

Emailed to: Dana, Charlie

I am writing as a 31 year Tujunga resident, former member of the STNC and the LUC which was called at the DAC at that time

Cindy Cleghorn has been the target of a witch hunt by those who have a personal agenda against someone who is extremely knowledgeable in the rules and regulations of Land Use and Planning. They are angry because their pet projects have been questioned. Her knowledge protects our Community from over development and improper development.

The incident in question was discussed for over an hour at a recent STNC meeting by those who want Cindy removed from her position. Cindy was not allowed to speak on her own behalf. Why this was done is beyond me and it gives the appearance that the STNC itself is on the side of those who are portraying Cindy in a negative light. If you had let her speak, you would have seen she did nothing wrong. She broke no rules or bylaws.

Because of the above actions, the STNC Board is tainted against Cindy. This is unfair and should be against the rules of a Neighborhood Council.

There is an audio of the meeting in question. Please ensure this is heard, in its entirety, for all those who were at the STNC meeting where Cindy was slammed for an hour. Also, make sure people understand the role and duties of the LUC Chair.

I am saddened Cindy's has been the object of harassment because of her role in protecting our Community. We need her expertise.

Robin Jodi
Tujunga, Ca

Emailed to: Dana, Charlie, Pati

“Hi,

I am very concerned about the meeting to try to remove Cindy Cleghorn. I have been a resident of Tujunga for almost 3 decades. I have recently seen a lot of bullying against Cindy. This is not ok and should not be tolerated. Just because someone or a small few are pushing for something they want doesn't mean that Cindy should be silenced. Cindy is fair, she listens to both sides and she supports the community. I don't like the small mob mentality that is going on. Just because someone is making a lot of noise doesn't mean they have a leg to stand on.

Unfortunately people are too easily manipulated these days and some believe anything they hear.

I have never witnessed Cindy to do anything unethical and I have witnessed her go out of her way to support our community and what we want.

Please don't allow Cindy to be removed. This would be a huge mistake.

I already have a prior commitment and just found out tonight that this meeting is Thurs. Something this serious should be given more time for the community to get involved. Please read my letter but keep my name and information private.”

Sincerely
Long-Time Tujunga Resident

Emailed to: Dana, Charlie, Pati

“Dana,

It is my understanding there is a movement to remove Cindy from the LUC. I have attended many meetings in the previous year. Although I do not know Cindy personally, I will say she handled herself very professionally at the meetings while trying to give everyone opportunity to present their side while trying to keep order at the same time. I am saddened to hear there is a movement in this town which I have witnessed myself of a certain ethnic group trying to push people around to get there way which I personally made known at one of the meetings that that was unreasonable and unacceptable. That would be considered mob rule where I come from. I am assuming that may be the case here. I believe in due process and hope Cindy would be given the same consideration that anyone else with her background of service would be given.”

Sincerely

Richard Pfeffer

Emailed to: Dana, and Charlie

“Dear STNC President and VP,
You need to read both letters very carefully. First one is the draft read at the Zoning hearing on 11/26/18, the 2nd is the reversion presented to the board 12/12/18 at which time it was voted not to send any letter at all.

Cindy Cleghorn did not violate the bylaw as stated in the agenda for 1/17/19 meeting.

It is the LUC job to attend Planning meeting and ...

She did NOT state or present any decision for the Board to the Zoning Administer.

She made it very clear that the letter she was about to read was a Comment DRAFT letter from the LUC but NOT yet approved by the STNC Board, it would however go to the board at their next General Meeting. But since this hearing of Nov 26, 2018, came up very fast it was important that the community's feelings and concerns be heard so that those concerns would be taken into consideration when the determination is made by the City.

Again, this was a draft comment letter by the LUC only pointing out both sides of the issue including a petition signed by 150 stakeholders against the 7-Eleven.

At one of the last LUC meetings on this subject the LUC had a the very rough start of the draft letter, the stakeholders in attendance were asked for their comments and suggestion to the letter, some stakeholders were not happy with it, so Cindy took their concerns and put those remarks into the Draft letter dated 11/23/18.

I should also mention The 7-Eleven said this would be a upgraded store that will sell fresh vegetable and fruit. Wouldn't that be nice for the close residence to that area have an alternate for purchasing that type of product!

The letter did say that “The Church that abuts the location does not have an issue with these new uses” because we took their silence meaning they did not have an issue.

