

CITY OF LOS ANGELES
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APPLICATION TO NAME OR RENAME COMMUNITIES

Filing Requirement

Pursuant to Council action of January 31, 2006 (Council File 02-0196), an application, including a petition, must be submitted to either change a neighborhood name or create one where none previously existed. The petition must contain a minimum of 500 signatures of individuals who either reside in and/or have businesses, both profit and nonprofit, in the neighborhood being named or re-named. If the population of the neighborhood is under 2,500 people, then 20% of the population of the area being named or renamed is required. No fee is required for the submission of this application.

Please check one: Name Community Rename Existing Community

Petition Attached: 500 signatures 20% of population

Population Total $\times .2 =$ No. of signatures required

1. APPLICANT INFORMATION

The application requests advocates for a name change to form a group of two or more members who reside within the boundaries of the area to be named.

Primary Applicant

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Street boundaries of the community to be named / renamed (Please attach map and/or legal description):

MAP ATTACHED

ON BEHALF OF THE AFOREMENTIONED ADVOCATES, THE UNDERSIGNED AGREES TO PROMPTLY NOTIFY THE CITY CLERK OF CHANGES TO THE FOREGOING INFORMATION AND AGREES TO SUBMIT A REVISED APPLICATION AND PETITION IN THE EVENT THAT THIS OCCURS.

[Handwritten Signature]
Signature
9/22/08
Date

To be filed in the: Office of the City Clerk
200 North Spring Street, Room 395
Los Angeles, California 90012
213-978-1133
Sharon.Dickinson@lacity.org

For Office of City Clerk Use Only

Date Application/Petition Received: 9/23/08 Content Review Period End Date: 10/7/08

Council District(s) 2 Neighborhood Council(s) Van Nuys Neighborhood Council

Complete and Approved for Filing: 10/8/08

Incomplete – Date Returned to applicant: _____

Reason returned: _____

Date Application & Petition Filed: 10/8/08 Council File Number: _____

Public Hearing Deadline: 4/8/08

2. Community Information

Proposed Name of Community: Sherman Oaks

Current Name of Community: Van Nuys

Reason for Name Change:

Geographical proximity to Sherman Oaks

The geographical area under consideration is approximately a half mile strip of land bordered to the west by the 405 Freeway; the South side of Oxnard Blvd to the North; by Hazeltine Blvd. to the East, and the Northern Side of Burbank Blvd to the South (See: Appendix A, Geographical map of proposed area.).

Original Name

This strip of land was Sherman Oaks until it was given a Van Nuys ZIP code and post-office designation in the early 1960's. Title reports also verify that this area was given different community designations and so there is not historical precedent. (See: Appendix B, Property Deeds).

Similar Residential Dwellings

The neighborhoods immediately south of Burbank Blvd, which is the northern boundary of Sherman Oaks are substantially similar to the neighborhoods immediately north of Burbank Blvd in the following ways:

- The neighborhoods consist of primarily single story residential dwellings on similar acreage.
- Many of the residential dwellings were built by the same builder
- Low propensity of townhouses and apartments in neighborhoods on both sides of Burbank Blvd.
- No commercial zoning in the neighborhoods behind Burbank Blvd South and Burbank Blvd north – although commercial zoning is permissible on both sides of Burbank Blvd.

Boundary lines have been extended before.

The proposed area contains several residential pockets, which are the only residential areas that were not included in the Sherman Oaks community boundary expansion from Magnolia blvd. to the current Burbank Blvd. boundary permitted by former City Council member Marvin Braude in August 1991. Councilmember Braude based his decision on property deeds showing that parcels with that area formerly had Sherman Oaks addresses. The petitioners for this petition have provided the same evidence for the proposed area.

Appendix C: Daily News - San Fernando Valley News
: Approved Neighborhood Name Change in 2007

Lack of structural similarity to area North of Oxnard Blvd.

Oxnard Blvd and the areas north bear no structural similarity to the proposed area, which is immediately south in the following ways:

- Oxnard Blvd is zoned for commercial uses.
- The Orange line was constructed on City owned property immediately North of Oxnard blvd and runs parallel to Oxnard blvd along the northern boundary of the proposed area.
- Zoning North of the Orange line is mixed-used zoning consisting primarily of apartment dwellings and industrial structures bearing no resemblance to the structures found in the proposed area.

