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Planning and Land Use Committee Meeting
June 11, 2013
Meeting commenced 7:05pm

Members Present: Talar Dardarian, John Arnstein, Norma Landau, Debbie Watson, Tonya Barseghian, Louis Krokover, Sue Tuberman

Excused Absence: Hrag Kitsinian, Jeremy Erlandsen

1. Unanimous approval of April 9, 2013 minutes.
2. Presentation by Mr. Bruce Miller Re: Veggie Grill 16542 W. Ventura Blvd., Suite 110, Encino. Case # ZA 2013 1107
-Veggie Grill representative unable to attend due to illness. We will review their project at the next PLU meeting.
3. Presentation by Adi Mcabian Re: 16817 Ventura Blvd. Encino Lakeside Café

- Project will be called Lakeside Café; it will be replacing Mermaid's café. The café will be a family friendly restaurant. The applicant is working closely with Los Encinos State Park. The façade of the restaurant will have a matching concept to that of Los Encinos Park's facilities. The design will include a patio that will be inviting to Ventura Blvd. The design concept is a house. There will be no changes in height, footage, or sign location. The color scheme will fit the neighborhood and the park. The property is grandfathered in on parking. They are currently in discussions and coordination with Smart & Final market to maximize parking. Maximum capacity is 100; LAFD and DBF estimate 170. The applicant promises to not use illegal signage such as sandwich boards and banners.
Motion By: Louis Krokover
2nd By: Tonya Barseghian

The ENC PLU moves to not oppose the Lakeside Cafe project, as presented and this be presented to the entire neighborhood council board at the next general meeting for a vote.

7 For

0 Against

0 Abstained

4. Presentation by Mr. Stanley Szeto Re: Green Olive 17312 Ventura Blvd. Encino Case # ZA 2013-1349 -

Applicant is applying for a conditional use permit for the existing restaurant. They are inquiring about beer and wine alcohol licensing. The committee expressed concerns about the illegal signs the applicant has been using to advertise.

Motion By: John Arnstein

2nd By: Tonya Barseghian

John Arnstein moves that the applicant return for the July PLU meeting. In the interim, the PLU or the ENC board will send a public notice to Email list notifying them of the application and requesting input. The applicant must demonstrate that they are in compliance with the Ventura Blvd. sign regulations.

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5. Public comment:

Fire Station 83:

-Upset about personal letter from PLU Chair.

- PLU Chair should resign.

- The issue of the Fire Station should have been brought to the attention of the ENC Board.

6. Board member comment

Fire Station 83:

- Outraged by the way it was handled. There may be a violation of ethics or a conflict of interest.

- This issue will be taken to the board.

IMT Property Developer:

- The construction is messy. Surrounding properties have been affected by the development.

- They are not responding to complaints.

- LADBS should be notified.

Meeting adjourned 8:22 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tonya Barseghian