



Porter Ranch Neighborhood Council  
Land Use Committee Meeting Minutes – March 9, 2006  
Porter Ranch Public Library  
By: Mel Mitchell

Meeting called to order at 6:35 pm

Several months ago the Porter Ranch Neighborhood Council (PRNC) organized an ad hoc committee to help plan a new school for Porter Ranch. The **ASAP** Committee (**A**dvance the **S**chool **A**t **P**orter Ranch) has participated in several meetings with the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD), Councilman Greig Smith's office and the Porter Ranch Development Company and the new school project is definitely moving forward.

An important upcoming step in building our new school is a presentation of a proposed school site plan to the [LAUSD Board of Education](#) for their review and approval. If the process goes smoothly, this presentation could actually occur within the next several months.

Before a site plan can be finalized, the Porter Ranch Development Company must submit changes to the existing [Porter Ranch Specific Plan](#). A key change being proposed involves moving the school site that is specified in the current Specific Plan to a new location. The Porter Ranch Development Company is also proposing additional Specific Plan changes and Tom Zeiger and Dave Hasson presented and discussed these changes with the PRNC at the Land Use Committee meeting on Thursday, March 9, 2006.

Following are the proposed Specific Plan changes:

1. Relocate the planned Elementary School site from a 7-acre parcel at the southeast corner of Sesnon Boulevard and Mason Avenue to a 12.5-acre parcel on Mason south of Sesnon Boulevard (both parcels are in the Specific Plan Subarea D). The new school will be a Span School for grades kindergarten through eighth grade.
2. Redesign the residential housing plans in Subarea D to accommodate #1 above by changing the style and sizes of the residential units and increasing the number from 175 to 195 units.
3. Reduce the number of already approved multi-family units (70 condominium units and 38 townhome units) in the Community Center Area, by transferring those to the un-built single-family area north of Sesnon Boulevard
4. Redesign the balance of housing units in Subarea C (across from the proposed school site) to accommodate a Tuscan-like project which will increase the single family housing by 130 units.
5. Change Specific Plan wording to allow for moving the location of the planned new Library & Municipal facilities, Child Care and Community Room to the new school site (From Subareas I, II, III or IV to Subarea D).



6. Relocate the planned assisted living facility and plan a new office building to be located on the southwest corner of Rinaldi and Mason (Subarea III).
7. Add a new parking area for the proposed 3-story medical office building located on the southeast corner of Rinaldi Street and Porter Ranch Drive.
8. Change the Specific Plan setbacks from 40 feet to 25 feet on the north side of Rinaldi Street between Porter Ranch Drive and Mason to be consistent with other residential setbacks in the Specific Plan.
9. Reduce the commercial square footage in the Community Center area to allow for the transfer of units in #3 above.
10. The remaining un-built commercial square footage north of Rinaldi street could be transferred to the commercial area south of Rinaldi street

Many questions were asked by the Stakeholders in attendance and answered by Tom and Dave. A hand vote was taken at the end of discussions which demonstrated near-unanimous support for the proposed changes to the Specific Plan.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 pm

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