# SOUTH VALLEY AREA PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING AGENDA THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2025 AFTER 4:30 P.M. MARVIN BRAUDE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CONSTITUENT SERVICE CENTER 6262 VAN NUYS BOULEVARD, ROOM 1B VAN NUYS, CA 91401

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#### POLICY FOR DESIGNATED PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS:

Pursuant to the Commission's general operating procedures, the Commission at times must necessarily limit the speaking times of those presenting testimony on either side of an issue that is <u>designated</u> as a public hearing item. In all instances, however, equal time is allowed for presentation of pros and cons of matters to be acted upon. Every person wishing to address the commission in person must complete a speaker's request form and submit it to the Commission staff.

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Written submissions, which are optional, may be submitted prior to, or at, the meeting. These are governed by the South Valley Area Planning Commission Rules and Operating Procedures posted online at <a href="https://planning.lacity.org">https://planning.lacity.org</a>. However, please see submission guidelines below which have been modified to accommodate the hybrid meeting format.

Initial Submissions, not limited as to volume, must be received by the Commission Executive Assistant no later than by 4:00 p.m. on the Monday prior to the week of the Commission meeting. Materials are to be emailed to <a href="mailto:apcsouthvalley@lacity.org">apcsouthvalley@lacity.org</a>. Secondary Submissions in response to a Staff Recommendation Report or additional comments must be received electronically no later than 48-hours before the Commission meeting. Submissions shall not exceed ten (10) pages, including exhibits, and must be submitted electronically to <a href="mailto:apcsouthvalley@lacity.org">apcsouthvalley@lacity.org</a>. Photographs do not count toward the page limitation. Day of Hearing Submissions within 24 hours of the meeting, up to and including the day of the meeting are limited to 2 pages plus accompanying photographs. Day of Hearing Submissions are to be submitted electronically to <a href="mailto:apcsouthvalley@lacity.org">apcsouthvalley@lacity.org</a> and 12 hard copies must be submitted at the in-person meeting. Submissions that do not comply with these rules will be stamped "File Copy. Non-Complying Submission." Non-complying submissions will be placed into the official case file, but they will not be delivered to or considered by the Commission and will not be included in the official administrative record for the item at issue.

The Commission may RECONSIDER and alter its action taken on items listed herein at any time during this meeting or during the next regular meeting, in accordance with the Commission Rules and Operating Procedures and provided that the Commission retains jurisdiction over the case. If a Commission meeting is canceled or adjourned due to lack of quorum, all remaining agenda items shall be continued to the next regular meeting or beyond as long as the continuance is within the legal time limits of the case or cases.

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If you challenge these agenda items in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence on these matters delivered to this agency at or prior to the public hearing.

If you seek judicial review of any decision of the City pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.5, the petition for writ of mandate pursuant to that section must be filed no later than the 90th day following the date on which the City's decision became final pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6. There may be other time limits which also affect your ability to seek judicial review.

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If you would like to receive a determination letter for any item on today's agenda, please email your request to <a href="mailto:apcsouthvalley@lacity.org">apcsouthvalley@lacity.org</a>. Please include your contact information (email or mailing address) and the case number associated with the item.

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# 1. <u>DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND COMMISSION BUSINESS</u>

- Adoption of Operational Documents: <u>Rules and Operating Procedures</u> and <u>Delegating Authority</u> Motion
- Items of Interest
- Advance Calendar
- Commission Requests

# 2. <u>NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL POSITION STATEMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS</u>

Presentations by Neighborhood Council representatives on any Neighborhood Council resolution, or community impact statement filed with the City Clerk, which relates to any agenda item listed or being considered on this agenda. The Neighborhood Council representative shall provide the Board or Commission with a copy of the Neighborhood Council's resolution or community impact statement by email to <a href="mailto:apcsouthvalley@lacity.org">apcsouthvalley@lacity.org</a>. At the Chair's discretion, presentations of Neighborhood Councils on any matter listed on the agenda for this Commission meeting may be taken at the time the agenda item is taken for consideration.

# 3. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

The Commission shall provide an opportunity in open meetings for the public to address it **on non-agenda items**, for a cumulative total of up to thirty (30) minutes, on items of interest to the public that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission.

# 4. **RECONSIDERATIONS**

- **a. MOTIONS TO RECONSIDER –** The Commission may make a motion to reconsider a Commission Action on any agenda items from its previous meeting, consistently with the Commission Rule 9.3, provided the Commission retains jurisdiction over the matter.
- **b. MERITS OF ANY ITEM THE COMMISSION HAS VOTED TO RECONSIDER –** If a majority of the Commission has approved a motion to reconsider a Commission Action, the Commission may address the merits of the original Commission Action.

#### 5. ZA-2024-6807-ZV-1A

CEQA: ENV-2024-6973-CE

Last Day to Act: 09-11-25 Plan Area: Van Nuys - North Sherman Oaks Continued from 08-14-25

## **PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED**

PROJECT SITE: 7654, 7658 North Burnet Avenue: 15120 West Keswick Street

#### PROPOSED PROJECT:

A Zone Variance to permit the installation of an automobile spray paint booth at an existing auto body repair shop that is located within 500-feet of a school, A, or R zone as otherwise prohibited under Section 12.24 W.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code with proposed hours of operation from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday and 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Saturday.

