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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

ONLINE AND TELEPHONIC BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, December 1, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

In conformity with the September 16, 2021 enactment of California Assembly Bill 361 (Rivas) and due to concerns over Covid-19, the West Hills Neighborhood Council meeting will be conducted entirely with a call-in option or internet based service option. All are invited to attend and participate.

This meeting of the West Hills Neighborhood Council will be conducted online via Zoom Webinar and telephonically. All are invited to attend and participate.

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Comments on matters not on the agenda will be heard during the Public Comment period. Those who wish to speak on an agenda item will be heard when the item is considered

AB 361 Updates -Public comment cannot be required to be submitted in advance of the meeting, only real-time public comment is required. If there are any broadcasting interruptions that prevent the public from observing or hearing the meeting, the meeting must be recessed or adjourned. If members of the public are unable to provide public comment or be heard due to issues within the Neighborhood Council's control, the meeting must be recessed or adjourned.

Opening Business	
Call to Order	Co-Chairs: Mrs. Charlene Rothstein Dr. Faye Barta
Roll Call – Establish Quorum	Secretary: Mr. Brad Vanderhoof
Pledge of Allegiance	Co-Chair: Dr. Faye Barta
Opening Business Cont.	
Approve Meeting Minutes of November 3, 2022	Secretary: Mr. Brad Vanderhoof
Senior Lead Officer Report	SLO Lopez;
	SLO Garza
Treasurer's Report	Treasurer: Ms. Carolyn Greenwood
Controller's Report	Controller: Mr. Saif Mogri
Comments From the Co-Chair(s)	Co-Chairs: Mrs. Charlene Rothstein
	Dr. Faye Barta
<u>Announcements</u>	
Office of Assemblyman Jesse Gabriel	Mr. Jack Trent-Dorfman, Field Representative
Council District 12	Mr. Colin Crews, District Director
Department of Neighborhood Empowerment	Ms. Atziri Camarena
Los Angeles County Supervisor District 3	Ms. Tessa Charnofsky, District Director
	West Valley & Mt. Communities
LAUSD District 3	TBD
Budget Advocates	Mr. Glenn Bailey

Public Comment	
Comments & statements from stakeholders or interested parties on subjects NOT on this meeting's agenda. (Requires Speaker Card)	Dr. Faye Barta
The Council affords an opportunity to members of the public to address the Council on items of interest that are within the Council's jurisdiction. The Council is not permitted to take action on items that are not identified on the agenda. The Council reserves the right to limit speakers' time if necessary to provide an adequate opportunity for all to be heard.	
Certificate of Appreciation	
Mr. Mark Weber Baskin Robbins	Dr. Faye Barta
Council Announcements	
Committee & Liaison Reports	West Hills Neighborhood Council
Old Business	
22-0083 - Discussion and possible action regarding a letter in support of establishing a Preferential Parking District on Woodlake Ave. south of Sherman Way. (10 Minutes Max)	Mr. Tony Scearce, Co-Chair Streets & Transportation Committee Mr. Bob Brostoff, Co-Chair Streets & Transportation Committee
22-0080 - Discussion and possible action regarding All American BBQ relocating to 6719 Platt Avenue and Vanowen Street, former location of the Crown Wok restaurant (15 Minutes Max)	Mr. Bill Rose, Co-Chair Zoning & Planning Committee Mrs. Charlene Rothstein, Co-Chair Zoning & Planning Committee
22-0084 - Discussion and possible action on renewing WHNC participation in the Department of Water and Power Memorandum of Understanding – DWP MOU (5 Minutes Max)	Mrs. Joanne Yvanek-Garb, Co-Chair Government Relations Committee Ms. Clarice Chavira, Co-Chair Government Relations Committee
22-0091 - Discussion and possible action on submitting a CIS Submission to Council File 22-1193, Replacement/Elect New Council President/Resigned from Office (10 Minutes Max)	Mrs. Joanne Yvanek-Garb, Co-Chair Government Relations Committee Ms. Clarice Chavira, Co-Chair Government Relations Committee
22-0093 - Discussion and possible action on submitting a CIS Submission to Council File 22-1197, New Ad Hoc Committee / City Government Reform / October 2021 Recordings Release/Transparency and Limit Corruption / Los Angeles Residents Trust (10 Minutes Max)	Mrs. Joanne Yvanek-Garb, Co-Chair Government Relations Committee Ms. Clarice Chavira, Co-Chair Government Relations Committee
New Business	Mrs. Carolyn Crashyuad Ca Chair
22-0095 - Discussion and possible action regarding approval of the WHNC's October 2022 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) (3 Minutes Max)	Mrs. Carolyn Greenwood, Co-Chair Budget Committee Mr. Saif Mogri, Co-Chair Budget Committee

22-0096 - Discussion and possible action possible action on filling a vacant seat on the West Hills Neighborhood Council Board vacated by Tariq El-Atrache (10 Minutes Max)	Mr. Steve Randall, Co-Chair Ad-Hoc Board Vacancy Committee Mr. Saif Mogri, Co-Chair Ad-Hoc Board Vacancy Committee
22-0097 - Discussion and possible action on a letter from the RFNC regarding the Fallbrook Point Project, Case # ENV-2021-10328-MND, Dir-2021-10327-SPR (15 Minutes Max)	Mr. Bill Rose, Co-Chair Zoning & Planning Committee Mrs. Charlene Rothstein, Co-Chair Zoning & Planning Committee
22-0098 – Discussion and possible action to approve the Event Approval Form and budget in the amount of \$3,875.00 for the Special Events Committee's Senior's Valentine's Day Dinner Dance to be held at Chaminade College Preparatory, Bob Hope Center located at 7500 Chaminade Avenue, West Hills, on February 14, 2023. (10 Minutes Max)	Mr. Steve Randall, Co-Chair Special Events Committee Mr. Myrl Schreibman, Co-Chair Special Events Committee
22-0099 - Discussion and possible action regarding an application for Historic Cultural Monument (HCM) status for the Circle S Ranch property located at Woodlake and Saticoy Street in West Hills (10 Minutes Max)	Mr. Bill Rose, Co-Chair Zoning & Planning Committee Mrs. Charlene Rothstein, Co-Chair Zoning & Planning Committee Mr. Dan Brin, Member Zoning & Planning Committee
Adjournment	

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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

BOARD ONLINE AND TELEPHONIC DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, November 3, 2022
Revised December 1, 2022

The Board shall take official action by a simple majority of yes and no votes cast by the Directors present at a duly noticed regular or special Board meeting, not to include abstentions. There shall be no proxy voting.

PRESENT: Aida Abkarians, Faye Barta, Sandi Bell, Dan Brin, Clarice Chavira, Glenn Jennings, Bonnie Klea, Vinura Kotuwelle, Saif Mogri, Mark Neudorff, Alejandro Phillips, Steve Randall, Bill Rose, Char Rothstein, Anthony Scearce, Myrl Schreibman, Joan Trent, Brad Vanderhoof, and Joanne Yvanek-Garb **ABSENT:** Bob Brostoff, Syria Datla, Carolyn Greenwood, Kent Mariconda, Rosi Mariconda, Bryan Newman, and Azarine Rushenas

President Charlene Rothstein called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM.

Secretary Brad Vanderhoof called roll and established quorum.

Vice President Faye Barta led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Induction of new board member into the WHNC Board of Directors: Mr. Alejandro Phillips took the Pledge and all attending Board members recited it along with him.

Approve Meeting Minutes of October 3, 2022: The minutes were approved as amended.

Chair Comments: President Rothstein said Carolyn Greenwood is at home and doing fine.

Senior Lead Officer Report: SLO Lopez said the homicide at Victory and Platt was transient on transient. There were seven property crimes in his area last week. SLO Garza said violent crime is up17% YTD. Officer Lopez office number is 818 756-3188, and his cell is 213 709-8449. His email is 40811@LAPD.online.

Treasurer's Report: Controller Saif Mogri gave the report and said the MER is correct.

22-0086 - Approval of the WHNC's September 2022 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER):

Roll Call Vote:

Aida Abkarians Yes Faye Barta Yes Sandi Bell Yes Dan Brin Yes **Bob Brostoff** Absent Clarice Chavira Yes Carolyn Greenwood Absent Glenn Jennings Yes

Bonnie Klea Yes VinuraKotuwelle Yes Kent Mariconda Absent Rosi Mariconda Absent Saif Mogri Yes Mark Neudorff Yes Bryan Newman Absent Alejandro Phillips Yes Steve Randall Yes Bill Rose Ineligible Charlene Rothstein Yes **Anthony Scearce** Yes Myrl Schreibman Yes Joan Trent Yes **Brad Vanderhoof** Yes Joanne Yvanek-Garb Ineligible

Yes -17, No -0, Abstain -0, Absent -5, Ineligible -2, Recused -0 The MER is approved.

22-0084 - Renewing WHNC participation in the Department of Water and Power Memorandum of Understanding – DWP MOU: The MOU has not been released. Item tabled to December.

22-0087 - Appointment of five WHNC board members who may submit Community Impact Statements:

President Rothstein nominated: Aida Abkarians, Clarice Chavira, Vinura Kotuwelle, Anthony Scearce, and Joanne Yvanek-Garb.

