Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council Planning and Land Use Management Committee Vision Subcommittee Meeting Minutes March 2, 2017

In attendance: Jeff Kalban, Chair; Bob Anderson, Tom Boulet, Jackie Diamond, Maria Pavlou Kalban, Mikie Maloney, Sue Steinberg

Absent: N/A

Guest: Vicky Tavitian (Julia Duncan's Assistant Planning Deputy, Sherman Oaks City Council Office)

1. Call to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Roll call.

3. Motion to approve minutes of the January meeting by Jackie, second by Bob. Approved unanimously.

4. Public forum – Discussion took place about how we can share information with Vicky to help her understand what we have addressed and accomplished and have as our focus going forward.

5. Chair's Report – Jeff announced that he is now Chair of the Land Use Committee for Sherman Oaks, which is now renamed the "Planning and Land Use Management" (PLUM) Committee. Jeff shared the "Plaza Booklet" the Subcommittee had developed. He said David Ryu has a copy and is vetting it with various parties.

6. New Business:

- i.) Research and studies of traffic issues impacting Sherman Oaks: Jeff shared some maps of Sherman Oaks streets and freeways and discussed locations where significant traffic congestion is a concern. Subcommittee members discussed and highlighted additional locations of concern. There was open discussion about various causes for congested traffic and various situations that arise as a result of the congestion.
- ii.) Discussion of freeway access and an "outside the box" look at our streets: Jeff led open discussion about how the Subcommittee could explore "outside the box" ideas for how we can alleviate some traffic congestion. Various Subcommittee members raised thoughts about both causes and solutions to specific challenges. After much discussion, the Subcommittee agreed that everyone should come to the next meeting for an open-minded brainstorming session of ideas to address specific issues locations that were highlighted on the maps discussed above. The output will then be used to pull together a concept list and drawings.
- 7. Committee Business next meeting, Thursday, April 6th, 6:30 pm, Sherman Oaks Library.

8. Meeting adjourned 8:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Boulet