

BEL AIR-BEVERLY CREST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING

June 27, 2007

Meeting Held at Community Magnet School

11301 Bellagio Road

Los Angeles, CA 90049

FINAL

Persons in Attendance

Quorum: 12

2007 Stakeholder Groups with Certified Representatives	Present	Absent
Bel-Air Association		
Eric Ridgely		X
Andrew Schwartz	X	
Ruthie Weiss		X
Bel-Air Crest Master Homeowner Association		
Irene Sandler	X	
Benedict Canyon Association		
Joshua Berman	X	
Alan Fine	X	
Don Loze	X	
Nickie Miner		X
Benedict Hills Estates Association		
Ed Brody		X
Beverly Glen Park HOA		
Larry Leisten	X	
Crests Neighborhood Association		
Ron Galperin	X	
Employee Associations		
Marcia Selz	X	
Faith-Based Organizations		
Mike Sipple		X
Glenridge HOA		
John Colton		X
Holmby Hills Homeowners Association		
Laura Stovitz	X	
Hotel Bel-Air		
Steve Rice		X
7-12 Private Schools		
John Amato	X	
7-12 Public Schools		
Pam Marton	X	
K-6 Private Schools		
Vicki Kelly	X	
Laurel Canyon Association		
Monica Weil		X
Cassandra Barrère	X	
Gary Gole	X	
Jim Nelson		X
Members-at-Large		
Carol Sidlow	X	
Charles Maginnis	X	
Moraga-Sepulveda Business Area		
Ron Hudson	X	
North Beverly Drive Franklin Canyon Homeowners' Association		
Carol Hamilton		X
Residents of Beverly Glen		
Pam Cooke		X

Robert Ringler	X	
<i>Roscomare Valley Association</i>		
Scott Harper	X	
Steve Twining	X	
<i>Save Our Strip</i>		
Robert Knotek		X
Mark Krajewski (Alt. John LeBouef)	X	
GG Verone		X

From DONE: Deanna Stevenson

From Jack Weiss' office: James Pulliam

From the Mayor's office: Stephen Cheung

Administration (Agenda Item #1)

- President Steve Twining called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.
- The agenda, Treasurer's Report, and distribution items were displayed and e-mailed previously.

Public Comments (Agenda item #3)

- Marcia Selz reported on the Recall Jack Weiss campaign and asked for the support of members as individuals.

Minutes from Previous Meeting (Agenda Item #2)

- Andy Schwartz moved for approval of the minutes, as corrected, from the previous meeting. Robert Ringler seconded. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

President's Report (Agenda Item #4)

- Steve Twining showed a DVD of the Bel-Air fire, adding that strict enforcement of the Hillside Ordinance is necessary.
- 405 Freeway/Sepulveda overpass meetings – Rosemarie White from the Sierra Club said the overpass was needed for animals to cross. Some info given at meeting:
 - ◆ Replace Mulholland Bridge
 - ◆ 12' lanes being required
 - ◆ More on/off ramps at Skirball
 - ◆ Will have bike lane
 - ◆ Many compromises needed to make these projects work.
- Fire Chief Douglas Barry will speak at next meeting – questions welcome.
- FlyAway to LAX opened at UCLA's Structure 32 on Kinross Avenue: \$4 one-way.

Treasurer's Report (Agenda Item #5)

- Alan Fine reported that BABCNC presently has \$65,409.18 of City funds available.
- We will have \$50,000 in new allocations in one month.
- A \$19,859.55 payment for 2 thermal cameras is being processed – letter expressing importance to DONE read by Robert Ringler.
- Alan moved to accept the Treasurer's Report and Joshua Berman seconded. Discussion was held and motion passed by voice vote.

