



Regular Meeting of the Board

Wednesday, September 16, 2015 7:00–9:00 P.M.

American Jewish University

15600 Mulholland Drive, Room 223, Main Campus, 2nd Floor, Bel Air, CA 90077

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1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Adoption of the September 16, 2015 Agenda**
5. **Approval of the July 22, 2015 Minutes**

Copies of the July 22, 2015 Minutes (Attachment A) have been circulated with the draft agenda.

6. Public Comment

BABCNC welcomes public comment on any topic that is not on the adopted agenda. Each speaker will be limited to three minutes and all comments limited to 15 minutes unless decided otherwise by the chair.

Reports of Officers

7. President's Report – *Travis Longcore*

- a. **Representatives of Elected Officials and Agencies** (Updates & Discussions)
 - i. *Noah Muhlstein*, Planning Deputy, Council District 5
 - ii. *Chris Ragsdale*, SLO, West Los Angeles Police Station, introducing *August Cziment*, Guest Speaker, giving presentation on Ring security <https://ring.com/>
- b. **Appointment of Public Works Liaison to work with Board of Public Works**
DONE and the Board of Public Works is requesting our partnership by appointing a Public Works Liaison to work with the Board of Public Works. See Attachment B for the full description of this role, which will foster greater relationships with city department executives and staff that provide some of the city's basic services (Contact info needed by 09/21/15).
- c. **2015 Neighborhood Council Congress**
Saturday, September 26, 2015 7:45 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. Registration online at: <https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?llr=v6sxvscab&oeidk=a07ebf1z5zh145338bb>

8. Vice President's Report – *Nickie Miner*

9. Secretary's Report – *Robin Greenberg*

10. Treasurer's Report – *Dan Love*

- a. **Update from Treasurer** (Discussion)
- b. **Consideration of July and August 2015 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER)**
Board will consider approval of July and August 2015 expenditure reports and bank statements (Attachment C) (Discussion & Action)
- c. **Part III of Budget Package due to DONE on September 1, 2015.**
Board will consider approval of the Neighborhood Council Self-Assessment for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 (Attachment D) (Discussion & Action)

11. New Business

- a. **Short-Term Rental** (Update, Discussion & Possible Action) – *Matt Post*
See Fact Sheet (Attachment E)

Reports of Committees

12. Public Safety/Disaster Preparedness Committee – *Chuck Maginnis, Chair*

- a. **Report on September 9, 2015 EP meeting** (Update & Discussion)

13. Planning & Land Use Committee Report – *Michael Kemp, Chair*

- a. **Update on August 11, 2015 & September 8, 2015 PLUC Meetings** (Update & Discussion)
- b. **8904 Crescent Drive (Updates, Discussion & Possible Action) ZA 2014-3721**
Demolish existing one story 1200 sf SFD and attached carport. Build a new 3 story 3226 sf SFD with attached 2-car garage, and associated swimming pool on a substandard hillside street, with less than 20' improved roadway.
The BABCNC PLU Committee voted at its August Meeting, with 6 yeas, and 2 nays, to oppose the request in the above noted application.
Motion: The BABCNC recommends that the City of Los Angeles Zoning Administrator deny the application in case #ZA 2014-3721 (Attachment F)
- c. **1877 Rising Glen Drive (Updates, Discussion & Possible Action) ZA 2015-1846-F**
A request for an over in height wall and driveway gate. The BABCNC PLU Committee voted at its August Meeting, by unanimous count, to oppose the request in the above noted application.
Motion: The BABCNC recommends that the City of Los Angeles Zoning Administrator deny the application in case #ZA 2015-1846-F

14. Ad Hoc Committee on Mansionization – *Gary Plotkin, Chair* (Update & Discussion)

- a. **Updates from the Committee – *Gary Plotkin***
- b. **Update on Ridgeline Ordinance – *Don Loze***

15. Bylaws, Rules, and Elections Committee – *Larry Leisten, Chair*

- a. **Report on Bylaws, 2016 Elections & Drafting of Standing Rules** (Update & Discussion)

16. Outreach and Education Committee – *Robin Greenberg, Chair*

Reports of Representatives

17. West Los Angeles Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC) – *Robin Greenberg*

- a. **Update and Possible Actions from the August 19, 2015 meeting**

18. Budget Representatives' Report – *André Stojka & Nickie Miner*

- a. **Report from Budget Representatives** (Update & Discussion)

19. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Report – *Travis Longcore*

- a. **Update from Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy** (Discussion)

20. Good of the Order

Members of the Board have the opportunity to report any item of interest to the Council.

