Special South Valley Area Planning Commission Meeting Agenda with all Commissioners present.

ITEM NO. 4

DIR-2014-3330-DRB-SPP-MSP-1A

CEQA: ENV-2014-3329-CE

Plan Area: Sherman Oaks-Studio City-Toluca Lake
Cahuenga Pass

Council District: 4 - Ryu

Last Day to Act: 02-13-17

PROJECT SITE 3586 North Knobhill Drive;

IN ATTENDANCE

Nelson Rodriguez, City Planning Associate and Tom Glick, City Planner representing the Department; Larry Haltman, applicant's representative; Earl Bender, appellant; Les Borsai, appellant.

MOTION

Commissioner Cochran moved to continue the matter to the South Valley Area Planning Commission meeting of March 9, 2017. Commissioner Beatty seconded the motion, and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Cochran
Seconded: Beatty
Ayes: Bishop; Dierking; Mather

Vote: 5 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 5

DIR-2015-2641-DRB-SPP-MSP-1A

CEQA: ENV-2015-2642-CE

Plan Area: Sherman Oaks-Studio City-Toluca Lake
Cahuenga Pass

Council District: 4 - Ryu

Last Day to Act: 02-13-17

PROJECT SITE: 7123 West Macapa Drive;

IN ATTENDANCE

Will Huguen, Planning Assistant and Tom Glick, City Planner representing the Department; Robert Glushon, appellant's representative; Mitchell Menzer, appellant;; Kevin McDonnell, applicant's representative, R.C. Thornton, applicant.

MOTION

Commissioner Dierking put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the following project with modifications to the conditions of approval as stated on the record:

Major remodel of an existing, 3,284 square-foot, single-family dwelling with an attached, 440 square-foot, two-car garage; the demolition of 790 square-feet of the existing dwelling, and the construction of a 1,730 square-foot addition. This results in a total structure of 4,750 square-feet with a maximum height of approximately 22'-6". The project includes a pool and approximately 1,255 square-feet of hardscape, on an approximately 19,591 square-foot lot. The project does not include the removal of any protected trees. The project does not propose any grading.

1. **Determined** based on the whole of the administrative record, the Project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 1, Class 3 and Category 1, and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies;
2. **Granted** in part and **denied** in part the appeal of the Planning Director's determination to approve a major remodel and addition to an existing single-family dwelling;
3. **Sustained** in part the Planning Director's determination to approve a major remodel and addition to an existing single-family dwelling;
4. **Adopted** the Conditions of Approval as modified by the Commission; and
5. **Adopted** the Findings as amended by the Commission.

Commissioner Mather seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Dierking
Seconded: Mather
Ayes: Beatty, Bishop, Cochran

Vote: 5 - 0

MOTION PASSED

The Commission President adjourned the Special South Valley Area Planning Commission Meeting and recovered the Regular Meeting Agenda at 7:40 p.m. with all Commissioners present.

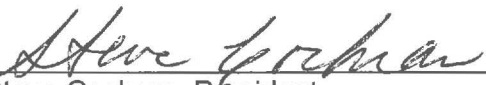
and reopened the regular South Valley Area Commission meeting at 7:40 p.m., and the meeting proceeded as outlined on the agenda.

ITEM NO. 7

PUBLIC COMMENT

One member from the public requested to address the Commission.

There being no further business to come before the South Valley Area Planning Commission, the meeting adjourned 7:52 p.m.



Steve Cochran, President
South Valley Area Planning Commission



Renee A. Glasco, Commission Executive Assistant I
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