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“Special” Joint Board & Planning & Land Use And Health & Safety Committee Agenda MINUTES

Friday, August 28, 2020, 4:00PM-6:00PM

Zoom Meeting Online or By Telephone

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Out of an abundance of caution due to the possible attendance and participation of a majority of Voices Neighborhood Council Board Members at this Special Joint Committee meeting, this meeting is noticed as a Special Joint Meeting of the Committee and the Board, in adherence with the State's Brown Act. No action will be taken on behalf of the Board at this meeting of the Committee. Only Committee Members are allowed to vote.

- 1. Call to Order & Introductions** at 4:06pm; Board Members present: A. Farias, J. Rabb, S. Nieto, P. Rand, E. Garren, K. Benoit, A. Patton; Committee Members present: J. Sanders, M. Crawford
- 2. Public Comment on non-agenda items (2 minutes per speaker)** – James Westbrook, CD9, stated cameras, additional lighting, speed humps have been funded and will be installed in Vermont Square Park (VSP); Speed Humps will be constructed in September; 1 on Budlong and 1 on 47th; Programming & Safe Passage work will continue in VSP and Community Build has a Food Drives 2x a month in the park.
- 3. Approval of Minutes from Planning & Land Use/Health & Safety July 2020 meeting** – J. Rabb motioned; S. Nieto second; all approved unanimously.
- 4. Presentation by Christopher Diaz, Planning Assistant Deputy, CD9, on Transit Oriented Community (TOC) Rules & Regulations and Update on Conditional Use Permits (CUPs) within Voices NC boundaries (report/discussion/possible action to bring full board) (30 minutes)** Sherilyn Correa from CD9 mentioned Urban Design Studio in the Planning Department can help provide architect design with the developer for the unit. Environmental Impact Report (EIR) has to be submitted; Ask Sherilyn/Christopher to report back after they find the qualifying tier of TOC based on the amount of feet from the Rapid Bus as well as how to challenge/revise the TOC process. Ask how the distance between accessible transit and developments is measured and why it isn't according to someone's actually walking route versus the radius from the development? CPU - Sensitive Land Use; Need to follow conditions to keep their liquor license - Star certificate received by LAPD; trash clean up; graffiti clean-up; provide a public phone number for community to issue any problems they may have. CD9 will help us get a list of CPU within our boundaries along with dates of certifications and list of regulations and the Health & Safety Committee will

follow up with these stores to ensure compliancy. Sherilyn mentioned awaiting list of stores with CPU prior to 1980.

5. Discussion on Demolition of 4 units and build 31-unit building (*report/discussion/possible action to bring full board*) (30 minutes)

Case ID: DIR-2020-1822-TOC

Project: Demolish 4 residential units and add 31 units, 5 of which are affordable units.

Proposed Action: Motion to make a recommendation to the Voices NC General Board on the proposal for a 31-unit new construction at 836-844 W. 42nd Pl (Between Menlo and Hoover).

Send a letter to not support the 31-unit project because the project doesn't contribute to the social fabric of our neighborhood and quality of life & well-being of our community. In order to meet this threshold/standard that we have for our community, they should contribute to a BID investment on Vermont Ave., provide free public Wifi, select 100% of the applicants who live in the community (1 mile radius) once the development opens up; right of return and refusal for people being displaced, work with City Planning on the design of the building, add 1 parking space per unit and increase number of affordable housing units approaching 15 units (50%) within 1 of these tiers across tiers. E. Garren motion; J. Rabb second; motion carries.

6. New Homeless Housing Development with HHH Funds at 5900 Figueroa Ave.

(*report/discussion/possible action to bring full board*) (30 minutes)

Presentation by John Perfitt, Executive Director, Restore Neighborhoods LA, Inc.

Proposed Action: Motion to make a recommendation to Voices NC General Board.

Greater Cornerstone Baptist Church Sec of 59th & Figueroa; Supportive Housing Unit will have 42 studio (single) units. E. Garren motioned; K. Benoit second; motion carries to recommend that the Voices NC support project if a pet policy is implemented as well as have a community room available to use including free public Wifi. Put on September General Board agenda

7. Presentation by Maria Patiño Gutierrez, United Neighbors in Defense Against Displacement Coalition, on "Public Land for Affordable Housing in South LA Campaign.

(*report/discussion/possible action to bring to full board*) (20 min)

3685 S. Vermont Ave. vacant lot will be 167 non-union hotel with retail stores on bottom; Visit unidad-la.org for information. Request to submit Community Impact Statement – Maria will send the council file so we can add motion to September Planning & Land Use agenda and weight in on the CIS.

8. Request for future agenda items – Invite Sherilyn Correa from CD9 back to our September Planning & Land Use/Health & Safety meeting regarding challenging the Transit Oriented Community process.

9. Adjourn at 6:57pm

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