21. Adjourn

UPCOMING MEETING – Wednesday October 28, 2015 at AJU



DRAFT MINUTES Regular Meeting of the Board
 Wednesday, July 22, 2015 7:00–9:00 P.M.
 American Jewish University

Present: 18

Quorum: 15

ATTACHMENT “A”

2015-2016 Stakeholder Groups / Certified Representatives	Present	Not Present
Bel Air Crest Master Homeowner Association		
<i>Irene Sandler</i>	X	
Bel Air Ridge HOA		
<i>André Stojka</i>	X	
Benedict Canyon Association		
<i>Matthew Post</i> (New – Replacing Mike Chasteen)	X	
<i>Nickie Miner</i> (Notified of planned absence)	X	
<i>Don Loze</i>	X	
<i>Bob Schlesinger</i>	X	
Casiano Estates Association		
<i>Gary Plotkin</i> (Notified of planned absence)		X
Faith-Based Organizations		
<i>Lonnie Mayfield</i>	X	
Holmby Hills Association		
<i>Jason Spradlin</i>	X	
K-6 Private Schools		
<i>Teresa Lee</i>	X	
7-12 Private Schools		
<i>John Amato</i>		X
Laurel Canyon Association		
<i>Jamie Hall</i>	X	
<i>Cassandra Barrère</i>		X
<i>Cathy Wayne</i>	X	
<i>Tony Tucci</i>		X

2013 Stakeholder Groups / Certified Reps	Present	Not Present
Members-at-Large		
<i>Larry Leisten</i> (Notified of planned absence)		X
<i>Chuck Maginnis</i>	X	
Residents of Beverly Glen		
<i>Robert A. Ringler</i>	X	
<i>Dan Palmer</i>		X
Roscomare Valley Association		
<i>Robin Greenberg</i>	X	
<i>Michael Kemp</i>	X	
Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy		
<i>Travis Longcore, Ph.D.</i>	X	
Bel Air District		
<i>Dan J. Love</i>	X	
<i>Maureen Levinson</i>	X	
Beverly Park Estates		
<i>Maureen Smith</i> (Notified of planned absence)		X
Totals:	18	7

Guest Speakers & Guests:

Noah Muhlstein, Planning Deputy, Council District 5

Chris Ragsdale, LAPD / West Los Angeles Police Station 310-444-0702

In addition, 10 stakeholders & guests signed the guest list.

Changes in the BABCNC Board of Directors:

Michael Chasteen of BCA has resigned from his BCA Board seat and from the Planning & Land Use Committee. The Board wishes *Michael* the best in his future endeavors, and thanks him for all he has contributed over the years through his work on the Planning and Land Use Committee and on this Board.

Matt Post has been appointed by BCA as their new representative, taking the Board seat of *Michael Chasteen*.

1. **Call to Order:** Board President, *Travis Longcore*, called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm. *Travis Longcore* announced that BABCNC welcomes public comment on any topic that is not on the adopted agenda and may do so without giving their names for the record, by indicating this on the cards.
2. **Roll Call:** Board Secretary, *Robin Greenberg*, called the roll. A quorum of 15 was met.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Adoption of the July 22, 2015 Agenda:** Unanimously adopted with one correction under Treasurer's report, which should say, "June" and not "May" MER.
5. **Approval of the June 24, 2015 Minutes:** Unanimously adopted as edited that *Maureen Smith* not *Levinson* is reviewing the BABCNC website with regard to DONE's recommended standards.

6. Public Comment:

Michael Schlenker, LAFD Auxiliary Communications Service (ACS) representative thanked the Council for the donation of the ham radio equipment for the ACS, with special thanks to *Gary Plotkin, Dan Love* and *Chuck Maginnis*. They are receiving deliveries. *Chuck* thanked *Michael* for all the hard work he did on this.

Jonathan Zimmerman, LAFD Battalion 14 Communication Unit Leader, ACS and CERT Communication Liaison, spoke about use of ham radios during disasters when there will be communication problems due to topography and cell phones being down. He offers training and licensing, help with operations, to work within our communities to solve problems when they arise. Contact info: 818-521-2391 jgzimmerman@sbcglobal.net

Reports of Officers

7. President's Report – *Travis Longcore*

Travis announced that *Michael Chasteen* has resigned as a member of this Board as his professional and other pursuits do not leave him the time needed to participate any longer, and noted that he has thanked *Michael* for his service, with appreciation for *Michael's* keen eye and critical mind.

a. Representatives of Elected Officials and Agencies

i. **Noah Muhlstein, Planning Deputy, Council District 5** (Taken out of order)

Noah announced that as of July 1st, the start of the new fiscal year, we have a 8.75 billion dollar budget, with additional funding for new hires for the LAFD and more miles of resurfacing by the Bureau of Street Services. *Noah* thanked BABCNC, including Bel Air Association, for helping move the DWP closure forward; the Hilgard closure is done and Phase 1 is ending. The athletes are here for the Special Olympics.

Bob Schlesinger brought up the 1988 Covenant between BCA and North Beverly Park, which indicates that their haul routes be taken on Mulholland and not San Ysidro. *Noah* stated the City Attorneys' position is that they do not have the right to enforce that CC&R and interpretation will be up to the Building & Safety Board of Commissioners at hearing. *Noah* noted that if a new haul route gets on the docket, we would ask and he would stand behind us, but the mechanism to enforce will be through the LADBS.

Bob reported that he had written to *Cora Johnson* twice regarding 18,900 cubic yards for which they are using San Ysidro as a haul route; he has not yet obtained the hearing date. *Nickie Miner* stressed that haul routes on San Ysidro are wrong for heavy-duty trucks.

Irene Sandler noted that the Councilmember is asking us to take a lead that he should be taking on the covenant between San Ysidro and North Beverly Park. *Noah* replied that *CM Koretz* is not holding back and acknowledged that the covenant clearly exists.

