

**TO THE COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF LOS ANGELES**

Your **EDUCATION AND NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE**

reports as follows:

EDUCATION AND NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to an application to rename a community Sherman Oaks.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. APPROVE the application relative to renaming a community Sherman Oaks, roughly located in a neighborhood north of Burbank Boulevard, south of Oxnard Street, east of Sepulveda Boulevard and west of Hazeltine Avenue, with the following boundaries:
 - a. Eastern Boundary – North side of Burbank Boulevard, West side of Hazeltine, North side of Califa/Tiara.
 - b. Northern Boundary – North side of Califa/Tiara. This boundary includes the residences on Vesper Street which may have addresses on Oxnard Boulevard. Califa Street is located along the Western end of the North Boundary. The street does not have passage through to Sepulveda Boulevard which is the Western boundary. The applicants request that a boundary line is extended from the North West corner of the intersection of Califa and Halbreth to Sepulveda Boulevard to the West.
 - c. Exclusion – East and West side of Van Nuys Boulevard consistent with the current exclusion from Magnolia Boulevard through Burbank Boulevard.
 - d. Western Boundary – East side of the 405 Freeway.
2. INSTRUCT all relevant departments to perform the necessary requirements to effectuate the renaming of this community, including but not limited to, the installation of signs.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the Chief Legislative Analyst nor the City Administrative Officer has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: Yes

Against Proposal: Van Nuys Neighborhood Council
Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council

SUMMARY

At its regular meeting held on June 23, 2009, the Education and Neighborhoods Committee considered an application filed by Loretta Healy requesting to change a community name to Sherman Oaks. This community is roughly located in a neighborhood north of Burbank Boulevard, south of Oxnard Street, east of Sepulveda Boulevard and west of Hazeltine Avenue. The properties petitioning for a name change are comprised of approximately 1,855 parcels and are located within two postal zip code areas; 91411 and 91401.

The Office of the City Clerk provided a summary of the application chronology which is attached to the Council file. The application was filed on September 23, 2008 and, after City Clerk staff verified the requisite number of signatures on the petition accompanying the application, it was approved for processing on October 8, 2008. The Department of Neighborhood Empowerment reports that the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council, the Van Nuys Neighborhood Council, Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council and Greater Valley Glen Council were all notified of the proposal to rename a portion of Van Nuys to Sherman Oaks. The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council and Van Nuys Neighborhood Council held public hearings on January 9, 2009 and January 14, 2009, respectively, and voted to oppose the proposed name change from Van Nuys to Sherman Oaks. Both Neighborhood Councils submitted Community Impact Statements to the Council file. The Lake Balboa Neighborhood Council and the Greater Valley Glen Council did not hold hearings on the subject. Additionally, the City Clerk, Records Management Division, and the Public Works, Bureau of Engineering, submitted reports relative to the application.

During the discussion of this matter, the applicant briefly presented background information concerning the community and addressed related questions from the Committee members. Since the proposed community is located within the boundaries of Council District Two, staff representing Councilmember Wendy Greuel addressed the Committee. The representative of Councilmember Greuel's Office spoke in support of the application and petition to officially rename the community Sherman Oaks and requested a technical amendment to describe the western boundary as the east side of the 405 Freeway. After an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended to approve the application to rename a community Sherman Oaks as amended to describe the western boundary as the east side of the 405 Freeway. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

EDUCATION AND NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
ALARCON:	YES
HAHN:	YES
ZINE:	ABSENT

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