North Westdale Neighborhood Association

Minutes for May 08, 2018 Special Meeting - by Joan Winters - NWNA Secretary

Called to order: 8:00 PM

Attendance: Approximately 30

St. Andrew's Lutheran Church--sanctuary
Welcoming by NWNA President Martin Rubin

Introduction of Mr. Frymer by Pastor Caleb Crainer from St. Andrew's Lutheran Church

Guest Speaker:

David Frymer - The developer of the 11671 National Blvd. project

Mr. Frymer brought a rendering of what his project will look like, once completed. He also brought rolled up plans to unroll for neighbors who wanted to stay after the meeting adjourned. They are now continuing the process of soil excavation for the two levels of underground parking. He answered questions about the use of the building, including commercial ground-floor shops, 3rd and 4th floor roof decks, Barrington driveway/alley permitted use for driving north on Barrington only. This was of interest especially to immediate residents who said their streets will continue to be affected with more cut-through traffic and continued use of parking from apartments/stores on National Blvd., adjacent to their homes. Some mentioned other quality-of-life concerns as well. Mr. Frymer suggested that residents should purchase parking permits from the city if spillover parking was a problem.

Len Nguyen, Councilmember Mike Bonin's Deputy Planner, attended briefly. Before leaving he answered one question that our president Martin Rubin had been requesting an answer about for several weeks. Would there be ample access for emergency vehicles, including fire, ambulance and police to the back of this mixed-use development? Several neighbors who live in close proximity had voiced their concern to Martin. Len replied that he spoke with LAFD Chief Hogan, and he was told that Fire Station 62 in Mar Vista would be able to fight a potential fire there from the front side of National Blvd..

Adjournment: 9:10 PM, (several neighbors stayed on to review Mr. Frymer's plans).