Travis Longcore expressed astonishment that the LADBS has been issuing permits contrary to an agreement that we have signed and bound ourselves to as a City. *Travis* thought that an appropriate response from the Council office would be to send a letter to LADBS and its Director, insisting that they require the proper haul routes, as they are in violation of a legal agreement that the City has bound itself to. *Travis* asked for a letter within two weeks from the CD office. Such a letter would give the Board the power to go to the parties and say this is what our City Councilmember and NC say, and ask the Board of B&S Commissioners what they say. *Noah* replied that his office has worked on this issue, has added protocol and made progress; they believe in the covenant. He said he had only just gotten this information to the City Attorney hours ago. He feels we are not respecting everything that they have done for us, but says they are working on it and will write a letter. *Noah* stated that he brought this up to *Cora Johnson* today; he will go back to the City Attorneys, will stand behind us and take care of it. *Travis* thanked *Noah* on behalf of the Board.

Chuck asked *Noah* to thank *John Darnell* for his coming to the recent EP meeting, who along with *Tim Pershing* from *Richard Bloom's* office will be addressing liability issues.

Dan Love asked for information on how “significant properties” enter into the development process (e.g., historic properties by significant architects and properties lived in by significant people), stating that some are torn down in advance of permits. *Travis* explained “Survey LA” is a citywide survey of architecturally significant properties currently underway and that once identified, these properties are flagged in ZIMAS’s reports as “eligible” for HPOZ, California Register or National Register of Historic Places. He noted that those eligible properties would trigger additional assessment during environmental review.

Nickie asked *Noah* about vacating “paper streets.” *Noah* explained that “vacation” takes away the right of the City to do anything with that area, parcel or section of the road. He explained the one on Basil Lane, where Scenario turns into an easement, is not a road but that Scenario continues east to west, through a living room, and onto Basil Lane, which gives some people access for brush clearance. He stated that the applicant wants to clean it up because it is harder for future sales, refinancing, and so there are no issues on paper. *Dan Love* asked *Noah* to come back prepared to discuss specifics, as we have another coming up to increase the value of their property by providing a security entrance on a previously public street.

Noah explained that the big concern is that the land behind Basil, a paper street, could one day be developed and impact the community; that this is a way to cut off that access. If the City has no right to put a street there, it will be harder for someone else to build there. *Nickie Miner* asked *Noah* how the Fire Department could get in there to clean the brush in the High Fire Severity Zone with no access. *Noah* replied that the alternative is that on the other side of that property, where the paper street runs, they have offered to give an easement where their trash cans are, which will go all the way back with a gate to allow for landscapers or brush clearing crews to go and access what they need. *Noah* thinks the alternative is much better. He reported that the physical layout remains status quo.

Dan Love stressed to *Noah* the importance of him and *Shawn* being at *Mr. Kemp's* monthly PLU meeting, because these are coming in with more frequency.

- ii. ***Chris Ragsdale, Senior Lead Officer, WLA Police Station*** (Taken out of order)
Chris reported there is an increase in thefts and burglaries. He recommended use of preventative techniques to discourage break-ins; small and cheap surveillance cameras, alarms, etc., self-installed, with Wi-Fi, for a small fee, such as “ring.com” that alert you to unauthorized activity and capture video footage on your smart device. *Travis* asked about crime uptake and prison realignment. *Chris* replied that Prop 47 contributes to this, as many of these people are drug addicts and property crimes help support their habits. *Chris* thanked *Chuck* and encouraged emergency preparedness on your own. *Chuck* asked *Chris* to thank *Captain Nieto* who, with LAFD, *Chief Castro*, presented at the last Emergency Preparedness meeting on how LAFD & LAPD work together to command areas during disasters. Tweet *Captain Nieto* at “@lapdtina”

- b. ***Matt Post as New Board Member representing Benedict Canyon Association:*** *Travis Longcore* announced that we have *Matt Post* in the place of *Michael Chasteen*, appointed by BCA. *Travis* & the Board welcomed and thanked *Matt*, and look forward to working with him.

8. Vice President’s Report – *Nickie Miner* – No report

9. **Secretary's Report – Robin Greenberg** Robin provided three printouts, 1) an event calendar from our website, 2) a list of proposed Gas Company base stations in Bel Air Beverly Crest and, 3) a Board member certification list from DONE (the latter noted by *Robert Ringler* to not reflect two recent updates by himself and *Travis*, both from within the last week. *Cathy* has verified that they are both up to date with DONE.)

10. **Treasurer's Report – Dan Love**

- a. **Update from Treasurer - Dan Love** reported that we are in the new fiscal year; and now have the new bank account and bankcard funded so we can make disbursements again.
- b. **Consideration of June 2015 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER)** *Dan Love* reviewed the June MER report and bank statement, previously circulated with the agenda as Attachment B. **MOTION:** Approval of the June 2015 Monthly Expenditure Report and Bank Statement: Moved by *Cathy Wayne*; seconded by *Bob Schlesinger*.
Roll call vote count was taken and the motion passed by 16 yeas by *Irene Sandler, André Stojka, Robert Schlesinger, Don Loze, Nickie Miner, Lonnie Mayfield, Teresa Lee, Jamie Hall, Cathy Wayne, Chuck Maginnis, Robert Ringler, Robin Greenberg, Michael Kemp, Jason Spradlin, Dan Love, Maureen Levinson*, 0 nays, and 0 abstentions. [New member, *Matt Post* is ineligible to vote on funding matters, pending completion of training and President, *Travis Longcore* votes only to break a tie.]

