

Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council

Land Use Meeting Minutes September 18, 2014

Call to order 7:07

Absent Members: Miranda Rodriguez, Lisa Duardo, Antonio Castillo

No public Comments

Chairs report: Starbucks is providing outdoor walk-up improvement, first of its kind; hearing for Recess' full liquor license was today, LUC representative left early, so no word on final decision

Action Items:

1. Agenda adopted, all in favor
2. Minutes approved, Trisha and Susanne abstained
3. Review of Transit Village – Lisa D. not present, discussion tabled
4. Motion to provide official HHPNC cards for the LUC members (Boo, Liz, Lloyd, Tina, Nancy, Trisha, Steve) – motion passed, all in favor
5. MCUP for 5916-5918 Figueroa St – Applicants will include outreach to the community in the form of mentorship and apprenticeships, want to start a BID, will have “school happy hours” for pizza, have done outreach to local neighbors, have considered repairs to alleyway, façade changes would include one entryway instead of two. No hearing date set. CD1 comments- applicant has met with CD1 and has been open to complying with concerns, safety (security cameras, would clean their own graffiti). Motion to support (by Liz, second by Trish) with conditions the following: HHPNC must be able to see renderings, outreach to 500’ prior to next HHPNC meeting, hiring local with job fair, possible collaborative effort with City for alleyway repairs. Motion passed, Nancy and Lloyd abstained.
6. Williams Homes at 5101-5123 Echo St – Seeking community feedback and public comments. Issues presented by LUC- \$850K per unit is too expensive for neighborhood, MND is not sufficient to address impacts to community, building on a fault line, height of buildings are too high, design is not mission style, traffic congestion, reduce number of units, in freeway adjacent zone which is a public safety concern, need everything in writing from Williams Homes. No motion made.
7. 12-Unit small lot subdivision project on Avenue 57- Requesting support from LU committee. Applicant revised roof design based on HPOZ recommendation and has done exemplary community notification/outreach. Will need renderings for HHPNC general meeting. Motion to provide a letter of support by Lloyd, second by Tina, Charlie abstained. Motion passed
8. Event banquet facility at 6441 N. Figueroa St- Seeking zoning variance to allow banquet facility within the existing commercial zoning (seeking change

of the type of commercial use and allow for full line of alcohol), October 22nd hearing date. Applicant has done extensive outreach. CUB 47 would be required. 12 parking spots required, 15 will be provided, valet parking is required for every event, 2 security guards are required for every event. Events would be on weekends, hours of operation would typically be from 4 pm to 1 am, loading out to be completed at 2 am. Public comment- nearby neighbor has never heard anything. Events space conflicts with adjacent residential properties. Motion to support with conditions (outreach, valet parking, times noted above) by Nancy, Charlie second. Steve Crouch abstained. Motion passed

9. 3721 N. Marmion Way- Not an issue within our jurisdiction
10. 417 N. San Pascual- Tabled
11. New list of reports and updates was formed: HPOZ- C. Fisher
 - a. HPOZ- Baptist church (Ave 50 and Fig) has been sold and will likely be developed for resid
 - b. 710 Freeway Extension- T. Gulotta-Miller, T. Gossett – meeting with Metro scheduled for today but was not properly notified but emails were sent, upcoming meeting October 7th
 - c. Transit Village- L. Kattro - tabled
 - d. 1241 Le Gray Ave., trees on 175 S. 57, 828 N. Creshaven, 405 N. Ave 56- L. Kattro, C Fisher, L. Duardo - ???
 - e. Survey LA- A. Castillo not present, tabled
 - f. Mission statement working group- T. Gossett - ???
 - g. N. Figueroa complete street working group- ???
 - h. York Specific Plan working group- HPHC will support, working group should start meeting
12. New Business:
 - HHPNC Board Member concerned about the way we use public facilities, not enough open space for the community, Nate Hayward from Huizar’s office is in charge of open space and is a resource to reach out to
 - Agendize LUC list of conditions
13. Meeting Adjourned at 9:15 PM