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Approved minutes
Wednesday, April 28, 2010
Encino Community Center
4935 Balboa Blvd. Encino
7:00 P.M.

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1. Call to Order at 7:15, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call: Present – Mr. Gamson, Mr. Sarver, Mr. Krokover, Ms. Brewer, Mr. Silver, Ms. Rosen, Mr. Simon, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Kater, Ms. Hamilton, Ms. Rivlin, Ms. Kelson, Mr. Noce, Mr. Glushon, Mr. Woods, Ms. Bareseghian, . Ms. Klein, Ms. Strauber, Ms. Walson, Ms. Jarvis, Mr. Goldberger. Excused – Mr. Slade, Mr. Martayan, Mr. Silk, Mr. Baar, Mr. Moses. Absent –Mr. A. Kitsinian, Mr. N. Kitsinian, Mr. Keosian, Ms. Tempel, Mr. Steinberg, Mr. Luchs. Determination of a Quorum of 17.
2. Reports from City Officials
 - A. City Council Offices: Megan Cottier(Smith) Budget, Shaun Bayliss (Koretz) Hearings: “Mermaid/Atlantis” May 10; Baseline Hillside Ordinance May 13. Leadership Council May 6, 7 p.m.
 - B. LAPD including update on “Knock Knock” Home Burglaries. No report
 - C. LA Valley Fair – David Honda. Birmingham H.S. June 17 – 20.
3. President’s Report – Thanks to attendees, providers of refreshments. Budget impact on attendance. Improvement in Bobbie Baar’s condition.
4. Vice-President’s Report – Update on 405 Freeway Improvement Project. Replacement of Skirball Bridge. Sepulveda Blvd. tunnel.
5. Presentation of Stakeholder of Month – Steve Siskin
6. ENC Candidates Introductions and Remarks for May 27 election @ Balboa Sport Center, 2 – 8 pm. Vacancies will be filled after elected board is seated. Mr.

Glushon urged all candidates to apply for those seats if their campaign is not successful.

7. Public Hearing: Traffic Safety Problems at Lanai Road Elementary School

8. Public Comment – Sepulveda VA project

9. Committee Recommendations for ENC action:

Consent calendar items (pulled Items A1, B1, 2, 2a,b, d, e, g,)

A Parks Committee

**1. Tillman Water Reclamation Plant Expansion
for Recycled Water Treatment**

Motion: “That ENC (1) oppose any taking of Woodley Park acreage; (2) recommend that if one or more cricket field(s) need to be removed, that consideration be given to relocating same to the future Sepulveda Basin Sports Complex (former sold farm west of Balboa); and (3) support protection of Haskell Creek and the buffer area to its west.” Mr. Silver proposed a substitute motion that the ENC oppose any extension of public facilities in the Sepulveda Basin including the construction of the proposed water processing plant. 2nd by Ms. Rosen.

Mr. Simon moved to refer back to committee and table to next meeting. 2nd Mr. Glushon. Passed 12 pro, 4 opposed.

B. Planning & Land Use Committee

1. Wireless Telecommunications Facilities – Cell Phone Towers

Motion: Support Citywide ordinance regulating wireless telecommunication facilities including cell phone towers:

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. Passed previously.

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."Amended support a moratorium until city can set standards and guidelines.

Mr. Simon, 2nd by Mr. Sarver moved to table until next meeting: item B2 (9 pro, 5 opposed) and other items referring to Ventura-Cahuenga Boulevard Specific Plan (8 pro, 6 opposed).

2. **Ventura-Cahuenga Boulevard Specific Plan**

Motion A: *“No additional residential units, such as condos, or apartments be permitted on Ventura Blvd. in Encino.*

Motion B: *“New signage rules must be put in place to prevent sign "modernizations", including digital billboards. in Encino.*

Motion C: “Maximum allowable build-out of 614,445 sq. ft. in Phase 1 of the Ventura Blvd. Specific Plan should be reduced by 20%, until traffic problems (Levels of Service (LOS)) are mitigated in Encino.”

Motion D: “Project Impact Assessment (PIA) fees should be adjusted upwards to generate needed funds for street improvements in Encino.

Motion E: “Planned street and intersection improvements must be implemented before any new constructions permitted on Ventura Blvd. in Encino.

Motion F: “Building height on Ventura Blvd. in Encino between the 405 freeway and Balboa Blvd. should be reduced to 30 feet to comply with the existing height limit from Balboa Blvd. to Lindley.”

Motion G: “Exceptions and deviations from the Specific Plan in Encino should not be permitted.”

10. Treasurer’s Report - postponed

11. Approval of March, 2010 ENC Meeting Minutes
12. Board Member Comments on subject matters within the Board's jurisdiction
13. Future Meetings
 - A. Next Executive Committee Meeting: May 11, 2010 (At-Large TBD)
 - B. Next ENC Board Meeting: May 26, 2010
Guest Speakers: Frank Bush, Building & Safety Code Enforcement and also a speaker from Neighborhood Prosecutor of City Attorney's Office

Adjourned at 9:30.

Respectfully submitted,
Shelley Rivlin, Secretary

AGENDA ITEM 9 A – PARKS COMMITTEE BACKGROUND INFO

The Department of Water and Power (DWP) is looking to recycle more water, which can be used for parks or to recharge the aquifer (however some wells are polluted). Many of the potential sites to use recycled water are in the San Fernando Valley; therefore DWP wants a treatment facility to be built in the San Fernando Valley. Originally there were 50 potential locations. They have reduced the choices to five with four at or adjacent to the Tillman Water Reclamation Plant in the Sepulveda Basin. One other is in Sun Valley, located at the Pacoima Spreading Grounds. The four choices near the Tillman Plant are: 1) adjacent to the entry of Tillman, including part of Woodley Park, 2) within the Tillman berm area, 3) outside of the Tillman area and within the cricket fields, 4) outside the Tillman area, which is known as “contractor’s lay down” area. A representative of the cricket field said a cricket field is located there. There were several criteria for the choice of the location, including that it not be in residential zones, take parkland, and be at least 200,000 square feet of developable area. This process has been moving very quickly and the choices may not have been scrutinized enough. An environmental report will be prepared shortly. The first option would remove the Tillman parking lot and conference room. Choosing option number two would preclude Tillman from having land immediately available for future projects. This is also the smallest site. The cricket field is on land leased to the Bureau of Sanitation. Therefore, the cricket field does not have the right to be there permanently. Sue recommended that the cricket fields be relocated to the future Sepulveda Basin Sports Complex.

We do not want to lose any part of the Woodley Park land. The Sepulveda Basin Wildlife Steering Committee has requested more dedicated riparian land alongside Haskell Creek. The Tillman plant has a pipeline to the Spreading Grounds. DWP has offered onsite tours of Tillman. One is scheduled for March 18, 2010 and another for March 23. Glenn will e-mail this information. Lyn noted that we don’t want to allow them to take park land. This may set a precedent.