Roll Call Vote to approve all nominees:

Aida Abkarians Yes Fave Barta Yes Sandi Bell Yes Dan Brin Yes **Bob Brostoff** Absent Clarice Chavira Yes Carolyn Greenwood Absent Glenn Jennings Yes Bonnie Klea Yes Vinura Kotuwelle Yes Kent Mariconda Absent Rosi Mariconda Absent Saif Mogri Yes Mark Neudorff Yes Bryan Newman Absent Alejandro Phillips Yes Steve Randall Yes Bill Rose Yes Charlene Rothstein Yes **Anthony Scearce** Absent Myrl Schreibman Yes Joan Trent Yes **Brad Vanderhoof** Yes Joanne Yvanek-Garb Yes

Yes -18, No -0, Abstain -0, Absent -6, Ineligible -0, Recused -0 The nominees are approved.

Controller's Report: Controller Saif Mogri gave the report. Everything matches the City records.

Board Vacancy Announcement: The deadline to apply for the current vacancy has been extended to November 20.

Announcements:

Scott Abrams, Office of Congressman Brad Sherman: He will send certificates for the Halloween Event. The congressman will hold a telephone town hall on November 17 at 7:00 PM. A community tree planting event is being planned. Increased vigilance on anti-Semitism is needed.

Jack Kent-Dorfman, Field Representative, Office of Assemblyman Jesse Gabriel: Steve Randall and Myrl Schreibman are getting certificates. Two million dollars has been committed to transit measures in Warner Center. Copper wire theft is an ongoing problem and they are working to restore street lighting along Platt and Hatteras by the Hale Charter Middle School.

Colin Crews, District Director, Council District 12: Mr. Crews talked about the success of the Drive-in Movie Night. A Conversations with Councils focusing on public safety will be held Tuesday, November 15 from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. RSVP to Mr. Crews or Councilmember Lee.

Atziri Camarena, Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment: NC elections are starting soon. A hybrid meeting program is being tested.

Blake Clayton, Field Deputy, Los Angeles County Supervisor District 3: There will be a LA River Headwaters ground-breaking ceremony on November 7 at 10 AM.

Erin Seinfeld, West Valley Area Representative, Office of Mayor Eric Garcetti: LADWP has turf transformation rebates to help defer the cost of removing a lawn. There will be a career fair at LA Community College. The LA Zoo is starting its Zoo Lights program.

Glenn Bailey, Budget Advocates: The reports are posted at www.budgetadvocates.org. The Budget Advocates have started meeting with city departments.

Thomas Gillas, Battalion Chief, LAFD Division 17: Spoke on fire safety. He can be reached at 818 756-6167. The Battalion website is www.LAFDBattalion17.org.

Public Comment: None

Certificates of Appreciation:

Former WHNC Board member Alec Uzemeck was presented a Certificate of Appreciation for his many years of service.

Mark Weber was not present and the presentation of his certificate was continued.

Council Announcements:

Special Events Committee

Major increase in attendance at the houses on Halloween. For example, it was reported that folks had to wait 15 minutes to get into seeing the Best Interactive House. And KTTV ran a story and commented about the free event in West Hills on last Thursday's LA TODAY programs.

All promotions drove folks to the West Hills NC web site. As of late Sunday: there were 2871 views and possible downloads of the large map of where the houses were in West Hills and 414 views and possible downloads on the map of just the winning houses.

Chapman House SPECIAL EVENT AWARD

Hannan House COUNCILMANS SPIRIT AWARD

Marks Family House

Lopez Family House

Dodd and Elizabeth Harris House

Tena Guthrie and Mark Depping House

BEST COMICAL

BEST INTERACTIVE

BEST INVENTIVE

BEST THEMATIC

Eddie Perez House

Walt Stewart House

Rune and Jeremeh Nicklasson House

BEST SCARIEST HOUSE

BEST INNOVATIVE

BEST ANIMATION

Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness

The committee needs more members. Any interested Board member should contact the co-chairs.

Old Business

22-0067 - Request for a new conditional use permit to allow on-site sales of alcohol for Mission Burrito located at 22744 Roscoe Blvd., West Hills:

Patrick spoke and said the request is to upgrade the license from beer and wine to full alcohol and extend the business hours.

Steve Randall moved to amend to eliminate off-site alcohol; sales. Joan Trent seconded.

Roll Call Vote on the amendment:

Aida Abkarians Yes Faye Barta Yes Sandi Bell Yes Dan Brin Yes **Bob Brostoff** Absent Clarice Chavira Yes Carolyn Greenwood Absent Glenn Jennings Yes Bonnie Klea Yes Vinura Kotuwelle Yes Kent Mariconda Absent Absent Rosi Mariconda Saif Mogri Yes Mark Neudorff Yes Bryan Newman Absent Alejandro Phillips Yes Steve Randall Yes Bill Rose Yes Charlene Rothstein Yes **Anthony Scearce** Yes Mvrl Schreibman Yes Joan Trent Yes **Brad Vanderhoof** No Joanne Yvanek-Garb Yes

Yes -18, No -1, Abstain -0, Absent -5, Ineligible -0, Recused -0 The amendment is approved.

Anthony Scearce moved to amend the Friday and Saturday hours to midnight with last call at 11:30 PM. Faye Barta seconded.

Roll Call Vote on the amendment:

Aida Abkarians No Fave Barta No Sandi Bell No Dan Brin No **Bob Brostoff** Absent Clarice Chavira No Carolyn Greenwood Absent Glenn Jennings No Bonnie Klea No Vinura Kotuwelle No Kent Mariconda Absent Rosi Mariconda Absent Abstain Saif Mogri Mark Neudorff Yes Bryan Newman Absent Alejandro Phillips No Steve Randall No Bill Rose No Charlene Rothstein No **Anthony Scearce** Yes Myrl Schreibman No Joan Trent No Brad Vanderhoof Abstain Joanne Yvanek-Garb Abstain

Yes -2, No -14, Abstain -3, Absent -5, Ineligible -0, Recused -0 The amendment fails.

Additional language added by President Rothstein;

Mission Burrito

Needs to include the conditions that we included on the vote:

1) No change in Hours of Operation 9am to 11pm

2) Patio to close at 9pm

3) Last Call at 10:30pm

4) Alcohol ordered with food service

5) No alcohol taken off site

Roll Call Vote on approving the amended CUP request:

Aida Abkarians Yes Faye Barta Yes Sandi Bell Yes Dan Brin Yes **Bob Brostoff** Absent Clarice Chavira Yes Carolyn Greenwood Absent Glenn Jennings Yes Bonnie Klea Yes Vinura Kotuwelle Yes Kent Mariconda Absent Absent Rosi Mariconda Saif Mogri Abstain

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Mark Neudorff Yes Bryan Newman Absent Alejandro Phillips Yes Steve Randall Abstain Bill Rose Yes Charlene Rothstein Yes **Anthony Scearce** Yes Myrl Schreibman Abstain Joan Trent Abstain **Brad Vanderhoof** Yes Joanne Yvanek-Garb Abstain

Yes – 14, No – 0, Abstain – 5, Absent – 5, Ineligible – 0, Recused – 0

The CUP request is approved.

22-0080 - All American BBQ relocating to 6719 Platt Avenue and Vanowen Street, former location of the Crown Wok restaurant: There have been permit delays. Item tabled to December.

22-0083 - Letter in support of establishing a Preferential Parking District on Woodlake Ave. south of Sherman Way: Chris Rowe spoke about the small lot subdivision. This item was referred back to committee.

New Business

22-0089 - Community Impact Statement ("CIS") Submission to Council File 22-1189, Elected Officials / Martinez, de Leon and Cedillo / Offensive Misconducts / Racist and Hateful Comments / City Charter / Immediate Resignation Demand:

Roll Call Vote on a CIS in support:

Aida Abkarians Yes Faye Barta Yes Sandi Bell Yes Dan Brin Yes **Bob Brostoff** Absent Clarice Chavira Yes Carolyn Greenwood Absent Glenn Jennings Yes Bonnie Klea Yes Vinura Kotuwelle Yes Kent Mariconda Absent Rosi Mariconda Absent Saif Mogri Yes Mark Neudorff Yes Bryan Newman Absent Alejandro Phillips Yes Steve Randall Yes Bill Rose Yes Charlene Rothstein Yes **Anthony Scearce** Absent Myrl Schreibman Yes Joan Trent Yes **Brad Vanderhoof** Yes Joanne Yvanek-Garb Yes

Yes -18, No -0, Abstain -0, Absent -6, Ineligible -0, Recused -0 The CIS is approved.

22-0090 -CIS Submission to Council File 22-1192, Removed from Office / Select New Council President / Vacant:

Roll Call Vote on a CIS in support:

Aida Abkarians Yes Faye Barta Yes Sandi Bell Yes Dan Brin Yes **Bob Brostoff** Absent Clarice Chavira Yes Carolyn Greenwood Absent Glenn Jennings Yes Bonnie Klea Yes Vinura Kotuwelle Yes Kent Mariconda Absent Rosi Mariconda Absent Saif Mogri Yes Mark Neudorff Yes Bryan Newman Absent Alejandro Phillips Yes Steve Randall Yes Bill Rose Yes Charlene Rothstein Yes **Anthony Scearce** Absent Myrl Schreibman Yes Joan Trent Yes **Brad Vanderhoof** Yes Joanne Yvanek-Garb Yes

Yes -18, No -0, Abstain -0, Absent -6, Ineligible -0, Recused -0

The CIS is approved.

