

Kathy Schreiner  
Chairperson

## Van Nuys Neighborhood Council



**Board**  
Brian Edelman  
Jennifer Febre Boase  
Richard Marks  
John Hendry

**Stakeholders**  
Jeffrey Lynn  
Quirino de la Cuesta

Van Nuys Neighborhood Council  
Special Joint  
Planning and Land Use  
Management Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
January 26, 2023, 7:00 – 9:30  
pm

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1. Welcome, Introduction, Pledge of Allegiance, and Roll Call.
  - a. Present: Richard Marks, John Hendry, Jeff Lynn, Kathy Schreiner, Jennifer Febre and Quirino de la Cuesta (late).
  - b. Absent: Brian Edelman.
2. Chair Remarks (Schreiner) –
  - a. Wanted to address the Metro meetings on the Sepulveda Transit Corridor transportation options.
3. **Discussion and possible action:** 6634 and 6650 N. Kester Ave. 91405 Case No. DIR-2022-6507-TOC-HCA. Demolition of one single family home (built 1921). Proposing construction of a 12 unit, 4 story apartment building, consisting of three floors of units over one floor of an on-grade parking garage, lobby, and recreation room. Ten (10) units will be market rate and two (2) units will be reserved for very low-income renters. Presented by Armen Kazanchyan, Kazanchyan Design.
  - a. Presentation: The project is applying for subdividing as condos for sale. Emphasizes on having more families in the community for having 2-3-bedroom units.
  - b. Comments from the board: Parking
  - c. Motion:
    - i. Motion to support: Quirino de la Cuesta
    - ii. Second to the motion: Jeff Lynn
    - iii. Vote count: Yes – 6, No – 0.
    - iv. Forward to general board for full support.
4. PUBLIC COMMENT
  - a. No comment from public
5. Discuss Metro/East San Fernando Valley Light Rail Project from Jan 14th GBM meeting.

6. For February meeting, request update from City Planning Department on general plans to revitalize and refurbish Van Nuys Blvd (including potential rezoning and implementation of Housing Element). Denzel Henderson from LA City planning presenting TOC.
  - a. Marks addresses the size of units
  - b. Quirino addresses that there is no mechanism in creating more parks in TOC areas from the Quimby funds collected.
  - c. Quirino asked about the TDM (Transit Program Management) program.
    - i. Denzel mentioned it was going through Metro for final recommendations.
    - ii. NCSA has a link to the TDM presentation on their website.
  - d. Denzel explains on the appeals process on determination letter from city planning.
  - e. To contact Denzel or anyone from planning is to email to [planning.liason@lacity.org](mailto:planning.liason@lacity.org) for more questions on TOC program.
7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES –
  - a. Minutes from Sept. 22, 2022
  - b. Minutes from October 27, 2022.
  - c. Vote for both minutes: Yes – 6 No – 0
  - d. Both minutes are approved.
8. Committee discussion:
  - a. Metro ESFVTC event
  - b. Chik-a-fila at Van Nuys Blvd.
  - c.
9. Discussion and Possible Action regarding suggestions from John Hendry
  - a. Designation of Chandler Bl, Sherman Way as “cultural landmarks” First “sign the streets”. Then have CITY do “study group approach”.
    - i. John suggest to reach out to cultural affairs department to propose the sign.
  - b. City signage for Pacoima Wash, Tujunga Wash. by extension, to another Tongan named places/-Topanga, Cahuenga—and for Horace Bell’s Bell Canyon.
    - i. Brought up 3 years ago
    - ii. John’s working on it.
  - c. Work with the City to explore the possibility of setting up a display of historical Van Nuys photos in a public area of the Braude Center.
    - i. John’s working on it
10. ADJOURNMENT
  - a. Motion to adjourn: Richard Marks
  - b. Second to the motion: Jeff Lynn
  - c. Meeting adjourned