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South Valley Area Planning Commission Minutes
Thursday, June 24, 2021
(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 South Valley Area Planning Commission meeting was conducted entirely telephonically.

The meeting was called to order at 4:32 p.m. by Commission President Dierking with Commissioners Mather, Morden Kichaven and Torres present.

Also present were Claudia Rodriguez, Senior City Planner representing the Department, Kimberly Huangfu, Deputy City Attorney, Etta Armstrong, Commission Executive Assistant I and Diego Vazquez, Administrative Clerk.

ITEM NO. 1

DEPARTMENTAL REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS

- **Director's Report**, Claudia Rodriguez, Senior City Planner, gave the following report:
 - Introduction of the new Commissioner to the board; Commissioner Ilyanne Morden Kichaven.
 - City Planning will be releasing the draft of the 2021 through 2029 Housing Element. Webinars will be hosted in July. The information for the webinar is on our website at planning.lacity.org for anyone wanting to participate.
- Kimberly Huangfu, Deputy City Attorney, had no report.
- **Advance Calendar**: There were no changes made to the Advance Calendar.
- **Commission Requests**: There were no requests from the Commission.
- **Approval of the Minutes**: Commissioner Mather moved to approve the minutes of March 11, 2021 and March 25, 2021. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dierking and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Mather
Second: Dierking
Ayes: Torres

Vote: 3 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 2

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

There were no presentations by Neighborhood Council representatives.

ITEM NO. 3

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

One speaker addressed the Commission.

ITEM NO. 4

RECONSIDERATIONS

There were no requests for reconsideration.

ITEM NO. 5

VTT-82510-SL-1A

CEQA: ENV-2018-7518-CE

Plan Area: Van Nuys-North Sherman Oaks

Council District: 4 – Raman

Last Day to Act: 06-24-21

Continued From: 04-22-21

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

PROJECT SITE: 14535 West Killion Street

IN ATTENDANCE VIA TELECONFERENCE:

Olga Ayala, Planning Assistant representing the Department; Thelma Mericle, Appellant; William Delvac, Armbruster Goldsmith & Delvac, LLP, representing the Applicant.

MOTION

Commissioner Dierking took the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the following project:

A request for a Vesting Tract Map to subdivide one, approximately 6,291 square-foot lot, into six single-family lots. The applicant is requesting up to a 12 percent increase in height from Ordinance No. 167,939, Area 8, Subarea 96, which limited the height to 30 feet except rooftop structures. The proposed subdivision of land will result in the demolition of one two-story single-family residential dwellings, detached garage, and the removal of 23 non-protected trees for the construction, use, and maintenance of six new three-story dwellings each with two-car garage. Ten new trees are proposed to be replaced onsite and the two street trees are to remain.

1. **Determine**, based on the whole of the administrative record, the Project is exempt from State CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Article 19, Section 15332, Class 32 and that there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies;
2. **Grant** the appeal in part, and **deny** the appeal in part; and sustain the Deputy Advisory Agency's determination dated December 24, 2020;

3. **Approve**, pursuant to Sections 17.03 and 12.22 C.27 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code, a Vesting Tentative Tract No. VTT-82510-SL located at 14535 West Killion Street, for a maximum of six small lots, as shown on map stamp dated December 18, 2018 in Van Nuys-North Sherman Oaks Community Plan. This unit density is based on the [Q]RD1.5-1 Zone;
4. **Adopt** the modified Conditions of Approval; and
5. **Adopt** the Findings.

Commissioner Morden Kichaven seconded the motion, and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Dierking
Second: Morden Kichaven
Ayes: Mather, Torres

Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

There being no further business to come before the South Valley Area Planning Commission, Commission President Dierking adjourned the meeting at 5:57 p.m.

Mark Dierking

Mark Dierking, President
South Valley Area Planning Commission

Etta Armstrong

Etta Armstrong, Commission Executive Assistant I
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