## Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council

Land Use Committee

Minutes of the LUC Meeting on Thursday October 20, 2016

1. The Meeting was Called to Order by Chairman Ziff at 6:30pm.
2. Roll Call - Present: Chair Ron Ziff, Mikie Maloney, Tom Capps, Jackie Diamond, Art Fields, Rick Mayer, Sue Steinberg, Alicia Bartley, Jeff Kalban. The Chair asked Art Fields to serve as Secy for the meeting and prepare draft Minutes.
3. AF Motion to approve proposed Minutes of the Sept 2016 meeting; second by JD, and unanimously approved.
4. Elected Officials; Staff; SONC Board Members Introduced: Sidonia Lax, SONC.
5. Public Comments on non-agenda items: None
6. (a) Chair Report by Ron Ziff: SONC President is back from her illness; at its October 10 meeting SONC Board voted unanimously to recommend denial of the application for rezoning from RE-15 to R-3 at 12917 Addison. The Board also voted unanimously to approve the Parks Study done by Vision subcommittee and Land Use Committee.

b) Plan Review Board Report Discussed

c) Guest Speaker – Nick Brown, retired LA City Planner, presented his detailed report/analysis of LA City Planning Dept Policies and Procedures, and distributed handouts for the AZA Decision-Making Process, NC Influence on the Decision Process, and for use of the SATT Website, and he conducted a discussion and responded to Member inquiries re: same.

7a) New Business. Discussion of proposed remodel of building at 14241 Ventura Blvd. and new owner/applicant Rafael Dieppa’s request for approval of certain floor ratio, height limit, site coverage, setback limits, and Bldg mass stepback limit exceptions to the Ventura Blvd Specific Plan.

1. Presentation by Applicant -- Supporting documents and drawings were presented by the applicant for LUC review, which he stated were intended to address the LUC concerns expressed regarding the plans presented by prior owner, which were discussed but not approved at the 3/15 LUC Meeting.
2. Public comment (none).
3. Committee discussion before possible motion/vote:

Chairman Ziff and LUC members noted that the plans/drawings presented by the applicant for consideration at this LUC meeting were significantly different than those which were provided by applicant in advance of this LUC meeting and posted as such at LUC’s website. The applicant was directed to prepare new plans which encompassed the changes he proposed/presented at this LUC meeting, and provide same for consideration at a subsequent LUC Meeting; applicant agreed that he will do so.

8. Committee Business – a) Due to time constraints, discussion of a draft of new small lot design standards was deferred. b) There was a brief discussion of how LUC/SONC should to respond to situations where significant design changes are made by developers to projects after having sought and obtained approval of the project as was presented for approval to LUC and SONC. Photos showing some substantial changes made to a prior-approved project were reviewed and discussed by the Members. Discussion of potential LUC recommendations for how SONC should deal with such non-conforming changes to previously approved plans/projects was deferred to a subsequent LUC meeting.

9. The meeting was duly adjourned at 8:00 pm.