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WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

JOINT BOARD AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE ONLINE AND TELEPHONIC MEETING AGENDA

Monday, December 21, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

This meeting of the West Hills Neighborhood Council Homelessness Committee will be conducted online via Zoom Webinar and telephonically. All are invited to attend and participate.

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1. Call to Order
2. Establish a quorum
3. Review and approval of minutes from October 19, 2020 meeting and November 16, 2020
4. Comments from the Co-Chairs
5. Report from Homeless Liaison, Marie Javdani, WHNC Board Member
6. Public Comment
7. UPDATE - 2021 Homeless Count CANCELED – Marie Javdani, WHNC Board Member
8. Updates on West Hills Task Force to assist unhoused West Hills stakeholders with shelter, housing or Safe Parking options.
 - Safe Parking LA Update – Maricor Garaniel, Case manager, Reseda lot
9. Discussion and possible on approval of West Hills land parcel(s) identified for housing/services – Daniel Osztriecher, WHNC Board Member
10. Update, discussion and possible action on Supportive Housing, Bridge Housing and alternative housing options, West Valley Neighborhood Alliance on Homelessness, Olivia, Tom, Aida
 1. WVNHA Outreach Committee Provider of the Month, West Valley Food Pantry
11. Call for future agenda items
12. Adjourn - Next meeting is Monday, January 11, 2021 at 6:00 pm on Zoom Virtual Mtg (2nd Monday)

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JOINT HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETING MINUTES

October 19, 2020

Telephonic and Web Meeting

Revised October 20, 2020

Attendance: Aida Abkarians, Thomas Booth, Olivia Naturman, Margery Brown, Marie Javdani, Saif Mogri, Steve Randall, Bill Rose, Joan Trent, and Brad Vanderhoof

Public attendance: John Hogue, Danny Osztreicher

Committee Co-chair Thomas Booth called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. A quorum was established.

The August meeting minutes were approved.

The September meeting minutes were approved.

Chair Comments: Thomas said he believes CD12 is moving forward to create housing. He mentioned the planned purchase of the Travelodge on Devonshire in Chatsworth as a positive example.

Public Comment: None

Numbers refer to agenda items.

6. Report from Homeless Liaison, Marie: The liaisons have not met since the last committee meeting.

8. Chatsworth Project Home Key: Thomas explained the differences between Project Room Key and Project Home Key. Project Room Key is meant to be temporary and utilizes support the short-term leases; Project Home Key is permanent housing with the City purchasing properties.

Aida moved to recommend the WHNC Board support the Chatsworth Travelodge Project Home Key conversion.
Joan seconded.

Yes – 7, No – 0, Abstain – 1
The motion passed.

9. WHNC Homelessness Committee should site locations for homeless housing and services: Aida suggested the property across Valley Circle from Westhills Baseball. Danny suggested collecting site recommendations from the community and having a public meeting. Bill offered to help research suggested properties in terms of ownership, zoning, best use, etc. Bill also mentioned he thought the WHNC had done an extensive search a few years back and determined there are no suitable properties in West Hills, but he welcomes an effort to revisit. Thomas would like to have consensus from the Board before searching for properties.

10. CA Proposition 21, Local Rent Control Initiative, and its potential impact on preventing homelessness: Thomas explained this agenda item is meant to discuss impacts and not take a position. After some debate on whether a discussion is appropriate, Danny suggested waiting until after the election.

11. Formation of a West Hills Homeless Task Force: Thomas explained his idea is to take ownership of the problem by learning about barriers and identifying individuals in need. Olivia said she thinks better communication and more information sharing will increase collaboration. No action at this time.

12. Supportive Housing, Bridge Housing and alternative housing options, West Valley Neighborhood Alliance on Homelessness: Olivia advocates for more outreach and talking directly with individuals experiencing homelessness. The West Valley Food Pantry needs volunteers. Olivia can provide a contact.

13. Call for future agenda items: Marie said we the committee should discuss how to approach the community to build consensus and not create a backlash of opposition. Thomas suggested HCD.CA.GOV for information. He also said modular or pallet shelters may qualify for funding under federal funding programs.

Committee Co-chair AIDA adjourned the meeting at 7:15 PM.

The next meeting of this committee is on Monday, November 16, 2020 at 6:00 PM. Webinar and telephonic.



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Committee Co-chair Thomas Booth called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM. A quorum was established.

The October meeting minutes were tabled.