11. **New Business**

- a. **Provision of Access to Grading Plans by Department of Building & Safety in Compliance with the California Public Records Act. (Discussion and possible action)**
MOTION: Access to public records is a fundamental right of every California resident. An increasing number of grading operations in residential hillside areas have the potential of undercutting and damaging adjacent properties. The owners of these adjacent properties and the general public have the right to have access to grading plans, geology reports and soils engineering reports that are submitted to the City for the purpose of development. Access to these public records must occur before grading plans are approved to give the public the ability to review the plans and/or allow an independent expert to examine the plans to assure themselves that the proposed grading and development will not have an adverse effect on his or her own property or the environment. Currently, adjacent property owners are not given timely notification that would allow them to inspect the plans submitted to the City. Therefore, the Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council supports all efforts to increase public access to submitted plans and requests that the Department of Building and Safety devise a protocol that would give timely access for public inspection, and provides notice to adjacent property owners as soon as such plans are submitted to the City.
Robert Ringler moved; *Jason Spradlin* seconded.

A great deal of discussion was held on this item brought to the Board by stakeholder, *Barbara Blinderman*. *Travis Longcore* drafted this motion with *Barbara's* input for Board consideration. The motion calls for the City to make plans available for public inspection and notice to adjacent property owners as soon as plans are submitted to the City.

Jamie Hall noted that this is more about providing public notification for ministerial projects such as grading plans and B-Permits for new paper roads. *Michael Kemp* noted the two issues are notification and being able to look at the plans, which are public record. *Dan Love* expressed concern for the lack of transparency of information that the public is already entitled to see.

Mike & Dan: Neighbors should be able to send an expert, architect or soils engineer to review. *Nickie Miner* recommended sending this to Committee to refine and improve upon. *Travis* indicated this motion is aspirational, could send it to Mansionization Committee or PLU to see how to go from here. *Mike* advised writing a statement of policy and *Jamie Hall* recommended

bringing it back in September. *Travis* clarified we are setting out some principles and policies of where we want to go that empowers our members when having communications with elected officials and B&S, to say “this is our position as a Council: We believe that we should have access to these [documents] under the law.”

Bob Schlesinger read from Former California Attorney General, *Bill Lockyer’s* statement. “Interim grading documents, including geology reports, compaction reports and soil reports submitted by property owner to a city’s building department, in conjunction with an application for building permit, are subject to public inspection and copying under the California Public Records Act, at the time the documents are first received by the Building Department.”

Amendment to the Motion: To add language to the last line of the motion: “provides notice to adjacent property owners **and relevant Neighborhood Councils** as soon as such plans are submitted to the City.”

Moved by *Irene Sandler*, seconded by *Maureen Levinson* & unanimously approved.

The main motion was unanimously approved as amended by all 16 voting. (*Revisit in Sept.*)

Reports of Committees

12. Planning & Land Use Committee Report – *Michael Kemp, Chair*

a. Update on July 14, 2015 PLUC Meeting. (Discussion)

Motions recommended by the PLU Committee from July 14, 2015 meeting:

b. **8951 St. Ives Drive ZA 2014-1870 (ZAA)**

Request for a bathroom and kitchenette in an existing recreation room. The BABCNC’s position as of 10/17/2014 was to take “no exception” to the original request to permit an existing recreation room to remain, with reduced side-yards. The Applicant presented this addition to the scope of work on the project at the June 2015 PLUC Meeting.

MOTION: The BABCNC takes “no exception” in the above noted expanded scope of work on this case. Moved by *Michael Kemp* for PLUC and passed unanimously.

c. **Nomination of new Planning & Land Use Committee members:** The PLU Committee recommends that *Robert Schlesinger* and *Jason Spradlin* be elected as members of the PLUC.

MOTION: The BABCNC elects ***Robert Schlesinger*** to the BABCNC Planning & Land Use Committee. *Mike Kemp* moved; *Robert Schlesinger* accepted, and the vote was unanimous.

MOTION: The BABCNC elects ***Jason Spradlin*** to the BABCNC Planning & Land Use Committee. *Mike* moved; *Jason Spradlin* accepted, and the vote was unanimous.

The Board thanked *Robert* and *Jason* for their commitment to work on the PLU Committee.

d. **Electronic distribution of ‘Determination Letters’ on projects in the BABCNC area.**

The PLU Committee is not currently receiving ‘Determination Letters’ on ZA and AA cases in our area from the LA City Planning Department, except in the case of Mulholland Design Review projects (MDR). This lack of information from City Planning is hampering the BABCNC in responding to stakeholders requests for the status of pending projects, and for the option to take further action (i.e., appeals, CIS, etc.).

