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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

JOINT HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETING MINUTES

June 19, 2017

Chaminade High School, West Hills

Revised June 26, 2017

Those in attendance were: Simone Best, Aida Abkarians, Margery Brown, Robin Goodman (stakeholder), Fiona Kilner, Reeyan Raynes (arrived 7:30 PM), Mark Stewart (stakeholder), Alec Uzemeck, Brad Vanderhoof, and Joanne Yvanek-Garb (arrived 7:00 PM).

Committee Co-Chair Simone Best called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM. A quorum was established.

The May meeting minutes were approved.

Numbers refer to agenda items:

4. Chair Comments: The co-chair distributed the following handouts: “The housing crisis deepens – The L.A. City Council should approve the ‘linkage fee’ to raise money for affordable housing”, Los Angeles Times 6/18/2017; “Latino homeless a ‘new phenomenon’ – With thousands more living on L.A. County streets, a large demographic sees a disproportionate effect”, Los Angeles Times 6/18/2017; “Community Impact Statement Recommendation RE: CF 17-0090-S1 / Prop HHH and Project Labor Agreement PLA”; a motion presented by Gilbert Cedillo, Councilmember, 1st District, date stamped May 03 2017; “Affordable Housing Linkage Fee – Ordinance background & Frequently Asked Questions-Updated May 31, 2017” (page 1).
5. Public Comments: None
6. Homeless Count: Simone reviewed the data from the 2017 Greater LA Homeless Count.
7. Interfaith Meeting: Simone reviewed the meeting and Aida shared pictures. Simone asked committee members to plan for the subsequent meeting on September 27th.
8. CF 17-0090-S1-Prop HHH and Project Labor Agreement: Simone presented the CIS and asked the committee members to support the CIS. On a vote of Ayes – 6, Noes – 0, Abstentions – 4 the CIS passed. Simone will send the CIS to the Board for the July meeting.
9. CF 17-0274-Affordable Housing Linkage Fee: Simone described the proposed linkage fee and how it would apply to commercial and residential property. Joanne suggested Greg Good and Ben Winters as contacts for additional information. Simone formed a working group consisting of Alec, Brad and Simone. They will prepare a draft CIS for presentation to the committee at the July meeting.
10. Budget. Simone reported the budget request was fully funded by the Board.

11. HGWHO:

- a. Simone and Tom intervened on two HGWHO contacts since the last meeting. RVs parked on Valley Circle and an encampment in the alley close to Shoup and Victory. Appropriate contacts were made with LAPD and outreach workers. Follow-up contacts were made with stakeholders.
- b. Fiona will present the HGWHO decision tree at the July meeting.

12. Fostering Animals-Olivia: tabled to July

13. Youth and Education Committee Report-Aida: tabled to September

14. Shower Program: Prince of Peace church now hosts the mobile shower unit. Alec will contact Corinne Ho to check if the Canoga Park NC is still interested in a joint effort.

15. Homeless Connect Day: Simone reported the Committee is committed to participate in the Homeless Connect Day on October 19th. Aida volunteered to lead the planning workgroup.

16. West SFV Bridge Housing and Safe parking: Simone and Brad gave an overview of safe parking and bridge housing. Tom will present the plan in depth at the July 17 meeting.

Simone adjourned the meeting at 7:43 PM.

The next meeting of this committee is on Monday, July 17, 2017 at 6:30 PM, Chaminade High School Condon Center, second floor conference room.