

NORTH VALLEY AREA PLANNING COMMISSION
OFFICIAL MINUTES
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 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 North Valley Area Planning Commission’s December 5, 2024, meeting was conducted in person at the Marvin Braude San Fernando Valley Constituent Service Center and via telephone and Zoom Webinar in a hybrid meeting format.

Commission President Araz Parseghian called the regular meeting to order at 4:32 p.m. with Commission Vice President Gerlie Collado and Commissioners Jaime Del Rio, and Victor Sampson in attendance.

Commissioner David Phelps was not in attendance.

Also in attendance were Jojo Pewsawang Senior City Planner, Parissh Knox, Deputy City Attorney, April M. Hood, Commission Executive Assistant I, Marcos G. Godoy, and Kiyarra Woodrick, Administrative Clerks.

At approximately 4:49 p.m. Commissioner David Phelps joined the meeting.

ITEM NO. 1

DIRECTOR’S REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS

- Jojo Pewsawang, Senior City Planner, gave a report on behalf of Vince P. Bertoni, Director of Planning, detailing the City Planning Downtown Community Plan.
- Parissh Knox, Deputy City Attorney, had no report.
- There were no Commission requests.
- Meeting Minutes:
Commission Vice President Collado moved to approve the Meeting Minutes of April 4, 2024 and August 15, 2024, Commissioner Sampson seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Collado
Second: Sampson
Ayes: Del Rio, Parseghian
Absent: Phelps

Vote: 4 – 0

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

DIR-2024-1168-SPPC-1A

CEQA: ENV-2024-1169-CE

Plan Area: Sunland – Tujunga – Lake View Terrace

Shadow Hills – East La Tuna Canyon

Related Case: DIR-2021-5202-SPP

Council District: 7 – Rodriguez

Last Day to Act: 12-05-24

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

PROJECT SITE: 9990 West Barling Street

IN ATTENDANCE:

Dang Nguyen, City Planner and Joshua Ordonez, City Planning Assistant, representing the Planning Department; Aris Artunyan, representing the Applicant; and Nada Buntich, Jung Ran Lee, Yong Ho Kim, and Patrick Williams, Appellants.

MOTION:

Commissioner Sampson moved to put forth the actions below with the following project as stated on the record:

Construction, use and maintenance of new additions of 22,320 square feet to an existing 7,024 square foot single family dwelling, a new 690 square foot one-car garage, a new 3,370 square foot rear patio, a new 500 square foot side yard patio, a new 2,500 square foot covered walkway, a new 150 square foot detached trellis, a new 800 square foot detached covered patio, and a new 3,500 square foot guest house for a total of 33,830 square-feet on an approximately 158,127 square-foot lot in the RE40-1-K Zone.

1. Determine, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the Project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to California CEQA Guidelines, and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies;
2. Deny the appeal and sustain the Planning Director's Determination of June 17, 2024;
3. Approve, pursuant to Section 13B.4.2 E of the Los Angeles Municipal Code, A San Gabriel/

Verdugo Mountains Scenic Plan Project Permit Compliance Review;

4. Adopt the Conditions of Approval; and
5. Adopt the Findings.

Commission Vice President Collado seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Sampson
Second: Collado
Ayes: Del Rio, Phelps, Parseghian

Vote: 5 – 0

MOTION PASSED

There being no further business before the Commission, President Parseghian adjourned the meeting at 5:25 p.m.

Araz Parseghian, President
North Valley Area Planning Commission

April M. Hood, Commission Executive Assistant I
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