MOTION: The BABCNC requests that the City of Los Angeles, Department of City Planning, provide in electronic format, the opportunity for BABCNC Board members and stakeholders, to receive all determination letters on Zoning Administration (ZA) (ZAD), and Administrative Action (AA) cases in the BABCNC area.

Moved by Committee; passed unanimously. (*Will transmit to City Planning & CMs.*)

The following projects/issues are those of which the PLU Committee wishes the BABCNC Board to become acquainted for possible discussion and action (motions for position) by the full BABCNC Board.

- e. **Vacation of road easement at 2165 Basil Lane.** Update, discussion, and possible motion. Many of the surrounding neighbors are against the vacation of a road easement at the above noted address, which is presently being considered by the City. They are requesting that a full environmental review be conducted prior to any approval and they are requesting the support of the BABCNC in their concerns. The PLU Committee voted at its 07/14/2015 meeting to recommend that any further action on this matter be delayed until more facts can be ascertained, including the position of CD-5, and the opportunity for the applicant (homeowner) of the subject property to present their position to the BABCNC. (Discussion and possible action.) (*Michael Kemp* related that at this time he just wants to bring this to our attention.

Public Comment:

Paul Shomer, homeowner in the area, spoke against vacation of the road easement, with multiple homeowners around it, citing no access for brush clearance, nor for the Fire Department. The property has existed with this easement since 1959. In 2009, a proposal was entered for the City to vacate that was denied in 2011 by the Bureau of Engineering. The case was tabled and has resurfaced. The new owner is trying to push this through. The alternative is a very small area to the south side of the current owner's house that he is willing to give up.

Katherine Bard spoke against, stating nothing has changed since the 2009 recommendation for denial; that the brush clearance alternative *Noah* described is not viable and that it is dangerous. She was told at the meeting that the vacation would close it up so the City could not get back there if they wanted access to develop that paper street. Because the easement goes through part of the owner's house, in the future it might be easier in terms of selling; and that the lawyer said if you close it up, the City would not be able to get through there for future access to anything. *Mike Kemp* related that the Committee wants to get more information; they do not know when the hearing will come up. *Mike* offered to take a position now or send back to the Committee.

MOTION: To oppose vacation of road easement at 2165 Basil Lane because notwithstanding the fact that there is an encroachment to the right of way, it is still used for brush clearance, which is an important function, and that the alternative is inadequate.

Moved by *Jamie Hall*; seconded by *Nickie Miner*. Further discussion was held. No one on the Board spoke against the motion. No one objected to calling the question. A voice vote was taken, none opposed, none abstained and the motion passed unanimously by all 16 voting.

- f. **Appeal of Crisler Way Road**

An Appeal to the Board of Public Works RE: the CEQA determination for B-Permit#BR402571. Crisler Way is a paper street in the Kirkwood Bowl area. The City has approved a permit to improve Crisler Way to facilitate the building of four new homes. An association of homeowners in the area has filed an appeal, on CEQA grounds, and is requesting that a stop work order be issued, pending a full EIR on the project. The appellants are seeking the support of the BABCNC. The PLU Committee voted at its 07/14/2015 meeting to recommend that any further action on this project be delayed until more facts can be ascertained, including the position of CD-4, and the opportunity for the applicant of the subject property to present their position to the BABCNC. (Discussion and possible action.)

Jamie Hall recused himself from the room for the discussion and any possible action.

Public Comment on Crisler Way Road:

kip Haynes reported that they had formed an ad hoc group. On July 17th, people were clearing the street on Grandview Drive, which they thought was brush clearance. There is a paper street on Crisler. *Skip* found out that to obtain a B-permit for a paper street, you do not need to notify anyone; the first notification will be from bulldozers coming down your street. They got a stop

work order through *David Ryu*'s Council office in two days and are working on an ICO. He looked at the plans, the permit had expired in 2014, and *Anthony Munoz* at Engineering told him that they automatically updated it. *Skip* stated that he asked *Jamie* and was told to ask for a Certificate of Exemption to reinstate the permit. They filed an official documents request for the Department of Building & Safety, asked why they did not get a haul route hearing as this street is 200-feet long with no fire engine turnaround. He stated that they are building a 200-foot retaining wall, 10-17 feet high, with 30 caissons on the downslope side, stating it would take 120 cement trucks just to fill the caissons and asked how you can get 120 cement trucks on a street that is collapsing. *Skip* related that they have had 23 water main breaks in 1-1/2 years. This group is doing everything they can to stop this development. They have the go-ahead of the City with *David Ryu*'s help. *Nickie* noted that we need to be preemptive and take a strong position.

MOTION: Support the appeal of the B-permit or the Crisler Way Road permit #Br402571. Seconded by Bob Schlesinger.

Jason Spradlin noted that we are not hearing from the other side. *Travis* responded that *Michael* invites applicants to present their positions; that it is our goal to hear from the applicants. *Mike* and *Travis* stated that they have mechanisms in place for all sides to be fairly heard. A vote was taken and **the motion passed** by 15 yeas and one recusal, *Jamie Hall*.