School District

Children of residents of the proposed area attend the same public elementary school as residents who were included in the boundary expansion of Sherman Oaks in 1992. (See Appendix D Map of neighborhoods included in Kester Elementary School).

Similar Landmarks

A pre-existing precedent for moving the boundary of Sherman Oaks community north

The expansion of Sherman Oaks community boundary north from Magnolia blvd to Burbank blvd in 1992 established the criteria necessary for further movement of the community boundary which was two-fold: the existence of property deeds which evidenced that the area was considered Sherman Oaks, and the number of petitioners from the proposed area who favored the northern expansion of the Sherman Oaks Community boundary.

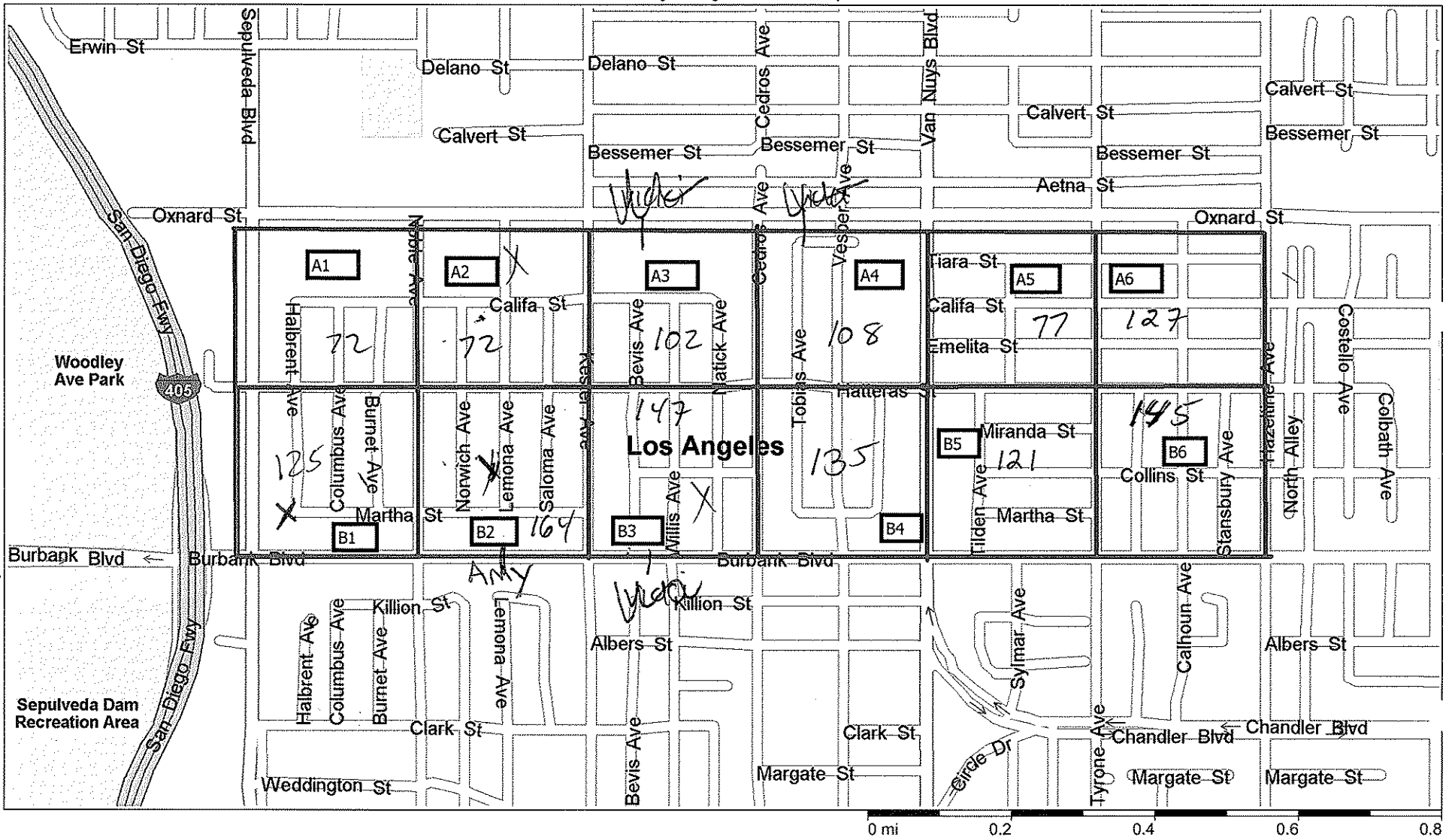
The petitioners have more than adequately fulfilled this criteria by collecting 629 signatures, which are attached with this application; as well as property deeds as previously referenced.

