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Introduction

Presenters

- Lisa Retired Financial Manager
- Stephen Retired IT & Infrastructure Manager
- We would like to thank all of the community members who made this presentation possible
- Stop Home Depot Community Group
 - Community members who live near the North Hills Shopping Center
 - Pro business, not anti-Home Depot
 - We believe the site is too small for the proposed store



- Issues Is an Environmental Impact Report needed (EIR)?
 - Traffic & Access
 - Parking
 - Noise, light & vehicle pollution (24 hr. operations)
 - Pedestrian & Student Safety
 - Hazardous Materials & Safety
 - Specific & Community Plans
- Conclusions

SFV Home Improvement, Builder, Lumber & Hardware



North Hills Shopping Center (NHSC)



Source: GetDigsy.com

Proposed HD Granada Hills Store



HD Van Nuys Access (HD VN)















HD Granada Hills Access





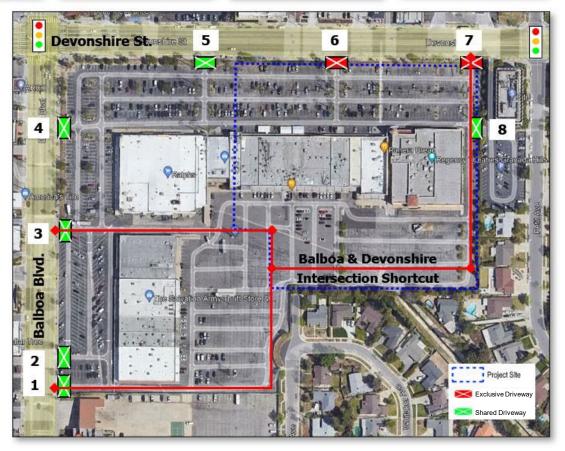












HDVN & HD GH Access Points



HD Van Nuys

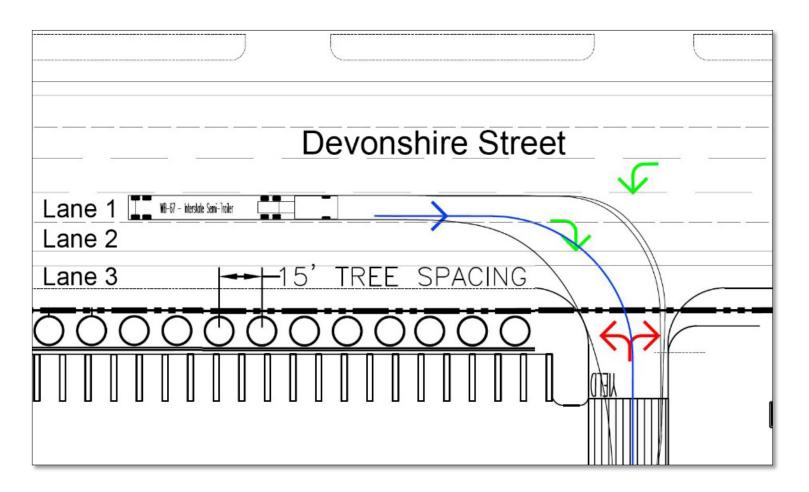


HD Granada Hills

Vehicle & Bike Safety

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Radius of WB-67 Big Rig – 46'



HD TAR - Traffic Analysis Report

TAR Issues

- Used data from 2016, before GHC TK-8 (Outdated)
- ITE method estimate trips using set values of trips/1,000 SF
- 28,000 SF Garden Center will produce NO extra customers
- 20% of customers are "pass-by"
- HDTAR Traffic only slightly higher AM, less PM No EIR
- SHDCG traffic counts
 - Counted only vehicles visiting portion to be torn down
 - Included HSS Garden Center, Excluded cut-throughs at both sites

HD Van Nuys and North Hills Shopping Center Vehicle Counts ²³			
Location	Vehicles In/hr.*	Vehicles Out/hr.**	
	(7 AM - 9 AM)	(2:30 PM – 4:30 PM)	
Home Depot Van Nuys (HDVN)	418	387	
North Hills Shopping Center (NHSC)	75	107	
Ratio (HDVN/NHSC)	5.6	3.6	
Ratio with NHSC traffic doubled (2x)	2.8	1.8	
Ratio with NHSC traffic tripled (3x)	1.9	1.2	
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^{*} Vehicles entering per hour (hr.) ** Vehicles exiting per hour.

