

**BEL AIR-BEVERLY CREST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING
March 25, 2009
Community Magnet School
11301 Bellagio Road
Los Angeles, CA 90049**

Final

Persons in Attendance

Quorum: 12

2009 Stakeholder Groups with Certified Representatives	Present	Absent
<i>Bel-Air Association</i>		
Eric Ridgely		X
Andrew Schwartz	X	
Paulette DuBey	X	
<i>Bel-Air Crest Master Homeowner Association</i>		
Irene Sandler	X	
<i>Bel-Air Park HOA</i>		
Gary Plotkin	X	
<i>Benedict Canyon Association</i>		
Michael Chasteen	X	
Alan Fine	X	
Don Loze		X
Nickie Miner	X	
<i>Benedict Hills Estates Association</i>		
Ed Brody		X
<i>Beverly Glen Park HOA</i>		
Larry Leisten	X	
<i>Crests Neighborhood Association</i>		
Ron Galperin	X	
<i>Employee Associations</i>		
Marcia Selz	X	
<i>Faith-Based Organizations</i>		
Lonnie Mayfield	X	
<i>Glenridge HOA</i>		
Andre Stojka	X	
<i>Holmby Hills Homeowners Association</i>		
Avi Rojany		X
<i>7-12 Private Schools</i>		
John Amato	X	
<i>7-12 Public Schools</i>		
Pam Marton	X	
<i>K-6 Private Schools</i>		
Vicki Kelly	X	
<i>Laurel Canyon Association</i>		
Monica Weil		X
Cassandra Barrère		X
Gary Gole	X	
Jim Nelson		X
<i>Lookout Mountain Alliance</i>		
Christopher Carradine		X
<i>Members-at-Large</i>		
Carol Sidlow	X	
Charles Maginnis		X
<i>Moraga-Sepulveda Business Area</i>		
Ron Hudson	X	
<i>North Beverly Drive/Franklin Canyon Homeowners Association</i>		
		X
<i>Residents of Beverly Glen</i>		
Pam Cooke	X	
Robert A, Ringler	X	

Roscomare Valley Association		
Robin Greenberg	X	
Steve Twining	X	
Santa Monica Mountain Conservancy		
Carolyn Carradine		X
Save Our Strip		
Mark Krajewski	X	
GG Verone		X

From DONE: Deanna Stevenson

From CD5 Office: None

From the Mayor's Office: None

Roll Call (Agenda Item #1)

- President Robert Ringler called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m.
- Secretary Sandler called the roll. There was a quorum.
- President Ringler introduced Aaron DeVandry, who maintains the website, and asked everyone to gather for a group picture.

Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting (Agenda Item #2)

- Motion to approve the minutes. Motion seconded. Larry Leisten added a correction to include his last name on Agenda item 10. Larry made motion to approve the minutes with corrections. Robin seconded. **Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.**

Public Comments (Item #3)

- Caitlin Mattias announced the City of Los Angeles would be hosting three scoping meetings in the next few weeks regarding the Olympic West – Pico East Initiative. She announced the dates as follows:
 - Wednesday, April 1, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., Westside Jewish Community Center - 5870 West Olympic Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90036
 - Thursday, April 2, 2009, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Temple Beth Am - 1039 South La Cienega Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90035
 - Tuesday, April 7, 2009, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., Stoner Recreation Center - 1835 Stoner Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90025
- President Ringler asked that a link on the BABCNC website include the information on the meetings.

President's Report (Agenda Item #4)

- President Ringler thanked Steve Twining, Carol Sidlow, Chris Carradine and the Planning and Land Use Committee on preserving land use in CD5. Steve Twining also thanked Council Jack Weiss and his office for their support.

◆ **Motion** to support Expo Line Phase II. Pam Cooke made motion. Steve Twining seconded. Discussion was held. **4 Yeas; 8 Nays; 10 Abstain. Motion fails.**

- Mary Brooks presented information regarding the City of Los Angeles Bureau of Sanitation's evaluation of new alternative technologies for processing black bin waste. The project is the development of new, safe technologies for processing residual waste that can meet the goal achieving 75% diversion from landfills by 2013, thus helping the City also reach its Green LA goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions to 35% below 1990 levels by 2030.
- She passed out a signup sheet for anyone to receive updates regarding the project.
- President Ringler passed out information regarding the DWP shortage year water rates as was sent out in a press release earlier this month. He stated there was a website, www.ladwp.com/waterrates

Treasurer's Report (Agenda Item #5)

◆ **Motion** to approve the Treasurer's Report. Alan Fine made motion. Steve Twining seconded. **Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.**

- Alan Fine stated the Neighborhood Purpose Grant begun in March but had originally submitted the \$5,000 grant request from the MRCA in February. After speaking to DONE, the MRCA grant was approved and a check was received on March 9th.
- He briefed on the Executive Committee meeting and the request for \$2,500 for the Open House at Fire Station 99. The motion for approval of the \$2,500 will be brought forth at the April meeting.

