FOOTHILL TRAILS DISTRICT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Community Impact Statement

Council File # 12-1625

At the February 21, 2013 General Board meeting the FTDNC voted to SUPPORT this motion because the La Tuna Camp (detention station) should be designated as a City Historical-Cultural Monument to remind us of past atrocities during the chaotic period of World War II. Under the designation, stakeholders can learn about the history of Tuna Camp as well as the contributions it made to the area during the Depression era.

Signed,

[Signature]

President
GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

February 21, 2013, 7:00 PM TO 9:00 PM
Lake View Terrace Recreation Center, 11075 Foothill Blvd. Lake View Terrace

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Administrative Duties (10 min.)
1. Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll call and attendance report.
   In attendance were Bob Bell, Fritz Bronner, Kevin Davis, Daniel Davis, Alfonso Edeza, Terry Kaiser, Jaycynda Trifone-Woodruff, Jeff Woodruff and Nancy Woodruff. Excused were Darish Baktar, Michael Carpenter, Dale Gibson, Linda Hornick and Donna Lauer.
3. Board member proclamation(s) of Conflict of Interest on agenda item(s).None.
4. Opening comments by the President.1) The web site is being brought up-to-date and AVS Bill has been paid and will be bringing new software.2) Kevin was unable to attend the last VANC meeting. 3)Thanks was given to Fritz Bronner for his meet and greets with Council District 7 candidates.

Reports and Comments (40 min.)
5. Reports by Public Representatives. (Max 10 minutes per speaker).None.
6. Quarterly report from representative(s) from Lopez Canyon Landfill. John Zari reported for the Bureau of Sanitation. Regarding the environmental 1) mulching-there are 19 wind rows with 9 having manure comprised of 12,316 tons of yard waste, brush and private source green waste with 822 tons of compost sold for the quarter.2) There will be a new site of mulch giveaway created in the west Valley 3) The LEA has indicated they stopped mulching at Palmdale in October due to excess plastic and paper in the mulch which was cleaned up in December and now they were up from 200 tons a day to 775 tons with 25% horse manure. The landfill's post-closure maintenance began in June 2012 to make sure that proper drainage and gas collection is achieved. Complete hydoseeding of the landfill was completed in October as the irrigation is complete. The trail head is on hold due to lack of funding but the design is complete. Nancy Woodruff asked if the lack of funding referred to the Department not completing the EIR due to lack of staff, which was affirmed. Bob Bell wanted to know if the gas was being sold which it is to an independent electrical generating company. Fritz Bronner asked how much money was being generated by the gas sales and he was referred to Alacon's office, which monitors the Lopez Canyon Landfill Amenity Funds For information regarding the trail head we were referred to the B of S web site. It was mentioned that the estimated cost of the trail head was somewhere between $500,000 and $700,000 and Nicole Chase requested that a break-down be sent to Nancy Woodruff within a week.
7. Presentations from candidate(s) currently running for elected office (Max 10 minutes per speaker). Nicole Chase - She is frustrated that 1) the needs of the community are not being met; 2) the 'small lot ordinance' is heating up where standard size lots are being subdivided into drastically smaller and substandard lots. 3) Public safety, jobs and education are being neglected. She believes there should be a public/private partnership involved in education. She would like to see the books first before expressing solutions to the budget and pension reforms. She announced a number of endorsements including Supervisor Antonovich and previous mayor Dick Riordan. Felipe Fuentes feels he can be a good voice for this district in the City Hall chambers due to his previous jobs with Council and the Mayor as well as his recent experience in the State Assembly. He noted that with the redistricting change of CD7 to include Lake View Terrace, Shadow Hills and La Tuna Canyon that it became comparable to the size of Cleveland, Ohio. He plans to interface frequently with the community. Yikki Brink mentioned that the equestrian community was being left behind in Sylmar and he mentioned that he did not want to see any more reduction to the equestrian lifestyle there. Jaycynda Trifone-Woodruff asked how he would outreach to the equestrian community to which he answered that although his outdoor interests centered more on hiking, he will learn more about the equestrian community and represent them. Fritz Bronner mentioned that the press's opinion that only wealthy people own horses was a myth and they were just ordinary folks with modest incomes.
8. Committee reports (Max 3 minutes each):
   a. Budget and Finance (M. CARPENTER) The next Budget and Finance meeting is to be held on March 11, 2013.
   b. Communication and Outreach (D. DAVIS) The Outreach Committee met on Feb. 11 and it was announced that the plans to apply to various items the Board purchased had arrived and that AV sites was updating software to make accessing the archives easier.
   c. Equestrian (J. TRIFONE-WOODRUFF) The committee met on Feb.14 and the activity included the presentation below with item 12.
   d. Land Use (N. WOODRUFF) The La Tuna Canyon Road hillside development was going to be featured at the next LTCCA next Tuesday but the developer had already been found by the City to be grading, landscaping, etc. without proper permits. The mobility element survey was handed out with the hopes of everyone responding back to the City as to our needs. A hearing regarding Community Recycling expansion was to be take place on March 8 and will be discussed further along at this meeting.
   e. Lopez Canyon (L. HORNICK) Nothing new besides the quarterly presentation delivered earlier.
   f. Rules and Election (J. WOODRUFF) The bylaws changes previously tabled due to lack of majority approval are being again presented under item #16. The next committee meeting, Feb. 25, will include committee recommendations within the bylaws.
9. Public Comment by non-board members – (Presentations are limited to non-agenda items whose subject(s) fall under the Board's jurisdiction.) Vikki Brink asked whether the mobility survey could be sent out and was answered affirmatively.

