

BEL AIR-BEVERLY CREST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
Minutes – Planning and Land Use Committee
April 23, 2008
Community Magnet School
11301 Bellagio Road
Los Angeles, CA 90049

Co-Chairs: Carolyn Carradine & Carol Sidlow

Members in attendance: Carol Sidlow, Steve Twining, Michelle Fleenor, Gary Plotkin, Christopher Carradine, Donald Loze, Andrew Schwartz

Absent: Carolyn Carradine, Pam Cooke, GG Verone

Administrator: David Espinoza, present

Others present: Lyman Gronemeyer, Ron Hudson, Patricia Bell Hearst, , Susan Robinson/Department of City Planning, Chuck Maginnis.

Meeting called to order at 6:01 pm.

The following handouts were passed out: Hillside Retaining Wall Ordinance, Recyclable items information, Information sheet for members to fill out.

CNC properties discussed from agenda and previously agendized properties where information was available:

1030 Somera Road Per Michelle Fleenor - no position from the Bel Air Association (BAA) regarding the request for an over-height fence.

1422; 1424; 1426; 1426; 1432; 1436; 1440; 1442; 1443 ½; 1444; 1450 Benedict Canyon request for Certificate of Compliances. Per Don Loze, no position from the Benedict Canyon Association (BCA).

9770 San Circle – No objection from BCA.

15220 Antelo Place. Steve Twining stated the Roscomare Valley Association accepted the DRB determination regarding 15220 Antelo

966 Moraga – Per Michelle Fleenor, BAA had no position

603 Nimes – Lot line adjustment – Per Michelle Fleenor, BAA had no objection

1500 Gilcrest – Per Ron Galperin – Crests Neighborhood Association, issue regarding this property tabled at this time. Will advise Committee at a later date if he wishes to have this agendized by the Committee.

Status updates:

1261 Angelo - Don stated the BCA tried to file an appeal, but were told the appeal period had ended regarding haul route of 24,000 cubic yards. They are now working with the Council Office for options.

8853 Lookout Mountain - Carol requested David to follow up with the previous letters to the City Attorney's regarding this property.

Status of the Quimby funds/CD #5 – requesting response from previous letter regarding the amount and status of Quimby funds in CD#5.

Status of Ridgeline Motion/Councilman Weiss – request for follow-up to find out the status of the Ridgeline Motion.

Susan Robinson stated that the with regards to the Ridgeline Ordinance, the Planning department was still gathering information.

2391, 2395 and 2397 Roscomare Road - Steve stated that may be torn down in the summer, once school was out.

Updates:

1400 Linda Flora – Michelle Fleenor stated that the owner of 1400 Linda Flora had still not approached the BAA. Lyman commented that there are drilling new core holes.

11101-11201 Chalon - Michelle stated there is still construction and the lot has no deed restrictions. The property may be sold to an out of state buyer.

Hotel Angelino - Carol reported on up-date. The appeal by the hotel was denied by the West Los Angeles Planning Commission. Community won in their objections to the project as presented..

Speakers:

Susan Robinson, Department of City Planning and the Community Plan liason for the Bel Air Beverly Crest Community Plan briefed the committee on her working experience and her new position with the Planning Department.

She stated that she is in good position to work with Eric Lopez since he had a strong grasp on the hillside issues.

She stated the Community Plan up-dates were contingent on the Hillside and Ridgeline Ordinance; however, the goal is to get specific languages for the ordinances. Don Loze commented that the Hillside Ordinance downsized the height of buildings. Don stated that the Hillside and Ridgeline Ordinances were separate issues and needed to be looked at such.

Steve asked if Susan's position with the City was safe because of the budget deficit. Susan stated that Planning Department received an increase in budget and hoped her position was secured.

Chuck commented that the proposed Baseline Mansionization Ordinance would hurt property values.

Motion:

Motion made by Carol Sidlow, per request by Robert Ringler/Residents of Beverly Glen to support the Residents of Beverly Glen in requesting information from LADBS, Department of City Planning and Council Weiss' office regarding possible non-permitted grading activity at 1523 N. Beverly Glen. Steve Twining seconded. Discussion was held. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. **Up-date: Per Robert Ringler, letter not necessary as the property in question has a different address and appropriate permits have been issued.**

Meeting adjourn – 6:58 pm.