

**Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council  
Land Use Committee Minutes  
Monday, February 22, 2010 – 7:00 p.m.  
North Valley Neighborhood City Hall  
7747 Foothill Blvd., Tujunga**

7:00 PM - Call to order – Tomi Lyn Bowling, LUC Chairwoman. Committee Members: Debby Beck, Cindy Cleghorn, Mark Seigel, Elaine Brown, Lloyd Hitt, Dean Sherer, Karen Zimmerman, Olina Lowe, Chaz. van Aalst, Nina Royal, [absent] David Long (alt), William Malouf (alt), Bill Skiles (alt), [absent] Bob Douglas (alt).

1. Introductions - STNC Land Use Committee members and alternates. CD2 staff, Karo Torossian, Planning Deputy and Mary Benson, Field Deputy. Also present for the 8330 McGroarty item were Andrea Alarcon, Public Works Commissioner, Jose Fuentes, Bureau of Engineering and Hector Banuelos, Urban Forestry Division. There were approximately 30 neighbors in the audience.
2. LUC Chair comments – Tomi Lyn Bowling
  - 2010 Best of Business Awards
  - STNC Elections – deadline to file as a write-in candidate is Thursday, Feb. 25 at 5 pm.
3. **8040 Foothill – Kmart property** – STA's Joe Barrett and Abby Diamond and STNC LUC Chair Tomi Lyn Bowling met with Paul Krekorian and staff recently regarding the Kmart site. Mission College has been interested in the site in the past but no updates from them have been communicated. Mr. Krekorian will work to hold meetings with Target and Mission College to find out on the status and progress.
4. **6433 La Tuna Canyon Rd – Verdugo Hills Golf Course** – Karen Zimmerman said that she spoke with David Somers at City Planning and no new information has been submitted by the developer. Tee's on the Green business owners Tiffany and Matthew Eiser presented a copy of the original CUP for the VHGC that includes the restaurant with beer and wine as well as the overall golf course. Motion (Zimmerman/Brown) that LUC supports beer and wine served at VHGC.
5. Update: Los Angeles City Budget – The E&N committee will review the proposal to pull neighborhood councils elections from the City Clerk in midstream. Letters and appearance at the meeting is encouraged. Today the Mayor announced the merger of DONE into the Community Development Department.
6. Public Comments – non agenda items and community announcements
  - community complaints re: mobile fast food trucks open in Sunland
7. **Discussion/Action: 8330 McGroarty, Sunland** – Property owner Luke Vella and neighbors in the audience, Commissioner Andrea Alarcon gave an update regarding the required street widening approved by the commission 1-11-10. History: 11-18-09 STNC board supports property owner and surrounding neighbors to keep as existing. 1-11-2010 City Public Works Commission votes to deny the removal of 10 Coast Live Oak Trees and improvements to not include any curb, gutter or sidewalk installations but research regarding a berm. Discussion tonight focused on confusion about the street widening. BOE and Urban Forestry reps said that due to the existing Hillside ordinance, the widening is required. Widening will be necessary up to 3 feet and as little as 1 foot in specific areas. Draft letter to support Sandra Poppink's letter was not approved by the LUC. Mrs. Poppink expressed great concern over the confusion from the 1-11-10 meeting and read a transcript of the meeting and how all left believing there would be no widening and now find out there will be widening.
8. **Presentation on Auto Uses in Sunland-Tujunga** by LUC committee member Dean Sherer. A power point presentation provided a lot of information about the existing ordinance, the FBCSP and what the community has for auto uses in the community and their proliferation. An audio recording is available as well as a copy of the handout. Changes to the FBCSP in the form of an amendment were discussed as well as the possible problems with doing so. A better option is our Community Plan update or a Community Design Overlay. Both of those options will be challenging considering the City's difficult budget times.
9. **Early Notice: 7309 Summitrose** – WTF in the public right of way (TMobile). More info expected from the City and presentation from the applicant.
10. **Citywide Hillside Ordinance Update**
  - a. Motion: Allow for native plant rescue landscaping requirements in Hillside areas where specified, in order to preserve/protect native plant genetic diversity in hillside areas with remaining wild and native habitat. This motion tabled til 3/1/10.
  - b. Announce Workshop on Feb. 23 (Tuesday) at North Valley Meeting 5-8 p.m. Council District 2 Field Office. To download the Preliminary Proposal Handouts, please visit the City Planning website (<http://planning.lacity.org>) and click on "Plans & Ordinances" on the left, then click on "Proposed Ordinances" and then "Baseline Hillside Ordinance".
11. **11900 Big Tujunga Cyn. – Tujunga** – Update re: Parking, Littering & Partying complaints in this area.
12. Minutes of the three recent LUC meetings were approved.
13. Announcements: Next LUC meetings are March 1 & 15, 2010.  
Next STNC Board meeting is Wednesday, March 10, 2010 starting at 7:00 p.m. at North Valley Neighborhood City Hall.
14. Meeting Adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

*Minutes taken by Cindy Cleghorn, Land Use Committee member*