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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

JOINT BOARD AND ZONING & PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, June 10, 2025 @ 6:30 P.M.

**Chaminade College Preparatory – Condon Center 2nd Floor
2341 W. Cohasset Street, West Hills, CA 91304**

1. Call to Order at 6:38 P.M.

2. Quorum was established.

Committee Members Present: Aida Abkarians, Faye Barta, Carolyn Greenwood, Kim Koerber, Saif Mogri (AB2449), Penelope Newmark, Steve Randall (AB2449), Bill Rose and Charlene Rothstein. Glenn Jennings and Brenda Citrom were present and appointed to the Committee.

Committee Members Absent: Dan Brin, Chris Pike and Myrl Schreibman.

Other Board Members Present: Brad Vanderhoof.

3. Comments from the Co-Chair(s). Char spoke to Ryan Patterson, the attorney for the Woodlake Apartments project. He advised her that there are no current updates. Char advised him of the difficulty to access documents online and per the advise of the architect Allan Dietel asked for a 3-D rendering for the project.

Char also advised that a project on 8817 Chatlake Dr., Canoga Park will be coming before the Committee next month. The owner of the property, Amir Samani, was present and spoke about some of the roadblocks he has encountered in attempting to build on the site. There is a hearing on June 25th and he is going to ask for a continuance.

4. Minutes from May 13, 2025 were amended and approved.

5. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items: A stakeholder commented that the weeds are dangerously high at Sherman Place and Westlake.

New Business:

6. Discussion and possible action to submit a letter to Mayor Karen Bass with a request for the City of Los Angeles to take a position in support of local control and against SB 79.

Char would like to have approval from the committee for a letter to Mayor Karen Bass requesting that the City take a position against SB 79 and to support such legislative action as bringing control to the cities, no more – one size fits all, the need to have public hearings and that the neighborhood councils have a seat at the table.

Motion passed unanimously.

7. Discussion and possible action on submitting a letter to Mayor Karen Bass, City Council and City Planning/Planners regarding suspending progress of the Southwest Valley Community Plans until the State of California has finalized addressing housing shortages.

Char spoke to City Planning Associate Lucy Martinez who stated finalization of the Community Plan is approximately a year out. Char would like to have approval from the committee for a letter to Mayor Karen Bass, City Council and City Planning/Planners requesting that finalization of the Southwest Valley Community Plan be suspended until Sacramento finalizes affordable housing policies and local control is re-established.

Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

8. Discussion and possible action regarding revisions to the City Charter including Article IX and Council File 25-0600-S7

Char stated that she tried to attend the meeting on this matter today but there was a problem with the audio. She feels that the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) and the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners (BONC) has too much control over the neighborhood councils. She requested that all committee members review the documents and be prepared to provide input next month.

9. The meeting was adjourned by Char at 7:30 p.m.