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**PLU Report to Executive Committee
of
Planning & Land Use Committee Meeting
Wed. Mar. 3, 2010 – 7:00 PM
Encino Community Center
4935 Balboa Blvd.**

LIST OF VOTING PLU COMMITTEE MEMBERS and ALTERNATES: (TOTAL 14)

ENC Board Members (5): Nareg Kitsinian, Louis Krokover, Peter Noce, Diane Rosen, Gerald Silver.

Alternate ENC Board Members (3): Laurie Kelson, Jesse Woods

Stakeholder Members (4): John Arnstein, Michael Kaufman, Norma Landau, Paul Kelson

Alternate Stakeholder Members (3): Bill Cartwright, Al Mass, Sue Tuberman

Guest sign-in sheet and speaker cards distributed.

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, and DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

a. ENC Board Members Present (4): Diane Rosen, Louis Krokover, Nareg Kitsinian, Peter Noce

Alternate ENC Board Members Present (1): Laurie Kelson

Stakeholder Members Present (3): John Arnstein, Norma Landau, and Paul Kelson

Alternate Stakeholder Members Present (2): Bill Cartwright, Al Mass

CSUN Urban Planning student Daniel Garcia

TOTAL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: 5

TOTAL STAKEHOLDERS PRESENT: 5

TOTAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: 10

TOTAL VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: 9 Laurie Kelson, Diane Rosen, Norma Landau, Louis Krokover, Peter Noce, Nareg Kitsinian, Al Mass, Paul Kelson, John Arnstein

EXCUSED COMMITTEE MEMBERS (4): Michael Kaufman, Gerald Silver, Sue Tuberman, Jesse Woods

UNEXCUSED COMMITTEE MEMBERS (0):

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at: 7:05

a. VERBAL REVIEW OF PLU Meeting Guidelines: Laurie Kelson

b. COMMITTEE MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS: Positions and Backgrounds

c. GUEST INTRODUCTIONS: Kristen (CSUN Student), Talar (Holy Martyrs), Glen Bailey, Ken Weston, Hiroshi Igaki, Brian Scag, Lee Marks

d. Collection of Speaker Cards by: Norma Landau

TOTAL NUMBER OF GUESTS PRESENT: 6

2. Approval of Feb 3, 2010 Minutes
3. Approval of next meeting date – Wed. April 7, 2010
4. ACTION ITEMS:
 - A. *Architectural Design Standards for Ventura Blvd.* PowerPoint Presentation
By: Jerry Silver
(No action taken as Jerry Silver was absent.)
 - B. Baseline Hillside Ordinance Summary By: Louis Krokover

Two items are not included in the NEW Hillside Ordinance proposal summary:
Protection of the Ridgelines and Creation of Limitations regarding retaining walls.

There are Three Items of concern:

- 1) Any development near the Ridgeline should be protected by the 50/50 rule. This means that a developer could not go within 50 feet of the ridge with any structure and the height could not go within 50 ft of finish to the ridge.
- 2) Any and all existing Ridgeline homes cannot be advanced in design for future construction beyond a height limit of 18ft.
- 3) All hillside projects that are Ridgeline properties must go through a design review process to ensure compliance so that the structure fits into the topo.

There are three areas of focus:

- 1) The Ridgeline and how best to protect it.
- 2) The Hillside Ordinance and how to apply the Ridgeline and retaining walls.
- 3) That a design review council be appointed by each community to assist PLUM.

The city of Santa Monica already has guidelines which are very positive and we could adopt those into the Ordinance. Currently there's nothing on paper for our city and community to adhere to.

Motion #1 by: Laurie Kelson 2nd by: Louis Krokover

“The ENC supports including ridgeline protection and the retaining wall limitations as part of the hillside baseline ordinance”

VOTE: For: 9, Against: 0, Abstain: 0, Send to Consent Calendar

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS: Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's Jurisdiction.
Glenn Bailey: Regarding recycled water promotion March 18 tour of Tillman Facility
10. Meeting adjourned at 9:01 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Rosen,

Chair: ENC Planning & Land Use Committee

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**F. MEGA Cell Towers & Poles, Chris Spitz: VP Pacific Palisades Residents Assoc.
Presentation by: Chris Spitz and Barbara Cohen**

iPhones require more towers. Must create a law that will not allow towers to go up haphazardly. New phone poles are being doubled in height. Coastal commission requires permit. Towers are going up right next to homes, with no hearings. They will apply for permit which was not intended to cover this situation. There are multiple problems with poles being placed. Need a comprehensive new ordinance. Federal court cases and municipalities could do something about aesthetics. New comprehensive ordinances are coming around.

Shawn Bayliss: One of the problems is joint pole agreement. DWP and cell towers are coupled in one and city doesn't get revenue for that. Will use Federal court cases to base ordinances upon. Advise NC's to get people on board.

Motion #3: Laurie Kelson and 2nd: Diane Rosen

"I move that we support the language that is in the literature that is a proposed motion and the resolution"

" The Encino Neighborhood Council respectfully requests/urges that:

- 1. With the City attorney's guidance and consistent with his recommendations, the City enact a comprehensive new ordinance with clear and consistent standards and procedures regulating all wireless telecommunications facilities in the City, authorizing regulation of aesthetics and providing protection to communities and residential neighborhoods to the full extent of the law.***
- 2. The City immediately impose a moratorium on all wireless telecommunications facility installations in the City and/or applications for approval of such installations in the City."***

Vote: For: 9 Against: 0 Abstain: 0 Send to Consent Calendar