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LAND USE COMMITTEE
VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING
AGENDA

Wednesday, April 13, 2022 - 7:00 PM

Zoom Meeting Online or By Telephone

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In accordance with Government Code Section 54953, subsections (e)(1) and (e)(3), and in light of the State of Emergency proclaimed by the Governor on March 4, 2020 relating to COVID-19 and ongoing concerns that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees and/or that the State of Emergency continues to directly impact the ability of members to meet safely in person, the Land Use Committee of the Studio City Neighborhood Council April 13, 2022 meeting will be conducted via telephone and/or videoconferencing.

Committee Members: Lisa Karadjian (Chair, Board Member, Stakeholder), Jesse Porter (Stakeholder), Lana Shackelford (Stakeholder), Richard Niederberg (Board Member, Stakeholder), Dean Cutler (Stakeholder), Adele Slaughter (Stakeholder) Randall Fried (SCNC President, ex-officio)

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Announcements, Reports and Updates by the Committee Chair
3. Public comments on non-agenda items within the committees jurisdiction
4. Response to public comments by committee members
5. Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Motion

Proposed Project: **Harvard-Westlake River Park Project Case Number: ENV-2020-1512-EIR**

Project Location: 4047, 4141, and 4155 N. Whitsett Avenue; 12506, 12600, and 12630 W. Valley Spring Lane, Studio City, CA 91604

Project Description: The Harvard-Westlake River Park Project (Project) involves the redevelopment of the approximately 16.1-acre (701,428 square foot) Weddington Golf & Tennis site, and an adjacent approximately 1.1-acre (47,916 square foot) portion of property along the Los Angeles River leased from Los Angeles County, collectively comprising an approximately 17.2-acre (749,344 square foot) project site (Project Site), for use as an athletic and recreational facility for the Harvard-Westlake School and for shared public use. The Project would remove the existing golf course, driving range, and tennis facility to develop two athletic fields with bleacher seating, an 80,249-square-foot, two-story multi-purpose gymnasium with a maximum height of 30 feet, a 52-meter swimming pool with seating, eight tennis courts with seating, one level of below-grade parking and a surface parking lot. The Project would include ancillary field buildings, three security kiosks, exterior light poles, walls/fencing, and retention of the existing clubhouse structure, putting green, low brick retaining wall with weeping mortar, and golf ball-shaped light standards. The Project would remove 240 of the existing 421 trees and plant 393 new trees. The Project would include a one million-gallon stormwater capture and reuse system for water conservation and treatment purposes. The Project would also provide approximately 5.4 acres (235,224 square feet) of publicly-accessible open space and landscaped trails connecting to the adjacent Zev Yaroslavsky Los Angeles River Greenway (Zev Greenway) and would provide on-site landscaped areas, water features, and recreational facilities. The Project involves off-site improvements to the Valleyheart Drive public right-of-way, portions of the Zev Greenway adjacent to the Project Site, and an ADA compliant ramp to provide a pedestrian connection between the Zev Greenway and Coldwater Canyon Avenue northwest of the Project Site. Project development would require excavation and grading of the Project Site to a maximum depth of approximately 21 feet below grade and a net cut/fill volume of approximately 250,000 cubic yards.

For Audio and Visual Presentation from the City.

<https://lacity.webdamdb.com/embedvid.php?embedAssetId=E1FCBKe4Akp1&apm=0>

For Scoping Presentation.

https://planning.lacity.org/odocument/78d557a4-7f68-4a30-9119-b6111aa908c3/Scoping_Presentation.pdf

For this link - Scroll to the bottom of the page to access EVERY section of the DEIR.

