

**BEL AIR-BEVERLY CREST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING
August 25, 2010
Community Magnet School
11301 Bellagio Road
Los Angeles, CA 90049**

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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 Ridge HOA</i>		
Andre Stojka	X	
<i>Benedict Canyon Association</i>		
Alan Fine	X	
Don Loze	X	
Michael Chasteen for Nickie Miner	X	
Paul Rohrer		X
<i>Benedict Hills Estates Association</i>		
Ed Brody		X
<i>Bel-Air Glen HOA</i>		
Larry Leisten		X
<i>Casiano-Bel Air HOA</i>		
Donald Farkas	X	
<i>Casiano Estates HOA</i>		
Gary Plotkin	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>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>		

Hilda Simmons for Ramin Kolahi	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: Not Present

From CD5 Office: Shawn Bayliss

From the Mayor's Office: Jennifer Badger

From 42nd Assembly District: Not Present

From Senator Fran Pavley's Office: Not Present

Roll Call (Agenda Item #1)

- President Ringler called the meeting to order at 7:25 pm.
- Recording Secretary Sandler called roll. A quorum was present.

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

- ◆ **Motion** to approve the minutes from July 28, 2010. Don Loze made motion. Vicki Kelly seconded. **Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.**

Public Comments (Agenda Item #3)

No Public Comments

President's Report (Agenda Item #4)

CPAB Meeting

- President Ringler announced the CPAB meeting on September 28th from 7p.m. – 8:30 p.m. at the West Los Angeles Community Police Station and invited everyone to attend.

Commission on Revenue Efficiency (CORE)

- Ron Galperin briefed on Chairing the Commission on Revenue Efficiency (CORE) "Blueprint for Reform of City Collections. The commission evaluates and recommends City improvements in revenue collections, tax compliance, accounts receivable collections, new revenues, centralized billing, implementation of the City Controller's audit of collection practices, and other revenue-related studies. A report by the Commission is will be released in September.

Reserve Animal Control Officer Program

- Gary Plotkin reported receiving several contributions from NC Stakeholders for the RACO program and asked for the NC's funding support.
- Carol Sidlow stated the request of \$1,500.00 has been presented to other NCs and six have allocated those funds. She asked that the BABCNC allocate \$250.00 this fiscal year and another \$250.00 next fiscal year.
- Alan Fine stated the Executive Committee agreed early this year to allocate a major of the NC's funding to Outreach. Therefore, \$100.00 for the program was voted by the EC last week.
 - ◆ **Motion** to approve to allocate \$250.00 for the RACO Program, consider an additional \$250.00 at the next fiscal year, and not purchase any food for the September Board Meeting. Gary Plotkin made motion. Carol Sidlow seconded. Discussion was held. 11 Yeas; 0 Nay; 4 Abstentions. **Motion passed.**

Treasurer's Report (Agenda Item #5)

- Alan Fine reported on a request from DONE to comply with their budget submission guidelines, which the NC has complied but would contact them regarding their request.
- He stated the Executive Committee requested the Executive Director to contact Board Members that have had several absences from the board meetings and inquire about their participation.
- He passed out the Treasurer's report and bank statements for the month of August.

- ◆ **Motion** to approve the Treasurer's Report and bank statements for the month of August. Alan Fine made motion. Don Farkas seconded. Discussion was held. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Land Use Committee (Agenda Item #6)

- Carol Sidlow stated the committee took the following actions at its meeting:
 - Supported the concerns of the Mulholland Design Review Board, neighbors and the conditions recommended by the MRCA at regarding a proposed dwelling at 2497 Horse Shoe Canyon. The Committee requested that, at the minimum, an initial Environmental Assessment is undertaken and a Mitigated Negative Declaration is prepared to mitigate the potential significant negative impacts that would result from this project, before the issuance of any permits;
 - Requested a meeting between the applicant and neighbors regarding the project at 666 and 654 Sepulveda Blvd know as the Bel Air Bar and Grill restaurant to address concerns. The committee will hear the project again once the meeting has occurred.
- She stated the Hollywood Committee plan has been received and comments are due. Copies of the plan are at the NC office and can be obtained from the Executive Director.
- She commented on the information regarding code findings that involve CUPs, specific plans, hillside issues and encourage everyone to review the information that was sent out.
- She stated a certificate of compliance was applied for the property at 1526 N. Crater Lane which may impact another project at Mars Lane.

