

**TARZANA PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**March 13, 2017**

**Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by President David Garfinkle at 7:32 p.m. at the Tarzana Community and Cultural Center, located at 19130 Ventura Blvd.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** David Garfinkle, Max Flehinger, Michael Povar, Sandy Mittleman, Shel Mittleman, Terry Saucier, and David Springer

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Stanton Saucier, Leonard Shaffer, Nancy Theroux, Terry Saucier, and David Springer

**TREASURER'S REPORT** – Nancy Theroux

Checking: \$842.34

Savings: \$3527.73

**TRANSPORTATION – Max Flehinger**

**Reseda Blvd. speeding:** In order for the LAPD to use a radar speed gun, a legal speed limit must be established, by the City, for that street, every 7 years. Reseda Blvd., from Ventura Blvd. to its southern terminus, is out of date. The Tarzana Neighborhood Council (TNC) will write a letter to the City requesting that a speed limit on Reseda Blvd. be established ASAP.

**Traffic congestion on Reseda Blvd. north of Ventura Blvd:** Traffic studies for proposed individual developments totally ignore the cumulative impact from multiple proposed projects. The Transportation Committee contacted Allyn Rifkin, a retired DOT traffic engineer, and asked if he would be interested in conducting a study of the problem, with the goal of estimating the cumulative impact and recommending any reasonable measures to lessen the congestion. Rifkin said that he would get back to us.

**Neighborhood Traffic Management Plans for Sherman Oaks:** The LADOT recently issued a preliminary report “West Sherman Oaks Hills Neighborhood Traffic Management Plan”. The area of study was the Sherman Oaks area, south of Ventura Blvd. and east of the 405 Freeway. It was prompted by residents’ complaints of morning “cut-through traffic” clogging their streets. The DOT will accept input from the public on the three plans before making an implementation decision. This does not directly affect Tarzana, but many Tarzana stakeholders use those streets to drive to the Westside and back.

**Speed humps on Topeka, between Wells and Ventura:** A stakeholder complained of too many (7) in that short stretch of Topeka.

**PLANNING & LAND USE/TNC – David Garfinkle**

**Measure S, Neighborhood Integrity Ordinance:** Measure S was defeated on the March 7 election by about a 2 to 1 vote. However, due to the effort to pass Measure S, the City has already passed a number of ordinances to make positive changes including an update of the General Plan, a requirement to update each of the Community Plans every six years, and to require EIR studies to be conducted by organizations selected from a City developed list.

**Mansionization Ordinance Update:** The revisions to the Mansionization Ordinance have been passed by the City. It basically eliminates the “green” bonuses for all single family residential zones, retaining the “upper story setback” and “articulated front” bonuses. The application for a 10% variance now requires a public hearing. The maximum percent of the lot size of all residential structures (FAR) for the various zones:

Zone	RA	RA	RE15-40	RE 9-11	RE 9-11	RS	RS	R1
Lot size	20,000<	>20,000	All	15,000<	>15,000	9,000<	>9000	All
FAR	0.25	0.20	0.35	0.40	0.35	0.45	.40	.45

In addition there are specific requirements for specific R1 types and certain areas.

**Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU) Update:** As a result of a Superior Court decision, addition of second dwelling units has been halted while a new ordinance makes its way through the process. The City Planning Commission has approved the proposed ordinance provisions including that the primary dwelling unit has to be occupied by the owner of the property; no ADUs are allowed in the hillside unless it is on a standard street and not more than half a mile from a transit stop; the unit can be rented but not sold; and the ADU maximum size is the greater of 640 square feet or half the size of the primary unit up to a maximum of 1200 square feet.

**Sign Ordinance Update:** The Ordinance continues to bounce between the Planning and Land Use Management Committee and the Planning Department. TPOA supported variation B+, which says digital signs are only allowed in special sign districts, not in residential areas and signs that are not permitted will need to be taken down. Candidate billboards for demolition could include billboards that do not have a permit, where there is no evidence if a permit was ever issued, and where the billboard has gone beyond what was originally permitted in size. The PLUM Committee is reviewing the City Planning Commission Planning proposals. **UPDATE:** The Planning Department has indicated that it needs additional personnel to draft regulations dealing with off sight signs. The Department of Building and Safety has reiterated that large wall signs are illegal, with the exception of certain murals that have been in place for a long period of time.

## DISCUSSION

### **TNC and Chamber of Commerce 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Earth Day Celebration and Poster Contest:**

The Earth Day celebration will be Saturday, April 8 from 10 AM to 2:30 PM at Tarzana Recreation and Park. TPOA voted to provide a \$250 dollar award for the best poster and to have a booth.

**Tarzana Community and Cultural Center (TCCC) Asia Night:** TCCC and the West Valley-Warner Center Chamber of Commerce are planning an Asia night celebrating six different Asian cultures with food vendors, performers, and other displays on May 21 from 11-4 PM

**Trucks parked on Philipprimm:** Trucks parking on Philipprimm make traffic flow on this narrow street difficult. TPOA and TNC have complained to the LAPD and Councilman Blumenfield’s office. By State law, commercial vehicles cannot park in one spot for more than 24 hours. Councilmember Blumenfield feels that ticketing the offenders is more effective than towing them. There has been some mitigation of the parking, but it continues.

**Annual Dues:** Notices for the \$15 annual TPOA dues will be sent out shortly.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 9:23 PM.