22-0094 - CIS Submission to Council File 22-1196, Charter Reform Ballot Initiative/Los Angeles 2024 / Population Growth/Major Immigrant Destination/Los Angeles City Council Seats/City Residents Representation:

Roll Call Vote on a CIS in support:

Yes Aida Abkarians Faye Barta Yes Sandi Bell No Dan Brin Yes **Bob Brostoff** Absent Clarice Chavira Yes Carolyn Greenwood Absent Glenn Jennings Yes Bonnie Klea Yes Vinura Kotuwelle Yes Kent Mariconda Absent Rosi Mariconda Absent Saif Mogri Yes Mark Neudorff Yes Bryan Newman Absent

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Alejandro Phillips Yes Steve Randall Yes Bill Rose Yes Charlene Rothstein Yes **Anthony Scearce** Absent Myrl Schreibman Yes Joan Trent Yes **Brad Vanderhoof** Yes Joanne Yvanek-Garb Yes

Yes -17, No -1, Abstain -0, Absent -6, Ineligible -0, Recused -0 The CIS is approved.

22-0090 – CIS Submission to Council File 22-1192 - Removed from Office / Select New Council President / Vacant:

Roll Call Vote on a CIS in support:

Aida Abkarians Yes Fave Barta Yes Sandi Bell Yes Dan Brin Yes **Bob Brostoff** Absent Clarice Chavira Yes Carolyn Greenwood Absent Glenn Jennings Yes Bonnie Klea Yes Vinura Kotuwelle Yes Kent Mariconda Absent Rosi Mariconda Absent Saif Mogri Yes Mark Neudorff Yes Bryan Newman Absent Alejandro Phillips Yes Steve Randall Yes Bill Rose Yes Charlene Rothstein Yes **Anthony Scearce** Absent Myrl Schreibman Yes Joan Trent Yes **Brad Vanderhoof** Yes Joanne Yvanek-Garb Yes

Yes -18, No -0, Abstain -0, Absent -6, Ineligible -0, Recused -0 The CIS is approved.

22-0092 - CIS Submission to Council File 22-1195, Racially Insensitive and Divisive Statements/Professional Conduct Failure / City Charter / Ground for Removal:

Proposed amendment included with the agenda;

We, the members of the West Hills Neighborhood Council, publicly condemn and denounce the individual and systemic racism and colorism that was demonstrated by three members of the Los Angeles City Council. We furthermore advocate for the immediate resignation of the three Councilmembers involved.

Roll Call Vote on the amendment:

Aida Abkarians

Faye Barta Yes Sandi Bell Yes Dan Brin Yes **Bob Brostoff** Absent Clarice Chavira Yes Carolyn Greenwood Absent Glenn Jennings Yes Bonnie Klea Yes Vinura Kotuwelle Yes Kent Mariconda Absent Rosi Mariconda Absent Saif Mogri Yes Mark Neudorff Yes Bryan Newman Absent Alejandro Phillips Yes Steve Randall Yes Bill Rose Yes Charlene Rothstein Yes **Anthony Scearce** Absent Myrl Schreibman Yes Joan Trent Yes **Brad Vanderhoof** Yes Joanne Yvanek-Garb Yes

Yes -18, No -0, Abstain -0, Absent -6, Ineligible -0, Recused -0 The CISamendment is approved.

Yes

Roll Call Vote on a CIS in support:

Aida Abkarians Yes Faye Barta Yes Sandi Bell Yes Dan Brin Yes **Bob Brostoff** Absent Clarice Chavira Yes Carolyn Greenwood Absent Glenn Jennings Yes Bonnie Klea Yes Vinura Kotuwelle Yes Kent Mariconda Absent Rosi Mariconda Absent Saif Mogri Yes Mark Neudorff Yes Bryan Newman Absent Alejandro Phillips Yes Steve Randall Yes Bill Rose Yes Charlene Rothstein Yes **Anthony Scearce** Absent Myrl Schreibman Yes Joan Trent Yes **Brad Vanderhoof** Yes

WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – NOVEMBER 3, 2022 PAGE 9 Joanne Yvanek-Garb

Yes -18, No -0, Abstain -0, Absent -6, Ineligible -0, Recused -0 The CIS is approved.

Yes

22-0088 - Holiday Dinner served to an unhoused group with the help of Council member John Lee and Olive and Fig Restaurant: President Rothstein sent this item back to committee.

22-0091 - Submitting a CIS Submission to Council File 22-1193, Replacement/Elect New Council President/Resigned from Office: Item tabled to December.

22-0093 - CIS Submission to Council File 22-1197, New Ad Hoc Committee/City Government Reform/October 2021 Recordings Release/Transparency and Limit Corruption/Los Angeles Residents Trust: Item tabled to December.

President Rothstein adjourned the meeting at 10:27 PM.

Monthly Expenditure Report



Reporting Month: October 2022 Budget Fiscal Year: 2022-2023

NC Name: West Hills Neighborhood

Council

		Monthly Cash Re	econciliation		
Beginning Balance	Total Spent	Remaining Balance	Outstanding	Commitments	Net Available
\$25335.14	\$1571.40	\$23763.74	\$1356.60	\$0.00	\$22407.14

Monthly Cash Flow Analysis						
Budget Category	Adopted Budget	Total Spent this Month	Unspent Budget Balance	Outstanding	Net Available	
Office		\$1571.40		\$1356.60		
Outreach	\$36071.38	\$0.00	\$27835.12	\$0.00	\$26478.52	
Elections		\$0.00		\$0.00		
Community Improvement Project	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	
Neighborhood Purpose Grants	\$4830.00	\$0.00	\$4830.00	\$0.00	\$4830.00	
Funding Requests Und	der Review: \$0.00	Encumbrar	nces: \$0.00	Previous Expenditures: \$6664.86		

			Expenditures			
#	Vendor	Date	Description	Budget Category	Sub-category	Total
1	THE WEB CORNER, INC	10/01/2022	Email Service	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$150.00
2	RACKSPACE EMAIL & APPS	10/22/2022	WHNC email service	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$64.80
3	APPLEONE EMPLOYMENT SERVICES	10/13/2022	Services of Executive Director	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$1356.60
	Subtotal:		•			\$1571.40

Outstanding Expenditures							
#	Vendor	Date	Description	Budget Category	Sub-category	Total	
1	APPLEONE EMPLOYMENT SERVICES	11/14/2022	WHNC Executive Assistant	General Operations Expenditure	Office	\$1356.60	
	Subtotal: Outstanding	g				\$1356.60	

WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL CONTROLLER'S REPORT NOVEMBER 2022

	Item	Committee	Purpose	Budget	Balance	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Total Spent
	OFFICE										\$0.00
1		Office	Misc. Expense	\$519.00	\$474.20		\$22.40	\$22.40			\$44.80
2		Office	Rent	\$5.00	\$5.00						\$0.00
3		Office	Committee Printing	\$369.00	\$369.00						\$0.00
4		Office	P.O.Box	\$404.00	\$404.00						\$0.00
5		Office	Apple One	\$17,974.95	\$10,513.65	\$1,695.75	\$1,356.60	\$1,695.75	\$1,356.60	\$1,356.60	\$7,461.30
6		Office	Go Daddy	\$21.17	\$0.00			\$21.17			\$21.17
7		Board	Web Corner	\$1,800.00	\$1,050.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$750.00
8		Board	Rack Space	\$830.54	\$504.14		\$132.00	\$64.80	\$0.00	\$129.60	\$326.40
9		Board	I Contact	\$602.40	\$0.00		\$602.40				\$602.40
											\$0.00
		Office Subtotal		\$22,526.06	\$13,319.99						\$9,206.07
	OUTREACH										
10		Communication	Outreach	\$0.00							
11		Beautification	Refreshment&Snacks	\$1,000.00	\$860.51					\$139.49	\$139.49
12		Special Events	Outreach	\$5,210.32	\$4,451.05			\$601.59		\$157.68	\$759.27
13		Environment	Outreach								
14		Govt. Relations	VANC	\$500.00							
15		Govt. Relations	Budget Advocates	\$100.00							
16		Govt. Relations	Congress	\$500.00							
17		Govt. Relations	Empower LA Awards	\$100.00							
18		Homelessness	Homeless	\$635.00							
19		Public Safety	Forums								
20		Streets&Transportation	Outreach								
21		Public Health					1			1	
22		Elections	Outreach	\$5,500.00		†	1			1	
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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL CONTROLLER'S REPORT NOVEMBER 2022

	Item	Committee	Purpose	Budget	Balance	July	Aug	Sept.	Oct	Nov	Total Spent
	Neighborhood Purpose Grants										
	(NPG's)										
22		V 4 151 C	MDCI	¢4.700.00							
23		Youth and Eduction	NPG's	\$4,500.00							
18A		Homelessness	NPG's	\$330.00							
	Community										
	Improvement										
	Projects (CIP's)										
20A		Streets&Transportation	CIP's								
24		Beautification	Cleanups	\$500.00							
25		Beautification	Special Events								
	GRAND TOTAL			\$41,401.38		\$1,845.75	\$2,263.40	\$2,555.71	\$1,506.60	\$1,933.37	\$10,104.83

Agenda Item 22-0083 - Discussion and possible action regarding a letter in support of establishing a Preferential Parking District on Woodlake Ave. south of Sherman Way.

