

SUNLAND-TUJUNGA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
LAND-USE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
October 1, 2018

- I. Meeting was brought to order at 7:20pm by Chairperson Cindy Cleghorn
- II. Roll Call
 - a. Present
 - i. Cindy Cleghorn
 - ii. Bill Skiles
 - iii. Elektra Kruger
 - iv. Nina Royal
 - v. Liliana Sanchez
 - vi. Vartan Keshish
 - vii. Pati Potter
 - b. Absent
 - i. Debby Beck
 - ii. David Barron
 - iii. John Laue
 - iv. Cathi Comras
 - c. No public representative present
- III. Self-Introductions of LUC members
- IV. LUC member declaration of any conflicts of interest or ex-parte communications re to items on the agenda
 - a. Bill S., being a member of the Tuna Detention Station Board, will recuse himself from Item 7 relating to the VHGC Project
- V. Cindy C.: explained the purpose of/function of the LUC
- VI. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Amendments to Aug 20, 2018 LUC Draft Minutes noted by Cindy C.:
 - i. XI.dd = “..... the house on the east is part of the whole CUP.”
 - ii. XII.a = “..... everyone should take a look at Projects in the City’s ENS”
 - b. **MOTION** by Pati Potter to approve the August 20, 2018 STNC-LUC Meeting Minutes as amended 2nd by Nina Royal Vote: Unanimously approved
 - c. Elektra K. to send copies of all un-posted LUC Minutes to secretary@stnc.org for posting
 - i. Pati P. has sent Outreach Minutes for posting. They have not yet been posted, so has not yet sent in Budget Minutes pending posting of the Outreach Minutes
- VII. Status of STNC comment letters, CIS submittals
 - a. Bill S. checked the DONE website that used to list CIS submittals of each NC – could not find it
 - i. Cindy C.: Let’s follow-up as to where we can get that information
 - 1. Bill S./Pati P.: The LUC write’s CISs that go to the STNC Board for final approval, but they vanish in the process. Pati P. to follow up on that.
- VIII. FEIR released by City Planning for 6433 La Tuna Cyn Rd (Verdugo Hills Golf Course Project)
 - a. Bill S.: Recused himself and left the room
 - b. The FEIR is 2,052 pages long. Cindy C. showed the size of a hard copy double-sided print. Can find a copy on the Planning website. This is a proposal for up to 229 homes at the intersection of La Tuna Cyn Rd/Tujunga Cyn Bl
 - i. Nina R.: A CD copy is also available for \$5

- c. There were 3 rounds of DEIRs so there are 3 rounds of responses to comment letters in the FEIR. The STNC submitted an extensive comment letter – responses to be reviewed
 - d. Date for Public Hearing unknown, in the meantime the LUC is to review responses to comment letters and if needed, any additional comments can be made.
 - e. Cindy C.: requested each LUC member select a section of the FEIR and begin reviewing it
 - f. There will be a presentation on the Tuna Cyn Detention Station Historical Site at the Nov meeting
- IX. 9700 N. Estaban Way – New SFR, ZA determination ZA-2018-4144-ZAD/ENV-2018-4145-CE
- a. Bill S. returned to the room
 - b. Presentation by the representative for the homeowners. Proposed 2-story SFR was almost approved, but then were told they would be responsible for paving the entire street to the nearest paved road – Verdugo Crestline Dr.
 - i. Requesting support of the STNC for the waiver application for paving requirement of the sub-standard N. Estaban Way – to pave only that portion in front of their proposed house. N. Estaban Way = less than 20'. Is 18' wide
 - c. Lot is trapezoidal, house is set-back 20 ft from the property line. Land is now vacant. Tallest height above the road = 17'. On septic. To be on caissons to bedrock partially above ground +/- 5'
 - i. Pati P.: To get materials in to construct the caissons, won't that make the road worse
 - 1. Rep.: Will do "Best Management Practices" – provide sandbags esp if it is raining. Will put in forms to make sure everything is settled before going down to put cement in the holes
 - 2. Pati P.: I just meant going up Hillhaven – that is very narrow. Can trucks maneuver there going lt, going rt where it gets even narrower – just wondering about big trucks going up there carrying material eg cement
 - 3. Rep: Trucks will be on a schedule so only one truck will be on-call at any one point in time – first the truck to bore the holes, next the truck to fill the holes with cement – but not both trucks at the same time
 - d. Pati P.: Does the Fire Dept have to get involved in terms of saying the location may not be a good place to construct a house?
 - i. Rep.: This area is a High Fire Zone so we are required to put sprinklers in – we doubled up on all standards required for fire prevention
 - 1. Liliana S.: Is that why they want you to put the pavement on the road – for fire department access?
 - 2. Rep.: No, It is a BOE Code requirement when a road is less than 24'. Our landscape must be 20% hardscape, not grass so fire cannot access the house – 20%-30% is landscaped with stone
 - e. Liliana S.: This is the only house you are planning on building up there?
 - i. Rep.: Yes
 - f. Pati P.: To look at the rendering, I don't know if the house will fit into the character of the surrounding neighborhood
 - i. Rep: Those houses were built way back – we are trying to up-grade it. We want to be sure it will blend in with the environment
 - 1. Pati P.: Everyone has their own opinion – here people generally like a more rural look
 - g. Will have to go through Public Hearing
 - h. Cindy C.: What is your timeline once you get approval?

- XVI. NVCH LUC banner
 - a. Pati P. used to put up an LUC banner a couple of days prior to an LUC meeting to let the community know a meeting is coming up, but the location has been taken over by the Council Office so a new location needs to be found. Discussed options
- XVII. Up-Dates on various City Planning processes/Ordinances pending
 - a. On the City Planning website on the right side they have a "What's New" category
 - i. City Planning has released the 90+ page staff report re the ReCode Processes and Procedures Ordinance
 - ii. City Planning Commission passed the Home-Sharing (short-term rental) Ord
 - 1. Has to do with AirB&B, etc
 - iii. State legislation SB 828, 905, 1250
 - 1. No up-dates. Was on the Governor's desk awaiting signature at the last LUC meeting
- XVIII. Public Comments
 - a. Liliana Sanchez
 - i. At the conference, reached out to Cat Packer to invite her to an LUC meeting for a 1-year anniversary up-date on community impact of cannabis, business regulations, signage issues, etc
 - b. Cindy Cleghorn
 - i. New report has been submitted by City Planning re Community Plan Up-Dates. Ours is pending in +/- 1 ½ years. ReCode will be incorporated into the Community Plan
- XIX. Meeting adjourned at 8:53pm