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JOINT ZONING & PLANNING COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETING
October 12, 2015 @ 6: 30 p.m.
Fairwinds - West Hills
8138 Woodlake Avenue, West Hills, California 91304
Minutes

- Call To Order – Mr Bill Rose, Co-Chair
- Approval of minutes
 - Minutes for the regular meeting held on Sept. 8, 2015 were approved as amended.

Committee members in attendance were Bill Rose, Alec Uzemeck, Tony Brosamle, Aida Abkarians, Erik Augustiny, Dan Brin, Bob Brostoff, Margery Brown, and Steve Randall.

Old Business

Update on property at 8420 Melba Ave., West Hills (Possibly illegally running a business from the house and storing items in the front yard)

- Anthony Brosamle, board member, reported that he had observed the property twice during the past month. He stated that the shed has been removed, most of the debris had been removed from the front yard, there were no company vans visible, and that the location looks much better. There still is a makeshift, low, retaining wall there and a tarp is still draped on a fence.
- Ara Gregorian, an neighbor, representing himself and other neighbors, agreed with the previous statement. However he indicated that now there were 4 cars parked in the cul-de-sac which might be used cars being sold by the owner of the house. He also stated that it appears that the plumbing business is still being run from the house.
- Another neighbor stated that a citation has been issued with a cease and desist order related to running the business from the house.

Update on the Lederer Property

Charlene Rothstein reported that the property is still in litigation, per Alan Dietel and that a court date has been set for Dec. 16, 2015. In the meantime, Paul Edelman, of the Santa Monica Mountains Conservatory, has stated that the organization is having difficulty reaching a financial agreement to purchase the property and is having difficulty raising funds for it's purchase.

New Business

1. Discussion, and possible action regarding installation of 2 proposed above-ground cabinets for telephone company equipment. One would be located at Lockhurst Dr. and Gilmore St, and the other at Ingomar St. and Sausalito Ave. After little discussion, and no objections, the committee agreed to support the installations.
2. Discussion regarding Marijuana growers in West Hills. No location mentioned.
There was general discussion over the use of homes in residential areas for the growing of marijuana. It was pointed out that it is legal to do so. It was also mentioned that the State has just passed some legislation regarding the cultivation of marijuana. Also discussed was the possibility of the WHNC making recommendations to the City regarding allowable locations for growing.

More specifically, there was discussion with a grower who is using a rented house with a garage. The neighbors on one side of the house are complaining that the air conditioner, which is required for growing, is too noisy. The operator of the facility stated that they are going to move the a/c unit to the back of the house to make it quieter. They are also pursuing the possibility of partially enclosing it with some soundproofing material.

It was suggested to the grower that he talk to the lessee about moving the entire operation out of a residential neighborhood. Although he said he would mention it to the lessee, he did not indicate much hope of that happening.

No action was taken.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm

Submitted by
Bob Brostoff
Secretary