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PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING (includes TRAFFIC/PUBLIC WORKS)
MINUTES for: Monday, December 3, 2007 7:00 PM
10116 Riverside Drive, Suite 200 Toluca Lake, CA 91602

1. Meeting Opening and Call to Order:

Start time: 7:05 PM
Members Present: Jay Goldberg, John Adair, Frank Banyai, Betsy Mogul and Wendy Mogul.
Absent: Sol Ajalat and Craig Strong.
Other Guests: Victor Yang, LADOT, Mary Garcia, Christine Farnon and Glenda Baskin.
Motion to Approve November Minutes. Approved.

2.1 On-Going Business –Public Input limited to 3-minutes

Local Crime: Senior Lead Officer, Rob Benavidez

Rob not present, but an arrest was made and robberies are down-burglaries are up per Jay. Glenda mentioned graffiti up near her home.

Town Hall Meeting: Making the Internet a Safer Place for Children:

Jay passed out a flyer seeking participation on the predatory behavior against children presentation to be held on January, 29, 2009, 7:00 PM, Toluca Lake Elementary School Auditorium (flyer attached).

- Provide Outreach Committee (Peter Hartz) with dates; flyers; information for placing ads/articles in the Tolucan Times.
Committee Member assignments.

Gang Activity To report tagging or gang activity call Citywide Services Directory“311”

Neighborhood Watch

December 8, 2007 group meeting at Terry Davis’ home between the hours of 2:00 PM and 4:00 PM. Group discussion.

2.2 Work In-Progress Status –Public Input limited to 3-minutes

Cahuenga Blvd. Improvements: Ramnick Mungra, Presenter (City of LA)

- Widen the east side of Cahuenga Boulevard between Camarillo Street and Addison Street approximately 7ft. to provide a drop-off zone in front of Toluca Lake Elementary School and to eliminate an existing jut-out.
Install a northbound right-turn pocket on Cahuenga Boulevard south of Magnolia Boulevard by widening both sides of Cahuenga Boulevard approximately 5ft on each side from Magnolia Boulevard to the alley just south of Magnolia Boulevard.
Install left-turn pockets at the intersections of Cahuenga Boulevard and Valley Spring Lane, Whipple Street, Woodbridge Street and Bloomfield Street.
Install left-turn phasing at the intersections of Cahuenga Boulevard and Camarillo Street, Riverside Drive and Moorpark Street.
Install two permanent speed display signs on Cahuenga Boulevard.

This is the tentative schedule for completion of the work and DOT may have to adjust the dates later as design progresses.

Table with 2 columns: Activity, Completion Date. Rows: Design (June 2008), Environmental (April 2008), Right-of-Way (July 2008), Construction (Mar 2010)

- The schedule must and will be adjusted to accommodate a rule which forbids work to be done during school hours.

Victor filling in for Bill and/or Brian. If you need anything, he will get back with answers. Does not know specifics. Frank got Victor to commit to “white striping” to get the ball rolling.

Cahuenga Blvd. Secondary Highway designation and downgrading-

Alley South of Riverside Drive at Forman-Adding stop sign:

- DOT scheduling STOP sign east bound at Talofa-will try to confirm westbound at Forman.

Riverside and Talofa (Trader Joe’s corner)-Adding traffic signal:

- According to DOT a Traffic signal is not justified since the City requires a 300 ft minimum distance between that corner and Forman Ave. and the distance is short of that.
Issues with coordinating lights.
Suggestion made that police sting handout out tickets.
An accident justifies, sometimes, installing a light (ex: Trader Joes in Silverlake).

- Victor will arrange for traffic study for signal.

Clybourn and Camarillo: Adding traffic signal: No report.

- High traffic volume and poor visibility because of curve.
- Request a traffic signal, instead of current Stop sign, (historical information: this intersection is on the border between Burbank and LA and the City of Burbank would not agree to a traffic signal unless LA ceded a piece of the border to Burbank. Council Office is planning to meet with the Mayor of Burbank to discuss.)

Strohm (South of Riverside) Improving safety and traffic:

- Public Safety Committee would like to hear from DOT on their recommendation for the best solution. No further discussion. One-way would require a petition.
- They never heard back from petitions. No follow-up. Drop from further action.

Camarillo between Lankershim and Tujunga- Improving safety and traffic: No action

- City is analyzing data. Possible change to reduce Camarillo to one lane in each direction with center safety zone was discussed. Need to have traffic count to see if this is feasible. This plan would be similar to the new Verdugo Blvd changes initiated by Burbank.
- Need to verify traffic flow in order to change to one-way. Awaiting data.

Valley Spring Lane-(between Lakeside and Cahuenga) Resurfacing street and Improving street lighting: No action

- Resurfacing street-This is now planned for later this year or next year. Question was raised whether the new Sewer System would go through Valley Spring Lane requiring the street to be dug up after it was resurfaced.
- Street Lighting-City Department of Public Works

Universal Development Plans the Universal/MTA Community Working Group plans to have a Town Hall meeting for the community on the progress of discussions with Universal. Visit their website for information: www.universalworkinggroupnews.org
No discussion.

3. New Business Public Input limited to 3-minutes

Certified Emergency Response Training (C.E.R.T.). Committee formed with Frank Banyai, Wendy Mogul, and Betsy Mogul with John Adair as Chair. Investigate Town Hall meeting for C.E.R.T. in March 2008.

4. Meeting Close and Wrap-Up

Meeting Dates for 2007: (first Monday of the month unless there is a Holiday) January 7, 2008.

Time: 7:00 PM **Location:** 10116 Riverside Drive, Suite 200