They were told of each meeting but only showed up at the up at one meeting, which was held at the Elks Lodge approximately 2 years ago. From what I can remember, they did not speak at that meeting. In addition, they did not attend any of the many meetings after that. They were notified by flyers taped to their front door by me of each meeting. Later in the Zoning hearing, the Church Representative said they do have an issue. The mentioned the amount of license liquor allowed and saying they have a problems people hanging out in the street and into their parking lot, which they now had to fence off because the market across the street which sells liquor without any regulation it seems. In the revised version of the letter any mention of the church was left off.

And again, the draft letter was not a support letter as some uninformed stakeholders are claiming and it nor Cindy made any claims that she or the letter was making any decisions for the Board.

And it was marked DRAFT. The Zoning Administrator clearly understood and said he would keep the file open for either 10 days or 2 weeks, sorry I am not sure on this fact, to wait for the approved letter from the STNC. This is not 2nd hand information. I was at this meeting.

Yes it was stated that the 7-11 would be an improvement to the immediate area, and, at the suggestion from the stakeholder, encourage 7-Eleven to improve their other stores in our area.

The letter did add “IF” approved we look forward to the applicant with regards to the design plans, façade, signage and landscaping.

Thank you for hearing the facts and hope that you see the correct thing to do and not vote for Cindy’s removal.

Cindy concern is Sunland-Tujunga and that the STNC continues in good standing and helping this community.”

Pati Potter

STNC Region 4 rep

LUC

To: Dana, Charlie, Pati
Hon. STNC President,

Having served with Cindy Cleghorn on the STNC-LUC for over five years, I need to let it be known that there is NO ONE more knowledgeable in the codes and regulations of the City of Los Angeles. She herself trains numerous City agencies in the Codes and Regulations of the City of Los Angeles. There is NO ONE who could better fill her shoes and better serve the community and guide the STNC-LUC of Sunland-Tujunga to meet the standards set forth in the L.A.M.C., the Sunland-Tujunga et al Community Plan, the Foothill Boulevard Corridor Specific Plan and the San Gabriel-Verdugo Mountains Scenic Preservation Specific Plan than Cindy Cleghorn. I challenge anyone to guide the STNC-LUC and the STNC itself through these documents which are key to proper interpretation of land-use issues and applications facing the community of Sunland-Tujunga. Please do not make the grave mistake of removing her from your land-use committee.

Elektra Kruger

To: Dana and Charlie via Pati

Dear L.U.C. Member, I agree with you strongly, there is nothing that can prevent me of supporting of Cindy Cleghorne, I know her since 2006 arriving from State of New Hampshire and settling in our area, with my family and attending the meetings from that time, being and serving in both L.U.C. and Board Member, I never seen or felt anything other than PROFESSIONALISM, from Cindy Cleghorn.
In my opinion, she is an asset to our community. no QUESTION.!

Thank you, Respectfully
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To: Dana, Charlie, Pati
Dana and Charlie:

Item 16 on STNC's Dec 12 general meeting called for a "Review of conduct and bylaws compliance for committee chairs and members and possible actions".

When this item was taken up by the STNC Board the discussion strayed from a review of conduct and bylaws into a demand that Cindy Cleghorn be removed from the Land Use Committee. The "discussion" went on for an hour without any mention that an investigation had occurred identifying the details of what Cindy had actually done. No facts or evidence was mentioned. Some members of the board tried to moderate the discussion. One board member even called for a point of order, pointing out that agenda item 16 did not allow for the discussion to drift so far afield. That member was told to file a grievance. It seemed that some board members had already made up their minds. In other words the STNC became a kind of kangaroo court in which Miss Cleghorn was deemed guilty and should be removed.

Now a special meeting of the STNC board has been called for January 17, 2019 with agenda item 3 calling for the discussion and possible action to remove Cindy Cleghorn from the Land Use Committee.

I hope that a proper investigation has been conducted into her alleged rules infraction.

I encourage the Board to conduct an appropriate investigation that establishes what really happened and that shows a nexus between Miss Cleghorn's alleged actions and any damages that those actions may have caused. Without an examination of the harm or damage that her alleged actions had, removal should not be contemplated. Otherwise I believe the board itself may be viewed as derelict in its duties.

The meeting of December 12 was an embarrassment to the STNC. As a result of it Miss Cleghorn was defamed, and the legitimacy of the whole Land Use Committee was called into question. The LUC's reputation in the community may even have been harmed. It is up to you to set the right course in your January 17 meeting. Please focus on process and fairness to all.

Bill Skiles

To: Dana, Charlie, Cindy
STNC President,

I am writing today to convey great concern of a terrible precedence I feel is being set with this special meeting to publicly humiliate an exemplary leader in our community who is now serving as our STNC Land Use Committee Chair, Cindy Cleghorn. How is this topic even being granted this kind of public forum? Is there factual proof and if so was this thoroughly investigated by our STNC President before concluding on a decision to make this a public ordeal? I have seen for years now how a few stakeholders have continued to harass our Chair, Cindy Cleghorn with zero evidence of unjustified accusations. In 2018, our LUC had to call 911 (when fearing for our own safety) on these same individuals.

