

SUNLAND-TUJUNGA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL  
LAND-USE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
Held at the Apperson Elementary School Auditorium  
November 18, 2019

1. **Call to Order** and Introductions: The meeting was called to order at 7:04pm Present were Bill Skiles; Pati Potter; Vartan Keshish; Cindy Cleghorn; Betty Markowitz; Berj Zadoian; Arsen Karamians. Richard Marshalian and Nina Royal came in after meeting had started.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None
3. **DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** Approve November 4, 2019 minutes
  - a. Moved to accept by Bill S. and Betty
    - All approved Motion passed
4. **DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** 6624-6630 Foothill Blvd - Change of use from Retail Market to Pharmacy with Doctor and Dental office and add 275 square foot addition in the rear and extending the parking area in the rear.
  - a. The city requires 14 parking spaces, right now there are only 11. LUC advised that the previous business received a permit to add parking but B&S supervisor “pulled back” the permit because applicant did not disclose all the plans.
  - b. Representative of this project previously met with the Shadygrove resident(s) whose backyard butts up against property where the parking area will be extended. Resident also attended this meeting.
  - c. Discussion mainly around the aesthetics of the project:
    - i. The additional parking spaces would mean a 12 ft. wall would be needed along the back side (south) of residents’ property. Approximately 6ft will be higher than the Shadygrove residents’ fence to give the resident privacy.
    - ii. Aesthetic view of the 6ft part of the wall from the neighbors’ side is a consideration. Using a Green Wall, trees or other material instead of a plain wall. Applicant promised to work with the residents.
  - d. It was suggested that the applicant go to planning and request approval for a parking reduction instead of going to this large project.
  - e. Gate along Foothill Blvd. suggested that the wall and gate should be no taller than 4ft.
  - f. Landscaping; building color; window/door security etc. was explained.
  - g. DWP has signed off on the position of power pole and the plans for the wall.
  - h. Motion was made for the LUC recommendation that the STNC write a letter in support with changes/conditions regarding gate on Foothill and rear wall; bars on windows not allowed; signage per allowed by the FBCSP, by Vartan, Betty 2<sup>nd</sup>.
    - All approved Motion passed.
5. **DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** Land Use Committee Procedures – *Richard Marshalian*
  - a. Handout given to the committee. Some of the points noted and discussed were:
    - i. Committee members should set up a separate email address for LUC and/or STNC business instead of using their personal emails.
      1. Discussion whether our web server should be used or everyone just setting up their own? And if a cost would be involved is web server used.
    - ii. With the LUC Quorum, a 3 person working group (with 1 person being the Lead) is allowed and would not be a Brown Act violation.
    - iii. Project to be posted on the STNC website for public viewing.
    - iv. To be talked about more next meeting,
    - v. for now we can start working groups on 2 new projects:
      1. 9745 Commerce = Richard, Pati, Berj

2. 6207 Anderson = Betty, Vartan, Arsen
6. **DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** Review Monthly Legislative items and/or Council Files
  - a. None from the 1<sup>st</sup> of November list were Land Use issues.
7. **DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** PLUM hearing Dec 10, 2:30pm re: 6433 La Tuna Canyon aka Verdugo Hills Golf Course - LUC members planning on attending are: Cindy, Vartan, Betty, Arsen, Berj.
8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**
  - a. Booklets from City Planning were handed out; their web site info, video, housing element task force
  - b. Notices received from City of LA:
    - i. Sister Elsie Drive: regarding 8 lots and housing, hearing Dec 9 2:30pm in Van Nuys. ZA-2018-1066-CE
    - ii. 10225 Mountair Ave Hearing January 10 regarding proposed building/structure demolition.

**Adjourn by 9:00pm**