

NORTH VALLEY AREA PLANNING COMMISSION
OFFICIAL MINUTES
THURSDAY, AUGUST 18, 2022
(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 August 18, 2022 meeting was conducted via telephone and/or videoconferencing.

Commission President Eric Nam called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m. with Commission Vice President Martina Diaz and Commissioner Araz Parseghian in attendance.

Commissioners Gerlie Collado and Victor Sampson were not in attendance.

Also in attendance were Parissh Knox, Deputy City Attorney and Cecilia Lamas, Commission Executive Assistant.

ITEM NO. 1

DETERMINATION TO CONTINUE HOLDING MEETINGS VIA TELECONFERENCE

Motion Required. Pursuant to Government Code Sections 54953(e)(1)(B)-(C), (e)(3)(A), and (e)(3)(B)(i), a determination that the COVID-19 State of Emergency continues to directly impact the ability of members to meet safely in person and possible Commission action.

MOTION:

Commission Vice President Diaz 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. Commissioner Parseghian seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

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

Vote: 3 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 2

DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS

- Jojo Pewsawang, Senior City Planner, provided an update regarding the Oil and Gas Drill Ordinance which was recently released in response to Council File No. 17-0447. The proposed ordinance would amend the Los Angeles Municipal Code to prohibit all new oil and gas drilling activities and make any existing extractions a non-conforming use in all zones of the City. The proposed ordinance would phase out these oil drilling activities and requiring the removal of existing operations after an amortization period. A public hearing will be held on August 30, 2022 and the proposed ordinance will go before the City Planning Commission in the fall.
- Pariss Knox, Deputy City Attorney, had no report.
- There were no Commission requests.

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.

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There being no further business before the Commission, President Nam adjourned the meeting at 4:45 p.m.

Eric Nam

Eric Nam, President
North Valley Area Planning Commission

Cecilia Lamas (Electronic Signature due to COVID-19)

Cecilia Lamas, Commission Executive Assistant
North Valley Area Planning Commission