The petitioners would respectfully request that Council Member Wendy Gruel give her utmost consideration to this matter as it is clear by the nature and scope of the preparation done that it is of great importance to the constituents who reside in the proposed area, which is also entirely within the councilmember's district.

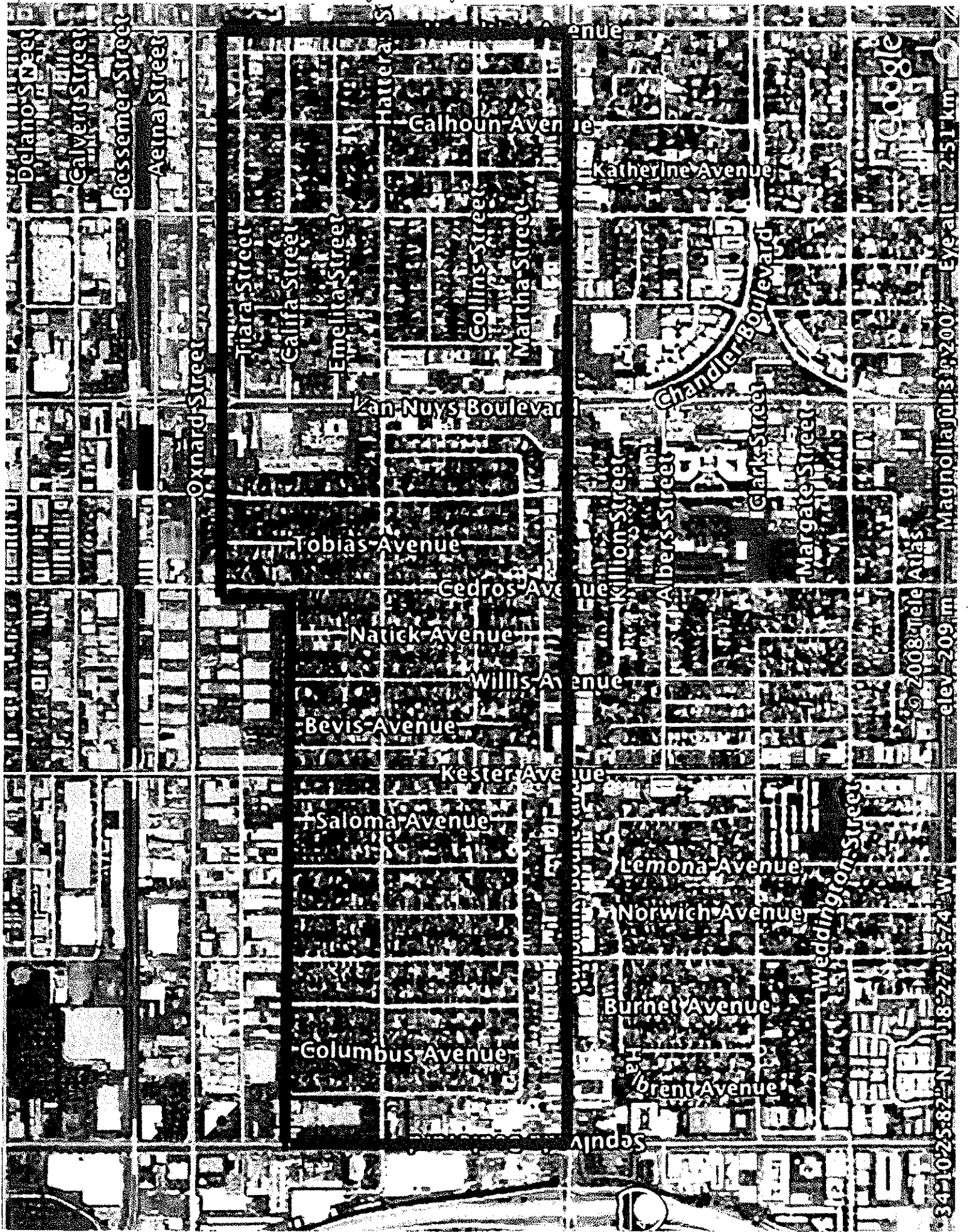
The area is already designated by a Sherman Oaks
zip code at 91411