Recommendation(s) by Budget and Finance Committee (Michael Carpenter, Chair – 10 min.)

10. Presentation/Discussion/Possible Action to adopt the following financial report(s):
   a. Outstanding US Bank card statement(s).
   b. Outstanding Treasurer report(s). Jeff Woodruff moved that the reports be approved as submitted which was seconded by Jaycyn Trifone-Woodruff and they were approved unanimously.

11. Presentation/Discussion/Possible Action to approve, by board resolution, the following line item transfer(s):
   a. $400 from Community Improvement Projects to Facilities Related and Space Rental.
   b. $2100 from Neighborhood Purpose Grants to Office Equipment and Supplies.
   c. $940 from Community Improvement Projects to Outreach Events. Jeff Woodruff moved that the item transfers be approved as submitted which was seconded by Fritz Bronner and approved unanimously.

Recommendation(s) by Equestrian Committee (Jaycyn M. Trifone-Woodruff, Chair – 5 min.)

12. Presentation/Discussion/Possible Action to approve, by board resolution, up to $230 to pay for the videotaping of an equine/pet disaster safety forum on March 30. Fritz Bronner moved to approve the expense and it was seconded by Terry Kaiser and approved unanimously. Elektra Kruger requested that the event be featured on the web site.

Recommendation(s) by Land Use Committee (Nancy Woodruff, Chair – 30 min.)

13. Presentation with possible action regarding Case # CPC-2008-4336-CU-ZU-SPR for expansion of Community Recycling and Resource Recovery Inc. operations including a 41% increase in processed tonnage, construction of a 107,000 sq. ft. structure, canopy structures and metal panel fence on 12.29 acres. Requested actions include:
   a. Certification of 2006 environmental report;
   b. Conditional use permit for non-compliance with 3 of 16 conditions set forth in Code Section 12.21A. 18(f);
   c. A Zone Variance;
   d. Site Plan Review. (C. CLEMENTS). Mr. Clements began the presentation by stating that the purpose of the expansion was to make this facility one of the biggest recycling businesses in the City of Los Angeles. The fact that they had been operating without some permits was due to previous various specific activities did not require separate permits but that had changed and they were looking to get one consolidated permit to meet environmental requirements. Scoping meetings had been held in 2007 and 2009 and the DEIR published in September of 2012 with a hearing in Van Nuys on March 8, 2013. This meeting followed recent meetings with Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council and the SHPOA Board. The project location is on Glnoaaks between De Garmao and Pendleton. They plan to install a traffic signal at Glnoaaks and Randall as well as re-stripe on Glnoaaks to include left turn lanes. The expansion is processing 6/700 tons per day (tpd) instead of the current 4500 tpd, including C&D (construction and demolition materials) and supermarket and restaurant waste from 1000 stores. The plan is to recycle 90% of what they collect. They plan to construct a 107,000 square foot fully enclosed metal building with negative air flow and wet scrubber to process the food and green waste. In addition they will have a canopy with 2 sides enclosed to process apartment buildings and commercial trash and a canopy with open ends to process the C&D. After hearing local requests to meet the standards being adopted by Waste Management and Athens they plan to construct a comparison chart which will they be submitting to SVANC, SHPOA and FTDNC. Nancy Woodruff suggested fully enclosing the apartment trash recycling area. Fritz Bronner asked about truck routes. After indicating planned routes, Mr. Clements mentioned he was not sure of how many loads per day although the traffic study estimated 130 in and out during morning and 150 in and out in the afternoon. He mentioned that with the City plans to franchise trash trucks hauling from commercial and multi-family housing sources that within 5 years all those trucks would have to be clean fueled. He mentioned there will be 2 left turn lanes on Tuxford (east bound) for traffic flow. Fritz noted that processing batteries was not permitted. Al Edeza asked about free green waste drop-off for local DWP customers and Nancy noted that Mary Benson had said it was again being offered at Bradley from 9 A.M. to 1 P.M. on Saturdays only. Vikki Brink asked about manure recycling noting that residents can have brown barrel recycle but that was not available for commercial barns and the cost to them was extreme. She mentioned that in Norco, oil companies set up digesters which created CNG and electricity. Mr. Clements said there was a facility 30 miles outside Fresno but it was hard to get permits. Mike O’Gara asked how many trucks did Community/Crown own and why they were parked out on the street including those without tractors. Mike also noticed and asked about the ‘balls’ of plastic that he had been noticing for the last 8 or 9 months. Mr. Clements said they were compressed plastic that had been separated during recycling and easier to handle and transport. Dave De Pinto noted that landfills in the area were active for 10 to 15 years creating their environmental impacts noise/odor, etc. but that the recycling programs would be going on indefinitely with negative impacts to the community. He felt the timing of the hearings were planned to coincide with there being no Councilman in office and the community would not be adequately represented. He also felt it important that CR&RR follow the business practices that it took Waste Management and the community 6 years to develop.

