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## CITY OF LOS ANGELES South Valley Area Planning Commission Minutes April 26, 2018 Marvin Braude San Fernando Valley Constituent Service Center 6262 Van Nuys Boulevard, First Floor Meeting Room Van Nuys, California 91401

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The meeting was called to order at 4:52 p.m. with Commissioners Mather, Bishop and Menedjian were present.

Commissioners Beatty and Dierking were absent.

Also present were Michelle Levy, Senior City Planner, representing the Director of Planning, Parissh Knox, Deputy City Attorney, Jason Wong, Commissioner Executive Assistant, Rafael Vega, Senior Administrative Clerk and Rocky Wiles, Commission Office Manager.

# ITEM NO. 1

## DEPARTMENTAL REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS

Michelle Levy, Senior City Planner presented a brief report on the following items of interest:

- The Planning Department released its annual report;
- The Department is hosting a series of Planning 101 Training sessions around the City which focus on project planning and processes. The first was held on April 16<sup>th</sup> and the next session will be held on Monday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at the Rec Center at 11430 Chandler Boulevard;
- Today the City Planning Commission approved the Icon at Panorama Project at 14665 West Roscoe Boulevard which entails mixed-use development with 422 residential units and 200,000 square-feet of commercial uses. The project replaces several vacant buildings at the Montgomery Ward site left damaged due to the 1994 Northridge Earthquake. This will also include enhancements to Roscoe Boulevard.

Advanced Calendar:

There were no changes to the advanced calendar.

Commission Requests:

There were no requests made by the Commission.

Approval of the Minutes:

Commissioner Bishop moved to approve the Minutes for March 8 2018. Commissioner Menedjian seconded the motion, and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved:BishopSeconded:MenedjianAyes:MatherAbsent:Beatty, Dierking

Vote: 3 – 0

### **MOTION PASSED**

# ITEM NO. 2

#### NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

There were no presentations given by any Neighborhood Council representatives.

### ITEM NO. 3

## **PUBLIC COMMENT** There was one member of the public who addressed the Commission.

## ITEM NO. 4

#### RECONSIDERATION

There were no items to be reconsidered under Items 4a and 4b.

## **ITEM NO. 5**

## DIR-2016-3132-DRB-SPP-MSP-1A

CEQA: ENV-2017-1924-MND Plan Area: Sherman Oaks – Studio City – Toluca Lake Cahuenga Pass Council District: 4 – Ryu Last Day to Act: 04-26-18

PROJECT SITE: 13441 West Mulholland Drive

## IN ATTENDANCE:

Alycia Witzling, City Planning Associate and Courtney Schoenwald, City Planner representing the Planning Department; Michael Gonzalez, Gonzales Law Group, APC, applicant's representative; Jaime T. Hall, Channel Law Group, LLP, appellant's representative.

The Commission Executive Assistant informed the Commission that the applicant is requesting that the matter be continued. The applicant's representative and the appellant's representative agreed to a continuance until the South Valley Area Planning Commission Meeting of May 24, 2018.

#### MOTION:

Commissioner Bishop moved to continue the matter to the South Valley Area Planning Commission Meeting of May 24, 2018. Commissioner Menedjian seconded the motion and vote proceeded as follows:

Moved:BishopSeconded:MenedjianAyes:MatherAbsent:Beatty, Dierking

Vote: 3 – 0

**MOTION PASSED** 

## ITEM NO. 6

DIR-2015-2508-COA-1A CEQA: ENV-2015-2509-CE Plan Area: Van Nuys – North Sherman Oaks Council District: 2 - Krekorian Last Day to Act: 04-27-18

### PUBLIC HEARING HELD

PROJECT SITE: 14223 West Haynes Street

### IN ATTENDANCE:

Suki Gershenhorn, Planning Assistant and Naomi Guth, City Planner, representing the Department; Margarit Sarksyan, applicant; Otis Hayes III, attorney and John Karabekian, architect, applicant's representatives; Andrea Slad, appellant.

### **MOTION:**

Commissioner Menedjian put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the following project:

Construction of a 1,913 square-foot first and second story addition to the rear of an existing 993 square-foot one story single family home in the Van Nuys HPOZ.

- 1. Determine that the project is Categorically Exempt from CEQA Article 19, Section 15331, Class 31 of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Article III, Section 1, Class 3 Category 1 of the City CEQA Guidelines; and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies;
- Deny the appeal and sustain the Planning Director's determination to approve a Certificate of Appropriateness pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 12.20.3 K for the construction of a 1,913 square-foot first and second story addition to the rear of an existing 993 square-foot one story single family home in the Van Nuys HPOZ;
- 3. Adopt the Conditions of Approval as modified by the Commission including Staff's Technical Modification dated April 25, 2018; and
- 4. Adopt the Findings as amended by the Commission.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bishop and the vote proceeded as follows:

Menedjian
Bishop
Mather
Beatty, Dierking

Vote: 3 – 0

**MOTION PASSED** 

There being no further business to come before the South Valley Area Planning Commission, the meeting adjourned at 5:56 pm

Lydia Drew Mather, Commission President South Valley Area Planning Commission

Jason Wong, Commission Executive Assistant South Valley Area Planning Commission



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