Valley Adjacent Map



Appendix A, Geographical Map of proposed area



Appendix B, Property Deed is an example of a residence in the proposed area which is *deducted as Sherman Oaks*
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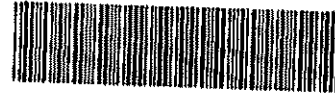
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QUITCLAIM DEED

I/We, STEVE P. THEODORE, an unmarried man
(Name of grantor(s))

residing at 4444 Wilshire Blvd., #206, Los Angeles, CA 90010

the undersigned grantor(s), for a valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, do hereby remise,
STEVE P. THEODORE, Trustee of the STEVE P.

release, convey and forever quit claim to THEODORE REVOCABLE TRUST dated July 26, 2007
(Name of grantees(s))

residing at 4444 Wilshire Blvd., #206, Los Angeles, CA 90010

all interest in the following described real property situated in the County of Los Angeles

State of California

All of his right, title and interest in

Lot 41 of Tract 12166, as per map recorded in Book 227, Pages 20 to 22,
inclusive of Maps, in the Office of the County Recorder of said County

THIS CONVEYANCE TRANSFERS AN INTEREST INTO A LIVING TRUST R & T 11930

Assessor's parcel No. 2244-027-016

Steve P. Theodore
AUTOGRAPH
STEVE P. THEODORE

Dated July 26, 2007

_____ AUTOGRAPH

at Los Angeles, California
(City and state)

_____ AUTOGRAPH

Mail Tax Statement to Steve P. Theodore, Trustee
4444 Wilshire Blvd., #206
Los Angeles, CA 90010

DOCUMENTARY TRANSFER TAX \$0 EXEMPT TRANSFER
 computed on full value of property conveyed, **NO CONSIDERATION**
 computed on full value less liens and encumbrances remaining at time of sale.
Steve P. Theodore
Autograph of Declarant or Agent Determining Tax Firm Name



Individual

STATE OF California
COUNTY OF Los Angeles } SS.

On this 26th day of July in the year 2007, before me, Dorothy McCain, a Notary Public, duly commissioned and qualified in above said County and State, personally appeared STEVE P. THEODORE, personally known to me or proved to me on this basis of satisfactory evidence consisting of an identifying document or the oath of _____ to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s) or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the same.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Dorothy McCain
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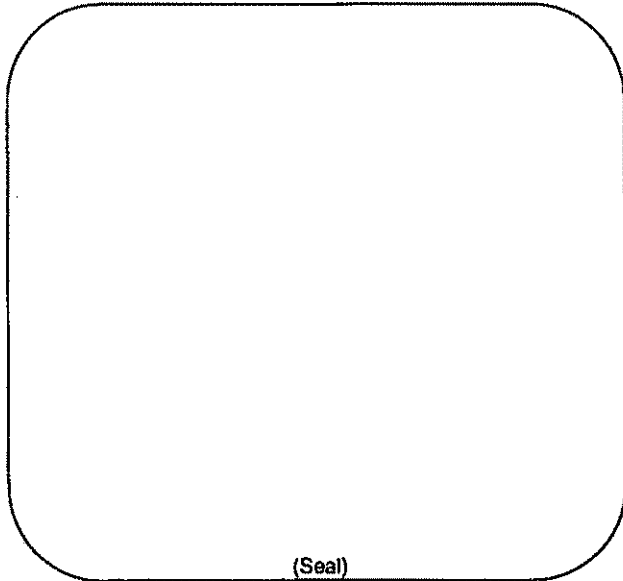
Corporate or Partnership

STATE OF _____
COUNTY OF _____ } SS.

