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COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
Wednesday, February 25, 2009
Encino Community Center
4935 Balboa Blvd. Encino
7:00 P.M.

Food from Maria's Italian Kitchen at 6:30pm

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO WISH TO SPEAK ARE REQUESTED TO FILL OUT A SPEAKER CARD AND PROVIDE IT TO THE COUNCIL. PLEASE STATE THE AGENDA ITEM YOU WISH TO SPEAK ON. AGENDA ITEM "7" IS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY MATTERS THAT ARE NOT ON THE AGENDA.

MOTION, DISCUSSION AND VOTE MAY BE TAKEN ON ALL ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call, and Determination of a Quorum
2. President's Report [2 minutes]
3. Reports from City Officials
 - A. LAPD [2 minutes]
 - B. City Councilman Jack Weiss Office [2 minutes]
 - C. City Councilman Greig Smith Office [2 minutes]
4. Report from Secretary Shelley Rivlin re: ENC Alternate Vacancies and Election of Alternates by Stakeholders
5. Presentations on LA City Ballot Measure B
Aram Benyamin, Assistant General Manager, LA DWP Power System [10 min]
Ron Kaye, Former Editor LA Daily News [10 min]
Questions/Answers [20 min]
6. Consideration of ENC Position on Measure B [10 min]

7. Public Comments
[Non-Agenda items within Board’s jurisdiction are limited to two minutes per speaker unless extended by President]

8. Committee Recommendations for ENC action:

A. Ad Hoc Committee on “Encino Commons” Signage

Recommendations for alterations of sign and content.

B. Planning & Land Use Committee

1. **5015-5041 Balboa Blvd**

MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION – 562-08-PL: ENV-2008-1954. Demolition of 4 single family dwellings, removal and replacement of 3 protected trees and 15 non-protected trees, and construction of: approx. 74,435 sq. ft., 4-story, approx, 45-ft. in height (excluding rooftop structures), 42-dwelling units structure, with 105 parking spaces in a 2-level subterranean garage, including 2 parking spaces for each unit totaling 84 spaces, and 21 guest parking spaces.

Recommendation to approve Mitigated Negative Declaration with additional conditions (See Committee Report and List of Conditions) Vote 9-0
[Consent Calendar]

2. **15903 Ventura Boulevard - Chick-fil-A [Burger King site]**

Approval of landscape plans

Recommendation to approve landscape plans based on efforts to work on lighting, coloring and landscape. Vote 9-0
[Consent Calendar]

3. **15800 Ventura Boulevard – Land Rover Dealership**

Remodel of showroom and service bays.

Recommendation to approve project as proposed. Vote 9-0
[Consent Calendar]

4. **4726 Petit Ave**

Proposed General Plan Amendment, rezoning from RE-9, Tract Map and Mitigated Negative Declaration [ENV-2008-4572-EAF] for construction of 12 single family homes per small lot subdivision, up to 33 feet in height, total floor area of approx. 19,363 sq ft, approx. 1,614 sq ft per home.

Recommendation to oppose General Plan Amendment, rezoning from RE-9 to small lot designation for project as presented because it is inconsistent with the adjacent neighborhood and will add density. Vote 7-2

5. **2701-2720 N. Sepulveda Boulevard (Skirball Cultural Center)**
CPC-2008-PAD-ZAD and ENV-2008-1295-MND

Plan Approval, Modification of Conditions and Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for construction of a new North Building Complex addition consisting of an assembly room, offices, restrooms, kitchen/catering, storage, atop the existing North Parking Building, resulting in 3-stories above grade, a maximum height of 44 feet and 7 ½ inches high, approximately 32,000 square-feet, in addition to the existing 128,000 square-foot Skirball Cultural Center site for a total of approximately 160,000 square-feet. An additional 322 parking spaces will be provided for a total of 872 parking spaces for the entire site, on an approximate 700,000 square-foot irregular shaped parcel classified in the RE40-1-H and PF-1XL Zones and also located within the boundaries of the Mulholland Specific Plan. (Note: A separate hearing before the Mulholland Design Review Board is required and will be held at a later date).

REQUEST: 1. Pursuant to Section 12.24 M of the Code, Plan Approval for the modification of CPC 1983-527-CU for the following:

- a. To permit a the construction, use and maintenance of a new place of assembly within the Skirball Cultural Center;
- b. Modify Condition No. 3: To permit a deviation from the existing personnel caps of 150 full-time day students and 60 staff of various types to either delete the condition or permit a maximum of 210 staff and docents present at any given time of day;
- c. Modify Condition No. 8: To permit the hours of operation for the museum to deviate from the existing 10 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday with scheduled events at the museum after 7:00 p.m. to allow the museum to operate daily from to noon to 5:00 p.m. and after 7 p.m.;
- d. Modify Condition No. 11: To permit the existing maximum grading of

150,000 cubic yards be deleted or that the grading limit be increased to approximately 190,000 cubic yards to include all previously permitted grading, to include the 20,000 proposed grading for the new North Building complex; and

REQUEST 2: Pursuant to Section 12.24 X 20 of the Municipal Code, a Determination to permit shared parking for the entire Skirball Cultural Center to permit 872 parking spaces lieu of 983 spaces as otherwise required under LAMC Sec. 12.21.A.4.

