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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL  
JOINT BOARD AND ZONING & PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING  
FINAL MINUTES

TUESDAY, January 10, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order at 6:32 PM by Co-Chair Bill Rose. The meeting was recorded.
2. Quorum was established.  
Committee Members Present: Aida Abkarians, Faye Barta, Dan Brin, Bob Brostoff, Carolyn Greenwood, Bonnie Klea, Steve Randall, Bill Rose, Charlene Rothstein, Anthony Searce, Myrl Schreibman and Joan Trent.  
Committee Members Absent: Saif Mogri.  
Board Members also present: Brad Vanderhoof, Miriam Schimmel.  
Members of the Public Present: Chris Rowe, Lauren Schwartzbach.
3. Comments from the Co-Chair(s): Bill advised that Woodlake and Saticoy were withdrawn from the multi-listing. Char advised that, if the Special Events dinner-dance were to be set for 02/14/2023, Zoning and Planning must move its meeting date. Char also advised that the Chaminade expansion plans will be discussed at the February, 2023, Zoning and Planning meeting.
4. Minutes from the November 8, 2022, meeting: Chris Rowe stated that in Paragraph 6, line 7, "the 300-foot notice to neighbors" should be changed to "the 500-foot notice to neighbors" and the phrase "which is usually 500 feet," should be omitted. Char moved to approve the minutes as amended. Bill seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously as amended.
5. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items: Chris Rowe asked about the status of the letter re a parking gate on Woodlake which is before the Streets and Communications Committee. Anthony advised the letter was approved and he is now waiting for a letter setting the meeting.

**Old Business:**

6. Discussion and possible action regarding All-American BBQ located at 6719 Platt Ave., West Hills, CA:  
  
Char advised that owner Ross said he might be able to log in to this meeting. However, he advised her that the work is incomplete, but that the new overhang looked good but is not finished. Char said she received one complaint letter from a stakeholder, concerning the smoke from the BBQ, but that she did not see or smell any smoke from the BBQ today. Anthony asked why this item is on the agenda, since the plan was already approved? Char said there are no major concerns but there were some neighbors' issues. Tony advised the minutes stated that "the plan was approved", and he did not think we need to have any new discussions. Char stated she received one email regarding the smoke and one email from a Board member concerning the stonework on the walkway to the front door. Bonnie asked where the BBQ is, and was advised it is on the southwest corner of Vanowen and Platt. Bonnie said she has not seen it yet. Dan asked if the Board had heard any word regarding the BBQ from Esperanza, who lives across the street from the BBQ. No one responded. Bob said the information regarding the BBQ is too general and needs to be more specific. Myrl said he emailed Char and Bill that he had visited the BBQ and the food was good, but the walkway, constructed of very large stones, was very slippery. Myrl said he told the manager there should be rubber mats put down on top of the stones. The same stones are repeated on the walls of the building,

but on the ground the stones are too slippery. Chris asked if there are any “no burn days” to address the smoke issue, or are businesses exempt? Bill and Char advised they did not know the answer, but that the remodeling was still in process. Anthony said the no-burn days are for residences, and assumes businesses are different. Dan agreed that the no-burn days are for residences, and further advised that restaurants are specifically exempt. Aida agreed with Dan. Brad said he had no information but would try to look into it.

7. Discussion and Possible Action regarding Council File 12-0460-S4, Processes and Procedures Ordinance update:

Anthony advised that the language of and documents for this item are “hit and miss”, but we need to make clarification of these requirements. Other statements have also been filed which require research. Therefore we should choose volunteers to research the file while changes can still be made through City Council. To view, see CouncilConnect with the file number. Char advised the committee did not have the time needed to discuss this item. She asked for volunteers to look into this and to report back at the next meeting, with special interest in the 300-ft/500-ft notice and notice to adjacent properties. We need to speak with the personnel to obtain this. She advised someone from CD 12 should be familiar with this issue and we could invite them to speak to us about it. We need more information, perhaps hold public hearings, give and send out notices and really need to look into this issue. Char also said someone from this committee should read all of the documents and asked for volunteers. Anthony volunteered to read the first 100 pages. Char volunteered to read the second 100 pgs, Aida asked if this was before or after the scandal? No one responded. Bill volunteered to read pages 300 to 400. Aida volunteered to read pages 400 to 500.

Char advised that next month we will be discussing the Chaminade expansion and the renewal of the beer and wine license for the 7/11 at Platt and Vanowen.

The meeting was adjourned by Char Rothstein at 7:15 PM.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, February 14, 2023.