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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

JOINT BOARD AND ZONING & PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

May 8, 2018 Chaminade Condon Center 23260 Saticoy St., West Hills, CA 91304

Call to Order at 6:35 p.m. Those Present: Aida Abkarians, Faye Barta, Dan Brin, Bob Brostoff, Anthony Brosamle, Margery Brown, Carolyn Greenwood, Bonnie Klea, Steve Randall, Bill Rose, Charlene Rothstein, Myrl Schreibman, Joan Trent Alec Uzemeck,

Absent: Ron Sobel

Public Comment:

• Chris Rowe stated that there are problems with the L.A. River and eminent domain in regard to the new ordinance requiring free space. She also stated there is a lack of preparedness involving Bull Creek and asked that this problem be put on the June Agenda.

Comments From Chair:

• None

Minutes for April meeting approved as amended.

Old Business:

- Discussion and possible action regarding a CUP to increase enrollment at a daycare/preschool, add an afternoon enrichment program/mommy and me class, located at 22566 Vanowen Street, West Hills
 - This item was approved at the April committee meeting. It has been recently noted that the property is now owned by the Los Angeles Jewish Federation. The CUP was discussed by Dan Brin and Charlene Rothstein. Jerry Wayne, of the Federation, also took part.
 - There were complaints from neighbors about noise coming from events held at the facility. They complained that the events being held were in violation of the CUP. Jerry Wayne stated that there have been no complaints filed regarding excessive noise. He agreed to meet with the neighbors to discuss the issues.
 - No action was taken. This item is being tabled to the June meeting, after a discussion is held with neighbors.
- Status update on handicapped parking at various West Hills locations including West Hills Hospital Rehab and Trader Joe's.
 - Myrl Schreibman remarked on possible lack of required handicapped parking spaces near Trader Joe's and at the West Hills Hospital Rehab facility.

- Mr. Schreibman also stated that he had spoken to ROIC, the owner of the Trader Joe's Market building to no avail.
- No action taken.

New Business

- Discussion and possible action regarding an application for the continuation of ZA-2012-2807(CUB), for the sale of alcohol for off site use. City Market Liquor located at 22107 Roscoe Blvd
 - This item was tabled with no discussion.
- Discussion and possible action on an application submitted by Oceanside Malibu Treatment Center to operate a daytime treatment center at 8300 Valley Circle Blvd., West Hills, 91304
 - The owner, David Johnson described the facility as not being a hospital and it is not occupied by clients. The Center is used for therapy groups. The some of the clients are referred to this Center after exiting residential treatment. Others are still in treatment.
 - Mr Johnson explained the schedule of sessions as mostly occurring during daytime hours, with only very few occurring after 5 p.m.
 - He also stated that they do not accept any registered sex offenders.
 - The ages of the clients are 18 years and up. Most live in sober living facilities and are transported to this facility in vans, under constant supervision.
 - Mr Johnson Also stated that there is no CUP required for this service because the building is in a commercial zone. However, he stated that he will look into this issue.
 - Mr Johnson stated that there is a staff on site or 7 or 8 and that the therapy groups consist of 8-15 clients. The staff monitors the clients and do not allow them to leave the office.
 - Comments from stakeholders centered on why this facility is being located near a dance studio with young children, and why don't they move closer to West Hills Hospital instead.
 - The owners were also asked how many clients come from out of state. The answer was they don't track that information.
 - The owners were also asked how they get their clients. The answer was that they have a web site, and about 80% of them have been in treatment prior to this and have had relapses. They also stated that after this treatment there are fewer relapses.
 - Another question was do they do criminal background checks and the answer was yes.
 - After this discussion this item was tabled to April.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.