On this _____ day of _____ in the year _____, before me, _____, a Notary Public, duly commissioned and qualified in above said County and State, personally appeared _____, personally known to me or proved to me on this basis of satisfactory evidence consisting of an identifying document or the oath of _____ to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), as _____ and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument on behalf of _____, a _____, organized under the laws of _____, executed the same.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

AUTOGRAPH



(Seal)

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*Appendix C - Boundary lines have been extended
Before*

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SAN FERNANDO VALLEY

Braude OK's Sherman Oaks boom

Residents of Van Nuys sector campaigned to rejoin former neighborhood

By *[Name]*
Special Staff Writer

VAN NUYS — City Councilman *[Name]* has agreed to move the Sherman Oaks boundary to include a section of Van Nuys. The move, which took place last week, is the result of a campaign by residents in an adjacent neighborhood, officials said Wednesday. Two councilmen representing sections of a half-mile strip of land that was part of Sherman Oaks until it was given a Van Nuys code and post-designation in the early 1980s, property owners said.

"We feel vindicated, because we had brought the houses believing they were in Sherman Oaks," said Sonia Feroy, a resident who spearheaded a grass-roots campaign for the name change to the west side of Van Nuys Boulevard. "It has already been the Sherman Oaks district."

As a result of the decisions, the northern boundary of Sherman Oaks will shift from Magnolia Boulevard to Buena Vista Boulevard, a distance of a few blocks.

Braude's proposed district includes the area west of Van Nuys Boulevard, Van Nuys Boulevard, and east of the boulevard, announced

Aug. 8 that he had agreed to make the change for the section known as the Sherman Oaks area, said Councilman Braude. The new name will be the relocation of Van Nuys Boulevard, which is a major thoroughfare in the area.

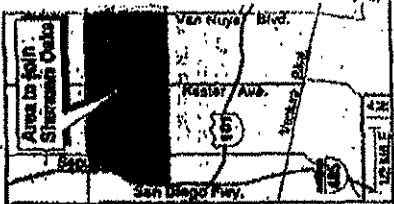
Braude was persuaded by the number of signatures collected within a period of less than three weeks and by evidence in the form of property deeds showing that people within the area formerly had Sherman Oaks addresses, Weyman said.

The councilman received over 1,000 signatures on petitions for the area, Weyman said.

During the historical usage of the Sherman Oaks name, Braude and Weyman said, the elimination of the name as one reason for disincorporation was a reason for disincorporation.

"Our feelings were that it was a legitimate case," said Ellen Dreyfus, a resident who backed the grass-roots campaign.

Community names have received increasing attention in recent years as several sections of the San Fernando Valley have created new identities or sought affiliation with more affluent areas.



