

SOUTH VALLEY AREA PLANNING COMMISSION
OFFICIAL MINUTES
THURSDAY, JULY 25, 2024 REGULAR MEETING
MARVIN BRAUDE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY
CONSTITUENT SERVICE CENTER
6262 VAN NUYS BOULEVARD, ROOM 1B
VAN NUYS, CA 91401

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The South Valley Planning Commission’s July 25, 2024, meeting was conducted in person at Marvin Braude San Fernando Valley Constituent Service Center, 6262 Van Nuys Boulevard, Room 1B, Van Nuys, CA 91401 and via telephone and Zoom webinar in a hybrid meeting format.

Commission President Vanessa Barraza called the regular meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. with Commissioner Vice President Jasson Crockett, Commissioners Nareg Gourdikian, Lisa Karadjian, and Lydia Mather in attendance.

Also in attendance were Kimberly Huangfu, Deputy City Attorney; Sara Hounsell, Senior City Planner; Commission Office Staff participation included April Hood, Commission Executive Assistant I, Tionna Simpson, and Diego Vasquez, Administrative Clerks.

ITEM NO. 1

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Commissioner Mather nominated Vanessa Barraza for Commissioner President. Commission Vice President Crockett seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Mather
Second: Crockett
Ayes: Barraza, Gourdikian, Karadjian

Vote: 5 – 0

MOTION PASSED

Commissioner Mather nominated Jasson Crockett for Commission Vice President. Commissioner Karadjian seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Mather
Second: Karadjian
Ayes: Barraza, Crockett, Gourdikian

Vote: 5 – 0

MOTION PASSED

DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS

- The Department recently launched its first Development Services Center in South LA, in partnership with the Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety (LADBS) and the Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD), marking a significant milestone toward greater inclusivity, economic opportunity, and support for underserved communities.
- Southwest Valley and Southeast Valley Community Plans Updates have been conducting outreach through the community promoting updates to those six Community Plans.
- The [Citywide Housing Incentive Program \(CHIP\) Ordinance](#) encompasses several key CHIP strategies including Opportunity Corridors, the Affordable Housing Overlay, and updates to the City's existing housing development incentive programs. In particular, these strategies have been adapted into three programs that comprise the **CHIP Ordinance**. These programs include the State Density Bonus Program, the Mixed-Income Incentive Program, and the Affordable Housing Incentive Program.
- The department has been holding a virtual Public Hearing tonight from 6:30-8 PM on Zoom, with a program presentation & live question and answer from 5-6:30 PM. The City Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for the 4th Thursday in September. You can learn more about each of these ordinances by reviewing the Fact Sheets and additional draft materials on City Planning's website planning.lacity.gov.
- Kimberly Huangfu, Deputy City Attorney, had no report.
- Meeting Minutes –
Commissioner Karadjian moved to approve the Meeting Minutes of October 26, 2023, March 14, 2024, and May 9, 2024.
Vice President Crockett seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follow:

Moved: Karadjian
Second: Crockett
Ayes: Barraza, Gourdikian
Abstain: Mather

Vote: 4 – 0 – 1

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 2

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL PRESENTATION

There were no Neighborhood Council presentations.

ITEM NO. 3

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

No speakers addressed the Commission during general public comment.

ITEM NO. 4

RECONSIDERATIONS

There were no requests for reconsiderations.

ITEM NO. 5

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CEQA: ENV-2018-7168-CE

Plan Area: Sherman Oaks – Studio City

Toluca Lake – Cahuenga Pass

Council District: 4 – Raman

Last Day to Act: 07-25-24

Continued from: 05-9-24

PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED

PROJECT SITE: 11612 – 11618 West Ventura Boulevard

IN ATTENDANCE:

Phyllis Nathanson, Associate Zoning Administrator; Jojo Pewsawang, Senior City Planner representing the Planning Department; F. Michael Ayaz, Blake & Ayaz – Representative; Studio City Residents Association – Appellant, and Barry Johnson - Representative.

MOTION:

Vice President Crockett moved to remand the case, in its entirety, including the CUB, zone variance, and project permit compliance, back to the Zoning Administrator pursuant to LAMC Sections 13A.2.8.C.5.b and 13B.5.3 for further consideration of the new evidence presented, and to extend the time to act to 12/31/2024.

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

Moved: Crockett
Second: Gourdikian
Ayes: Barraza, Karadjian, Mather

Vote: 5 – 0

MOTION PASSED

There being no further business before the South Valley Area Planning Commission, President Barraza adjourned the meeting at 4:49 p.m.


April M. Hood, Commission Executive Assistant I
South Valley Area Planning Commission


Vanessa Barraza, President
South Valley Area Planning Commission

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