

NORTH VALLEY AREA PLANNING COMMISSION
OFFICIAL MINUTES
THURSDAY, JULY 16, 2020
(VIA TELECONFERENCE)

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In conformity with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 (March 17, 2020) and due to concerns over COVID19, the City Planning Commission meeting was conducted via Zoom Webinar and telephonically.

Commission President Eric Nam called the regular meeting to order at 4:32 p.m. with Commissioners, Araz Parseghian and Victor Sampson in attendance.

Also in attendance were Andy Rodriguez, Senior City Planner and Pariss Knox, Deputy City Attorney. Commission Office staff participation included, Raoul Mendoza, Commission Office Manager, Cecilia Lamas, Commission Executive Assistant, Denise Otero and Marcos G. Godoy, Administrative Clerks.

ITEM NO. 1

DIRECTOR’S REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS

- Andy Rodriguez, Senior City Planner, on behalf of Director of Planning, expounded on Planning's role in creating a course for a more fair and equitable Los Angeles.
- Pariss Knox, Deputy City Attorney, had no report.
- There were no requests made by any of the Commissioners.
- Minutes of Meeting:

Commissioner Sampson moved to approve the Minutes of Meetings May 7, 2020. Commissioner Parseghian seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Sampson
Second: Parseghian
Ayes: Nam
Absent: Diaz, Lopez-Ledesma

Vote: 3 – 0

MOTION PASSED

Commission President Nam announced that Commissioner Diaz joined the teleconference meeting at approximately 4:40 p.m.

ITEM NO. 2

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL PRESENTATION

There were no Neighborhood Council presentations.

ITEM NO. 3

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Several speakers addressed the Commission during general public comment.

Commission President Nam re-opened Item No. 01 to conduct "Election of Officers."

- Election of Officers
Commissioner Sampson nominated Commissioner Nam for Commission President. Commissioner Diaz seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Sampson
Second: Diaz
Ayes: Nam, Parseghian
Absent: Lopez-Ledesma

Vote: 4 – 0

MOTION PASSED

Commissioner Diaz nominated herself for Commission Vice-President. Commissioner Sampson seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Diaz
Second: Sampson
Ayes: Nam, Parseghian
Absent: Lopez-Ledesma

Vote: 4 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 4

RECONSIDERATIONS

There were no requests for reconsiderations.

ITEM NO. 5

ACPNV-2019-4411-ZC

CEQA: ENV-2019-4412-CE

Plan Area: Chatsworth – Porter Ranch

Related Cases: VTT-82646-SL; ADM-2019-4414-SLD

Council District: 3 – Blumenfield

Last Day to Act: 07-17-20

PUBLIC HEARING – Completed June 9, 2020

PROJECT SITE: 20024 West Chase Street

IN ATTENDANCE VIA TELECONFERENCE:

Andrew Jorgensen, City Planner, Claudia Rodriguez, Senior City Planner and Blake Lamb, Principal Planner representing the Department; and Eric Lieberman, representing the Applicant.

MOTION:

Commissioner Nam put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the following Project with modifications, if any, stated on the record:

Demolition of a single-family dwelling and the subdivision, construction, use, and maintenance of a nine unit small lot subdivision. The residences will be accessed by a central common access driveway with one curb cut on Chase Street. The small lot homes will rise to a maximum height of 29 feet 9 inches, and range in size from 2,542 square feet to 2,795 square feet. The Project will provide 22 parking spaces (two per unit and four guest parking spaces). The Project will remove one coast live oak tree from the property. The Project proposes grading in the quantity of .11 cubic yards of cut and 5,983 cubic yards of fill.

1. Determine, that based on the whole of the administrative record, the Project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15332, Class 32, and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies;
2. Approve and Recommend that the City Council adopt, pursuant to Section 12.32 F of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC), a Zone Change from (T)(Q)RD4-1 and RA-1 to (T)(Q)RD4-1 to permit the construction of nine small lot single-family dwellings;
4. Adopt the Conditions of Approval; and
5. Adopt the Findings.

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

Moved: Nam
Second: Parseghian
Nays: Diaz, Sampson
Absent: Lopez-Ledesma

Vote: 4 – 0

MOTION PASSED

There being no further business before the Commission, President Nam adjourned the meeting at 5:24 p.m.

Eric Nam

Eric Nam, President
North Valley Area Planning Commission

Cecilia Lamas

Cecilia Lamas, Commission Executive Assistant
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