Bylaws/ Rules Committee Report (Agenda Item #6)

- ◆ **Motion** to approve the final draft revisions dated March 18, 2009 to the Bylaws. Larry Leisten made motion. Gary Plotkin seconded. Discussion was held.
 - Gary Plotkin made a correction to Article 6.2.3 members-at-Large to read as, "There shall be two (2) Members-at-Large Board seats..."
- ◆ Larry Leisten made motion to approve with correction. Ron Hudson seconded. Discussion was held. **Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.**

Planning and Land Use Committee (Agenda Item #7)

- Carol Sidlow stated the committee made the following determination at the committee meeting and will be sending letters to the ZA regarding the hearings:
 - Motion to support the stakeholders of the Beverly Glen area with their concerns regarding the request at 2125, 2129 and 2137 Dellwood Lane – Case ZA2008-3044 for variances and support the Residents of Beverly Glen with their concerns with respect to public safety and ingress and egress issues on the substandard hillside street.
 - Motions to support the Department of City Planning, the Roscomare Valley Association and other stakeholders that condition 11(i) imposed in the determination for the proposed condominium project at 2391, 2395, 2397 Roscomare Valley Road be implemented and not deleted and request that the geo technical and soils report be current – not more than 4 years old and that they be made available to the interested stakeholders in the area.
 - Motion to support the Bel Air Association's opposition to the request for the potential sub-division of lots regarding 10550 Bellagio Road - ENV-2005-8611 - MND – REC.
 - Motion to oppose the project at 15900 Mulholland regarding any changes to the CUP to the athletic field and to oppose the categorical exemption.
- She asked everyone to update the committee with any information regarding any projects that are listed on the agenda and in their area.
- She stated a thank you letter will be sent to Councilman Weiss and Beverly Kenworthy for their support on the Committee's opposition to the project at 9001 & 9005 Crescent Drive.
- Ron Galperin updated on the project at 9469 Beverlycrest. Twenty neighbors appeared at the ZA hearing and thanked for the letter from the Committee.
- Carol Sidlow informed of Laura Chick's report regarding planning and conditions not being enforced.

Mayor's Office Report (Agenda item #8)

No report.

Council District #5 Report (Agenda item #9)

No report.

DONE Report (Agenda item #10)

No report.

Public Safety/Disaster Preparedness (Agenda Item #11)

- Officer Ragsdale passed out information on Crimes reported in the area from 2/22 to 3/21.
- He passed out information on burglaries at construction sites and inside motor vehicle.
- Larry Leisten commented on several mail thefts in the Bel-Air Ridge (Glenridge) neighborhood. Officer Ragsdale stated that postal inspectors investigate those incidents and not LAPD. They have been getting several reports of mail thefts and encourage everyone to be aware and cautions of their mail.

- Steve Twining asked if Captain Craig was part of West LA. Officer Ragsdale stated Captain Nathan would be taking over next week.
- Officer Ragsdale reported that sixteen officers would be transferred this month to the West LA Division.
- Carol Sidlow stated she, Mark Krajewski and Chuck Maginnis attended a meeting with Police Capt Girmala of the Hollywood Division on 3/2/09, discussing issues in the area. She stated the Executive Committee agreed to support \$800 for four file cabinets to the Division.

Office Report (Agenda Item #12)

- David Espinoza stated a new operations manual will be given to all the Board Members next month that will include updated information.
- He reported the laptop was purchased, but did not work and was sent back for a full refund. He will work with President Ringler and purchase another laptop soon.
- He announced individual photos would be taken at the next meeting, to update the website.

Outreach Committee (Agenda Item #13)

- Robin Greenberg announced a Candidates Forum on April 30th at the Skirball Center. The BABCNC will be a sponsor for the event, as well as other NCs and HOAs. She will update the Board with information on the event.

Traffic Committee (Agenda Item #14)

- President Ringler announced the LAPD West Bureau Traffic Committee meeting on Tuesday, April 14, 8:30 a.m., West Los Angeles Community Police Station, 1663 Butler Avenue.

Public Schools Update (Item #15)

- Pam Marton reported a deficit at the LAUSD and the school is facing budget cuts. The school is looking for donations and support from the community and parents.

New Business/General Announcements (Item #16)

President Ringler asked for a moment of silence and to close the meeting in memory of the four Police Officers in the Oakland area that were killed in the line of duty and for a speedy recovery for John Amato's son who is ill.

Motion to Adjourn Meeting (Item #17)

Motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Irene Sandler
Recording Secretary