

Sunland Tujunga Neighborhood Council - Land Use Committee  
Minutes for August 17, 2020 Meeting held via Zoom

1. Meeting called to order by Pati Potter at 7:00pm.
2. Committee members present: Bill Skiles, Pati Potter, Richard Marshalian, Cindy Cleghorn, Nina Royal, Vartan Keshish, Betty Markowitz, Berj Zadoian, quorum met. Committee members that came in during the meeting were Debby Beck; Liliana Sanchez and Cathi Comras.
3. Motion to approve July 20, 2020 minutes.
  - a. Moved by Pati, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vartan
  - b. Point 8b needs more discussion on the wording, Committee agreed to approve whatever Pati and Berj decided on the proper wording.
4. Announcement and Updates: Other Committee nights and times were mentioned.
5. Project Presentation – 6555 Foothill Blvd Smart & Final
  - a. Janet Rodriguez, Rep for Smart & Final, gave a power point presentation and explained that the store’s current CUB was given for 10 years so they are here to renew it and ask for a modification of the hours for selling alcoholic beverages and to remove the container size restrictions. In addition, they will be requesting a waiver to having a public hearing.
    - i. Regarding hours: asking that the hours be increased to match the store’s hours of 6am to 10pm 7 days a week.
    - ii. Regarding container size: Janet said the LA City restriction on Single Container Beer and Wine sale has been lifted so they are asking that the new CUB not have that restriction.
  - b. Larry Fechner and 2 other neighbors that live directly behind S&F spoke and gave a letter opposing approval of S&F request and in fact would like the CUB be revoked due to noncompliance with the 1995 CUB. S&F violated the CUB regarding delivery times, excessive noise from the dock area; vagrancy and vandalism which caused a fire that ignited one of their fences, which S&F would not take responsibility for.
  - c. These neighbors feel extended hours and being allowed to sell single severing of beer would impact an already community problem.
  - d. Neighbors have reached out to S&F managers several times over the year, the managers would work with them for a while then the manager would be replaced and they would have to start all over again.
  - e. Another neighbor, whose back yard is facing the loading dock. says the delivery noise early in the morning very bad and the homeless all around them drinking on the property.
  - f. Cindy C. suggested S&F can put up a better wall, perhaps a sound wall, between the properties and as far over to behind Fashion Girl. Would that be helpful?
  - g. Single sale of Beer and Wine, has come up many times as a chronic problem in the community.
  - h. The neighbors had a copy of the 1995 CUB, they were not aware of the 2010 CUB. Nor did they get a notice of the public hearing on it. If they had they would have attended the hearing in 2010.

- i. Some of the conditions in the 1995 CUB are not in the current 2010 CUB. Cindy found the 2010 CUB and it has been sent to the neighbors.
  - j. Betty (LUC) brought up the CUB indicates the owner of the shopping center is to participate in the security.
  - k. Recap of what the Neighbors -Larry, Raymond, Sonia- would like to see (other than not being allowed to sell alcohol): Partial enclosure of the Dock area; follow the delivery hours; do something about the box crusher noise and limit the hours of it.; taking care of the vagrancy and homeless issue; showing respect to the neighbors; better communications between S&F and neighbors particularly when managers change.
  - l. LUC asked Janet R. to give this information to the proper contact of S&F and come back to the Sept 21 LUC meeting so these issues can come to some sort of happy medium with the neighbors.
6. Discussion/Possible Action on Past Projects
  - a. 9700 N Estaban Way – it does look like the City wants him to pave the street. Pati re-submitted our support letter and will attend the meeting and see then if they are asking him to pave the whole street or just 20 ft.
  - b. 6454 Foothill –Pati will call the City Planner to see why the ENV-2018-4584-EAR changed to ENV-2018-4584-MND and what the MND says so we can review.
7. Future agenda – items were announced as noted on the agenda.
8. Public comment – none
9. Comments or updates from the LUC members
  - a. SB 1120 passed and now onto the Assembly
  - b. Hi-Speed train – shifting back to the I14 route which will mean the EIR is farther out
10. Next meetings: Sept 21, Oct 5, and Oct 19
11. Adjourn 8:47pm