42nd Assembly District Report (Agenda Item #7)

No report was given.

Senator Fran Pavley's Office Report (Agenda Item #8)

No report was given.

Council District 5 Report (Agenda Item #9)

- Planning Deputy Shawn Bayliss reported on the Baseline/Hillside Ordinance, which is in the City Attorney's office and will be presented to the City Council for a final vote soon after. He thanked Steve Twining, Carol Sidlow and Don Loze for their efforts on the issue.
- President Ringler thanked the Councilman for his support to the RACO Program.

Mayor's Office Report (Agenda Item #10)

- Jennifer Badger announced Budget Day on October 16th and asked for the Council to consider two representatives to attend.
- She announced a volunteer opportunity on September 24th with the Mayor's Office and LAUSD to make phone calls to students whom have dropped out and encourage them back into school.
- She reported on the agreement by a City Union to pay for a 5% of health insurance for City Employees in exchange for less furlough days required by the City Employee.
- She passed out the LARx Prescription Savings Program Card which is designed to lower the cost of prescription medications for the residents of the County of Los Angeles with no coverage.
- President Ringler announced David Espinoza received recognition awards from the Mayor's Office and Councilmen Koretz and Rosendahl at the August 3rd National Night Out.

Public Safety/Disaster Preparedness (Agenda Item #11)

- Senior Lead Officer Chris Ragsdale stated there is still a reduction in crime for West LA. He reported on several burglaries in the Bel Air neighborhood and working with neighbors to start a neighborhood watch.
- He reported on an incident involving a vehicle trying to get through a closed road on Crater Lane.
- He stated that the recent Presidential visit caused traffic concerns that are being investigated at the City level. Councilmen Koretz and Rosendahl are moving forward to address this issue.
- He advised of possibly street closures tomorrow in the Century City area due to a SEIU protest.
- Chuck Maginnis passed out a draft of an emergency card and asked for comments before its finalization. The card would be part of an Outreach effort to the NC area.

- He commented on the need of an “Emergency Liaison” for the different Stakeholder groups in the NC as previously requested.
- He stated the Pole Loading motion would be postponed until the next meeting.

Bylaws & Rules Committee Report (Agenda Item #12)

No report was given.

West Los Angeles Regional Alliance of Councils (Agenda Item #13)

- Steve Twining stated five motions supported by WRAC were approved at the Planning and Land Use Committee meeting and asked for the Council’s support on the following motions:
 - ◆ **Motion** to oppose the proposed Residential Sidewalk Liability Ordinance CF 05-1383. Steve Twining made motion. Carol Sidlow seconded. Discussion was held. 11 Yeas; 0 Nay; 5 Abstentions. **Motion passed.**
 - ◆ **Motion** to recommend the Planning Department post all background research documentation related to Negative Declaration-NG-10-PL: ENV 2010-715 online: full disclosure of the precise text of these proposed changes and how they fit into the General Plan framework Element; and to restart the Negative Declaration process to conform to state mandated CEQA legal public notification requirements. Carol Sidlow made motion. Andre Stojka seconded. Discussion was held. 13 Yeas; 0 Nay; 3 Abstentions. **Motion passed.**

Community Advisory Board (Agenda Item #14)

Report deferred to the next meeting.

Community Reports (Agenda Item #15)

No report was given.

Outreach Committee (Agenda Item #16)

No report was given.

Office Report (Agenda Item #17)

No report was given.

Traffic Committee (Agenda Item #18)

- The Traffic Committee Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 8th at 8:30 a.m., West Los Angeles Community Police Station, 1663 Butler Avenue.

Public Schools Update (Item #19)

- No report was given.

New Business/General Announcements (Item #20)

No new business or announcements.

Motion to Adjourn Meeting (Item #21)

Motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion made. Motion seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Irene Sandler
Recording Secretary