

Chatsworth Neighborhood Council, Land Use Committee
Chatsworth Depot
Minutes May 19, 2011- Draft Minutes

Linda called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Present: Jeff Hammond, Andre van der Valk, Linda van der Valk, Judi Daniels, Vicki Briskman, Chuck Knolls, Mark Levinson, Larry Heller, Teena Takata, Mary Kaufman and Saul Daniels

Not here: Dan Huffman, Jelena Csanyi (excused), Diana Dixon-Davis (excused), Janice Eddy-Languein, Larry Heller (excused)

Stakeholder and Public Comments

Redistricting – San Fernando Valley had been requested to be kept together, split on 101 and 118 on N and S sides; various groups are trying to revise boundary to include them. Request is SFV be kept together. San Diego freeway bisects Valley districts on the east and west side. There is a meeting May 25 or 26 where groups can testify, but not individuals on their own behalf.

We have a Patch reporter here.

Minutes from April were approved.

Chatsworth Hills Academy – the school will move to the lower campus that is owned by the school, they will have some issues with the move due to current regulations. A major concern is to preserve archaeological artifacts and items that may be disturbed by the movement. Mr. Fenwick's estate owns the land on the upper campus of the present school, as well as an acre in the Stoney Point annex; the school is concerned they will not be able to purchase the property so it is seeking to move to the lower campus that is owned by the school.

10854 Topanga Canyon (church application) – was denied. The ZA did an extensive analysis of the history and past, Linda passed a copy of the decision to all the committee members for review.

A cross was put on a hill top to the west of Stoney Point by a youth group. It is to be removed.

Presentations and Possible Motions:

Santa Susana Pass State Historic Park – a local ranger doesn't understand how they would close it. Los Encinos, seems especially vulnerable to vandalism if closed. Teena to write a letter. Everyone encouraged to write individual letters, also. We will also support retention of Los Encinos as a key

element with SSPSHP, use by equestrians. Also concern with possible later sale of the property if the park were closed. Mark made the motion, Vicki seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

11011 Corbin. Chatsworth and Trammell, near Rinaldi. Tract change from 95 homes to 79 homes. They won't be allowed access to Corbin. They will have access through Monteria. They may exit through Porter Ranch Drive to the north, Winnetka to the south. Unclear on haul route, for 5000 cubic yards, perhaps Corbin. What will happen with Mission Trail? The trail crosses it; and continues east to Tampa.

Deferred horsekeeping discussion – how to preserve our equestrian way of life in Chatsworth.

Adopt a Street; they don't know if they can prepay. Vicki is trying to get ability to pay. Funds available have grown, they were going to add streets to cover more area. They have two contractors, both are very qualified; they expect to start with a big clean up in general for the community, and then to continue next year with an adopted street for the program and sign recognition next year. Some real estate people have pushed for cleanups in certain areas, but we are not catering to their requests. At VANC (Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils), a median was proposed for adoption, but such an adoption was said to be in perpetuity. DONE doesn't like adopt a street, due to future obligations. Intention of adopt a street was not to necessarily merely to adopt a street, but also to clean up the street and fund local improvements. We think Adopt a Street may be for a year, not six months, and not in perpetuity. Vicki made the following motion; A clarifying motion that Adopt a Street, as we have used it in Land Use and in CNC, is a slogan used that includes cleaning streets and trimming landscaping along streets. Mary seconded. Approved unanimously.

CNC could spring for a flag for our meeting room next year.

Chatsworth Hotel (former Radisson), retreat for CNC Board and Committee members. June 18, 8:30 to 12:30. Invite Mitch Englander to come in. Breakfast.

Sunday May 29, 9:30 am next spring hike – history and flowers

91311- its moving well; the Chamber is pushing this; a wine and cheese 5 to 7:30 at Vicki's; by Monday, donations can be made for the church. Music, food is getting lined up. Aerial photo of event is expected, also.

Meeting adjourned 8:20 pm