<https://planning.lacity.org/development-services/eir/harvard-westlake-river-park-project-0>

Initial Study

<https://planning.lacity.org/odocument/fd825bbf-6dee-46e8-bec7-58c685467ba5/InitialStudy.pdf>

- **COMMENT PERIOD:** If you wish to submit comments following review of the Draft EIR, please reference the Environmental **Case Number: ENV-2020-1512-EIR** and submit them **in writing by Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.**

Please direct your comments to:

Mail: Kimberly Henry

City of Los Angeles, Department of City Planning

221 N. Figueroa Street, Room 1350

Los Angeles, CA 90012

Email: Kimberly.Henry@lacity.org

- **ANTICIPATED SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS:** Based on the analysis included in the Draft EIR, the Project would result in significant and unavoidable impacts related to Project-level and cumulative on-site and off-site construction noise, and Project-level and cumulative off-site construction vibration (human annoyance). All other potential impacts would be less than significant or mitigated to less-than-significant levels.
- **FILE REVIEW AND COMMENTS** with the City: Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update - The Department of City Planning recognizes the unprecedented nature of COVID-19, and having been identified as an essential City service, continues to work and respond to all inquiries pertaining to our ongoing efforts to process entitlement applications and study updates to our Community Plans and Citywide Policies. As a result of the Mayor's Safer at Home Order issues March 19, 2020, some of the previous means to access materials at libraries may not be available to all residents or interested parties. To that end, the Department of City Planning will ensure that interested parties seeking information about the Project will have access.
- **PUBLIC REVIEW:** The Draft EIR Case Number: ENV-2020-1512-EIR and the documents referenced in the Draft EIR are available for public review at the **City of Los Angeles, Department of City Planning, 221 N. Figueroa Street, Room 1350, Los Angeles, CA 90012, during office hours Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.** Please contact the Staff Planner - Kimberly Henry Kimberly.Henry@lacity.org to schedule an appointment. The Department has implemented additional measures to ensure the safety of the public viewing physical case files, necessitating appointments.
- **ADDITIONAL PUBLIC REVIEW AVAILABILITY:** The Draft EIR Case Number: ENV-2020-1512-EIR is also available online at the Department of City Planning's website at <https://planning.lacity.org/development-services/eir>
Copies are also available at the following Library Branches:
Los Angeles Central Library, 630 West Fifth Street, Los Angeles, CA 90071
North Hollywood Amelia Earhart Regional Library, 5211 Tujunga Avenue, North Hollywood, CA 91601
Studio City Branch Library, 12511 Moorpark Street, Studio City, CA 91604
The Draft EIR can also be purchased on CD-ROM for \$5.00 per copy.
Contact Kimberly Henry at Kimberly.Henry@lacity.org to purchase copies.

6. Comments from members on subject matters within the committees jurisdiction
7. Closing comments by the Committee Chair
8. Adjournment

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- VIRTUAL MEETING TELECONFERENCING NUMBER FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
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- Every person wishing to address the Neighborhood Council must dial 669-900-6833, and enter the meeting ID 842 2007 9812, followed by pressing # to join the meeting. Instructions on how to sign up for public comment will be given to listeners at the start of the meeting.
- AB 361 UPDATES – Public comment cannot be required to be submitted in advance of the meeting, only real-time public comment is required. If there are any broadcasting interruptions that prevent the public from observing or hearing the meeting, the meeting must be recessed or adjourned. If members of the public are unable to provide public comment or be heard due to issues within the Neighborhood Council's control, the meeting must be recessed or adjourned.
- PUBLIC INPUT AT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETINGS – The public is requested to dial *6, when prompted by the presiding officer, to address the Board on any agenda item before the Board takes an action on an item. Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board meeting. Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.
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- NOTICE TO PAID REPRESENTATIVES – If you are compensated to monitor, attend or speak at this meeting, City law may require you to register as a lobbyist and report your activity. See Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 48.01 et seq. More information is available at ethics.lacity.org/lobbying. For assistance, please contact the Ethics Commission at (213) 978-1960 or ethics.commission@lacity.org
- PUBLIC ACCESS OF RECORDS – In compliance with Government Code section 54957.5, non-exempt writings that are distributed to a majority or all of the board in advance of a meeting, currently, cannot be viewed at 4024 Radford Ave. Editorial Bldg. 2, Room 6. Studio City, CA 91604; but can be viewed at our website: www.studiocitync.org or at the scheduled meeting. In addition, if you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda, please contact Randall Fried at (323) 828-2149 or email: rfried@studiocitync.org
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