

#### 4-4-13 PLANNING AND LAND USE MINUTES – MID VALLEY REGIONAL LIBRARY

1. Call meeting to order – 6:45pm
  - a. Pledge of Allegiance
  
2. Committee member roll call  
Robin Tyler/Present-7:10pm  
Amal Shahin/Present  
Peggy Burgess/Present  
Punam Gohel/Present  
John McGovern/Absent  
  
Mike Kabo/Council Parliamentarian / Absent  
  
Residents/Stakeholders Present – Count – 7
  
3. Public comments on non-agendized items – None
  
4. Presentations – None
  
5. Old Business
  - a. Above ground facilities

The problem is that the City is not advising residents in a large enough area surrounding the placement of new cell towers. In addition, residents are only notified there will be a small box about 17 inches x5 inches on the parkway. They do not tell the residents that in addition there will be an underground vault, approximately 17 feet x 5 feet which houses many lead acid batteries which may explode and are a danger to residents. They are also not told that there will be a cell tower with up to 12 antennas. They are being installed all over the North Hills West area right in front of single-family homes and neither the CD-12 Councilman nor the NHWNC can oppose them. Motion made by Peggy Burgess to send letters of complaint to the City Attorney, City Council and all applicable departments – second Punam Gohel – vote unanimous – passes.

6. New Business
  - a. Hollywood Millennium Community Plan

All neighborhood councils have been asked to provide their input with regard to this project. The proposed project will be two skyscrapers next to the Capital Records location in Hollywood. This project is not conducive to the surrounding area and will be an eyesore to the Hollywood Community. The City Planning Commission has approved the project and it is now being sent to the City Council. Motion made by Peggy Burgess to oppose the project was made and to send a letter/resolution of opposition to the entire city council – second Punam Gohel – vote unanimous – passes.

- b. State of California Bay/Delta water tunnels

Robin Tyler states when went to an informational movie regarding the Delta Bay water tunnels. She stated that we have dropped out water consuming by 17% in Southern California, however, they want us to pay for these tunnels of which no water will be available to us. It will go toward industrialized farming for export and would hurt our local farmers who have limitations on their water and take away fresh farming in California. In addition, construction of these tunnels will harm the delicate California Eco system, endangering fish and wildlife. We should not have to pay for water tunnels that will provide no water to Southern California. Governor Brown has full authority to proceed with this project without any State approval. Motion by Robin

Tyler to oppose the water tunnel project and to send a letter to all pertinent departments – second – Peggy Burgess – vote unanimous – passes. Secretary, Debra Francisco will prepare letter.

c. Elder Care Ordinance

Peggy Burgess advised that there is an ordinance already in place wherein an Elder Care Facility can be placed in any residential area that could possibly contain 160-200 beds for patients with dementia and Alzheimers. The problem is that they want to construct these homes and/or remodel homes that are in single family residential areas. The original ordinance was passed in 2006 and was signed off by city planning. It should be verified that whoever purchases a single family home does not reconstruct it to one of these facilities.

d. CEQA Overhaul

This is the California Environmental Quality Act that has protected us from undesirable and unwanted development for many years. Now, Governor Jerry Brown and the state legislature want to make revisions to the Act that will remove some of the protections and weaken it to make it easier for undesirable developers (i.e. Restaurant Depot) to move in and destroy single-family residential zones. Motion made by Peggy Burgess to oppose the CEQA changes and send a letter retarding the opposition – second Amal Shahin – vote unanimous – passes.

e. Illegal housing situation at 16200 Community Court

Robin Tyler states that at this location the house has been in foreclosure, is in bankruptcy and the residents who are currently living at this location have no electricity, water, etc. and are using an unsafe generator for power. In addition, there have been 2 house fires due to the debris in the yard. It was advised that the Department of Building and Safety came to look at the home and nothing has been done to solve the situation. Motion made by Peggy Burgess to send a letter of complaint to Councilman Englander's office as well as other appropriate agencies to resolve this situation – Robin Tyler second – vote unanimous – passes.

f. Illegal church in single family residence at 16259 Community Street

This is a single family home with a large building in the back area which is being used as an illegal church. The residents have been complaining regarding all of the cars parking and filling up the streets as well as music etc. during the services. Motion made by Amal Shahin to send a letter of complaint to Councilman Englander's office as well as other appropriate agencies to resolve this situation – Punam Gohel second – vote unanimous, - passes.

g. Mural ordinance on private property

This ordinance is being proposed by the City to regulate murals/wall art on buildings with regard to private homes. It is questionable who states what is "art" and what is not and requires more investigation. Motion to postpone the Mural Ordinance until the May PLUC committee meeting – second – Punam Gohel – vote unanimous, passes-postponed until May.

7; Committee comments

Robin Tyler discussed the issue to return to the overall outreach budget \$1335 – the motion was made to return the PLUC \$1335 budget – second – Punam Gohel – vote unanimous - passes.

8. Meeting adjourns – 8:00pm