

Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council
Planning and Land Use Committee
February 18, 2021
Minutes

Members Present: Jeff Kalban Chair; Alicia Bartley, Tom Capps, Art Fields, Rick Mayer, Mikie Maloney, Lisa Petrus, Sue Steinberg. Jeffrey Hartsough, Gil Imber, SONC.; Alexandria Naseef, CD4; Andy Soliman, City Attorney's office

Meeting called to order: 6:30 pm.

Motion to approve January minutes by Sue Steinberg; second by Mikie Maloney. Approved.

Representatives introduced: Alexandria Naseef, CD4; Andy Soliman, Neighborhood Prosecutor, City Attorney's Office.

Chair's Report: Jeff outlined three major threats to Sherman Oaks at this time.

1. City Planning has divided Sherman Oaks into 3 sections for community planning purposes: the Specific Plan, and two separate neighborhood council districts.
2. Sacramento is still attacking R1 zoning.
3. Metro is still considering heavy rail over Sepulveda Blvd.

Vision will discuss these threats at the March meeting. Chick-fil-A will present at March PLUM meeting.

Plan Review Board Report: Lisa Petrus reported that *In Lieu* parking fees are still being waived and that work on the three new traffic light intersections has not begun yet.

Old Business: 5225 Sepulveda Blvd. Extra Storage. Applicant returned to address issues of security, landscaping, noise, privacy, complaints. Community Comments: 24-hour contact has not addressed complaints; crime continues, noise, police on site, worried about construction noise. Committee discussion ended with the following motion by Alicia Bartley:

We move to support the project with the following conditions:

1. Extend the existing 6 foot perimeter concrete block wall to 8 feet in height; 2. Increase the size of the of the new trees in the perimeter landscaping from 24 inch box to 36 inch box (landscape plan attached);
3. The applicant is to maintain a telephone log of complaints available to CD4, City Attorney's office, police department and SONC, showing who returned the call, when it was returned and how the issue was resolved;
4. The security passcode access to be operable only from 7AM to 7PM.

Motion seconded by Lisa Petrus. Passed Unanimously. Jeff suggested that neighbors contact Alexandria (213-473-7004 or cd4@lacity.org) or Andy (Andy.Soliman@lacity.org) if storage facility doesn't respond.

New Business: 14568 Dickens. Small Lot Subdivision. Four units, four stories each, forty-four feet high, surrounded by three and four story buildings, two parking spaces per unit. Community Comments: none. Committee Comments: red zone in front restricts parking; trash bin space not adequate; walls need greening; pocket spaces for vines; permeable driveways; parkway landscaping needed with a tree. Jeff Kalban moved for conditional approval of project with request that applicant return with a

landscaping plan before final approval. Second by Rick Mayer. Unanimously approved.

New Business: AT&T Cell Tower. Antennas being relocated from property across the street. They will add ten feet to the current 30 foot building. Community Comments: it should be located in a commercial area. Applicant said coverage is needed. Committee Comments: Antenna enclosures don't relate to the form of the building; a tall parapet would be better than four blocks; it is visually unattractive and intrusive. Jeff Kalban moved to reject the project as submitted and request that AT&T return with more design options for more aesthetic antenna surrounds. Second by Alicia Bartley. Passed unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Next Meeting: March 18, 2021

Mikie Maloney