Chair Comments: Thomas reported that Councilmember John Lee, LA City Council District 12, is holding a concurrent meeting to announce the establishment of A Bridge Home in Northridge at the Skateland site. Thomas and co-chairs recommended a delay in committee business until after viewing this plan for a new shelter in CD 12 has completed then to reconvene to finish committee business.

Brief synopsis of A Bridge Home information – Councilmember Lee reported Skateland skatepark will be purchased and operated by Hope of the Valley, set to open in the Fall of 2021. Councilmember Lee stated the need for community support. Ken Craft, CEO of Hope of the Valley reported their organization operated 9 shelters in the SFV with navigation centers, job placements, etc. Mr. Craft stated this location will be a permanent location for interim bridge housing with 24 hour security, case management, substance use counseling and job training. Additional information can be found on the CD 12 website or contact this office directly.

Regular business reconvened; quorum was reestablished.

Public Comment: None

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7. Allocation of \$250 for the 2021 Homeless Count were unanimously APPROVED – 12- YES, 0- NO/ABSTAIN

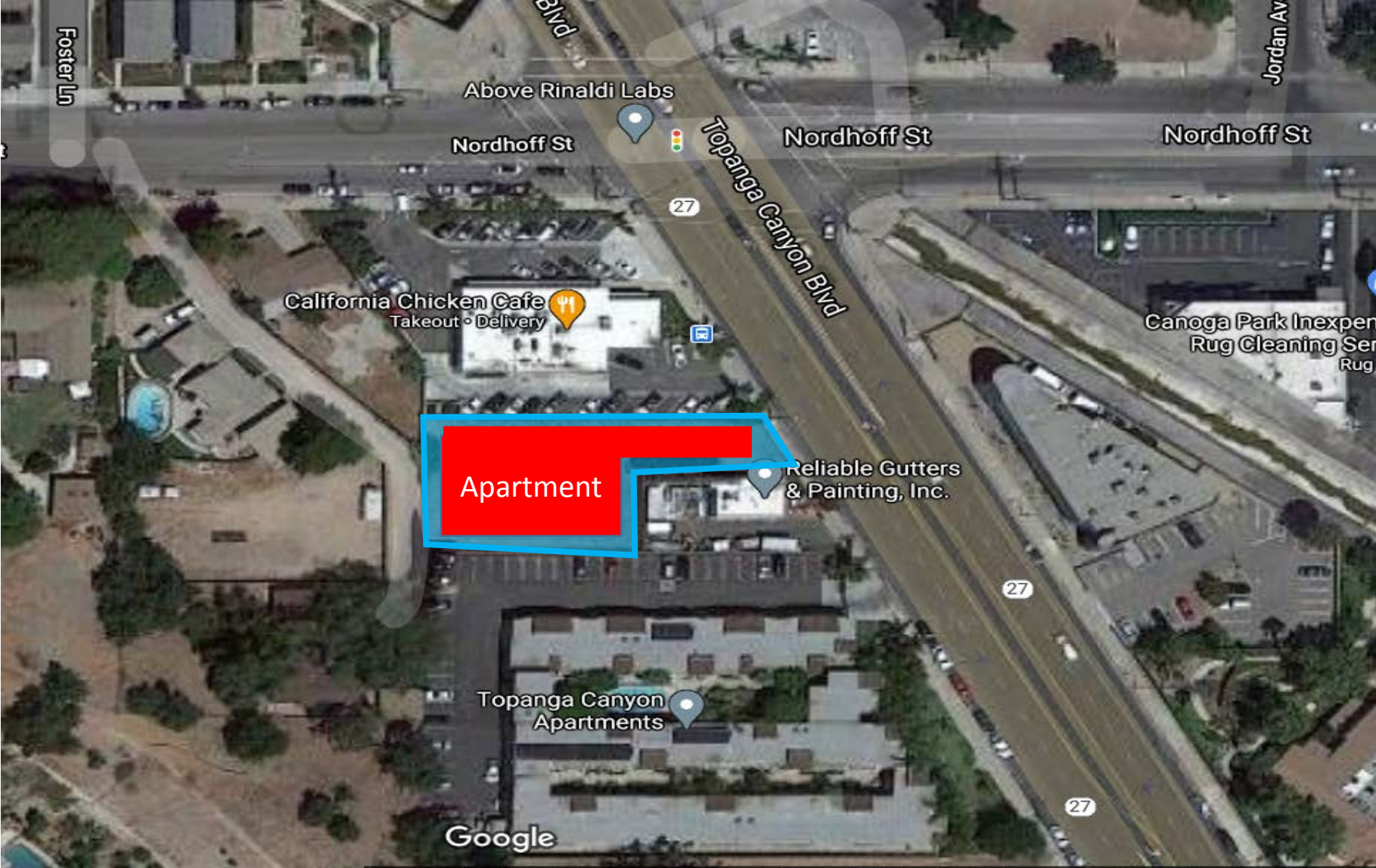
Items 8 – 10 were TABLED due to CD 12 presentation.