## APPEAL:

An appeal of the Associate Zoning Administrator's Determination, dated May 21, 2025, which:

- 1. Determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, Class 1 (Existing Facilities), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that any exceptions contained in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies;
- 2. Denied, pursuant to LAMC Chapter 1A Section 13.B.5.3 and City Charter Section 562, a variance to allow the installation, use, and maintenance of an automobile spray paint booth in lieu of its prohibition in the CM Zone; and
- 3. Adopted the Findings.

Applicant/

Appellant: Carz Citi Auto Collision, Inc.

Representative: Peter Avala

Staff: Joanna Marroquin, City Planning Assistant

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Jonathan Hershey, Associate Zoning Administrator

#### 6. ZA-2021-10333-ZAD-1A

CEQA: ENV-2023-10334-CE

Plan Area: Canoga Park – Winnetka – Woodland Hills – West Hills

## PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED

PROJECT SITE: 21140 North Nofral Road

### PROPOSED PROJECT:

Construction, use and maintenance of a 1,678 square foot, two story, single-family dwelling that includes a 380 square foot, two-car detached garage, an 800 square foot Accessory Dwelling Unit, and a 204 square trellis and patio space. No protected native trees are proposed for removal.

# APPEAL:

An appeal of the Associate Zoning Administrator's Determination, dated June 17, 2025, which:

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Council District: 6 - Padilla

- 1. Determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 and Section 15303, Class 1 (Existing Facilities), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that any exceptions contained in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies;
- 2. Denied, pursuant to Chapter 1 Section 12.24 X.28 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC), a Zoning Administrator's Determination to permit the construction, use, and maintenance of a new single-family dwelling on an approximately 5,027 square foot lot fronting on a Substandard Hillside Limited Street (San Miguel Street);
- 3. Approved, pursuant to the LAMC Chapter 1 Section 12.24 X.28, a Zoning Administrator's Determination to permit the construction, use, and maintenance of a new single-family dwelling on an approximately 5,027 square foot lot fronting on a Substandard Hillside Limited Street (San Miguel Street) without providing a minimum 20-foot roadway width for the continuous paved roadway to the boundary of the Hillside Area pursuant to the LAMC Chapter 1 Section 12.21 C.10(i)(3), with additional terms and conditions; and
- 4. Adopted the Conditions of Approval and Findings.

**Applicant:** Hamid Azarbin

Representative: Oscar A. Ensafi

**Appellant:** Dr. Lilla Hashemi

**Staff:** Courtney Yellen, City Planning Assistant

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Christine Saponara, Associate Zoning Administrator

## 7. ZA-2021-10359-ZAD-1A

CEQA: ENV-2023-10360-CE

Plan Area: Canoga Park – Winnetka – Woodland Hills – West Hills

### **PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED**

**PROJECT SITE**: 4949 North Nofral Road; 4955 North Escobedo Road

# **PROPOSED PROJECT:**

Construction, use and maintenance of a 2,375 square foot, two story, single-family dwelling that includes a 400 square foot, two-car attached garage and an 800 square foot attached Accessory Dwelling Unit. No protected, native trees are proposed for removal.

### APPEAL:

An appeal of the Associate Zoning Administrator's determination, dated June 17, 2025, which:

- 1. Determined, based on the whole of the administration record, the Project is exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 and Section 15303, Class 3 (new construction or conversion of small structures), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies;
- 2. Denied, pursuant to Chapter 1 Section 12.24 X.28 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC), a Zoning Administrator's Determination to permit the construction, use, and maintenance of a new single-family dwelling on an approximately 6,548 square foot lot fronting on a Substandard Hillside Limited Street (San Miguel Street) without providing an adjacent minimum roadway width of 20 feet pursuant to Chapter 1 of the LAMC Section 12.21 c.10(i)(2);

Council District: 3 - Blumenfield

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- 3. Approved, pursuant to the LAMC Chapter 1 Section 12.24 X.28, a Zoning Administrator's Determination to permit the construction, use, and maintenance of a new single-family dwelling on an approximately 6,548 square foot lot fronting on a Substandard Hillside Limited Street (San Miguel Street) without providing a minimum 20-foot roadway width for the continuous paved roadway to the boundary of the Hillside Area pursuant to the LAMC Chapter 1 Section 12.21 C.10(i)(3), with additional terms and conditions; and
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The next regular meeting of the South Valley Area Planning Commission will be held on **Thursday**, **September 25**, **2025 at 4:30 p.m.** 

Marvin Braude San Fernando Valley Constituent Service Center 6262 Van Nuys Boulevard, Room 1B Van Nuys, CA 91401

#### **Notice to Paid Representatives:**

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Telecommunications Relay Service is a telephone service that allows persons with hearing or speech disabilities to place and receive telephone calls. TRS is available in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the U.S. territories for local and/or long distance calls. TRS providers - generally telephone companies - are compensated for the costs of providing TRS from either a state or a federal fund. There is no cost to the TRS user.

What forms of TRS are available? There are several forms of TRS, depending on the particular needs of the user and the equipment available: TRS includes: Text to Voice TIY-Based TRS; Speech-to-Speech Relay Service; Shared Non-English Language Relay Service; Captioned Telephone Relay Service; Internet Protocol Relay Service; and Video Relay Service. Please visit this site for detailed descriptions, <a href="https://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/telecommunications-relay-service-trs">https://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/telecommunications-relay-service-trs</a>.

Don't hang up! Some people hang up on TRS calls because they think the Communications Assistant (CA) is a telemarketer. If you hear, "Hello. This is the relay service ... " when you pick up the phone, please don't hang up! You are about to talk, through a TRS provider, to a person who is deaf, hard-of-hearing, or has a speech disability.

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