

PLANNING, ZONING AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE  
UNAPPROVED DRAFT MINUTES OF MEETING - September 9, 2009

A meeting was held on September 9, 2009, in the community room at 1965 Hillhurst Avenue pursuant to notice. Present from the committee were: Kenneth E. Owen, chair, Bruce Carroll, Joe Cisneros (for a portion of the meeting), Rosemary DeMonte, Jacqueline Kerr, Richard Spicer, Richard Stanley, David Uebersax and Tom Wilson. Mr. Wilson acted as secretary. Also present at various times during the meeting were Bernadette Soter and Ron Ostrow, both members of the GGPNC board. In addition, Vardui Petoyan, an owner of Home Restaurant, and her lawyer, Darin Margules were present for portions of the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

1. The minutes of the meeting of the committee held June 4, 2009, were approved.
2. There was no public comment on non agenda items.
3. The committee discussed the response of the GGPNC Board to the report made by the committee to the Board at its June 2009 meeting. The committee discussed the issue of whether or not to continue to meet while the board addressed the specific issues raised by the committee's report. The committee continues to be very concerned about what it feels are most offensive and unwarranted attacks on both the board and the committee and implicit lack of support and appreciation for the long hours and efforts of the committee. Richard Stanley demonstrated concern as to whether or not the committee, under the present circumstances, had the support of the community to do its work. By a vote of 5-yeas, 2-neas and 1-abstention the committee voted to continue meeting on a month to month basis deciding each month whether it was beneficial to the community for the committee to meet and whether or not the GGPNC board was addressing the issues raised by the committee's June report. Mr. Margules made public comment generally complaining about the failure of GGPNC to respond to the grievance filed by him on behalf of the owners of the Home Restaurant. He was advised that this committee has no jurisdiction over the grievance, which is a matter solely within the jurisdiction of the Executive Committee, and any comment which he or his client has regarding the grievance or the addressing of the grievance should be directed to that committee.
4. The committee reviewed the status of all pending matters, including: Those, such as billboards, Hollywood Community Plan, the Autry expansion proposal, the requested variance at 2856 Glendower to construct a recording studio in the front yard, the 2507 Nottingham retaining walls.  
The committee reviewed pending matters with particular emphasis on the proposed revised Hollywood Community Plan. Note: This item was taken out of order to accommodate a board member who was in attendance. When the board member had to leave for personal reasons the committee skipped to - Item 3 in order to accommodate Ms. Petoyan and Mr. Margules who were concerned about the item three issue when item 3 was completed the committee returned to this item (#4)

Regarding pending issues:

Rosemary DeMonte will take lead on the Electric Lotus plan approval.

Richard Stanley will take lead on the proposed 2208 Catalina wall.

Joe Cisneros will take the lead on the request for an adjustment for a wall at 2223 Nottingham that has already been constructed.

Richard Spicer gave a detailed presentation on the Hollywood Community Plan and the committee decided to initiate the educational process for members of the board and the community.

The committee as a whole will address the upcoming Hollywood Community plan but with each member taking a part of the plan for particular emphasis – as follows.

Spicer item three. Wilson item six. Uebersax items five and seven. It is hoped the Transportation Committee will assist on item four.

5. The committee adjourned at approximately 10:10PM