HD GH Traffic Study False

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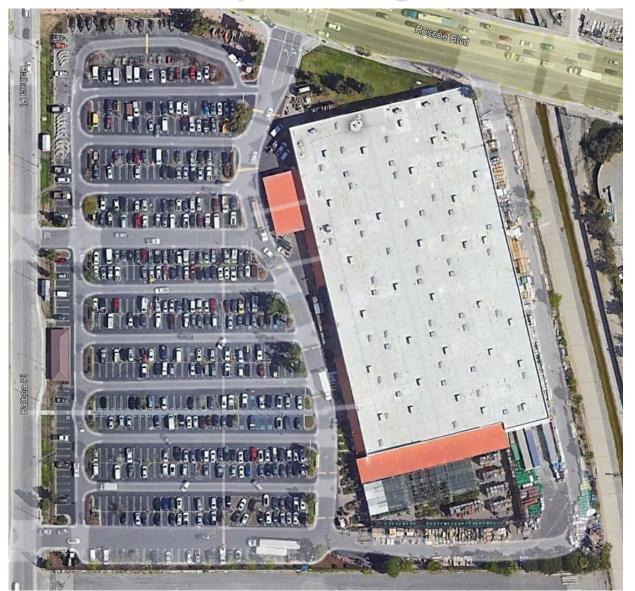
- Flawed TAR Causes Cascade of Errors
 - Congestion analysis Wrong
 - Noise pollution Wrong
 - GHG emissions Wrong
 - Pedestrian safety analysis Wrong
 - Neighborhood impact Wrong
- Why did HD pay \$\$ for estimates?
 - Have 20+ years of sales data
 - Lot Cop HD Video of vehicles
 - Use real data to make accurate Traffic, Noise, & Pollution estimates
 - Unless real data shows far more traffic
 - 1994 HD lost bid to build store at Zelzah & Chatsworth
 - William Haas "Traffic study was done 100% incorrectly"



Lot Cop HD Video Camera

HD Van Nuys Parking

HD Van Nuys Parking		
Required Spaces	370	
On Site	610	
Used By Rentals	45	
Shop. Cart Return	10	
Sand Bags	10	
Day Laborers	14	
Pallet Storage	0	
Total Used	79	
Available	531	
Spare (Short)	161	



HD Granada Hills Parking

HD Granada Hills Parking		
Required Spaces	411	
On Site	437	
Used By Rentals	45	
Shop. Cart Return	10	
Sand Bags	10	
Day Laborers	14	
Pallet Storage	73	
Total Used	152	
Available	285	
Spare (Short)	93-126	

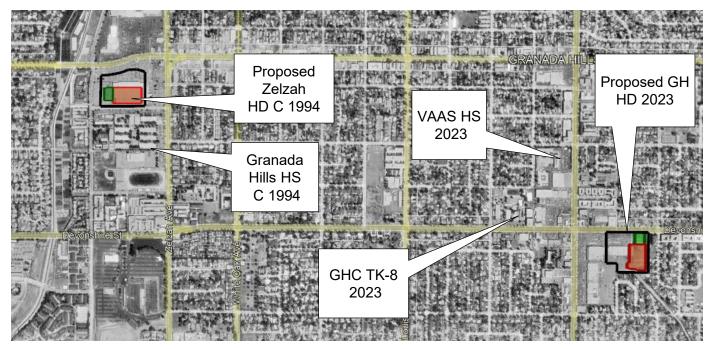


HD Van Nuys Nearby Schools

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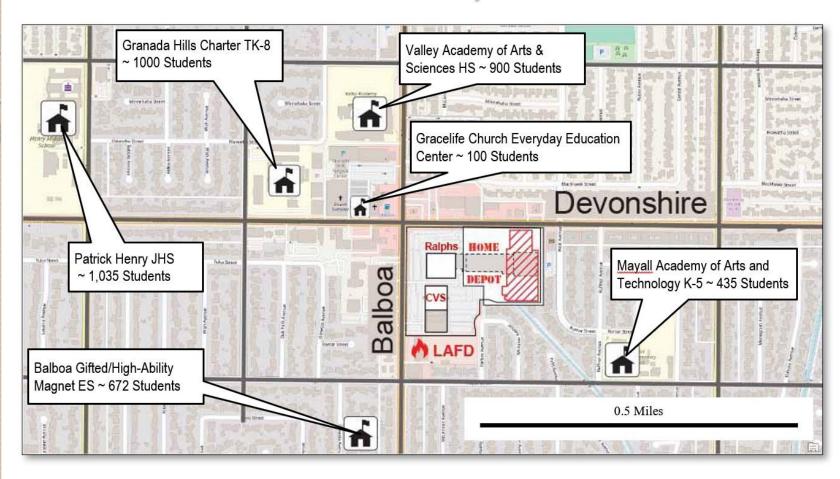
Student Safety – Granada Hills



