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WESTWOOD NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL LAND USE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE (LUPC) MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 2017 – 3:15 PM-4:15 PM

City of Los Angeles Westwood Branch Public Library 1246 Glendon Avenue, Meeting Room Los Angeles, CA 90024

- 1. 3:15 p.m. Call to Order Roll: Connie Boukidis, Mary Chiu, and Ann Hayman present.
- 2. Unanimous approval of Agenda as posted.
- 3. Approval of Minutes dated 6/14/17

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

UCLA Graduate Student Association President Michael Skiles stated that students would like to have evening entertainment facilities in Westwood so they don't have to go to other neighborhoods. He suggested that businesses are scared off by the list of CUP conditions and requested that LUPC members be receptive towards these types of businesses.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

DISCUSSION/ACTION: A. 626 LANDFAIR Case Number: DIR-2017-1539 Project Title: 626 LANDFAIR Project Address: 626 Landfair Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90024 Contact Info: Eric Yu, 213-220-0170 Project Description: Construction of 10 unit apartment building, two levels of basement parking (28 spaces), bicycle parking per Section 8F of the North Westwood Village Specific Plan, with maximum height per 12.21 1B(2) of the LAMC.

Supporting Documents: http://www.wwnc.org/626 Landfair

Nathan Freeman presented the project. Eric Yu was also present. LUPC members voiced concern that this project is a very modern building which extends out to the sidewalk on Fraternity Row and doesn't harmonize with its surroundings. Steve Sann presented a letter written by North Village Residents Association President Wolfgang Veith containing a list of objections to the project. There was some disagreement about whether the project conforms to the height requirements.

Connie Boukidis moved,

The LUPC recommends that WWNC pass the following motion:

The WWNC does not support Applicant's project due to its incompatible design; style; color; materials; height that is noncompliant with the North Westwood Village Specific Plan; setbacks; etc. with the surrounding buildings and its location on UCLA fraternity row. We urge the owner to consider rehabilitating and upgrading the existing building or design a building that is consistent with authentic Mediterranean style that also includes an affordable housing component.

Ann Hayman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: B. MAHARAJA RESTAURANT Case Number: ENV-2017-2215-CE This presentation was postponed.

6. Upon unanimous approval of Motion to Adjourn, meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.