I will be in attendance tomorrow at this meeting in support of our LUC Chair. I hope to hear significant evidence from our Board to have warranted time from my busy schedule. I honestly hope that this experience can teach us how to deal with these situations more effectively than the current public humiliation of someone that has dedicated countless years of public service such as Cindy Cleghorn has given to our community of Sunland-Tujunga.

We deserve better than this. In my opinion, this is the beginning in allowing a platform and an open door to those with the intent to dissolve our STNC Land Use Committee.

Sincerely,
Liliana Sanchez
STNC LUC

To: Dana, Graycie, Herb (Wesson), Eric (Garcetti), Lydia, Charlie, Krystee (Clark), Jon, Mark, Amelia, Richard (Stewart), Rick, Nina (Royal), Liliana (Sanchez), Sevada

“Dear Dana, Herb and Gracie, etc.

I’m writing you to state my strong support for Cindy Cleghorn and her to continue in her position on the STNC Land Use Committee.

As you may recall I served two terms on the STNC board of directors and chaired the Beautification Committee, which I started and it still exists. Much of my mentoring came from Cindy Cleghorn which taught me how to work with the vast departments in the city of LA.

Throughout my tenure on the STNC board I NEVER saw or read any unethical, immoral or legitimate wrongdoing by Cindy Cleghorn.

There is unfortunately a vocal yet small group of community members who have slandered Cindy Cleghorn with illegitimate claims regarding: city funds, her printing business, and her leadership on the Land Use Committee. In fact these same people have printed newspapers and glossy magazines that have slandered not only Cindy Cleghorn but Patty Potter, Lydia Grant, Dana Stangel, to name a few current STNC board members, who have been targeted for character assassination. It is a disgrace that this vote is even being allowed.

It’s been my experience that Cindy Cleghorn willingly volunteers and shares with all, her vast knowledge of how the city of Los Angeles functions and how to abide by the STNC bylaws, rules and ethical standards.

Please do not remove one of the most valuable members of the STNC Land Use Committee. Vote No to remove Cindy Cleghorn from the STNC LUC.”

Sincerely,

Gail J. Carlson
Former STNC Region Rep 2
Former Chair of the Beautification Committee

To: ? (bcc)

Dear STNC Board Members:

I support Cindy Cleghorn and want her to remain the Land Use Committee Chairperson. For many, many years, Cindy has supported the Sunland-Tujunga community in ways too numerous to mention here. She has always conducted herself in an open and forthright manner. When she makes monthly LUC reports to the STNC Board, I understand everything she says and I understand the reasoning behind the recommendations that are made.

The STNC would not have funding if Cindy had not stepped up and taken on the task of straightening out the absolute mess that former “know-nothing” treasurer made of the STNC accounting. No one else had the knowledge to deal with the City to fix the mess that former treasurer made of the books. Where would the STNC be now if it weren't for Cindy?

I am curious about who is asking for this review, although I think I know who they are. They are ready to attack anyone who does not agree with them or anyone who questions them, but they are not able to handle questioning themselves. They are bringing these allegations against Cindy as a way to further divide this community. Don't fall prey to their divisive tactics and don't let them win.

If the full STNC Board shows up tonight, including all those board members who rarely come to the meetings, then you will know this is a carefully planned attack on a valued member of our community. Those board members who rarely appear at the STNC meetings should have been removed from the board long ago, as stated in the by-laws. Then, they would not be available to vote on this matter.

If, by some long-shot, the allegations made against Cindy are true, Cindy should only be reprimanded and then allowed to continue in her position.

Regina Clark

Resident of Tujunga for 38 years

To Dana and Charlie

Hi Dana and Charlie,

I'm writing because i am u able to attend to night's meeting.

I would like to have my voice counted regarding removal of Cindy Cleghorn from the LUC.

I am absolutely against her removal or encouraged resignation.

Cindy Cleghorn has been an active volunteer for decades. She is extremely knowledgeable on the workings of permit processes not only for businesses but also for development. We need her knowledge and her willingness to research thoroughly.

Further, I would say that she is a protector of our community, particularly in her role on the LUC. Her extensive knowledge helps us to not be run over by over-zealous development.

To be sure, I believe that is where this anti-Cindy campaign began several years ago.

Cindy Cleghorn is a valuable resource to our community and specifically on our land use committee.

I hope this helps her.