Accompanying report (N. WOODRUFF). The letter to the Hearing Officer regarding FTDNC’s request to DENY all actions was moved for approval by Jaycyn Trifone-Woodruff and seconded by Al Edeza and approved unanimously.

14. Presentation with possible action to support Council Motion # 12-1625 - to classify La Tuna Camp (Verdugo Hills Golf Course) as a City Historical-Cultural Monument. Fritz Bronner asked if any contact had been made with anyone involved with the interment. The letter to support the Council Motion was motioned for approval by Jeff Woodruff; seconded by Daniel Davis and approved by a vote of 8 to 0 with Fritz abstaining.

15. Presentation with possible action regarding CNC Case # ENV 2012-3160 CE for approval of plans review for All Nations Church and accompanying LUC report with recommendations. The letter to request that the Planning Department hold an open hearing to the public if it was to rule on any Church CUP requests was motioned by Fritz Bronner, seconded by Jaycyn Trifone-Woodruff and approved unanimously.

Recommendation(s) by Rules and Elections Committee (Jeff Woodruff, Chair – 5 min.)

16. Presentation/Discussion/Possible Action to amend the FTDNC Bylaw Article V to read “Section 6: Vacancies – Any vacancy on the Board shall be filled by the runner-up candidate for the respective seat. If there is no runner up, the Board shall fill the seat through a process that includes thirty (30) days proper notice prior to the next Executive Board Meeting, agendized with a list of interested candidates per legal requirements, and a majority Board vote from a list of eligible candidates at the next General Board Meeting.

If a seat remains vacant for sixty (60) days, it will be filled as if the office to be filled were a Community Interest Representative. The elected applicant’s term shall be limited to the term for the vacated seat, and the original eligibility requirements reinstated at the following General Board Election.” (The current bylaws can be found at http://www.ftdnc.org/bylaws.htm) Tabulated due to lack of sufficient board members present.

Additional item(s) for consideration (5 min.)
17. Presentation with possible action by board resolution to help sponsor a request by LAPD Foothill Division to fund the purchase of equipment lockers in an amount not to exceed $3000.00 (OFFICER D. BOON). Tabled due to no presenter nor funding request.

Housekeeping (10 min.)
18. Discussion/Possible Action to amend, correct and/or approve any outstanding General Meeting minutes (N. WOODRUFF - 5 min.) Jaycynnda Trifone-Woodruff moved to approve the minutes as submitted, seconded by Daniel Davis and approved unanimously.

19. Review/recap of recent and upcoming events/trainings calendar including special meetings (K. DAVIS - 5 min.). Item forgone due to lack of time.

20. Final comments by FTDNC Board members. Jaycynnda Trifone-Woodruff mentioned that the next Equestrian meeting was to be on March 14 and a lot was planned for the meeting. Al Edenza reports that the Eldercare site is an active landfill and wonders if there is any news regarding the Fenton Corner, which is answered by Nancy that the Council office said the money put aside for the improvement has gone away due to inaction previously. Bob Bell wanted information for Wealtha Pit hearing which was provided by Elektra. Jeff Woodruff reminded everyone to go and vote and that the candidates that came to our meeting were worth more consideration because they came. Daniel Davis reminded us that we have the plaques to start in staff on previous purchases. Fritz Bronner made his ongoing plea for the 210 freeway sound-wall installation along Foothill Blvd. in Lake View Terrace. Kevin Davis thanked everyone for coming, watch for updates with the web page and he is getting to network with other NC presidents.


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Under FTDNC Bylaws, Article 7, Section H, the Board may reconsider and amend its action on items listed on the Agenda if that reconsideration takes place immediately following the original action or at the next regular meeting. The Board, on either of these two days, shall: (1) make a Motion for Reconsideration and, if approved, (2) hear the matter and Take an Action. If the motion to reconsider is to be scheduled at the next meeting following the original action, then two items shall be placed on the agenda for that meeting: (1) a Motion for Reconsideration on the described matter and (2) a proposed Action should the motion to reconsider be approved. A Board member who has previously voted on the prevailing side of the action taken can only make a motion of reconsideration. If a motion for reconsideration is not made on the date the action was taken, then a Board member on the prevailing side of the action must submit a memorandum to the Secretary identifying the matter to be reconsidered and a brief description of the reason(s) for requesting reconsideration at the next regular meeting. The aforesaid shall all be in compliance with the Brown Act.