Committee Co-chair Thomas adjourned the meeting at 7:25 PM.

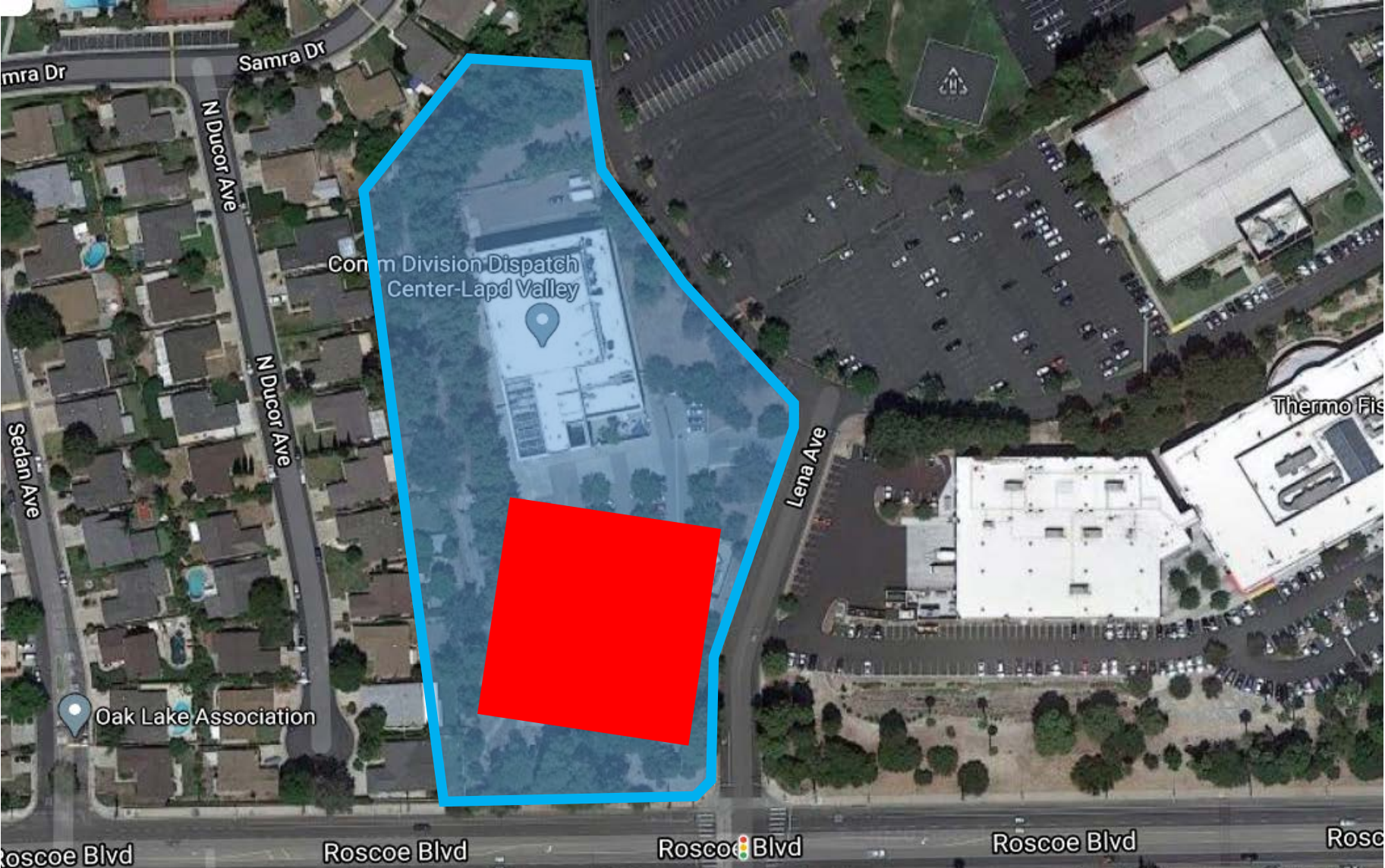
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