REQUEST 3. Pursuant to Section 21082.1(c)(3) of the California Public Resources Code, Adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the above project.

Recommendation to approve Mitigated Negative Declaration with additional conditions [See PLU Committee Report] Vote 8-1

6. **Proposed Amendment to Ordinance on Citywide Signs and Billboards**

Amend Article 4.4 and related provisions of Chapter I of the Los Angeles Municipal Code. Adoption of Negative Declaration No. ENV-2009-0009-EAF.

Recommendation: ‘The ENC urges the LA City Planning Dept. and the City Council to approve the proposed new sign ordinance with only a few changes outlined below. There should be no further Sign Districts (SD’s) approved in this City. The provision for new Sign Districts opens a loop-hole that undermines the entire sign ordinance. No Sign District should ever be approved for any Regional Center or Commercial Center. Many of these centers are located directly adjacent to residential neighborhoods such as Ventura Blvd. and Sepulveda Blvd. The sign ordinance needs visual illustrations. It should include graphics that illustrate what store-fronts or other premises will look like with the new regulations. It is difficult to understand the new regulations without clear, visual examples much like your Sign Dictionary. There is nothing to be gained by delaying action on the new ordinance. It should be moved on to the City Council as soon as possible with a few modest amendments.’ Vote 9-0 [Consent Calendar]

7. **LA City Ballot Measure B – Solar Initiative**

Recommendation to oppose Measure B and adopt Motion [See PLU Committee Report] Vote 8-1
[This item will be considered together with Agenda item 6]

C. Airport Committee

Curfew for Van Nuys and Burbank Airports

Recommendation to adopt the following motion:

“The Encino Neighborhood Council supports the VNY/CAC effort to encourage a joint resolution between the two airports to establish a curfew for arrival and departures from 10pm to 7am. Both airports have included this curfew in their respective Part 161 studies which have been and/or will soon be given to the FAA. We strongly urge Mayor Villaraigosa, LAWA and Burbank to work together to accomplish this common goal that will provide benefits for all of the residents of the San Fernando Valley.”
Vote 5-0 [Consent Calendar]

D. Public Safety Committee

Legislation AB 109 by Mike Feur to place a moratorium on new electronic billboards

Recommendation that the City of Los Angeles support AB 109.
Vote 3-0; 1 abstention [Consent Calendar]

E. Traffic and Transportation Committee

Enforcement of peak-hour “No Parking” on Ventura Boulevard

Recommendation to send letter to Councilman Jack Weiss requesting the Tiger Team (tow trucks) to enforce the No Parking zone between Balboa and Woodley on Ventura Blvd. Vote 8-0;
[Consent Calendar]

9. Treasurer’s Report [2 minutes]
10. Approval of December 3, 2008 Minutes of ENC Meeting
[Motion Required unless no objections]
11. Approval of January 28, 2009 Minutes of ENC Meeting

12. Board Member Comments on subjects matters within the Board's jurisdiction
[Time Permitting]

13. Future Meetings
 - A. Next Executive Committee Meeting: March 10, 2009 (At-Large TBD)
 - B. Next ENC Board Meeting: March 25, 2009
[Guest Speaker: Jon Kirk Mukri, Gen. Mgr LA Dept of Rec & Parks;
also Temple Valley Beth Shalom Expansion Project]

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PUBLIC INPUT AT ENC MEETINGS - An opportunity for the public to address the Council on agenda items will be provided before or during consideration of the item. Members of the public who wish to speak on any item are requested to complete a speaker card for each item they wish to address, and present the completed card(s) to the Sergeant-At-Arms. Speaker cards are available at the back of the meeting room. The Council will also provide an opportunity for the public to speak on any non-agenda items during "Public Comment". The Council may not take any action or discuss matters addressed in "Public Comments". However, the Council President may refer such matters to the appropriate Council Committees for further consideration.

Public comments are limited to 2 minutes per speaker unless otherwise extended by the Council President or Council.

ENC COUNCIL DISCUSSION AND TIME LIMITS – ENC Councilmembers requesting to speak will be recognized by the President in the order requested. For any item, the Chairperson of the Committee, or the maker of the original motion shall have up to five (5) minutes to discuss the item. Councilmembers may speak up to two (2) minutes each on the matter unless extended by the President or Council. After all members desiring to speak on a question have had an opportunity to be heard once, the time for each Member desiring to speak again shall be limited to a maximum of one (1) minute unless extended by the President or Council. A motion calling the "previous question" may be introduced by any member during a Council debate. If adopted, this motion will terminate debate on a matter and the matter will then be submitted for a vote.

VOTING AND DISPOSITION OF ITEMS - Most motions require a majority vote of the Councilmembers present and voting will be by hand vote unless otherwise decided by the Council. Unless requested for further consideration by an ENC Councilmember, any item which has been forwarded to the Council by a unanimous committee vote shall be approved as a "Consent Item" without further discussion.

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