Mayor's Office Report (Agenda item #6)

- Stephen Cheung, the new Mayor's Westside rep, introduced himself.
- He can be reached at 310-410-1749, email: stephen.cheung@lacity.org

Council District #5 Report (Agenda item #7)

- James Pulliam reported that the Hillside Construction Safety motion will go before PLUM.
- Emergency Response meeting on July 5th at 9 a.m. at Hollywood Community Center. BABCNC needs a rep there—call James for information.
- Fire Chief Fry wants to collect money from the NCs.
- There is a desire for a new study to improve transportation in and out of Century City.
- Roads to be partially re-surfaced: Deep Canyon, Hollywood Blvd., Franklin Canyon, and Stradella.
- Council discussed the need for developers to be responsible for streets destroyed by construction vehicles.
- There is a need to study alternatives to select streets for re-paving – call 311 for potholes.
- Question asked: What is Jack Weiss' stance on the neighborhood character issue? No answer was provided.
- The Hollywood Community Plan is being updated. The majority of Laurel Canyon is in this plan.
- Jack Weiss has requested that the BABC neighborhood plan be revised.

DONE Report (Agenda item #8)

- Deanna reported that 1,000 Million Trees door hangers can be bought for \$2,000.
- NC assessments – our participation and evaluation is needed to see how they're doing.

Office Report (Agenda item #9)

- Sharon Howard announced that photos and bios will soon be needed from all members for the new website

Planning and Land Use Committee (Agenda Item #10)

- 2264 Beverly Glen Place: Illegal demolition and construction - Carol Sidlow moved to support the Residents of Beverly Glen in their opposition to this construction including illegal plumbing w/o Permits. Scott Harper seconded. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.
- Community Impact forum discussed
- As of June 11th every project will be told that a duplicate set of plans be given to their NC for review.
- Carol is working with Building and Safety on By-right project.
- PLU Committee received report from Lookout Mountain to submit community impact letter.

Public Safety/Disaster Preparedness (Agenda Item #12)

- The new co-chairs of this committee will be Joshua Berman and Scott Harper.
- Committee members will be selected.

Traffic Committee (Agenda Item #13)

- The next Traffic Committee meeting will be on August 14th at the WLA Police Station.
- Robert Ringler reported on the Contra-Flow Lane Proposal meetings about Olympic and Pico. Residents on the side streets are opposed. There are problems—left turns needed. Jack Weiss has not taken position. Community should make comments on the comment form.
- Robert announced the meeting with DOT and Cal Trans at the Skirball Center on May 24th, addressing the 405 Freeway issues.
- Larry Leisten moved that the BABCNC request that the LA Street Services remove the accumulating sediment encroaching Beverly Glen south of Mulholland, as it is an increasing

hazard to motorists. Irene Sandler seconded. During discussion, several other streets were named with similar problems. There was a call for the question. The call vote passed. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Larry will re-visit the motion at July meeting and get specific locations where problems have occurred.

Outreach Committee (Agenda Item #11)

- Ron Galperin reported on the Committee's June 18th meeting. Here are the items
 - ◆ Special Events calendar being planned for possible candidate forums, pet adoption fairs, emergency preparedness events, fire station events, classic car fares, etc.
 - ◆ New logo and banner complete.
 - ◆ Website construction slowly moving along.
 - ◆ Working on improved mechanism for e-mail distribution.
 - ◆ Media relations and press releases were discussed.
 - ◆ Need to get more volunteers and students involved.

912 Commission Report (item #16)

- Series of preliminary recommendations being considered. Go to www.NCRCLA.org for more information.
- The next hearing is on July 12th at University High School.
- Steve Twining attended a joint meeting of the Planning Commission and the 9/12 Commission with the topic of "Mansionization in the flats" of Los Angeles, which has a much greater FAR (floor area ratio) than most cities in California.

Public Schools Update (Item #14)

- No report at this meeting.

Bylaws/Rules Committee (Item #15)

- Larry Leisten announced the schedule for proposed bylaw changes within council.
- There are questions about the 140-day advance for changes. Deanna will help with this.
- There Will be a 30-day comment period for council before vote at August meeting.

New Business (Item #17)

- None mentioned.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Marcia Selz, Ph.D.
Recording Secretary