

SHERMAN OAKS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL  
VISION COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
THURSDAY MARCH 7, 2019

- 1.) Call to order by Jeff Kalban, Chair, 6:30 p.m.
- 2.) Present: Jeff Kalban, Chair; Bob Anderson, Jackie Diamond, Tom Glick, Maria Kalban, Mikie Maloney, Sue Steinberg. Absent: Tom Boulet.
- 3.) Minutes of February meeting: move to approve, Bob Anderson; second by Sue Steinberg. Passed unanimously
- 4.) Public officials: Daniel Eyal, CD 4; Chris Givens, CD 5
- 5.) New Business: Mobility Study. Bob Anderson and Jeff Kalban made a PowerPoint presentation of the four Metro concepts for the Sepulveda Transit Corridor Plan. Two concepts HRT 1 and HRT 2 are heavy rail underground systems from Metrolink to the Expo line. HRT1 runs under Van Nuys Blvd and HRT 2 runs under Sepulveda Blvd. Both are the most expensive concepts costing \$10-\$15B. The third concept is HRT 3 which is an on-grade heavy rail on Sepulveda Blvd and then goes underground at Valley Vista Blvd to the Expo line costing \$9-12B. MRT 1 is the fourth concept which would run a monorail down the middle of Sepulveda Blvd. and follow along the westside of the 405 until it gets to Getty Center Dr where it crosses to the east side of the 405 and goes underground. This is the cheapest concept running \$6-9B. Bob showed the many advantages and disadvantages of all these concepts but felt that HRT1 and HRT2 were the only fair choices. They both felt that due to cost these concepts would not be picked and that neither one of the other two concepts were acceptable. Jeff Kalban presented a new concept **MRT 2** that needed to be introduced as an alternative concept to Metro.

**MRT 2** is a monorail starting at the Metrolink and travels straight down the middle of the 405 with a few station stops ( similar to the other concepts) and straight to the Expo line and on to LAX.

Everyone thought it was a brilliant concept.

Jeff introduced a motion that would send this to the PLUM committee and for final approval to the SONC Committee. Bob and Jeff will be pushing to get Metro to accept the new concept as an alternate plan to HRT 3 and MRT1. This presentation has already been presented to CM Ryu.

Motion: made by Jeff. SONC prefers HRT 1 and HRT 2 but recommend the only above grade acceptable option to study is **MRT 2**, a monorail that runs from the north terminus at Van Nuys Metrolink down the center of the 405 freeway to LAX. Jackie Diamond seconded the motion.

Approved unanimously.

- 6.) Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Maria Pavlou Kalban