Porter Ranch Neighborhood Council (PRNC)

Special Board Meeting

Tuesday, November 26, 2019
6:30 PM – 7:30 PM
Porter Ranch Public Library
11371 Tampa Avenue, Porter Ranch

DRAFT MINUTES (PENDING BOARD APPROVAL)

1. Meeting call to order
   - President Issam Najm called the meeting to order at 6.30PM.

2. Welcome
   - Issam welcomed two stakeholders along with seven board members.

3. Roll Call
   - Gabriel Khanlian performed the roll call and a quorum was declared.
   - Here (7) - Asaad Alnajjar, David Balen, Lori Choi, Mihran Kalaydjian, Gabriel Khanlian, David Lasher and Issam Najm
   - Absent (4) - Brandii Grace, Hassan Memarian, Jason Hector and Becky Leveque

4. Comments of Public Officials or their Representatives, or of City Departments
   None present

5. Public Comments on matters not on the Agenda and within the purview of the Board
   None made

6. Discussion and possible action to approve the submittal of a comment letter to the California Energy Commission on the Draft 2019 IEPR

   Every 2 years, California energy Commissioner publishes an Integrated Energy Policy Report (IEPR) for power, gas and energy related matters, and the public comments on the draft 2019 IEPR are due tomorrow. Pipelines are failing and we need new pipelines. Gas will be with us 50 or 60 years and home heating depends on it and homes are built with the need of gas and it will take decades to completely eliminate the need for gas. Future houses can have electrified heating but for now, it is hard to change from existing houses and there has to be new pipelines. Issams hope that the letter will bring a specific timeline. Asaad is in favor of the resilient approach and timeline. A stake holder asked the difference between CEC and PUC. CEC is part of executive branch and part of the
administration and PUC is created by the constitution as an independent entity. There are 5 CPUC commissioners nominated by the governor and voted by the senate. They do not report to the governor. CEC reports to the governor but not the PUC. Issam made a motion to approve the letter and David Balen seconded the letter. A couple of changes were made. Issam made the motion with changes, Gabriel Khanlian seconded the amended motion and it passed unanimously.

7. Motion to file an updated community impact statement in opposition to the removal of 24 protected oak trees at 20900 Sesnon Blvd.

David Balen wants to see the trees that Toll Brothers is presenting to replant when the Oak trees are removed. The oak trees that are being removed are 35 – 45 feet tall and Toll Brothers is going to replace them with 4:1 ration with 24” box. The Land use would like to update the CIS and request 48” Boxes as the proposed trees are too small. Stakeholder stated that there was a photo that showed the trees were already removed. David stated that unless we are proven wrong, the trees have already been removed. He is not going to speculate until Toll Brothers shows he trees they want to remove along with the city. Either way, we want them to replace with life like trees. Asaad asked where will the 100 trees go and David replied with the fact that we can have input on where we want them planted. Stakeholder stated that the Oak Trees are protected trees. David Balen made the motion to update the Community Impact Statement, Mihran Kalaydjian seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

8. Closing Remarks
Park and ride has a homeless issue that is growing by the 118fwy and PR Drive. There were stacks of pallets in back of Walmart which was a fire hazard and the Fire Department Captain gave Walmart a warning to remove them or to fine Walmart.

9. Meeting Adjournment
   ▪ Issam adjourned the meeting at 7PM.