- g. **2471 Nalin Dr.DIR-2015-938-DRB-SPP-MSP; ENV-2015-939-CE; AA-2015-1235-COC:**
The Mulholland Design Review Board recently issued approval for a new 1,300 s.f. SFD on this vacant sub-standard lot. The Planning Department approval is expected to be forthcoming. An association of homeowners in the area is in the process of filing an appeal, on CEQA grounds, and is requesting that a stop work order be issued pending a full EIR on the project. The appellants are seeking the support of the BABCNC. The PLU Committee voted at its 07/14/2015 meeting to recommend that any further action on this project be delayed until more facts can be ascertained, including the position of CD-5, and the opportunity for the applicant of the subject property to present their position to the BABCNC. (Discussion and possible action)

Mike Kemp related that Roscomare Valley Association is aware of this project; it was pushed back; project was approved. There will be an appeal by homeowners. *Dan Love* made a point of clarification that they are asking for a full EIR review, and asked if they have said the reason why they do not think the decision was right. *Mike* replied that there are some discrepancies on what they are allowed to build. Points of appeal: *Robin* related that it is too small to build a house. *Mike* reported that he did not have a chance to bring in the owner and that he is concerned about timing. *Travis* asked if there is an issue with compatibility, to which *Robin* replied, yes, it is going down four levels, abuts Hog Canyon; is 1300 sq feet on four levels. *Michael* related that he is using a basement exemption and really has more like 2600 sq feet. The City sold the land.

MOTION: Support the appeal of the Mulholland DRB for the construction of a 1300 square foot dwelling on 2471 Nalin Drive, cramming too much house on a small lot. Moved by *Robin Greenberg*, seconded by *Cathy Wayne*. *Mike Kemp* and *Jason Spradlin* abstained; *Jamie Hall* recused; the rest approved and the motion passed.

2391 Roscomare Road: Permit #10010-10003-01277 + #10010-10000-01278:

Current Construction of a 10-unit apartment building.

Nearby neighbors and the Roscomare Valley Association (RVA) are concerned that the current construction project is not adhering to the project conditions mandated by the City at the time of issuing their building permit. Of specific concern are: a) hauling of dirt beyond what they were permitted for, b) staging of construction trucks outside the site and adjacent the Roscomare Elementary School, c) performing construction work during times not allowed by their approved

conditions. The residents and the RVA are seeking BABCNC support in requesting that the LADBS enforce the project conditions as originally stated in the project permit. (Discussion and possible action.) *Mike Kemp* stated that he just wanted to make us aware of it; will bring it back in September. RVA will be watching this. *Robin Greenberg* described it. *Irene Sandler* asked when this was approved, to which *Mike* replied in 2007.

No motion. *Travis* thanked the Committee and *Mike Kemp* as Chair.

13. Public Safety/Disaster Preparedness Committee – *Chuck Maginnis, Chair*

a. Report on July 15, 2015 EP meeting – (Discussion)

Chuck gave update on his last meeting: *Captain Nieto* presented with LAFD Deputy Chief, *Joe Castro*, covering WLA. *Tim Pershing* of *Richard Bloom's* office, who along with *John Darnell* of CD5, teamed up to discuss liability. *Jonathan Zimmerman* discussed the status of the radios that we purchased. *Kristin Stavola* from LCA attended. *Michael Schlenker* had a meeting for EP Communications Division.

Michael Schlenker gave the Board an update on who gets the radios, licenses, trainings and noted that there will be an exam administered in October; that you become a volunteer with the City of LA, covered by their insurance policy. They want people to be active with 3+ hours a month. Once the person meets the criteria, EPC can submit or let the FD decide who might be the best people. They are still discussing and writing the policy, and will make it work.

Jonathan Zimmerman added that it is a simple test; they will offer classes and help us do it. He invites any of us to take the trainings that they offer. *Travis* advised coordinating with *Chuck*. *André Stojka* pointed out that since we authorized 10 handsets, our organizations should have first shot. *Travis* noted that a proposal might filter up at a future meeting.

Michael Schlenker's next EP Communications meeting will be on **August 24th**.

b. Postponed from June meeting, the following is recommended by the EP Committee:

MOTION: BABCNC moves to support *Jim Nelson's* Hillside Evacuation Choke Point model, based upon his Laurel Canyon presentation, as a potential pilot for the City of Los Angeles (See Attachment) *Chuck Maginnis* moved to postpone; *Dan Love* seconded. Unanimous.

14. Outreach and Education Committee – *Robin Greenberg, Chair*

15. Hoc Committee on Mansionization – *Gary Plotkin, Chair (absent)*

a. Updates from the committee.

b. Discussion of Ridgeline Ordinance — *Don Loze*

Don Loze related that previously, CM *Paul Koretz* supported the Ridgeline Ordinance; the face-to-face meeting with Planning did not happen; however, *Gary Plotkin* has since requested and there was a meeting. *Shawn, Joan* and *Noah* went to Planning to move the matter forward. CM *Koretz* says he needs a million dollars to complete, half in supervisorial fees, \$700,000 for misc. and some for planners. Another planner said it was ready to move onto an ordinance. Planning is now going to put this into 2017 budget and into an ordinance in 2018. *Don* would like this done this year; suggests we get tougher with CD4, 11, 12 as almost half the City has a ridgeline ordinance, the County has one, and the rest is a donut.

