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## WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

### JOINT HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETING MINUTES

December 21, 2020

Telephonic and Web Meeting

Approved January 11, 2021

Attendance: Aida Abkarians (left 6:55 PM), Thomas Booth, Olivia Naturman, Margery Brown, Marie Javdani, Saif Mogri (left early), Daniel Ostreicher, Steve Randall, Bill Rose, Char Rothstein, Joan Trent and Brad Vanderhoof

Guest Speaker: Maricor Garaniel, Safe parking LA (SPLA)

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

The November meeting minutes were approved.

The October meeting minutes were approved.

Chair Comments: Olivia said Fish of the West Valley food pantry is having a donation drive and especially needs shoes, boots, clothing, blankets, cards for outreach on Christmas. Donations can be dropped off at Olivia's house.

Numbers refer to agenda items.

5. Report from Homeless Liaison Marie Javdani: No update.

6. Public Comment: Isabel Naturman said she is participating in an outreach effort every Sunday. They need 'warm wishes' holiday cards and baby wipes. They plan to try and have hot meals for the holidays instead of the sandwiches they normally distribute and everyone is invited to prepare meals even if it is only a few.

7. UPDATE - 2021 Homeless Count CANCELED due to Covid19 concerns.

8. Updates on Shelters, Housing and Safe Parking:

- Safe Parking LA Update – Maricor Garaniel, Case manager, Reseda lot, introduced herself and described services at the Reseda safe parking location. The lot is not at capacity. It is not a drive-up facility and pre-approval is required. Inquires and applications can be made at 323 310-3375, 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM, M-F. Thomas said there may be an RV location opening in Sherman Oaks soon.

9. West Hills Land Parcel(s) Identified for Housing /Services: Daniel Ostreicher presented his ideas for possible housing solution locations and suggested a virtual meeting to gather information and solicit feedback. Properties suggested: 9401 is private property, is empty, and could have apartments. Bill said this property is zoned commercial and a zoning change could take forever.

Thomas moved to suggest this property. Daniel seconded.

Yes – 6, No – 0, Abstain – 0

The motion carries.

Corporate Point, 911 Center parking lot for safe parking.

Aida left at 6:55 PM.

Sherman Place, 9760 Topanga, Metro owned land that was the old sheriff station.

10. Supportive Housing, Bridge Housing and Alternative Housing Options: The Willows (LAFH) , Saticoy and Canoga, will open soon with 80 beds. The WVNAH Provider of the Month is the West Valley Food Pantry.

11. Future Agenda Items: A diaper or pet food drive was suggested.

Committee Co-chair Thomas adjourned the meeting at 7:18 PM.

The next meeting of this committee is on Monday, January 11, 2021 at 6:00 PM. Webinar and telephonic.