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JOINT GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETING MINUTES Monday June 19, 2017 Chaminade High School, West Hills Revised June 23, 2017

Those in attendance were: Joanne Yvanek-Garb, Aida Abkarians, Simone Best, Marge Brown, Reeyan Raynes, and Brad Vanderhoof.

Committee Chair Joanne Yvanek-Garb called the meeting to order at 8:54 PM. A quorum was established.

Numbers refer to agenda items:

2. Public Comments: None
3. CF 17-0274 Affordable Housing Linkage Fee:
A letter from the Hollywood Hills West NC to Gracie Liu was distributed. Joanne will work with the Homelessness Committee.
4. CF 17-0002-S89 Earthquake Early Warning System:
A resolution presented by David RYU, Councilman, 4th District, date stamped JUN 07 2017, was distributed.
Joanne made a motion to submit a CIS, with no amendments or additional comments, in support of the resolution to the Board.
Ayes -- 5, Noes -- 0, Abstain -- 0
The motion passed. Joanne will prepare the CIS.
5. Distracted Driving:
A motion, presented by Mitchell Englander, Councilmember, 12th District, date stamped MAY 24 2017, was distributed. Reeyan reported the council file is CF 17-0585.
Joanne made a motion to submit a CIS with a recommendation to follow California Highway Patrol practices in support of the motion to the Board.
Ayes -- 5, Noes -- 0, Abstain -- 0
The motion passed. Joanne will prepare the CIS.
6. Marijuana Regulations:
A document related to CF 14-0366-S5, 'RULES, ELECTIONS, INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS, AND NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE REPORT and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to establishing a Cannabis Commission and a Cannabis Department and Executive Director' was distributed. Joanne reported on city meetings she attended regarding recreational marijuana regulations for retail locations. A document from the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council regarding marijuana regulation was distributed. Aida expressed concern about the minimum distance to schools, and Reeyan opposed the inclusion of operating hours stating the CUPs for individual locations specify when businesses can be open.

Committee members agreed to amend the Sherman Oaks document as follows: remove the paragraph limiting the number of MRBs and specifying a 2500-foot radius, specify “reasonable hours” instead of specific times, add “liquor stores and bars” to item 3. c., rewrite the introduction, delete the last paragraph.

Joanne made a motion to submit a CIS with language based on the Sherman Oaks document including agreed upon changes in support of the ordinance referenced in CF 14-0366-S5 to the Board.

Ayes -- 4, Noes -- 0, Abstain -- 1

The motion passed. Joanne will prepare the CIS.

7. Herman Ordinance:

Simone made a motion to have the council oppose splitting NCs. Aida seconded.

The motion passed by unanimous consent.

8. Community Plans:

A motion presented by Mike Bonin, Councilmember, 11th District, and Herb Wesson, Jr., Councilmember, 10th District, date stamped JUN 15 2016, was distributed. The council file for this is CF 16-0422. Joanne will circulate a sample letter regarding this matter.

This item was tabled to July.

Joanne adjourned the meeting at 9:15 PM.

The next meeting of this committee will be: July 17, 2017, 7:30 PM, Chaminade High School Condon Center, second floor conference room