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Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council

November 14, 2017, 6:00- 9:00 PM

Hollywood United Methodist Church, 6817 Franklin Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90068

DRAFT - Minutes

- I. Call to order and welcome.** 6:02 PM
- II. Approval of July 10, 2017 and October 10, 2017 minutes:** Tabled.
- III. Agenda Item**

LA City Planning has released the initial text of the Hollywood Community Plan Update 2 (HCPU2) and is asking for public comment. The Hollywood Community Plan is a blueprint for guiding change in Hollywood and contains policies reflecting a future vision for neighborhoods and designates land for the range of uses needed, including jobs, housing, transportation, open space and amenities.

The Area 3, Area 4 and Housing committees will discuss the HCPU2 to offer feed back to the HHWNC Board to be collated with other Area and Issue committees of HHWNC. The Board will then present the feedback to LA City Planning. Possible motion and vote.

BM: Alternative Access. Building going into Franklin and Las Palmas. Plans are to access from Franklin place. Petitioning City to come in from Las Palmas. Sharky's property want to build a hotel, and apartment on Cherokee. Alley way between cutting in. Going into alley. Access for parking – curb cuts.

BM: Do we support curb cuts.

BM: Sometimes you need two access points. Goes hand in hand preserving alleyways.

BM: Regarding Road Diets, the Federal Government supports. Trying to get people out of cars.

SH: this is all for Road diets.

SH: Road diets are a colossal failure. Changing peoples' behavior useless. Never seen a cop pull over someone riding a bike.

SH: More and more young people don't want to drive, have a driver's license.

BM: Do they have children?

SH: No.

BM: Things are delayed because people are getting married later in life to pay off bills. When they have kids, they move. Know two couples that have done this. Would love to use transportation if available, but it is not. True, a business in Hollywood want to drive, but none are married.

SH: Had two bicycles hit the car. Nice period of time, until you need groceries and have kids.

BM: That these are long term. The future dedicated to less car use.

BM: Attached to Agenda 21. Everyone locked to their apartments. But how do we see our future.

BM: Motion on the floor. Language to not support. Needs clearer language. Pass

BM: They aren't saying what is true planning. Not saying put a parking lot entrance and exit in an alley. They are just saying discourage parking by sidewalks.

SH: If you try to get in Hollywood & Highland.

BM: For instance, in the parking lot of the church, the city wants to build up to the sidewalk and park behind so the pedestrian use isn't interrupted.

SH: But we don't know how get in, had to make a special lane for Uber. Still drivers don't know where to go. They are confused. There is a demonization of a parking lots.

BM: change language to commercial uses. Hollywood is not just restaurants and entertainment.

SH: Are alleys public right of ways? Where are they to go? They took away St. Francis.

BM: Streets were given away for the studios downtown studios on Bixel.

BM: Orchid was given away for Hollywood and Highland. City got the parking lot in place of the street.

BM: They are looking at Closing Cosmo in Hollywood. A lot of the language the City is using is because they cannot dictate uses of land. Only encourage. They can sell land they own.

SH: PR 1.7, preserve the alleys by not transferring or giving to private businesses.

BM: re 1.8, how much more access do they need than what they already don't have? Instead of busses stopping in front. Have a moving sidewalk that would move people to the main area.

SH: It's a county thing.

BM PR 1.9. No implementation. How could this be done without taking land away?

BM PR 1.10. Do you support?

SH: Maintain the streets. Pick up your garbage. Pick up a sofa.

BM: What about metered signs? We had been fighting for a light, but turns out there was a lawsuit against the City.

BM for PR 1.13

SH: Response from downtown was that enough people aren't getting hurt, didn't have the data.

BM: Support 1.4

BM: There is not implementation.

BM: Curious as to the specific lighting for Hollywood.

BM: PR 1.5. Where can they put in a new street?

BM: New design does not take any

BM: For 1.16, add discourage people lying on the street so you can walk.

BM: Don't. Don't attack homeless.

BM: There is a law that is the right to rest. You can inquire as to why they are sitting there, and they have the right. Thought someone was dead, but he was warm.

BM: Right to rest. Lawsuit. Brown vs. City of LA

BM: No place in Hollywood Area. Non-profit provides insurance and agency. If the church would allow to park cars. It would not cost anything who would lend their facilities.

PR1.17 Support. Take out in implementation P54 "Promote the" and start with "Plant viable, drought tolerant street Trees.

PR1.18 Make sure free of public obstruction and impediments.

BM: Is Hollywood & Highland considered Public Place? What is the difference between Public and Private?

BM: Don't like granting bonuses for private spaces that aren't public.

BM: The City passed that Private parks, because they support the public in part, need public security.

BM: PR2.1 and PR2.2. Don't support granting "Open Space" that is not Public. It is privately owned. New York has had a lot of issues. Issues of enforcement. Needs a stronger implementation policy.

BM: There is a difference between zoning and planning. This is also a zoning issue (land use).

SH: Cars and revving of engines. Post market Motorcycles.

BM: It took two years, but Cashmere was closed down for rooftop violations.

BM: Pull CUP. Other stakeholder having tremendous problems with Dream Hotel, Mama Shelter and rooftop films on Montalban.

BM: These should not be considered open space. The hotel at Argyle meets open space because of the rooftop pool. Problem with Mama Shelter, becoming residential, triggers need for open space.

BM: What the City is trying to do manage global warming. Can we request certain amount of green? Request City. Require more green.

