

Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council  
Vision Committee  
Thursday, January 7, 2021

- 1.) Call to order by Jeff Kalban, Chair @ 6:30 p.m.
- 2.) Roll Call: Bob Anderson, Tom Boulet, Jackie Diamond, Tom Glick, Maria Pavlou Kalban. Also present, SONC President, Jeffrey Hartsough and SONC Secretary, Gil Imber. Lisa Petrus from PRB and Leslie Elkan from BID. Absent: Mikie Maloney, Sue Steinberg.
- 3.) Minutes of December meeting: Motion to approve Tom Boulet, second by Jackie Diamond. Passed unanimously by roll call vote.
- 4.) Elected officials or their representatives: Meg Healy, CD4 Planning Deputy; Hannah Kelley, District Representative for Senator Hertzberg.
- 5.) Chair's Report: PLUM meeting will be January 21. Committee will review expansion of Extra Storage facility on Sepulveda and Leslie Elkan will present ideas for murals. Vision Committee will meet on February 4 to continue discussion on the Specific Plan. Vision for Sherman Oaks 2020, Community Plan Update Input was endorsed by the Neighborhood Council Board at the November 9<sup>th</sup> meeting. Senate bill (SB) 9 and 10 have been introduced and again threaten single family neighborhoods.
- 6.) New Business: Open discussion among committee members regarding their concerns about the Specific Plan, Van Nuys/North Sherman Oaks Community Plan, Southeast Valley Community Plan or anything else they felt impacts Sherman Oaks. Everyone shared views regarding keeping Sherman Oaks as a whole community and not being divided up by the different plans, also expressed concerns about Sacramento legislation that will upend local work and the lack of transparency by the Planning Department regarding population calculations and density for each community. Ms. Healy is currently familiarizing herself with the community plans and understood concerns being expressed and will share them with Councilmember Raman.

Motion: Whereas current land use planning for the Sherman Oaks community is governed by the Southeast Valley Community Plan, the Van Nuys/North Sherman Oaks Community Plan, and the Ventura -Cahuenga Boulevard Corridor Specific Plan; whereas planning efforts under these three plans are not coordinated resulting in planning outcomes that are in conflict with each other and detrimental to the long term quality of life in our Sherman Oaks community; whereas pressures and mandates from California state legislative efforts present significant challenges to prudent community planning; therefore the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) requests that Councilmember Nithya Raman and her land use planning deputy meet with members of the SONC PLUM Committee to discuss the benefits and methods of integrating the Southeast Valley Community Plan, the Van Nuys/North Sherman Oaks Community Plan, and the Ventura/Cahuenga Boulevard Specific Plan thereby enabling land use planning that considers

the Sherman Oaks community as a whole. Motion by Jeff Kalban seconded by Jackie Diamond. Passed unanimously.

7.) PRB report: Lisa Petrus reports that the Woodman Blvd lane expansion has gone out to bid, the stop lights on Ventura Blvd at Calhoun, Columbus, and Lemona are being installed. The Planning Department has rejected the idea of amending the Ventura/Cahuenga Specific Plan per community requests.

8.) Public comment: none

9.) Meeting adjourned: 8 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Maria Pavlou Kalban