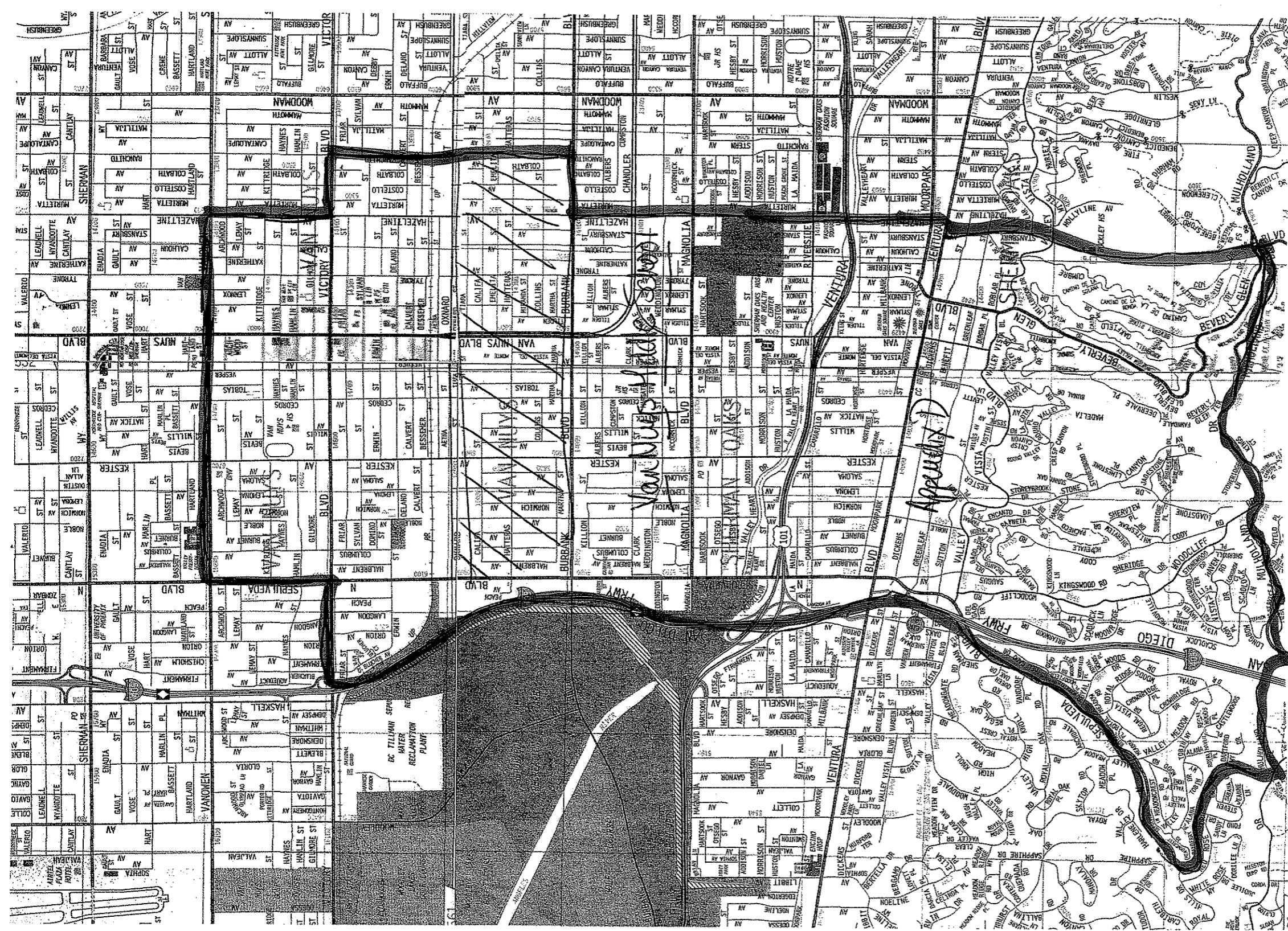
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FY 2006-07 COMMUNITY NAMING / RENAMING APPLICANTS

Applicant Name	Community Name	Date Application Received	Status of Application	Date Application Approved for Filing	Council File Number	Date of Public Hearing	Date Council Approved
Chananel "Keila" Nakasaka	Arroyo View Estates	7/25/2006	Q	8/3/2006	06-1822	2/7/2007	2/7/2007
Owen Smith	Brookside	7/28/2006	Q	8/9/2006	05-1473	2/7/2007	2/7/2007
Steven Leffert	Lake Balboa	9/29/2006	Q	10/25/2006	06-2613	4/23/2007	11/2/2007
Daryt Frank	Reseda Ranch	1/17/2007	Q	1/30/2007	07-0296	7/23/2007	12/7/2007
Francisco Rivera	Historical Central America Town	5/8/2007	Q	5/25/2007	07-1854		
Delmy Ruiz	Central American Historical District	5/16/2007	Q	6/18/2007	07-1971		