BM: We have lost the tree canopy by 50% in LA from small lot subdivisions being replaced. But if you are building up to the sidewalk, you are losing area for planting trees.

BM: New trees die.

BM: We need to address tree canopy issues.

BM: Tree canopy per square foot.

BM: Do not support Schraeder being closed. That street needs to be maintained for emergency purposes.

PR2.4. Support.

BM: Wattles in HHWNC. Community garden on Fountain.

BM: Question is where? Plot 66. Off of Los Tilos. Open Space being turned into private, single family use. Part of Hollywood Bowl.

BM: P3.1 Support, but needs implementation plan. Clarify that the view to open space is part of the definition of preserving open space. Needs policy to implement

PR 3.2 Support. Not to be implemented through P27. Because it would use Quimby fees for private development open space.

PR 3.3. Support

BM: PR3.4 Talks about easements. (i.e. a church). Support

SH: Hollywood is sidewalks.

BM: What they want altogether is to widen Franklin.

BM: PR 3.5 N/A

PR 3.6 Support. However, the City Parks budget was slashed.

PR 3.7 Support. City was supposed to buy Hollywood Sign. Chamber worked with HH. It became City property. Chamber received all TM rights.

SH: PR 3.8 What usages are this?

BM: Bike path on River. Franklin Ivar Park.

BM: Sounds like they want people to camp along the freeway.

PR 3.9 Included in language public transportation options to and from Runyon in implementation. Safe pedestrian access through the Cahuenga Pass where there is none now.

BM: PR 3.10 Would discourage privately owned property to be considered open space.

SH: Hotels considered?

BM: Brings up a lot of questions. A known park.

Do not support. Implementation needs to include sound studies in Hillside residences as they live above the soundscape and sound travels up. Mitigation radius needs to be increased.

PR 3.11 Map the rivers that are now subterranean.

BM: Argument has been for streams that have dried up. We have lost some of our Water table.

BM: When Metro was diverted, the stream under Runyon. When they hit under Cahuenga hit a stream.

BM: Had a friend who went fishing in the Cahuenga River.

PR 3.12 Support

PR3.13 Support

PR 3.14 BM: We are asking to support a private park, Millennium. Huge conflict of interest. Doesn't have to go out for Bid. Three times CGS, as reported in the times, that if Ingelwood-Newport ruptures, it would cause a 3 day collapse rescue for three days. Like Runyon project, private.

BM: Only support 101 Cap park if unencumbered from private developers.

BM: City discussing putting Quimby fees into pool to move to other areas of City. This park could suck out Quimby fees for pocket parks.

BM: Could be wrong about the private parks. Will go look again. 101 requested RFP through SCAG. Don't know where they are getting the money. Think it is a 50/50. Land owner went down to City on another issue and didn't have to go out for bid because it is a private partnership. There is some mix going on. 501(c) 3 papers are housed with Phil Aarons, Millennium project. He is associated with Highline in New York.

BM: Highline was public.

BM: Highline was a 501 c 3. But know that 101 park chairman is Phil Aarons. Original PowerPoint for Millennium associated the Park with easy access to Millennium.

BM: Motion to not support

GM: Second

BM Need to be specific consistent.

SH: Park will not be toxic waste. Like Big Dig in Boston.

BM: Should support it.

BM: Should bring it to the Board.

BM: Since it doesn't lie within HHWNC.

Motion to not support the park.

BM: Motion passes. 5 Yes 3 No.

PR4.1 Support. Need to develop what used to be the Durant library. Area 7, and in Yucca Area 3.

PR 4.2

PR 4.3 support

PR4.4 Prioritize public transportation to and from in the implementation program. Should be defined as access points.

BM: Need to require parking, not alternative.

SH: Hills will never have mass transportation.

BM: Also saying, make transportation much better.

BM: Need to clarify alternative in the language.

SH: Is Cherokee lot the largest? It is huge. Empty most of the time. It is 50 feet away from the Yucca Community Center. Free validated parking for Yucca Community Center. Of one hour or 24 hours. "Coordinate city owned lots with access to urban recreation centers."

BM: Support.

BM: Would impact Area 1. Want to find alternative access to Hollywood Sign on Northside, with parking and trails that involve Cemetery zoning. As long as the Cemetery can support as a private owner.

PR 4.6 support, with contingency that private owners allow access to City to create open space on land that they own.

PR 5.1 Support

PR 5.2 Support

PR 5.3 Support, add language for Runyon Canyon in implementation. Designated Ride Share access points.

PR 5.4 Don't support. Need clarification between public and private. If it's specifically for LAUSD Where are the private properties? Is LAUSD Private or Public.

BM: This is Forest Lawn.

BM: But implementation is for LAUSD.

BM: Is LAUSD private or a public institution?

BM: LAUSD would not open to the public. Insurance and other issues make asking for it non-feasible.

Motion to proceed recommendations, including those on the Board.

BM: Second

Passes 7 Yes.

IV. Old Business; New Business

V. Public Comments: comments from the public on agenda items and non-agenda items within the Committee's subject matter jurisdiction.

SH: In regards to CAP Park, Long Beach Court House. Have to pay for renovation. State put up Cash. They were told this was the rent. Etc. Cost overrun on the Developer not the state. Developer making a profit on it.

BM: Property eventually turned over to the City. We have to make sure that is the agreement. City was going to turn library over to Philip Morris. There was not return. The City was going to allow the transfer under Riordan until public.

VI. Decision on next meeting date(s)

VII. Adjournment: 9:20 PM

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