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**3 NOVEMBER 2011 - 7 P. M.**

**Agenda: Planning, Land Use and Management Committee  
Seventh-day Adventist Church of Hollywood**

**1711 N Van Ness Ave, Hollywood, CA 90028(On site parking available within the Church compound)**

AGENDA ITEMS: ALL ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE REFERRAL FOR ACTION TO FULL BOARD

1. Welcome and introductions 7:17 pm

In attendance were: Rich MacNaughton, Laurie Becklund, Michael Andrews, Alfred Fraijo Jr., Laurie Goldman, Crosby Doe, Ann Gagen, Robert Abrahamian (PLUM member), Scott Larson (PLUM member), Nicole Manzo (PLUM member), and David Schlesinger (PLUM Chair).

2. Approval of minutes; with one correction which was unopposed. Also, discussion of and request for notation to be included (see Item 3).

Motion: Scott

Second: Richard

Vote: Richard, Scott and David voted yes. No opposition.

3. Public Comment on items not on the agenda but within the Committee’s purview (not necessarily in order of how they came up...)

DS: brief discussion of recent interview with Gail Goldberg, former head of LA City Planning Dept.

LG: reminder to people to attend upcoming meetings on Nov. 7 and 10 on the City’s proposed changes to the Hollywood Community Plan. She said these meetings are “zoning hearings” for the whole Plan.

SL: noted that he still has not received the T-Mobile details he needs to write the letter approved last month.

LB: requested that time be reserved to ask a lot of questions about the various planning-related items on the agenda tonight.

Discussion of the minutes approved in Item 2: LG requests that the minutes for last month, and for other times in future, include a notation if the Millenium Project is discussed after she and other representatives have left the meeting, to reflect that they were not there to give the other side of the discussion.

4. Items for discussion - Continuing

A. Millenium Project [Continuing] - Entitlements proposed (items not permitted by Zoning Ordinances) Laurie Goldman presenter (10 minutes)

**Update:** LG and AF present on the entitlement change requests being made by Millenium, and on the Development Agreement. Draft EIR expected to be ready some time in early 2012; project approvals expected to go before Planning Commission some time next fall.

Discussion and questions about the project.

LG and AF depart around 7:45 pm.

B. Closure by Gating of Local Streets - Gating of public streets, proposed and authorized by City Council Richard MacNaughton presenter (5 minutes)

Update: RM comments that there seems to be a current push by some residents to close their streets, in the mistaken belief that they have the legal right to do so, which he worries will create legal liability for innocent homeowners who may be being accidentally misled by the City; at least two organizations (Citizens Coalition of LA and Hollywoodians) have notified the City Attorney of the problem and are waiting to see if the City takes action, before filing suit. RM also noted the gorgeous view of the City from the area of Solar and Astral streets, at the end of Solar, which he feels should be more widely enjoyed.

C. Zoning and Development Policies for Hollywood Research Ann Gagen presenter (10 Minutes)

Tabled.

Motion to table: NM

Second: RA

Vote: in favor were NM, SL, DS, RA, and RM. No opposition.

#### 5. Items for Discussion - New Business

A. Smart Meters - Electric meters proposed for residential and commercial installation using electronic wireless technology to transmit usage information w/o meter readers. Health issues? Privacy issues? Ref meeting 10 Nov @ 7pm at 357 Arden Av Glendale [10 Minutes]

Update: DS noted the possible health and privacy concerns related to this proposal, and the need for better information about all ramifications; notice given of upcoming meeting on the subject, at above address and time.

B. Zoning exception upgrade real estate bubble. Obtaining approvals to raise value of real property. Presenter Richard MacNaughton [10 minutes]

Update: RM noted that there seems to be a practice of property owners requesting and receiving zoning exception upgrades to their projects, including asking for extended time periods for completion, then flipping the properties to new owners, who then come back and ask for more. Meanwhile, the promises made by owners in exchange for the zoning upgrades are abandoned along the way. Also, often the owners go bankrupt and keep the profits they made "developing" a project, sometimes with public funds.

He thinks there may be a bubble developing in local commercial property, and notes that this could be very bad for this area.

Request that this topic be put on the next agenda for more discussion.

C. Sidewalk repair responsibility. City proposal to make repairs property owners' duty. Expense? Liability for accidents on sidewalks? [5 minutes]

Discussion of what appears to be a City push to shift liability and responsibility for sidewalk and/or street tree maintenance onto property owners.

**Motion** to request that the full HUNC Board draft a letter to the City Council in opposition to the City attempting to change responsibility for public sidewalks and street trees.

Motion: DS

Second: SL

Vote: Approved by RA, RM, DS, SL, NM, LB, AG, and \_\_\_\_\_ MA? No opposition.

D. Finalized Hollywood Plan EIR [Environmental Impact Report] Report will have two public presentations at Mears Center, Hollywood 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church, 7 November and 10 November, 4:30 – 8:30 pm. Report on meeting with Planning Department by R MacNaughton, D Schlesinger, E Sanjurjo. Prepare for Mears meetings. [15 mins]

Update: DS reports about recent preview of upcoming meeting. It appears that the Plan was not changed at all in response to HUNC's concerns. Huge changes planned for the Franklin Village and Vine Street areas. It appears the Planning Department is relying on questionable population projections.

Discussion of the planning environment in the City and the apparent undue influence of political donations.

**Motion** to recommend to the full HUNC Board that it reject the Finalized Hollywood Plan EIR because the EIR did not adequately address HUNC's previously submitted written objections.

Motion: RA

Second: RM

Vote: approved by RA, RM, NM, AG, and DS. No opposition. [SL had had to leave at the end of 5D.]

E. Finalized Community Redevelopment Agency [CRA] EIR for its plan for Hollywood. No, CRA still exists. Their plan [if Agency survives litigation] will interlock with Planning Department Plan, the most restrictive regulation of each Plan will govern building in Hollywood. Discussion of this plan. [15 mins]

Necessarily tabled as it was 9:00 pm and we had to get out of the room.

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6. Old Business

7. Adjournment 9:00 pm

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