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Final
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
January 25, 2012

Chaminade College Preparatory, 23260 Saticoy Street, West Hills, CA 91304

Attendance:

Present: Sandi Bell, Shelly Bright, Dan Brin, Robert Brostoff, Edwin Dockus, Carolyn Greenwood, Donn Howell, Bonnie Klea, Elliot Maggin, Walter Perfect, Bill Rose, Charlene Rothstein, Chris Rowe, Ron Sobel, Joanne Yvanek-Garb and Jacquie Young

Absent/Excused: Solomon Bash, Ruwan Kotuwelle, Stephen Lenske Yoav Shalev, Jeffrey Shapiro, Barry Seybert, Bobbi Trantafello and Daniel Wiseman

Opening Business:

Co-Chair, Mr. Edwin Dockus established a quorum, called the meeting to order. Mr. Dockus explained that this is a special meeting called for the express purpose of allowing everyone to be heard on the subject of the potential establishment of the New Community Jewish High School at 22622 Vanowen Street, West Hills, the site of the current JCCA. Mr. Dockus went on to explain that because of erroneous information on the website, tonight we will only be able to vote on the individual draft recommendations by the Zoning and Planning Committee and that a final vote for submitting the document will be taken at the regular monthly meeting on February 1st. Also the New Community Jewish High School will make a presentation at that meeting.

Mr. Dockus also explained that Board Member, Chris Rowe is to speak first and then recuse herself as advised by official letter from the City Attorney.

Mr. Dockus took a poll of those in the audience, asking who was for the project and who was opposed to the project. Just one person in the audience was for the project.

Draft/Recommendations:

Mr. Dockus advised that each of the 10 recommendations individually.

Board Member, Ms. Chris Rowe stated that she is opposed to the project, presented documentation that she had developed in opposition to the project (it will be available on the website) and then recused herself.

Board Member, Ms. Charlene Rothstein read the first recommendation regarding the two homes on Vicky Avenue. Stakeholder Jack Neely stated he was opposed to the proposed demolition of these homes. Mr. Neely stated they should not be mentioned in the CUP. After additional discussion it was moved that the first recommendation read, “ The WHNC supports the community in requesting that the two homes at 6720and 6726 Vicky Avenue remain as single family homes and not be demolished. Motion carried with two abstentions.

Stakeholders, Mr. Eddie Dubose, Mr. Richard Yalem, Ms. Mary Hart and Mrs. Laurie Yalem spoke in opposition of demolition of the homes on Vicky.

It was moved that the words “community activities” be added to the second recommendation. It would read, “There shall be no U-turns allowed on Vicky Avenue nor at Sale Avenue from vehicles related to the NCJHS *community activities*. This is to be listed in the “Code of Conduct” document, given to students and staff. Motion carried.

Recommendation four was approved as stated with two abstentions.

After recommendation five, Re Trees/Landscaping, was read, Stakeholder, Mr. Bruce Rowe stated that the neighborhood was there first and wanted a 12 ft. decorated wall to replace the current 6 ft. wall. It was moved that “NCJSH is to replace the current six (6) foot wall with a 12 foot wall to mitigate the sound” be added as the last sentence on recommendation five. Motion carried with eight ayes, zero oppose and five abstentions.

Recommendations six and seven passed as stated each with two abstentions.

It was moved that the sentence “Meeting to be called by the NCJHS and annually thereafter” be added to recommendation eight. Motion carried with two abstentions. Motion to approve recommendation eight as amended carried with two abstentions.

It was moved that recommendation nine read, “There shall be Traffic Control individuals, *provided by NCJHS*, regulating traffic flow during drop-off and pick-u and to monitor parking.” Motion carried with two abstentions.

It was recommended that recommendation ten be deleted, as it was unnecessary. Motion carried with two abstentions.

Mr. Dockus advised that we would now review recommendation three, Hours of Operation/Facility Use. Stakeholders, Mr. Don Cramer and Cynthia Lu spoke in opposition of the proposed hours. After much discussion, Mr. Dockus stated that this recommendation is to go back to the Zoning and Planning Committee to be reworked and discussed at the regular Council meeting on February 1, 2012.

9:52 p.m. Meeting adjourned