



# Land Use and Economic Development Committee Minutes

**Tuesday, July 03, 2012, 7:00pm**

*Meetings end at 8:30pm unless the committee votes to end earlier or extend the time*

Simon Wiesenthal Center (Pico and Roxbury)

1399 S. Roxbury Dr. 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, Los Angeles, CA 90035

## I. Call to Order & Roll Call

Co-chair Terrence Gomes called the meeting to order at 7:10

LUED Committee Members Present: Bette Billet, Susan Burden, Terrence Gomes, Brian Kite, Jon Liberman and Victor Mityr

## II. General Public Comment

Four students from East L.A. College majoring in Political Science were present to experience the community based process.

## III. Old Business

### a. Update on Eilat Bakery

The owners had requested a hearing on July 14<sup>th</sup> to appeal the ZA Decision.

## IV. New Business

### a. Discussion and possible action on 1251 Edris Drive, a proposed 4 story, 5 unit condominium project.

Owners did not show up. Harvey Goodman presented his project a year ago asking for a variance to zero clearance on the alley side. Application for a subdivision – a tract map. A variance within a tract map. The Advisory Agency (AA) can grant the variance along with the tract.

Move to table it with notation to ZA that the committee has not reviewed it and it has not come before us. Call to Vote: unanimous 6 Yes.

### b. Presentation by Susan Robinson, (213-978-1319) long-range planning division of the City of Los Angeles Planning Department, to provide a briefing of the two-year Expo Phase 2 Station Area Planning effort.

Susan and Patricia from the Planning Dept. explained the 2 year grant program that they received on How to best use the land around the stations and improve the street network. The 1<sup>st</sup> year will be a gathering information period. The 2<sup>nd</sup> year will be to take the plans to adoption. The grant will address street scope plans, targeted zone changes, land use changes. Urban design to improve the look of the buildings, make it easier for Pedestrians to use the stops (Pedestrian Friendly). Public outreach, reaching out to the stakeholders. Improve access and ridership to the stations. How will this affect the Culver City station and the surrounding area?

### c. Discussion of local land issues facing the SORO neighborhood

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Jon stated some of the issues that are facing SORO: Culver City Metro, Redevelopment of Century City, and improving community attraction to Robertson Blvd., Changing some of the density Requirement on Robertson to attract more development. The committee should recommend that this matter be considered with the Business Development outreach committee, Land Use, and Transportation. All should meet and come up with an approach. Call to vote: 5 approve, 1 oppose.

- d. Discussion of policies and procedures for the LUED committee.

Bette stated that it would be appropriate to start by an introduction of the co- chairs, board members present to the general public. The presenters should be introduced. A summary of discussion should be presented in a minutes format. Develop a list for the presenters to get prior to them appearing in front of the committee so they can know in advance what to expect and be prepared. It was suggested to contact CD5 Christopher Koontz to help with training of the Land use committee members. It was also recommended that the LUED contact Claudia Rodriguez (community Liaison) from the Planning Dept. for training (Heidi Lopes is covering for Claudia while she is off). Susan and Patricia could share a list of what the planning dept uses. We can get a simple list made from their comprehensive list. Terry will follow up on the list. The LUED committee meeting will start at 7:00pm and must end by 8:30 pm.

**V. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

**Notes:**

*All members of the public are encouraged and invited to attend.*

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