**Tarzana Neighborhood Council – Transportation Committee**

**Minutes of Meeting on September 20, 2016**

Attendees: Max Flehinger, Chairman; Harvey Goldberg, Zan Green, Eran Heissler, Ken Schwartz, Bob Shmaeff, Richard Silverman, Sukh Singh. Also present were Dave Garfinkle, John Reich and (student) Marcus Arnesen.

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. **Approval of minutes** of July 20, 2016 meeting: By motion of Heissler/Goldberg the minutes were approved as submitted.

**3. Public Comments:** David Garfinkle addressed Measure M, sales tax increase, on the November 8th ballot. He provided a summary analysis and opinion of the Sherman Oaks Homeowners Association which concluded *with “SOHA looks forward to supporting an improved plan on a future ballot. In the interim, we urge a “No” vote on Measure M sales tax increase on November 8, 2016.”*  The committee then discussed the pros and cons of the Measure.

**4. Burned out lights on signs and unreadable sign on 101 Freeway – progress report:** On September 6, Goldberg heard from Caltrans’John Brock, the Electrical Area Superintendent. He said that all contracted work in our area has been substantially completed and that all center signs will be (eventually) replaced with reflective signs. Flehinger will send a letter of thanks to Deborah Wong, Caltrans’ Deputy District Director of Maintenance,

**5.** **Elimination** **of overnight truck parking on Philiprimm between Yolanda and Wilbur – progress report:** Flehinger reports that there are now fewer trucks and that citations *are* being given. A suggestion was floated that we might want to file a FOIA (Freedom of Information Act) request to track all of the calls reporting the trucks. Rather it was decided that Flehinger will contact the councilman’s office to get the reports on the calls.

**6. Request for traffic remediation at Caladero/Nogales intersection- progress report:** Flehinger reported this to the DOT following our June meeting and has made follow-up calls with no response. He will contact the stakeholder who made the request and suggest to her that she gather neighbors’ signatures to send to the Councilman.

**7. Semi-annual “pot hole truck” asphalt repair in Tarzana in August – report:** Upon our request, the one-truck allotment *was* used for the east ½ of the alley south of Ventura Bl. between Vanalden and Topeka.

**8. Request for removal of speed bumps on Topeka between Wells and Ventura Bl. – discussion, possible motion:**. Flehinger twice called the stakeholder who made the request and has not heard back from her.

**9. Request to close Shirley tunnel - discussion, possible motion and**

**10. Request to restrict parking on Martha between Corbin and Melvin and between Shirley and Calvin – discussion, possible motion:** Garfinkle explained these two related items. People who work along Ventura Bl. are parking on Martha and using the tunnel to go back and forth. This has caused parking issues for residents on Martha. The following motion was made by Goldberg/Shmaeff:

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*Schedule a future committee agenda item to discuss both #9 and 10 and invite impacted residents to attend.* The motion passed 7 to 1.

**11. Weeds on Wilbur Avenue median between Friar and Calvert – discussion, possible motion:** To the above was added: weeds on the triangle by Mecca Park and in the Burbank Bl median between Etiwanda and Reseda Bl. Svetlana of Councilman Blumenfield’s

Office will try to get someone to clean these areas.

**12. Committee Member Comments - Comments from Committee Members on subject matters within the Committee’s jurisdiction:** Singhled a preliminary discussion of a traffic study of a proposed mixed use development at the northwest corner of Reseda Bl and Clark Street. Proposed is 170 residential units and 6,000 s.f. of retail space.

**10. Future agenda items and other calendar events. Date of next meeting.** The date of the next meeting is October 19, 2016.

**11. Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 P.M. by motion of Goldberg/Schwartz.

Zan Green, Secretary