Mr. John Lee
Councilman
City of Los Angeles Council District 12
Dear Mr. John Lee:

The homeowners that live in the area south of Sherman Way at Woodlake Ave. have limited or no street parking. The affected streets are W. Belterra Way, W. Remington Way, W. Canterbury Way and W. Saratoga Way. These residents park on Woodlake Ave south of Sherman Way. Patrons of Malibu Wines and Beer Gardens, MW&BG valets also utilize Woodlake Ave. for overflow parking during busy periods.

The Residents and the Homeowners Association of the forementioned streets have requested the establishment of a Preferential Parking District (PPD) on Woodlake Ave. south of Sherman Way.

The Residents have also expressed a desire to install a gate on Woodlake Ave. This would also address the parking issue and address another issue of the safety of residents from the unhoused coming into the area after being released from West Hills Hospital.

MW&BG fully supports the PPD solution (see attached letter). MW&BG cannot control patrons that choose not to use their valet service and park on Woodlake Ave. WHNC believes either solution will mitigate if not solve the parking issues.

The West Hills Neighborhood Council requests CD12 support these efforts as well and schedule a meeting with all parties in accordance with LADOT policy on establishing a PPD. This meeting should include alternative solutions such as installation of a gate at Woodlake.

https://ladotparking.azurewebsites.net/permits/establish-preferential-parking-district-ppd/

(Add Signatures)

Cc LADOT

Christina Tran Homeowners Association

Shane Semler MW&BG

To the West Hills Neighborhood Council,

As neighbors and in the interest of cooperation, we write to inform the Council of our agreement with the residents on Woodlake south of Sherman Way that they should have permitted parking for their streets.

At this time, the streets are unrestricted for public use and this use includes any persons whom lawfully park their vehicles, including patrons of Malibu Wines & Beer Garden ("MW&BG"). Despite our having valet parking available during the busiest times, plenty of space in our parking lots during slower days, and our preferring that guests valet park so that if public streets require use it will be the valet attendants retrieving the vehicles and not the patrons, MW&BG is unable to mandate how or where its patrons park; nor can it monitor or control their behavior once they have left the premises. To that end, we realize this can be felt as an inconvenience by our neighbors and that is why we support permitted parking for our neighbors, which will have the effect of removing the potential of MW&BG patrons using these areas for parking when present at MW&BG or causing those persons to have their vehicles towed for violating the applicable regulations.

While MW&BG realizes that this permit system may require its valet attendants to travel farther distances to park and retrieve vehicles or have its patrons park as far as empty and available lots at or near the hospital should they wish to not utilize the available valet parking; however, MW&BG believes that the permit system is appropriate under the circumstances in an effort to cooperate with neighbors, help them achieve some privacy in their community area, and maintain parking available for visitors in the area in which their new development has been created, especially given the limited street/visitor parking available south of Sherman Way.

Should the Council wish to have further discussion about this topic, we are happy to participate with sufficient notice (we request at least 72 hours) and we intend to work cooperatively to resolve the issues reported to be experienced by the residents on Woodlake south of Sherman Way and believe the permitting system is the best way forward for all involved.

We thank you in advance for your anticipated attention to the above.

Yours truly,

Malibu Wines & Beer Garden

9/6/22, 3:22 PM

All American BHU ind

Agenda Item 22-0080 - Discussion and possible action regarding All American BBQ relocating to 6719 Platt Avenue and Vanowen Street, former location of the Crown Wok restaurant







We are RELOCATING to WEST HILLS on the corner of

Platt Ave & Vanowen St @

Former "Crown Wok" 6719 Platt Ave. 15 min Drive

Sept. 25 LAST DAY

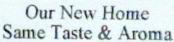
(West Hills open the following week - call for details)

In-House Delivery to <u>Northridge</u>, <u>Chatsworth</u>, <u>Porter Ranch</u> & <u>Granada Hills</u>

Visit our website or contact us for updates (818) 363-6500 order @ AllAmerBBQ.com

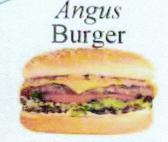
Mesquite BBQ Fire Pit on the Patio



















Char Rothstein <charwhnc@gmail.com>

Re All American BBQ new location 6719 Platt Ave

All American BBQ <info@allamericanbbq.net> To: Char Rothstein <charwhnc@gmail.com>

Tue, Sep 13, 2022 at 3:43 PM

Thank you so much for connecting and bringing to our attention about the community issues .

Meanwhile with this email I like to address few of your concerns and hopefully we can address

- Sufficient Parking: Should have no change from Crown Wok
- Traffic Flow: Should have no change from Crown Wok
- Hours of Operation: <u>11am to 9pm Sun-Th & 11am to 10pm Fri-Sat</u>
- Seating Occupancy: Should have no change from Crown Wok
- · % of business take-out vs. Eat In: Not sure
- Proximity to Residences: Should have no change from Crown Wok
- Selling Alcohol: NO

I'm including a picture of our Santa Maria firepit (see attachment)

Also I will send you the manufactures (J&R) from Texas details of the fire ratings.

We will be covering with a metal cover over night to prevent from someone tampering with it and avoiding any problems.

We use Royal Oak lump (than the cheaper imported) because it has less smoke and burns much cleaner with no cracking

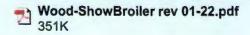
Our Reason we make less smoke than most BBQ places:

- we don't smoke in a typical smoker we use a Southern Pride Convection smoker (only 2-5% smoke)
- · when we use our Santa Maria firepit we use Royal Oak which burns a lot cleaner, never has sparkers & much less
- we cook our meat dry rub (means no BBQ sauce) that prevents much less smoke

Our plans for the building are to fix up the place with TLC (that has missing for years)

- Fresh paint (nicer colors)
- New signs
- fix up landscaping
- repairing the parking lot

[Quoted text hidden]



WOOD SHOW BROILER



This broiler gets its name from the "show" it actually creates in fine restaurants everywhere. As you know, the food cooked over a live fire is unparalleled in flavor. If the broiler is in customer view, appetites (and check averages) soar! The Wood Show is legendary for durability, ease of use, and its ability to easily tame the flame temperatures. The discriminating chef is provided the unique ability to control the distance between Fire and food for perfect grilling on all types of food.

Easy to use

Fuel loading is easy with the front fuel loading door and the ability to raise the grill above the top of the firebox body.

Adjustable cooking surface

A turn of the wheel adjusts the grill to position the food closer or farther from the fire for total control of the cooking rate. Because the chef can lower the grill at the end of a shift to utilize every last ember of wood or charcoal, Heat efficiency is maximized. There are fewer interruptions during busy periods to add or tend fuel.

Safe, cool operation

Our unique Chef Cool®design keeps the heat inside the grill resulting in a cooler kitchen and a grateful chef.

Large selection

See the sizes and capacity chart on the reverse side.

Easy to clean

The firebox surfaces are smooth and an ash drop in the firebox floor facilitates ash transfer to the removable ash drawer. Heavy duty casters allow easy mobility.

Air control damper

The chef can regulate the combustion air to help control the burn rate.

Rugged

These units are built like tanks to take the day-to-day abuse in busy kitchens.



J&R MANUFACTURING P.O.BOX 850522 MESQUITE, TEXAS 75185-0522





PHONE: TOLL FREE: FACSIMILE: 972-285-4855 800-527-4831 972-288-9488 Council File #22-1193 (10/11/2022)

TO CITY CLERK FOR PLACEMENT ON NEXT REGULAR COUNCIL AGENDA TO BE POSTED

#53

MOTION

I MOVE that the Council hold an election, pursuant to Council Rule 3, to fill the office of Council President in order to replace the previously elected President who has resigned from that office.

PRESENTED BY

MITCH O FARRELL

Councilman, 13th District

SECONDED BY

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Government Relations Committee (GR) of the West Hills Neighborhood Council Community Impact Statement Proposal

Committee Meeting Date: October 17, 2022 Board Meeting Date November 3, 2022

File #:	22-1193
Title:	Replacement / Elect New Council President / Resigned from Office (Koretz – O'Farrell – Krekorian – Price)
Type:	LA City Council Motion introduced 10/11/2022. Adopted 10/18/2022.
City/State:	Los Angeles, California
Summary:	Similar to Council File #22-1192. To hold an election to select a new Council President Inasmuch as the resignation of the previously elected President has removed her from that office and rendered it vacant. LA City Council adopted the resolution on 10/18/2022. Paul Krekorian elected President of LA City Council (unanimous).
GR Position:	For - to submit a CIS in support of Council Resolution/File #22-1193.
GR Vote:	Yes – 9, No – 0, Abstain – 0, Absent – 1, Ineligible – 0, Recused – 0
"YES" Vote:	means the board member approves a CIS for (in support of) Council Resolution/File #22-1193.
"NO" or 'Nay" Vote:	means the board member does not approve a CIS for (in support of) Council Resolution/File #22-1193.
Abstain:	means the board member is present but does not vote on the matter.
Ineligible:	means the board member is present but not eligible to vote on the matter.
Recusal:	means the board member is present but removes him/herself from discussion and voting due to a conflict of interest with the matter.