MOTION: BABCNC empowers the Ad-Hoc Mansionization Committee and PLU Committee to promptly request that Councilmembers *Koretz* and *Ryu* direct the Planning Department to move the Ridgeline Ordinance into the current fiscal year.

Moved by *Don Loze*, seconded by *Jason Spradlin*; unanimously passed by all 16 voting. No abstentions.

Irene Sandler asked how much money is needed to complete the ordinance and could we write a letter to the Controller to investigate this sum. *Don* replied that *Noah* went to the Controller as to the million to complete and a planner, *Tom Roth*, informed us that a lot of work has been done. *Don* reported that *Gary* was told it would be \$100,000, a big difference from a million. *Don* will give another update on the timelines and costs.

Cathy Wayne noted that these have been going on for years; letters do not always help. *Travis* replied that *Don* and *Gary* will be sent to have some meetings.

Mike Kemp recommended getting support from other NCs, Hollywood Hills West, and bringing it to WRAC to build up the pressures on CDs 4&5. *Nickie* expressed the concern that they will keep kicking the can down the road until there are no more ridgelines left!

Reports of Representatives

16. Budget Representatives' Report – André Stojka & Nickie Miner

a. Report from Budget Representatives. (Discussion)

Cathy Palmer attended Budget Day on June 27th at City Hall. She reported that the Budget Advocates voted in are *Jay Handal & Terrence Gomes*, as well as *Jon Liberman* (from SORO).

17. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Report – Travis Longcore

Update from Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy (Discussion)

Travis reported that the Conservancy is interested in a package of properties that Benedict Canyon has brought to them along Benedict. They are also looking at another set of developable lots in Beverly Glen that back up to the reservoir side.

As to the tree canopy project, *Travis* spoke to Fire Commission on Tuesday to let them know this is still an outstanding issue; they had not resolved their environmental review and compliance with the City's protected tree ordinance. The Fire Marshal gave him his card to talk about it.

Travis noted that just today somebody let him know that they went and trimmed a donated oak tree on SMMC property that had never been trimmed and was supposed to be protected. *Travis* is trying to get to the bottom of this. He will report back on it. *Travis* explained if a tree appears dead, if it is "protected," a permit must be obtained to chop it.

18. Good of the Order

Jamie Hall noted story on KPCC on "Graywater Action" and suggested possibly getting the founder of the program to come and speak to us on it. He learned that no City permits are required for this. You can use water from your washing machine and bathtubs, but not toilet or sink. You can have it installed for \$1,000-\$2,000.

<http://greywateraction.org/event/hands-on-greywater-workshop-topanga-canyon/>

FYI: Upcoming hands-on Graywater workshop in Topanga Canyon September 5th

Maureen Levinson thanked *Travis* for his help in stopping the abuse of oak trees at 944 Airole Way.

Maureen noted that neighbors are concerned about the Stone Canyon reservoir cover. *André Stojka* clarified that the big lake is not getting a cover; it is only for the upper reservoir.

Adjourn: Moved by *Chuck Maginnis*, seconded by *Jason Spradlin*, the meeting adjourned at 9:17 pm.

UPCOMING MEETING – Wednesday September 16, 2015 at AJU

(Note: September meeting is on the 3rd Wednesday as AJU is closed on the 23rd for the Jewish holiday.)



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Attachment B

PUBLIC WORKS LIAISON

In partnership with the Board of Public Works (Board), the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (EmpowerLA) is requesting each Neighborhood Council appoint a Public Works Liaison (Liaison) to work with the Board on issues and services impacting Los Angeles neighborhoods. As one of the largest city departments, the Department of Public Works is comprised of five bureaus (Sanitation, Engineering, Street Services, Street Lighting, and Contract Administration) directly responsible for the administration of key city services. The establishment of the Liaison will create open lines of communication between Neighborhood Councils and Public Works, and ensure the proper delivery of city services. Liaisons will be the eyes, ears, and voice for their respective communities and will complement the outreach efforts of the Board of Public Works.

Liaisons will serve as the primary point of contact within Neighborhood Councils on the Clean Streets Initiative, which was announced by Mayor Eric Garcetti on April 23, 2015. Focused on creating a cleaner and more livable city, the Clean Streets Initiative provides funding for additional trash bins, a third Clean Streets Strike Team, the development of a cleanliness assessment system, and increased enforcement of illegal dumping. A key component to the success of the Clean Streets Initiative is a coordinated and robust public engagement campaign. The Liaison will work with the Board of Public Works, Mayor's Volunteer Corps and Office of Community Beautification to organize clean ups, increase 311 reporting in their area, and engage local stakeholders on how to maintain street cleanliness. Liaisons will receive regular communication from the Board regarding pending agenda items, and will be invited to a bi-monthly Liaison meeting with Public Works staff.

Interested Neighborhood Councilmembers should apply through Neighborhood Council Presidents/Chairpersons by September 21, 2015. Public Works Liaisons will help City Hall focus on getting "Back to Basics" and helping make the city safer, more prosperous and livable with a well-run government.

