# BEL AIR-BEVERLY CREST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING

# September 22, 2010 Community Magnet School 11301 Bellagio Road Los Angeles, CA 90049

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Persons in Attendance Quorum: 12

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2009 Stakeholder Groups with Certified Representatives	Present	Absent
Bel-Air Association		
Dick Porter	X	
Andrew Schwartz		Х
Paulette DuBey		Х
Bel-Air Crest Master Homeowner Association		
Irene Sandler	X	
Bel Air Ridge HOA		
Andre Stojka		Х
Benedict Canyon Association		
Alan Fine	X	
Don Loze	X	
Nickie Miner	X	
Paul Rohrer		Х
Benedict Hills Estates Association		
Ed Brody	I	Х
Bel-Air Glen HOA	1	
Larry Leisten	X	
Casiano-Bel Air HOA	^	
Donald Farkas		Х
Casiano Estates HOA		
Gary Plotkin	Х	
Crests Neighborhood Association		
Ron Galperin	Х	
Employee Associations	^	
Marcia Selz	X	
Faith-Based Organizations	<u> </u>	
Lonnie Mayfield		X
Holmby Hills Homeowners Association		
Avi Rojany		Х
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		Х
Cassandra Barrère		Х
Gary Gole		Х
Jim Nelson		Х
Lookout Mountain Alliance		
Christopher Carradine		Х
Members-at-Large		
Carol Sidlow		Х
Charles Maginnis	X	
Moraga-Sepulveda Business Area	<u> </u>	
Ron Hudson		Х
North Beverly Drive/Franklin Canyon Homeowners Association		
		X

Hilda Simmons for Ramin Kolahi	Х		
Robert A, Ringler	X		
Roscomare Valley Association			
Robin Greenberg	X		
Steve Twining	X		
Santa Monica Mountain Conservancy			
Carolyn Carradine		Х	
Save Our Strip			
Mark Krajewski		Х	
GG Verone		X	

From DONE: Not Present
From CD5 Office: Jeff Ebenstein
From the Mayor's Office: Not Present
From 42<sup>nd</sup> 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 7:15 pm.
- Executive Director David Espinoza called roll. A quorum was present.

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

♦ **Motion** to approve the minutes from August 25, 2010. Nickie Miner made motion. Alan Fine seconded. **Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.** 

## Public Comments (Agenda Item #3)

No Public Comments

# President's Report (Agenda Item #4)

#### **CPAB Summit**

President Ringler announced the CPAB meeting on September 28<sup>th</sup> from 7 pm – 8:30 pm is cancelled in lieu of the C-PAB Summit Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup>, held at the new LAPD Police Headquarters Facility, 100 West First Street, Los Angeles, 90012.

#### Cell Phone Towers Discussion - Marcia Selz

• Marcia Selz reported on a meeting between the City Attorney's Office and a group of community leaders throughout the City regarding regulations on cell towers. There are aesthetic regulations that can impact towers on right-of-way and above ground and the meeting allowed on input from the community. The City Attorney's Office is reviewing other ordinances in LA County and will report on their findings to create its own ordinance. She encouraged individuals to join the working group and provide input to the issue.

#### Agenda Setting Committee Meetings

 President Ringler stated the Executive Committee meeting would move from the regularly scheduled date on the Friday prior to Board meetings, to immediately follow the agenda setting committee meetings, which meets on the Wednesday prior to the Board meeting.

## Treasurer's Report (Agenda Item #5)

- Alan Fine passed out the Treasurer's report and bank statements for the month of September.
  - Motion to approve the Treasure's Report and bank statements for the month of September. Alan Fine made motion. Steve Twining seconded. Discussion was held. Motion passed unanimously.

## Land Use Committee (Agenda Item #6)

- Steve Twining reported on the committee's following actions at its meeting:
  - Supported the support the Residents of Beverly Glen, Inc. in their opposition to relief from the code requiring a 20 ft. vehicular roadway for the proposed project at 10342 Caribou Lane to construct of a new, two story, 2,625 SF single family residence.
  - No position regarding the project at 2002 N Stradella Rd. to legalize an overgrown/over-in-height 8' hedge in the required front yard and to permit the construction of a 8' high vehicular and pedestrian gate in the front yard.