Version 1 (10/24/2022)

Summary prepared by Clarice Chavira.

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22-0093 - Discussion and possible action on submitting a CIS Submission to Council File 22-1197, New Ad Hoc Committee / City Government Reform / October 2021 Recordings Release/Transparency and Limit Corruption / Los Angeles Residents Trust

Council File #22-1196 (10/07/2022)

RULES, ELECTIONS, INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Motion

Almost 100 years ago, the City voters adopted the charter reforms submitted by the "Board of Freeholders", which were developed in 1923, voted on in 1924, and enacted in 1925. At the time, the charter reform movement was focused on tackling corruption, ensuring efficient government, and improving representation. Although many smaller changes took place after the 1925 charter reform movement, the next major change didn't take place until the late 1990s, ushering in important updates such as the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, and restructured roles and duties of the Council and Mayor.

As the second largest city in the United States, Los Angeles is a major world-wide center of economic, cultural, and industrial power. As of the last US Census, the City grew approximately 3%, to 3.898 million people, a change of just over 106,000 residents since the 2010 census count. The City is home to some of the largest communities outside of their respective countries: Korean, Armenian, Salvadoran, Mexican, Filipino and others, making Los Angeles a major immigrant destination.

Between 1920 and 1929, the City's population grew from an approximate 577,000 residents, to just over 1.2 million. It was under this major growth that the City voters chose to create a Council with 15 members representing the unique corners of the City. With just under 4 million residents, it is time for the City to once again focus on representation. The Council should reflect the city residents that they serve; a charter amendment to increase the number of seats with methodology that ties council membership to population will help meet that goal.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the Chief Legislative Analyst, with the Assistance of the City Attorney, to report on the steps needed to place a charter reform ballot initiative before the voters of Los Angeles in 2024, with recommendations that ensure representation is fixed to population growth, in order to increase the number of Los Angeles City Council seats.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council instruct the Chief Legislative Analyst, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer, to prepare a report that outlines and sets forth an immediate redistricting process to implement the updated reforms, after passage of the above-mentioned charter reform ballot initiative.

PRESENTED BY:

Mitch O'Farrell

Councilmember, 13th District,

SECONDED BY:

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Government Relations Committee (GR) of the West Hills Neighborhood Council Community Impact Statement Proposal

Committee Me	reting Date: October 17, 2022 Board Meeting Date November 3, 2022
T31 a # a	22-1196
File #: Title:	Charter Reform Ballot Initiative / 2024 / Redistricting Process / Los Angeles City Council Seats /
Т	Representation Fixed to Population Growth
Type: City/State:	LA City Council Motion introduced 10/11/2022 and <u>adopted</u> , <u>as amended</u> *, <u>on 10/18/2022</u> . Los Angeles, California
City/State.	Los Angeles, Camornia
Summary:	15 seats on the LA City Council since the 1920s when population in the City was approximately 1.2 million. With just under 4 million residents in the City of LA, City Council resolved to: (1) instruct the Chief Legislative Analyst, with the Assistance of the City Attorney, to report on the steps needed to place a charter reform ballot initiative before the voters of Los Angeles in 2024 to increase the number of Council seats, with recommendations to ensure representation is fixed to population growth, and (2) instruct the Chief Legislative Analyst, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer, to prepare a report that outlines and sets forth an immediate redistricting process to implement the updated reforms, after passage of (1), *to include options to implement new district lines in the 2026 elections or soonest feasible election cycle. (*Note: italicized addition approved by the LA City Council on 10/18/2022).
GR Position:	For - to submit a CIS in support of Council Resolution/File #22-1196, with the following changes:
	"that the City Council instruct the Chief Legislative Analyst, with the Assistance of the City Attorney, to report on the steps needed to place a charter reform ballot initiative before the voters of Los Angeles in 2024, with recommendations that ensure representation is fixed to population growth, in order to increase the number of Los Angeles City Council seats. that the City Council instruct the Chief Legislative Analyst, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer, to prepare a report that outlines and sets forth an immediate redistricting process, by an independent commission, to implement the updated reforms, after passage of the abovementioned charter reform ballot initiative."
GR Vote:	Yes – 8, No – 0, Abstain – 0, Absent – 2, Ineligible – 0, Recused – 0
"YES" Vote:	means the board member approves a CIS for (in support of) Council Resolution/File #22-1196, with the changes proposed by GR, as set forth above.
"NO" Vote:	means the board member does not approve a CIS for (in support of) Council Resolution/File #22-1196.
Abstain:	means the board member is present but does not vote on the matter.
Ineligible:	means the board member is present but not eligible to vote on the matter.
Recusal:	means the board member is present but removes him/herself from discussion and voting due to a conflict of interest with the matter.

Version 2 (10/24/2022)

Summary prepared by Clarice Chavira.

Motion

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I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council instruct the Chief Legislative Analyst, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer, to prepare a report that outlines and sets forth an immediate redistricting process to implement the updated reforms, after passage of the above-mentioned charter reform ballot initiative.

PRESENTED BY:

Mitch O'Farrell

Councilmember, 13th District

SECONDED BY:

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Council File #22-1196 Motion adopted as amended on 10/18/2022 by LA City Council. Yes - 10, No - 0, Absent - 5



MOTION

I MOVE that the matter of the CONSIDERATION OF MOTION (O'FARRELL - RAMAN - KREKORIAN - PRICE - KORETZ) relative to steps needed to place a charter reform ballot initiative before the voters of Los Angeles in 2024, with recommendations that ensure representation is fixed to population growth, in order to increase the number of Los Angeles City Council seats, and related matters, Item No. 41 on today's Council Agenda (CF 22-1196), BE AMENDED as follows:

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council instruct the Chief Legislative Analyst, with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer, to prepare a report that outlines and sets forth an immediate redistricting process to implement the updated reforms, after passage of the above-mentioned charter reform ballot initiative, which includes potential options for the implementation of new district lines for the 2026 elections (or the soonest feasible election cycle).

PRESENTED BY:

NITHYA RAMAN

Councilmember, 4th District

SECONDED BY:

Date: 10/19/2022

From Roscoe / Fallbrook Neighborhood Coalition (RFNC)

To: West Hills Neighborhood Council (WHNC), Zoning Committee

Subject: RFNC Concerns and opposition to the proposed Fallbrook Point Project (Project).

CASE # ENV-2021-10328-MND. DIR-2021-10327-SPR.

Dear Zoning Committee Chair and members:

The West Hills community is solidly opposed to building the Fallbrook Point Project in their residential neighborhood. This opposition is evidenced by the over five hundred (500) homeowner's signatures on the petition, several zoom and in-person community meetings, and three (3) Appeals submitted on September 29, 2022 to the City of Los Angeles by our attorney Luna & Glushon Law Firm.

Prior to the Conditional Approval of the "project", the City planning department did not take into consideration the residents' comprehensive review of the Mitigating Negative Declaration (MND) and comments expressing their concerns. In addition, the City planning department conditionally approved the "project" without consultation with and approval of the WHNC.

Under the circumstances created by the City planning department and the Developer (Staley Capital), the (RFNC) requesting the approval by the Zoning Committee and forwarding the approval to the full WHNC board of the following concerns:

- 1. A full Environmental Impact Report (EIR) to be prepared and submitted to the appropriate government agencies and to be made a public record for West Hills residents' review.
- Based on its history, this proposed "project" site should be considered as a Suspect Site. To support our concerns, in a recent agreement between the DTSC and Raytheon, it was agreed that the entire Corporate Point (8433 Fallbrook Ave. Canoga Park, CA 91304) will be tested for contamination and remediated. (Ref. CORRECTIVE ACTION CONSENT AGREEMENT between DTSC and Raytheon Company. Docket No. HWCA-FY22/23-003).
- Several technical experts expressed their concerns regarding the inadequacy of the "MND" however, their concerns were dismissed by the City consultant, Envicom Corporation without giving an opportunity to consider any response by the experts. (Ref. Responses to Comments for the Fallbrook Point Project, located at 22815-22825 West Roscoe Blvd. Case Number ENV-2021-10328-MND. City of Los Angeles, Department of City Planning, Dated August 30, 2022)
- 4. The current design of the 98,600 Sq Ft warehouses with ten (10) truck bays, and 44 daily truck trips is not COMPATIBLE with the surrounding residential Neighborhood. The "project" if built will be in violation of the Q conditions that requires "Nuisance-free, park-like setting."
- 5. Pollution study conducted as part of the "MND" is incomplete and insufficient.
- 6. Noise Study due to additional traffic created by trucks and personal cars of construction workers/ and later permanent employees is incomplete and insufficient.

- 7. Traffic study conducted as part of the "MND" is incomplete and insufficient and was conducted during an unprecedented period of time in which residents and other stakeholders in this neighborhood were at home due to the pandemic.
- 8. The "Project" does not take to account the Quality of Life and Quite Enjoyment of Life by the Residents. For example, the 7 day hours of operations, the early hours of the "approved" operations, with bedrooms immediately adjacent to two sides of the project. The community is comprised of numerous retirees and young families that will be prevented from peaceably enjoying their property and will be adversely affecting the numerous residents around the "project".
- 9. There was never a board vote taken on the full project therefore it does not have the approval of board.

