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**Van Nuys Neighborhood Council**



Van Nuys Neighborhood Council  
Special Joint Meeting  
Van Nuys Neighborhood Council  
and the VNNC PLUM Committee  
Thursday, August 25, 2022  
at 7:00 p.m.

Zoom meeting online or by telephone  
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In Conformity With The September 16, 2021 Enactment Of California Assembly Bill 361 (Rivas) And Due To Concerns Over Covid-19, PLUM Committee Meeting Of Van Nuys Neighborhood Council Will Be Conducted Telephonically And Internet Based Via Zoom.

This meeting is noticed as a Special Joint Meeting of the Van Nuys Neighborhood Council and the PLUM Committee, called by the President, because there may be a majority of neighborhood council board members present in a number sufficient to take board action. Any action taken at this meeting will only be an action of the PLUM Committee present and not an action of the Van Nuys Neighborhood Council as a body.

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**Speakers shall limit their comments to matters relevant to the item on the agenda. The Chair may rule that the speaker is out of order if the comments are not germane to the item under consideration.**

**AB 361 Updates -**

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Interim Chair of PLUM Committee: Kathy Schreiner

Board Members of PLUM Committee: Brian Edelman, Jennifer Febré, John Hendry, Richard Marks.

Stakeholder Members: Jeffrey Lynn, Quirino de la Cuesta

1. Welcome, Pledge of Allegiance, and Roll Call.
2. Chair’s Remarks
3. Update from Max Podemski, Planning and Transportation Director, Office of Council President Nury Martinez on the following topics:
  - Plans for renovation of the Civic Center Plaza (coordinating with multiple government users, public outreach, installation of bust of Supreme Court Justice Ruth Ginsberg, budget for renovation)
  - Possible alternative uses of DOT parking lots
  - Plans for old firehouse
  - City Planning’s focus on areas around stations on new SFV LRT line
4. **Discussion and possible action:** 14876 W. Raymer St. 91405. **Case No. ZA-2022-3811-CU-SPR-WDI.** Proposing the demolition of existing industrial buildings and construction, use, and maintenance of a new 76,885 square-foot three-story self-storage facility (FAR of 1.5:1) with 36 parking spaces. Specific actions requested from City include (1) A Site Plan Review for the construction of a new self-storage building resulting in a net increase of approximately 51,369 square feet of floor area; (2) A Conditional Use Permit for self-storage located with 500 feet from R-zoned property, and (3) A Waiver of dedications and/or improvements to waive the required street widening requirements along Raymer Avenue. Applicant: Lauren Boyd, Raymer SS Investors LLC. Representative: Olivia Joncich, Rand Paster & Nelson, LLP.

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5. **Discussion and possible action:** 14923 W. Oxnard St. 91411. **Case No. ZA-2021-10451-CUB.** Requesting a new Conditional Use Permit to allow off-site alcohol sales in conjunction with an existing operating convenience store with hours of 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily with no seats in an M2 zone. Applicant: Oxford Liquor Inc. Representative: Patrick E. Panzarello, Patrick E. Panzarello Consulting Services.

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6. **Discussion and possible action:** Request from LAPD Investigator William Huang for information, as follows:

"We have a Café Entertainment/Shows Police Permit Application for your area and would like to know if you can provide information to aid in our investigation.

Owner – Ricardo Noe Herrera Galvez

DBA – Las Casitas Grill Restaurant

Lease start date – April 30, 2021

Application submitted on – August 18, 2022

This is a restaurant business that is trying to obtain a CES permit to offer Live Entertainment. Located at 6622 Van Nuys Blvd. (east side, north of Kittridge)

<https://vnnc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/Las-Casitas-Grill-Restaurant-police-entertainment-application.pdf>

7. Parks, Open Space, and Environment Committee will work with John Hendry to research the status of trees and explore options regarding what the VNNC can do to honor and improve the Sherman Way Greenbelt.

Background: Sherman Way was intended as a 1911 cross-Valley Greenbelt of palms and pines, designed by H.J. Whitley, stretching from Van Nuys to Canoga Park. Over the years, the "palms and pines" planting runs from Van Nuys Bl west to Shoup Av. A Pacific Electric inter urban line (which ran from Downtown to Canoga Park) centered the wide roadway lined with palms and pines.

8. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (2 min per stakeholder).

9. Update on proposed Joint Meeting of the VNNC and PLUM Committee (or Special Board meeting) to receive a briefing and have dialogue with representatives of the City of Los Angeles Planning Department regarding City requirements for the types of development projects that the PLUM Committee reviews.

10. Adjournment.

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I will respect, value, and consider everyone's opinion.

I will find the good in my neighborhood and praise it and promote it.

To my neighbors, and to neighborhoods throughout the City of Los Angeles, I pledge to do this to the best of my ability.