 He stated a grading notice was sent out regarding the project at 1400 Linda Flora and will update the committee and Council on the project.

42<sup>nd</sup> 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)

- Field Deputy Jeff Ebenstein reported on the recent Code Simplification discussion and the possibility of allowing more "by-right" projects.
- He discussed a project on Summitridge with no existing permits that will be issued a "stop work" order.
- He reported on a town hall meeting with the General Manager of Animal Services regarding the request to increase the limit of dogs and cats to five rather than the current limit of three.

# Mayor's Office Report (Agenda Item #10)

No report was given.

## Public Safety/Disaster Preparedness (Agenda Item #11)

- Chuck Maginnis briefed on the Pole Loading motion passed out the Council and asked for their support in writing a letter to the City's Technology Committee and Assembly Member Mike Feuer regarding the issue.
  - Motion to support the drafted letter sent to the City's Technology Committee, Assembly Member Mike Feuer, with copies to the LA Fire Department, Bureau of Engineering, Department of Water and Power and Public Utilities Commission to ensure there are no abandoned or overloaded poles existing in the BABCNC area or have taken steps to necessary to eliminate them. Chuck Maginnis made motion. Gary Plotkin seconded. Discussion was held. 16 Yeas; 0 Nay; 1 Abstention. Motion passed with corrections to the letter.
- Chuck Maginnis passed out a draft of an emergency card and stated John Thomas Dye School
  may assist with laminating the card once it is completed. He is proposing having 300 cards
  completed for the Council.
- Irene Sandler briefed on the underground gas line concerns throughout the area due to the recent explosion in San Bruno gas explosion. She stated Metro may have a map of the existing gas lines with respect to I-405 Project. The issue should be considered for discussion and presented at a future meeting.
- Field Deputy Jeff Ebenstein suggested contacting the division in Public Works, Contract Administration, for discussion regarding the gas line issues.
- Don Loze updated on the recent fire at a home in the Benedict Canyon area. There were two issues with the incident: 1. one of the fire trucks initially went down the wrong street; 2. the nearest fire hydrant was 1,000 ft as opposed to the code requirement of 200 ft. of every home.
- Senior Lead Officer Chris Ragsdale stated there is still a reduction in crime for West LA and stated other units within LAPD are being utilized during events because of the departmental reductions.

<u>Bylaws & Rules Committee Report (Agenda Item #12)</u> No report was given.

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

- Steve Twining stated the following motions were supported by WRAC and the BABCNC Planning and Land Use Committee meeting and asked for the Council's support:
  - Motion to support the Baseline Hillside Mansionization Ordinance as presented to the City Attorney and supported unanimously by the City Council. Steve Twining made motion. Gary Plotkin seconded. Discussion was held. Motion passed unanimously.
  - Motion to recommending that Caltrans retain the existing Skirball on/off ramp access and opposes relocation nearer Mountaingate Avenue. Steve Twining made motion. Larry Leisten seconded. Discussion was held. 15 Yeas; 0 Nay; 2 Abstentions. Motion passed.

- Motion to Encouraging the developers of the Bundy Village meet with the surrounding community. Steve Twining made motion. Larry Leisten seconded. Discussion was held. 16 Yeas; 0 Nay; 1 Abstention. Motion passed.
- Steve Twining announced a town hall meeting Wednesday, October 20, 2010 from 6:30 pm 9 pm.

## Community Advisory Board (Agenda Item #14)

• Irene Sandler announced the next CAC meeting Thursday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> and will report to the Board at 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 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am, West Los Angeles Community Police Station, 1663 Butler Avenue.

### Public Schools Update (Item #19)

• Pam Marton announced classes had begun and passed out informational posters for the school's "Rocktober Fest" on Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> from 12 pm – 5 pm. She invited everyone to attend.

## New Business/General Announcements (Item #20)

• Steve Twining announced a budget meeting Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, at beginning at 8:30 am at City Hall.

#### Motion to Adjourn Meeting (Item #21)

Motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion made. Motion seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Irene Sandler Recording Secretary