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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
February 23, 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, Quirino de la Cuesta (late) & Brian Edelman.
 - b. Absent: None.
2. Chair Remarks (Schreiner) –
 - a. Dilemma in the upcoming in-person meeting for neighborhood council.
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES –
 - a. None. Forward to next meeting.
4. **Discussion and possible action:** 6825, 6827, and 6829 N. Kester Ave. 91405 Case No. DIR-2022-8431-HCA-TOC. construction of a 23 unit (20 market rate and 3 affordable), 7 story apartment building over one story of ground level retail and a subterranean parking garage. TOC Tier 3 incentives. Base incentives used include reducing parking to 0.5 a space per unit. Request approval of additional density and on-menu additional incentives including increasing height 22 ft. from 45 to 67 ft., reducing south side yard setback from 9 ft. to 5 ft. using RAS3 setbacks and reducing open space requirement by 25%. Sam Aslanian (owner's rep. & Architect) and owner present to speak on the project.
 - a. Motion
 - i. Motion to approve: Jennifer Febre
 - ii. Second to the motion: Brian Edelman
 - iii. Vote count: Yes – 3, No – 3.
 - iv. Forward to general board because of tied vote.
5. **Discussion and possible action:** 6728 N. Sepulveda & 6715 N. Case No. DIR-2022-5107-TOC-SPR-VHCA. 14525 and 14537 W. Sherman Circle 91405 7115 and 7131 N. Van Nuys Blvd. 91405 Case No. DIR-2022-7247-TOC-SPR-HCA 41. Mixed use building with 214 apartments over one level of retail and parking, plus two levels of subterranean Proposing 5 story parking. TOC Tier 4 incentives. Benjamin Golshani, Manager, VNB LLC speaker.
 - a. Motion

- i. Motion to support with the condition to develop the rear elevation to match the front elevation: Quirino de la Cuesta
- ii. Second to the motion: Brian Edelman
- iii. Vote count: Yes – 7, No – 0.
- iv. Forward to general board.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. No comment from public

7. PLUM committee and board member Richard Marks to report his visit to temporary small home housing in North Hollywood.

8. Discussion for March 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)

9. Discussion and Possible Action regarding suggestions from board member John Hendry:

- a. Designation of Chandler Bl, Sherman Way as “cultural landmarks”
- b. City signage for Pacoima Wash, Tujunga Wash. by extension, to other Tongan named places/-Topanga, Cahuenga—and for Horace Bell’s Bell Canyon.
- 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.
- d. Identify historic buildings on Van Nuys Blvd. that Metro and/or the City should consider for preservation
- e. First “sign the streets”. Then have CITY do “study group approach”.

10. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Motion to adjourn: Goat puppet
- b. Second to the motion: Quirino
- c. Meeting adjourned