Respectfully Submitted,

RFNC

Agenda Item 22-0098 – Discussion and possible action to approve the Event Approval Form and budget in the amount of \$3,875.00 for the Special Events Committee's Senior's Valentine's Day Dinner Dance to be held at Chaminade College Preparatory, Bob Hope Center located at 7500 Chaminade Avenue, West Hills, on February 14, 2023.



NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL EVENT APPROVAL REQUEST FORM



Office of the City Clerk – Neighborhood Council Funding Program
200 N. Spring Street, Rm 224, Los Angeles, CA 90012 • (213) 978-1058 or Toll-Free 3-1-1

E-mail: Clerk.NCFunding@LACity.org • www.Clerk.LAcity.org

Events are great opportunities for Neighborhood Councils to interact with their stakeholders. There are, however, liability and permitting issues that must be handled prior to the event. The Office of the City Clerk, Administrative Services Division, NC Funding Program Section must approve all Neighborhood Council sponsored events before any payments can be processed.

Please complete, sign, and submit this form <u>at least 30 days</u> prior to your event. Missing or incomplete required information or documents will delay review.

Neighborhood Council: WEST HILLS
The Neighborhood Council is the ■ Main Sponsor or □ Co-Sponsor for the event.
Main sponsor: West Hills Neighborhood Council-Special Events Committee
Contact Person: Steve Randall
Phone: (818) 340-4700stevekr2000@aol.com
Co-Sponsor (if applicable): John Lee Council District 12
Contact Person: Ron Rubine
Phone: (818) 882-1212 Email: ron.rubine@lacity.org
Event Information
Event Title and Description: Senior Valentine's Day Dinner Dance- Provides a Valentine's Day dinner and dance for local seniors who may otherwise be unable to afford going out.
Date: 02/14/2023 Time Frame: 7:00 PM-9:30 PM Est. number of attendees: 200 Event Budget: \$ 3875.00
Venue Name: Chaminade College Preparatory Bob Hope Center
Venue Address: 7500 Chaminade Avenue West Hills, CA 91304
Contact Person: Janet Koller or Elizabeth Gluvna
Phone: (818) 360-4211 Email: jkoller@chaminade.org & egluvna@chaminade
Please note: If the venue for the event is at a City or public facility, e.g. park, school, the venue approval may be easier and at little or no cost. If the venue for the event is not a City facility, a separate contract may be needed and can take up to 60 days to complete.
Please scan the following documents and email to <u>Clerk.NCFunding@lacity.org</u> for approval PRIOR to event:
□ Neighborhood Council Event Approval Form – Signed by Treasurer, 2nd Signer or Event Chair
□ Board Action Request (BAC) Form – Completed and signed by Treasurer and 2nd Signer, or Alternate Signer
□ <u>Itemized Detailed Event Budget</u> — Total budget with funding categories (food, entertainment, flyers, permits, etc.) and with specific vendors if available.

If a bank card credit limit increase will be necessary to pay for expenditures for this event, please contact your

Funding Program Representative to submit a request to increase applicable limits.

The City of Los Angeles provides Neighborhood Councils with event liability coverage in the amount of \$5 million. Depending on the type of event, there may be additional permits and liability issues that must be addressed prior to the event, or the Neighborhood Council will be liable for any penalties or injuries incurred at the event. There may be fees attached to obtaining permits and additional liability so please budget accordingly. It may be easier to partner with the City family or a community based organization or even hire an event planner (will require a contract prepared by the Department) so that they can obtain/handle the necessary permits and liability issues instead. The following must be obtained and submitted PRIOR TO THE EVENT if they are applicable to your event:

If FOOD is being purchased/provided/distributed/served at your event, you m	ay be required to obtain the follow	ng
PERMITS:		

- □ LA County Public Health Department Permits Community Event Organizer and Temporary Food Facility permits may be required. Permit fees may be waived by the County if requested.
- □ LA Fire Department Permit may be necessary for temporary structures setup to prep/cook/serve food.

CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE, SERVICE AGREEMENTS, and/or FACILITY USE PERMITS from Vendors providing the following types of services. Insurance Certificates need to list the "City of Los Angeles" as Additional Insured.

- □ Jumpers/Bouncers (Inflatables) City Risk Management may need to review
- ☐ Games (e.g. dunk tank, other carnival style games, video game bus)
- □ Food (purchased, provided, distributed and/or served)
- □ Entertainers (e.g. DJs, musicians, face painting, balloon artists, etc.)
- □ Equipment Rentals (e.g. performing stage, mechanical rides, canopies)
- ☐ Event Venues (e.g. school auditoriums, private theaters and halls, parks, street block, etc.)

If RENTING a vehicle or truck to transport event materials:

- □ Renting and driving of vehicle/truck must be by a board member
- □ Additional Insurance offered by the rental company must be purchased in full

ADDITIONAL PERMITS may be required if the event has:

- □ Over 500 attendees, which may require LAPD presence LAPD Special Events
- □ Street closures for block parties Bureau of Street Services or LADOT for larger street closures, such as a parade
- □ Tents/canopies larger than 450 square feet or stages/platforms more than 30 inches above grade Building and Safety

CONTACT INFORMATION for possible permits:

- Street Maintenance (213) 847-2999
- Building and Safety (213) 482-0387
- LADOT (Traffic Officers) (323) 913-4652
- LADOT (Signs) (213) 485-2298

- Risk Management (213) 978-7475
- LAPD (213) 486-0410
- LAFD (213)-978-3640
- Sanitation (213) 485-3612
- Street Services http://bsspermits.lacity.org/spevents/
- LADOT (Special Operations) (323) 224-2124 LA County Public Health Dept. http://publichealth.lacounty.gov
- Documents to be submitted to NC Funding Program and filed for you records:
 - Neighborhood Council Event Approval Form Signed by Treasurer, 2nd Signer, Event Chair.
 - Board Action Certification (BAC) Form Completed and signed by Treasurer and 2nd Signer, or Alternate Signer
 - Itemized Detailed Event Budget Final total budget with funding categories and specific vendors.
 - □ Vendor Invoices and Service/Facility Use Agreements
 - □ Copies of Insurance Certificates
 - Copies of Permits
 - □ Proof of Sponsorships (e.g. event flyers, webpage copy, etc.)
 - □ W-9 (for 1099 Individual Services (if applicable)

I have read and understand the requirements set forth in this document and agree to comply with the required paperwork necessary for Neighborhood Council events.

Signature: Steve Candal Print Name: STEVE RANDALL			Date: 11/21/2022	
Print Name: STE	Print Name: STEVE RANDALLTitle		Title: Special Events Committee Co-Chair	
Email: stevekr2000@aol.com			Phone: 818 340-4700	
For Staff Use Only:	☐ Approved	☐ Denied	Code:	
Reviewers Signature	s: 1 st Level			2 nd Level
Reviewers Names:	1st Level			2 nd Level

WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Spending Request Form

Please print legibly or type							
Date of submission:	11/17/2022	Committee Name:	SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE				
Chairperson/Stakeholder:	STEVE RANDALL	Date Appro	oved by Committee: 11/01/2022				
Phone: (818) 340-4700		Email:	steve.randall@westhillsnc.org				
Event/Activity	Seniors Valentine's Day Dinner Dance						
Total Amount Requested:	3,875.00	Budget Line Item:	12				
Justification for request. This must include a statement about how the event/activity benefits the stakeholders							
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TABLE CENTERPIECES			400.00				
DECORATIONS			300.00				
For Budget Committee/Controller Use Only:							
Committee Approved	Budget Approved	Board	Approved				

Agenda Item 22-0099 - Discussion and possible action regarding an application for Historic Cultural Monument (HCM) status for the Circle S Ranch property located at Woodlake and Saticoy Street in West Hills

Los Angeles Department of City Planning RECOMMENDATION REPORT

CULTURAL HERITAGE COMMISSION

CASE NO.: CHC-2015-770-HCM

ENV-2015-771-CE

HEARING DATE:

March 5, 2015

TIME: 10

10:00 AM

PLACE: City Hall, Room 1010

200 N. Spring Street

Los Angeles, CA

90012

Location: 7566 N. Woodlake Avenue

Council District: 12

Community Plan Area: Canoga Park – Winnetka –

Woodland Hills - West Hills

Area Planning Commission: South Valley

Neighborhood Council: West Hills

Legal Description: Lot FR 208 of TR 21391

PROJECT:

Historic-Cultural Monument Application for the

CIRCLE S RANCH

REQUEST:

Declare the property a Historic-Cultural Monument

OWNER(S):

William G. & Joy A, Ross, Trustees, Ross Trust

7566 N. Woodlake Avenue Los Angeles, CA 91304

APPLICANT:

Charles J. Fisher

140 S. Avenue 57

Highland Park, CA 90042

RECOMMENDATION

That the Cultural Heritage Commission:

- 1. **Take the property under consideration** as a Historic-Cultural Monument per Los Angeles Administrative Code Chapter 9, Division 22, Article 1, Section 22.171.10 because the application and accompanying photo documentation suggest the submittal warrants further investigation.
- 2. Adopt the report findings.

