

Safety Committee Meeting Minutes

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October 18, 2007

NV City Hall (formerly ST Municipal Building)
7747 Foothill Boulevard
Tujunga, CA 91042

Attendees:

Cindy Cleghorn (STNC)

Raymond Cooke

Paul Dunham

Gordon Lee

Olina Lowe

Allen Rodriguez (STNC)

Nina Royal (STNC)

Mark Seigel (STNC)

Kelly Silvano

Susan Potthoff

1) Meeting called to order at 6:50 pm by Mark Seigel.

2) Public Comments – non-agenda items

A) Cindy expressed concern with requested lot splits, specifically splits which result in substandard lots per code. Many area streets are narrow with no sidewalks or other pedestrian walkways. The increased density is a safety issue for local residents, in addition to hindering emergency vehicles during an emergency. The example utilized was the proposed lot split for Las Lanitas, where the hearing has been postponed multiple times already. The Safety Committee may wish to provide comments from a community safety position.

B) Nina reports that the City Council is considering relaxing car parking space requirements for future multiunit construction in an attempt to force people to use public transportation. Due to limited access to public transportation in the community and the street/sidewalk concerns listed above, this would result in congested parking on surface streets and have a negative impact on community safety.

C) Olina recently attended a three Saturday seminar for disaster preparedness sponsored by the Emergency Preparedness Division and passed on general comments for actions by private citizens. The information will be presented to her Neighborhood Watch meeting at the Sherman Grove Mobil Home Recreation Hall on November 7, 2007 at 7:00 pm. This meeting is open to the general public.

3. Discussion and Actions on recommendations

A) Old Business

a) Damaged license plate reader car – Mark reports that the car was repaired but was then hit again but a private citizen red light runner. No timeframe for repairs. The officer involved in the original damage has been addressed and a letter from STNC is not needed or appropriate.

B) New Business

a) To promote community safety, emergency preparedness and CERT awareness, the committee should implement a community outreach project. Each committee member is to bring an idea for an outreach project to the next Safety Committee meeting, along with proposed action steps, costs, etc. for further discussion

b) See number 2) B) above – Safety Committee voted unanimously to request a letter from the STNC opposing the relaxation of car parking space requirements. Mark will bring the request to the STNC agenda meeting.

4) Meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm