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JOINT STREETS and TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**Tuesday November 22, 2016
West Hills Hospital, West Hills
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Committee Co-Chair Anthony Brosamle called the meeting to order at 7:57 PM. A quorum was established.

Those in attendance were Anthony Brosamle, Barry Seybert, Dan Brin, Heidi Manning, Olivia Naturman, Steve Randall, Reeyan Raynes, Myrl Schreibman, Joan Trent, Brad Vanderhoof, Zhelbert Zohrabian – community stakeholder, and four additional stakeholders. Myrl and three of the stakeholders left at 9:09 PM (after agenda item 5).

The October 2016 meeting minutes were approved as amended.

Numbers refer to agenda items:

- 3) Chair Comment: Anthony stated that there has been a request by a stakeholder to move the meeting location for this committee.
- 4) Public Comment: Zhelbert spoke about the Metro transit busses that use Valley Circle near Victory as a layover location. She expressed safety concerns and described the bus parking practice as a 'hazardous situation' for drivers making left turns and bicyclists. A stakeholder identifying herself as a homeowner near Platt and Ingomar expressed concern about the street racing in that area. She also complained about four motor homes parked on Platt with people living in them. Another stakeholder mentioned the situation with recreational vehicles on Royer is not resolved. The sewage dumping and narcotics activities are still occurring. The stakeholder reiterated a previous request from residents for restricted RV parking on Royer.
- 5) Speeding in West Hills: Dan distributed an accident summary he prepared entitled "Fatalities in West Hills since 2013 (reverse chronological order)." Reeyan stated that the only traffic enforcement officers in the west San Fernando Valley are from the LAPD Valley Traffic Division out of Van Nuys and the Topanga Station has no traffic officers. He recommended asking for more motor officers for the west San Fernando Valley in a letter to city council member Mitchell Englander and the Department of Transportation. Zhelbert asked if speed bumps are a possibility and complained about racing on Valley Circle. Dan read his summary to the group and mentioned there was an additional fatality near Victory and Platt. Heidi commented on the November Neighborhood Watch meeting at the Topanga Station and shared Senior Lead Officer Sean Brown's advice that concerned citizens contact the CD12 district office. There was a group discussion where people gave their views and shared personal stories. Myrl will ask a former LAPD traffic Commander (retired) to speak to the committee at a future meeting.
- 6) Vision Zero: Olivia has completed and submitted the grant application. The co-chairs thanked her and committee members expressed appreciation for her hard work.

- 7) Pedestrian Crosswalk Safety: Barry asked if the committee has any details concerning the proposed signal at Roscoe and Jason. Anthony's answer was no. Barry will investigate with CD12 and ask Ron Rubine to address this at the December Board meeting. Anthony stated that many stakeholders have questions regarding cross walks and the committee needs to do a better job responding. He also said committee members need to facilitate requests for new cross walks and safety improvements. Stakeholder Brad stated the need for a cross walk across Vanowen between Valley Circle and Platt for students of Haynes Street School. He cited the pedestrian crossing warning lights across Vanowen on a main route to Welby Way School as an example and suggested the intersection with Cleomore as a location. Reeyan outlined the process for requesting pedestrian crossing enhancements. Anthony requested an article on cross walks be included in the December WHNC newsletter. Reeyan will write the article.
- 8) LA-DOT Traffic Studies: Tabled until December
- 9) Haynes Street Bridge: Tabled until December
- 10) Restricted Parking Requests: Tabled until December
- 11) Street Work: Tabled until December
- 12) Additional Business: Dan will post a letter online concerning the installation of dedicated left turn signals at the intersection of Shoup and Sherman Way.

Committee Co-Chair Anthony Brosamle adjourned the meeting at 9:51 PM.

The next meeting of this Committee will be held on: TBD