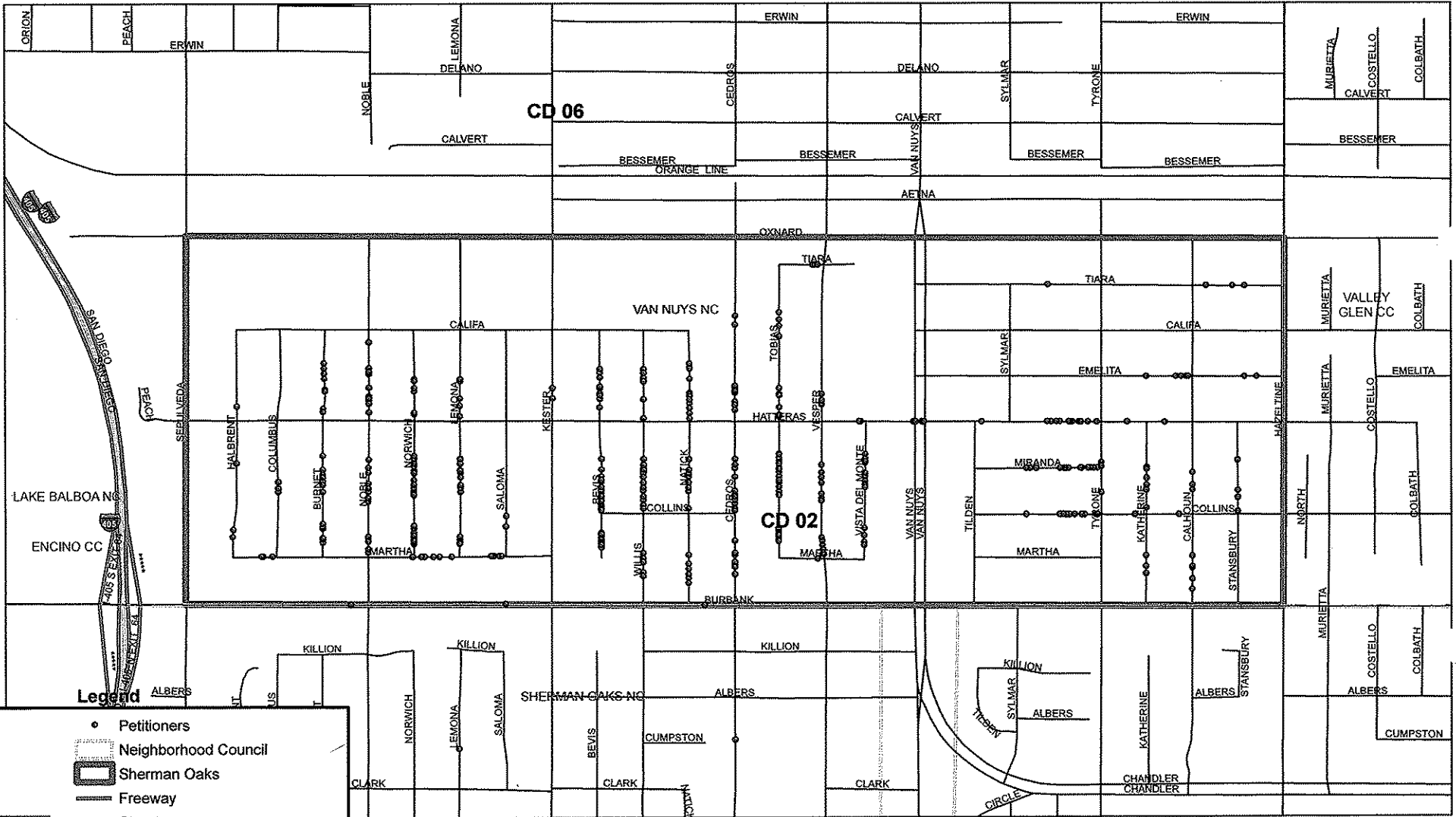
STATUS: Q = Qualified I = Insufficient W = Withdrawn

Appendix C - Approved beginning of Name Changes in 2007



V.N.V. Middle School

Proposed Sherman Oaks



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- Petitioners
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- ▭ Sherman Oaks
- Freeway
- Streets

Council Districts

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October 10, 2008
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