MICHAEL J. LOGRANDE Director of Planning

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Ken Bernstein, AICP, Manager Office of Historic Resources

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Lambert M. Giessinger, Preservation Architect

Office of Historic Resources

Nels Youngborg, Preservation Planner Office of Historic Resources

Attachments:

Historic-Cultural Monument Application

SUMMARY

Originally built in 1927, Circle S Ranch is a rare remaining example of a large ranch estate in the San Fernando Valley. Development of this kind occurred prior to World War II, where large ranch estates were constructed in the San Fernando Valley to act as vacation or weekend getaways for the wealthy Hollywood elite. Since then, much of this original development has been lost due to suburbanization and consequent subdivision of what used to be large parcels of land.

The home was built for Frank Stewart Howard, a Buick distributer, who purchased the land from a land syndicate that was established by five of Los Angeles' most prominent businessmen. One of the owners was Harrison Gray Otis, founder and publisher of the Los Angeles Times. The towns of Owensmouth and Van Nuys were also established by this organization. The property changed hands many times throughout its history, notably acquired by Grenville W. Stratton in 1947 after leasing the property for three years. As the landowner, he changed the name of the property to Circle S Stables to suit the needs of his thriving horse racing and breeding business. Under his ownership, Circle S Ranch became widely recognized as a landmark of the San Fernando Valley, as described in a 1954 Los Angeles Times article.

The house, which is the primary structure on the property, exhibits many character-defining features of the Dutch Colonial Revival style including:

- Main entrance framed with pilasters supporting an arched, triangular gabled porch
- Transverse main gable; full gambrel gable on north and south façades
- Long shed dormers along the front and back of the house
- Multi-paned casement windows
- Symmetrical design
- · Two stories in height

The property has undergone many additions and alterations between 1931 and 1976, but retained its architectural character and authenticity. Alterations include an added maids' quarters, a 100-foot long horse barn (later moved off the property and demolished), removal of the original barn off the property, and a new chicken coop. Notably, the acreage of the site was reduced in 1956 from 38.5 to 3.46 acres, yet is still uniquely larger than surrounding properties.

CRITERIA

The criterion is the Cultural Heritage Ordinance which defines a historical or cultural monument as any site (including significant trees or other plant life located thereon) building or structure of particular historic or cultural significance to the City of Los Angeles, such as historic structures or sites in which the broad cultural, economic, or social history of the nation, State or community is reflected or exemplified, or which are identified with historic personages or with important events in the main currents of national, State or local history or which embody the distinguishing characteristics of an architectural type specimen, inherently valuable for a study of a period style or method of construction, or a notable work of a master builder, designer or architect whose individual genius influenced his age.

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FINDINGS

Based on the facts set forth in the summary and application, the Commission determines that the application is complete and that the property may be significant enough to warrant further investigation as a potential Historic-Cultural Monument.

Office of Historic Resources/Cultural Heritage Commission





NOMINATION FORM

PROPERTY IDEN	ITIFICATION							
Proposed Monur	ment Name: Circle S Ranch				Former name o	of prop	erty	
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HISTORIC-CULTURAL MONUMENT



NOMINATION FORM

5. ALTERATION SUMMARY

List **date** and write a **brief description** of work done for major alterations. This section may also be completed on a separate document. Be sure to include copies of building permits in the nomination packet (see Section 9. SUBMITTAL).

1.	1931	Maids quarters added to garage in second level loft, formerly storage. (This may now be a 2nd dwelling on lot.)	
2.	1944	Guest house constructed.	
3.	1955	100 foot long horse barn (no permit found for its original construction) moved off the property.	
4.	1956	Property subdivided and lot cut from 38.5 acres to 3.46 acres.	
5.	1957	Original barn moved off the property.	
6.	1972	Eight foot opening added to interior of house.	
7.	1976	New chicken coop built. Fifteen chicken coops built in 1927 are no longer extant.	
8.			

6. EXISTING HISTORIC RESOURCE IDENTIFICATION (If known)

	Listed in the National Register of Historic Places		
	Listed in the California Register of Historical Resources		
	Formally determined eligible for the National and/or Californ	ia Registers	
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Other historical or cultural resource designation(s):

7. WRITTEN STATEMENTS

This section allows you to **discuss at length** the significance of the proposed monument and why it should be nominated as a Historic-Cultural Monument. Type your responses on a separate document and attach sheets to the back of this form.

- **A. Proposed Monument Description** Describe the proposed monument's physical characteristics and relationship to its surrounding environment. Identify and describe any character-defining elements, structures, interior spaces, or landscape features.
- **B.** Statement of Significance Address the proposed monument's historic, cultural, and/or architectural significance by discussing how it satisfies the HCM criteria selected in Section 4 (on the previous page). You must support your argument with substantial evidence and analysis.

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HISTORIC-CULTURAL MONUMENT



NOMINATION FORM

8. CONTACT INFORMATION

Applicant						
Name: Friends of Circl	e S Ranch	Company:	Company:			
Street Address: P.O. Box 4099		City: West Hills State: CA				
Zip: 91308	Phone Number: 818-807-9259	Terror on an account of the contract of the co	Email: danlbrin@aol.com			
Property Owner	Is the owne	r in support of th	ne nomination? Yes O	No ① Unknowr		
Name: William G. & Jo	y A. Ross, Trustees, Ross Trust	Company:				
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NOMINATION FORM

10. SUBMITTAL

When you have completed preparing your nomination, compile all materials in the order specified below. Although the entire packet must not exceed 100 pages, you may send additional material on a CD or flash drive.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

1. Nomination Form	6. Copies of Building Permits for Major Alterations
2. Vritten Statements A and B	(include first construction permit)
3. Bibliography	7. Contemporary Photos
4. Two Primary Photos of Exterior/Main Façade	8. Historical Photos
5. Copies of Primary/Secondary Documents	9. ✓ ZIMAS Parcel Report

Mail the Historic-Cultural Monument Submittal to the Office of Historic Resources or email PDF to lambert.giessinger@lacity.org

Office of Historic Resources Department of City Planning 200 N. Spring Street, Room 620 Los Angeles, CA 90012 Phone: 213.978.1200

Website: preservation.lacity.org



Circle S Ranch Architectural Description

This two story Dutch Colonial Revival residence has a symmetrical design with a transverse main gable that is a full gambrel gable on the North and South facades with a large brick chimney centered in each pediment. There are single story slope roofed wings under each of the gable pediments, as well as long shed dormers along the front and rear of the house.

The central main entrance is topped by a triangular gabled porch that is arched over the entry. A brick patio area, with steps at the front is at the front of the entry. The entry is flanked by identical square window bays with multi light wood casement window. Most, if not all of the windows throughout the house appear to be multi-light casement as well. The upper story is covered with smooth stucco, while the lower story is covered with a brick veneer. All windows also appear to be located in a symmetrical pattern throughout the house, with some of the second story windows having metal awning (not original) also set in a symmetrical manner. small vertical vents flank the chimney in both pediments.

No interior description is available at this point.

Accessory Structures include a second two-story dwelling located to the right rear of the main house. The composition roof is a single transverse cable. This structure may have originally been a four car garage, which was an expansion of the original 1927 vintage garage. The second story was initially converted to a maid's quarters in 1931. A single-story frame guest house was constructed in 1941. A long wooden pergola stretches from the rear of the main house to what may be a chicken coop constructed in 1976. A small gazebo of unknown date is located a distance to the front of the two-story garage/dwelling

Landscaped grounds with mature trees surround the building on the large lot with an open area to the rear.

Circle S Ranch 7566 Woodlake Avenue Significance Statement

Built in 1927 for Buick distributor Frank Stewart Howard, this large Dutch Colonial Revival House is a very rare remaining example of the large ranch houses that were built in the San Fernando Valley prior to World War II. These smaller ranches represent a period in which the well-to-do of Los Angeles purchased land in the San Fernando Valley as a home away from their property in town. Many of these properties were owned by the elite of Hollywood, while others were purchased by those who had made their fortune in other areas. A native of East Orange, New Jersey, Howard was born on February 19, 1887 and was raised by his English-born mother in East Durham, Ontario, Canada after his parents divorced. He migrated California as a teenager in 1905 to work with his older brother, Charles, as an automobile salesman for the Howard Automobile Company, which eventually owned dealerships in California,, Nevada Oregon and Washington. Frank Howard founded his own Buick dealership, the Howard Motor Company as a separate Pasadena and Hollywood concern in 1919.