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- HD Zelzah rejected due noise & threat to students
- City Council passed ordinance prohibiting HIS from opening before <u>8AM</u> – Same Community & Special Plans
- Ordinance should apply to HD Granada Hills (economic impartiality)

HD GH Nearby Schools





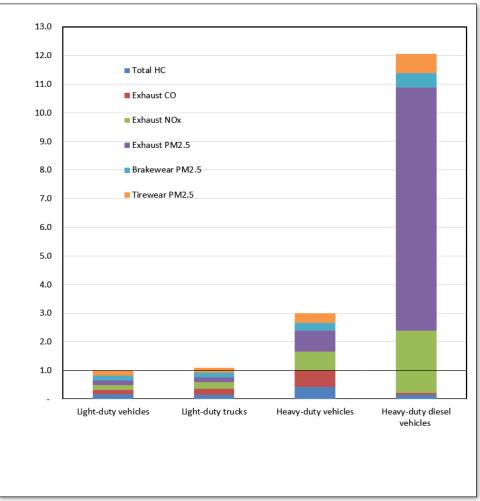


Pollution – Noise, Light & Vehicle

HD is a 24 hour/day operation (truck leaving @ 4:45AM)







Hazmat

- San Jose Blossom Hill St. Store burned down 4/9/22
- 5-Alarm blaze, took 100 fire fighters 6 hours to extinguish
- Nearby residents evacuated, further away, sheltered in place for 23 hrs.
- Closest school, 9/10th of a mile away.
- HD Granada Hills 3,000 students within $\frac{1}{2}$ mile of the store.



Source: Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office.

Homeless & Day Laborers



Homeless At NHSC



Homeless At HD Van Nuys

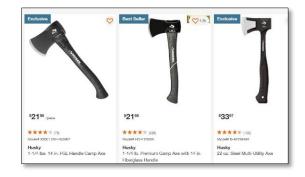


HD Van Nuys Vendors

School & Student Safety



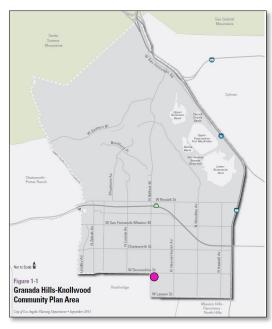




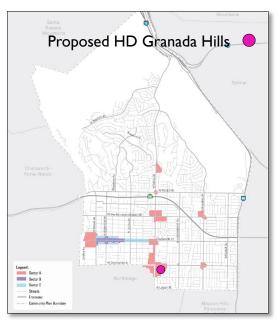


Community & Specific Plan Issues

- Granada Hills-Knollwood Community Plan
 - 92 potential policy violations
- Granada Hills Specific Plan
 - 11 potential requirement violations



GH Knollwood CP



GH Specific Plan

Conclusions

- Executives & Consultants who think the store is a great addition to our neighborhood don't live here.
- In 2022 HD
 - 17th largest U.S. Corp. & 43rd worldwide
 - Sales: \$157.4 Billion
 - Profit: \$17.1 Billion
- Because of HD's attempt to deceive, LACP should require
 - Full EIR, using real HD data & Video with Van Nuys Open & Closed
 - HD may lose their Van Nuys lease in 2025
- Store sized to fit the neighborhood, not maximize HD profits
 - Our community's children should not be endangered to improve HD's profits
 - The City of Los Angeles needs to put the future and safety of our children and our community first

Brief History of Granada Hills HD Site

- 1. 1988 Van Nuys @ Balboa & Roscoe Store Opens
- 2. 1995 HD store at Zelzah Ave & Chatsworth rejected
- 3. 1995 LA City Council restricts hours @ Zelzah site
- 4. 1996 Larger store at Balboa & Woodley rejected
- 5. 2002 HD opens larger store at Balboa & Roscoe (2002-6-11)
- 6. 2003 HD identifies North Hills Shopping Center as potential site
- 7. 2016 NHSC traffic study 11/15/2016 (Tuesday)
- 8. 2018 GraceLife Church Everyday Ed. Center Opens
- 9. 2019 Granada Hills Charter TK-8 Opens
- 10. 2021-6-21 HD acquires portion of NHSC for \$37 million
- 11. 2022-2-12 HD files Planning Application for project.