Howard bought Lot 1050 of Tract No. 1000. Tract No. 1000 was subdivided in 1911 out of a large swath of the Rancho Ex-Mission de San Fernando for the Board of Control, a land syndicate that had been established by five of Los Angeles' most successful businessmen, Harrison Gray Otis, founder and publisher of the Los Angeles Times, Harry Chandler, his son-in-law and successor, "General" Moses Hazeltine Sherman, a land speculator and former street railroad czar (who took his title from when he served as the Adjutant General of Arizona Territory for two terms in the 1880s) in Phoenix and later Los Angeles, Hobart Johnstone Whitley, a land developer and banker who later developed Whitley Heights and Otto F. Brent, Vice President of Title Insurance and Trust. The subdivision of Tract 1000 was in anticipation of the opening of the Owens Aqueduct, then being built under the auspices of William Mulholland (who was not involved in the land speculation). The towns of Owensmouth and Van Nuys were also established by the syndicate. Lot 1050 was considered to be in the greater Owensmouth area. Tract No. 1000 consisted of acreage lots ranging from less than 2 acres to several that were well over 800 acres each. Lot 1050 was 38.5 acres at the Southeast corner of what was originally Tenth Street and Santa Ana Avenue, now Saticoy Street and Woodlake Avenue.

The lot was originally sold to John T. Hadley, who may have improved it with a small cottage and a barn prior to the 1915 annexation of the San Fernando Valley to the City of Los Angeles. A native of lowa, Hadley and arrived in California during the great 1880s land rush. In 1890, he was living in Ventura and listed as an agent for the Santa Monica Land and Water Company. He was still there in 1896, but by 1900, he, along with his wife, Lillian, and children had relocated to Pomona. The 1910 census shows the family in Santa Ana, with John listed as an employee for a fruit farm. It is very likely that he bought the lot in Tract 1000 in order to establish his own fruit orchard. Prior to the bringing of the Owens River water, the area had only been usable for dry farming. Sadly, John Hadley passed away in his early 60s and by 1920, the property was just in his wife's name. She was then living with their oldest son and his family on Sherman Way.

She eventually sold the land to Virgil W. Deaver, a young nurseryman from Santa Ana. Records show that Deaver and his wife Louise lived on the property around 1926. When Frank Howard bought the land, the Deavers moved to San Diego and then bought a fruit orchard near Escondido.

Howard hired contractor J. H. Hillock in December of 1926 to re-roof and re-shingle the exterior of the existing barn. He then had Hillock construct the main house for a cost of \$8,500.00 as well as a stucco covered garage for \$500.00, in January of 1927. In March he had Hillock construct 14 chicken coops of varying sizes, as well as another one in the following November. These coops appear to have been built to house exotic birds and other animals, including thoroughbred horses. The largest of these was 108 feet long. On July 14, 1929, it was announced in the Los Angeles Times that Frank Howard, at the age of 42, was retiring from his automobile business to "devote all of his attention to his personal interests". One would think that his ranch was one of them. However, subsequent events indicate the real reason was due to Howard having evolved into a chronic alcoholic. One month later, on August 17th, Howard drove out to his ranch with his 12 year old son, Richard. Upon returning to their Wellington Square home that evening, the senior Howard drank himself into a violent frenzy and ordered his mother-in-law, who had been staying with the family, to move out. His wife tried to intervene, but he started choking her. Richard, at that point, grabbed a 22 cal. rifle and shot his father, who died from his wound before reaching the hospital. The shooting was investigated but ruled a justifiable homicide as the boy had legitimate fear for his mother's life. On October 18, 1930, the Howard Estate deeded the property to George D. Chambers.

Chambers was simply listed as a "capitalist" in the Los Angeles Times article announcing the sale. The article also noted the following: "The ranch consists of a new ten-room home, completely furnished, five car garage, large stables, foreman's cottage, and is stocked with pheasants, peacocks, grouse, deer, turkey and blooded horses." It appears the George Chambers' father, Wesley, made a substantial amount of oil money in Pennsylvania while he was raising his family, which would explain his son never listing an occupation other than "own income" on any census or city directory. Chambers had the upper level of the garage converted to living quarters for the maid. Chambers and his wife, Mary, were living in Windsor Square at the time of the purchase, but eventually moved to the ranch where George passed away on October 31, 1940. Mrs. Chambers then sold the ranch to May H. Carreaud, who then leased it to Douglas Aircraft executive Grenville (George) W. Stratton, who was already known as a breeder of fine race horses.

Stratton named the land the "Circle S Ranch" and, in 1944, built a guest house on the property and converted the largest of the chicken houses into a horse barn. Three years later, Stratton bought the property. Under his ownership the Circle S Stables had became well known in the turf community, already leading in track winnings before moving to the Valley ranch in what was by then known as Canoga Park. Probably the most famous horse at the ranch was Your Host, who won 10 major races in a short time before breaking a shoulder in a fall during the San Pasqual Handicap. The horse was insured by Lloyds of London, which brought in their own veterinarian after paying off the claim in 1951. While his racing career was over, Your Host recovered at the Circle S Ranch and went on to have a very active stud career, producing a number of winning progeny, including the famed horse, Kelso. Another famous horse sired on

the ranch was Yankee Valor, a son of Stratton's famed horse, Heelfly. However, even with the successful horse ranch, George Stratton faced his own obstacles. His wife, Cora, had suffered a seizure in 1944 and she and been confined at Hollywood Presbyterian Hospital since September 19th of that year. By the time Your Host arrived, Stratton was in a battle with his stepdaughter over his wife's half of the estate, including the ranch after she passed away 17 days after Your Host arrived at the ranch. The battle was a long one. In the mean time Stratton remarried, his new wife, Janice, being well known for her philanthropic endeavors. The cost of the lawsuit along with George Stratton's own poor health forced him to close the Circle S Ranch in 1954, Two years later, the Stratton's filed Tract No. 21391, in which they subdivided The Circle S Ranch into 207 home site lots and one 3.46 acre lot for the remaining ranch buildings. The large 100 foot horse barn was moved off the land in 1955 and later demolished when the land it was placed on was subdivided. The original barn was moved to a parcel on Zelzah in 1957 and was later demolished for an apartment building.

In an unusual arrangement, the Stratton's partnered with 13 different homebuilders in the subdivision, with each builder being brought in as part owner of the subdivision. This was to ensure that there would be a definite variety of home designs in the tract, rather than the variations of a handful of designs that is the normal fare in a subdivision that is done by one or two builders. Janice Stratton sold the remaining ranch property to William G. Ross, a banker, and his wife Joy, on May 15, 1972. Other than putting the property in a family trust in 1990, there has been no ownership changes since then.

The main house and outbuildings appear to be in a remarkable state of preservation and represent a visible reminder of the early San Fernando Valley lifestyle that developed between the World Wars. This was a period of large estates which were frequently used as weekend getaways for the rich and famous. This is what Howard used it for. The earlier owner, John T. Hadley, however, intended to live on the property and use it in the true agrarian manner as a fruit orchard, most probably with plans to expand his holdings. His death prevented that from happening. The next owners to actually live on the property were George and Mary Chambers, but only after they had owned it for several years. Building permit records show that Grenville (George) Stratton began leasing the property during World War II for his Circle S Ranch, raising race horses on the land as early as 1940 (The name "Circle S Stables" shows in the Los Angeles Times as early as 1938, but it is unknown whether Stratton moved the name or was leasing land from the Chambers as well.)

These ranches followed the pattern of subdivision after World War II. After the closure of the horse ranch, the ranch was subdivided in the same manner that Peppergate Ranch (HCM 992) was split up, leaving an acreage lot for the original ranch house and outbuildings. The difference is that the Peppergate property was again reduced by a later subdivision in the 1960s. Circle S Ranch has retained its smaller acreage and remains today as a reminder of a lifestyle that faded away as the Valley transformed into suburbia in the Post World War II decades.

Circle S. Ranch meets two of the criteria for Historic Cultural Monument as it as it embodies the distinguishing characteristics of an architectural-type specimen, inherently valuable for a study of a period, style, or method of construction in both the main house and the outbuildings and

that it reflects the broad cultural, political, economic, or social history of the nation, state, or community is reflected or exemplified in its period of significance as both a working ranch built as a retreat for an urban businessman and as an important midcentury link in the history of thoroughbred horses in both California and the sport as a whole.

Resolution in support of Historical Cultural Monument (HCM) status for Circle S Ranch West Hills Neighborhood Council

Dec. 1, 2022

WHEREAS, the Circle S Ranch property at 7566 Woodlake Ave. in West Hills was built in 1927 and remains as a rare remaining example of the ranch estates that at one time dotted the San Fernando Valley; and

WHEREAS, the house at Circle S Ranch exhibits many of the character-defining features of the Dutch Colonial Revival style and stands as a beautiful reminder of a bygone era in our community; and

WHEREAS, the property has well-documented historic significance as the home of Frank Stewart Howard, an automotive pioneer, and Grenville W. Stratton, a noted owner and breeder of racing horses, among others; and

WHEREAS, in 2015, the Cultural Heritage Commission of the City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning voted unanimously to endorse Historic Cultural Monument (HCM) status for Circle S Ranch; and

WHEREAS, the undeveloped portion of the property is excluded from the proposed HCM designation; and

WHEREAS, the entire property, including the historic residence, is now up for sale and therefore is in imminent danger of destruction; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the West Hills community to preserve this structure, both as a reminder of our history and for its own sake as a beautiful adornment of our busy lives;

LET IT BE RESOLVED that the West Hills Neighborhood Council supports the City Council's reconsideration and approval of HCM status for the Circle S Ranch structures and their immediate grounds, excluding the undeveloped eastern section along Saticoy Street.

Submitted by the West Hills Neighborhood Council's Zoning and Planning Committee