About the Board of Public Works

The City of Los Angeles Board of Public Works (BPW) is a five-member executive team that administrates the City of Los Angeles Department of Public Works. The Department of Public Works consists of over 5,000 employees who are responsible for design, construction, renovation and operation of public projects ranging from bridges to wastewater treatment plants and libraries; curbside collection and graffiti removal; and maintenance of streets, sidewalks, sewers, streetlights and street trees.

About the Department of Public Works

The Department of Public Works is the City's third largest department and is comprised of a staff of more than 5,000 employees who are responsible for the construction, renovation, and operation of City facilities and infrastructure, as well as the delivery of public safety and environmental programs. In partnership with private contractors, the Department builds and maintains public projects such as libraries, fire stations, police stations, animal facilities, streets, bridges, streetlights, water treatment plants, sewers and sidewalks, and provides essential public services like street tree maintenance, recycling and solid waste management. The department is divided into bureaus including the Bureau of Contract Administration, Engineering, Sanitation, Street Lighting, and Street Services.

About the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment

Since its establishment in 1999, the Los Angeles Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (EmpowerLA) has grown into the nation's largest and most innovative initiative in civic engagement and citizen-based government. Through a network of 96 Neighborhood Councils, EmpowerLA promotes civic engagement and works to improve government responsiveness to local needs.



STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

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Business Basics Checking Summary

Account Number: 0053624540

Days in statement period: 31

Balance on 7/1 \$ 2,630.63
Additions 0.00
Subtractions -2,630.63

Checks Payments -2,572.76
Balance on 7/31 \$ 57.87

Statement Average Ledger Balance 358.35

Checks

Number	Date	Reference	Amount	Number	Date	Reference	Amount
5028	7/15	08375430	43.16	5033	7/7	07513708	1,500.00
5032*	7/1	08314778	1,029.60				
Total							\$ 2,572.76

* Checks missing in sequence. Out of sequence check numbers may also be located in the Payments section of your statement.

Payments online and electronic banking

Date	Description/Location	Reference	Amount
7/27	UB CHECKING TRANSFER 150727 XXXXXX3249 0318	62088296	\$ 57.87

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For each monthly statement period your account includes:

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Department of Neighborhood Empowerment

Reporting Month: **JULY** MONTHLY EXPENDITURE REPORT
 NC Name: **Bel Air-Beverly Crest** Submitted: 8/13/2015 11:08:16

Budget Fiscal Year: **2014-2015** (Must be submitted to the Department within 10 days of Board Approval along with documentation and hard copy)

FILL IN ALL THE UNSHADED (WHITE) FIELDS (For more than 12 expenditures, you may continue entering on page 3 of this worksheet - see below)

EXPENDITURES BY LINE ITEM (for more than 12 expenditures, you may continue entering on page 3 of this worksheet. See instruction 3.)						
A	Date / Item / Service Description	BUDGET CATEGORY	VENDOR	INVOICE NUMBER	OUT OF STATE VENDOR	1099 Reportable
1	7/15 chk5028 Reimburse -meeting snacks	OPERATIONS	Irene Sandler	Cambridge Farms		
2	7/1 ch 5032 NC Secretary w/e 6/7 & 6/14 50%	OUTREACH	Lloyd Staffing	612837 & 612838		
3	7/1 ch 5032 NC Secretary w/e 6/7 & 6/14 50%	OPERATIONS	Lloyd Staffing	612837&612838		
4	7/7 ch 5033 NPG Owl Boxes- CLAW	NPG	CLAW	46-3104169		
5	7/27 City of LA transfer funds to new account	UNALLOCATED	New account 4540	57.87		
6						
7						
8						
9						
10						
11						
12						
SUBTOTAL: Expenditures by Line Item (May include totals on page 3, if entered)						
B	CUMULATIVE EXPENDITURES FROM PRIOR MONTHS					
C	OUTSTANDING COMMITMENTS					
	C 1. Outstanding Checks (checks that have been issued, but have not yet cleared the account)					
	C 2. Rent/Lease					
	C 3. Contractual Services					
	C 4. Large Purchases					
	C 5. Neighborhood Purpose Grants (pending or in process)					
	C 6. Temporary Staffing Services					
	C 7. Storage					
	C 8. Other Outstanding Commitments ==> Description:					
SUBTOTAL: Outstanding Commitments						
D	Total Expenditures & Commitments					
E	Total Adjustments by Department (such as use taxes assessed, credits from prior fiscal years, etc) (use '+' for credits, '-' for deductions)					
F	Approved Budget 2014-2015					
G	Balance of Budget					

Reporting Month:	JULY
NC Name:	Bel Air-Beverly Crest

MONTHLY CASH RECONCILIATION			
Beginning Balance (A)	Funds Deposited (B)	Total Available (C) = (A+B)	Cash Spent this Month (D)
\$2,630.63		\$2,630.63	\$2,572.76
			Remaining Balance (E) = C - D
			\$57.87

MONTHLY BUDGETARY ANALYSIS				
Category Identifier	Budget Category	Adopted Budget (A)	Total Spent this Month (B)	Total Spent in Prior Months (C)
100	Operations	\$14,750.00	\$557.95	\$13,617.66
200	Outreach	\$14,250.00	\$514.80	\$12,082.67
300	Community Improvement	\$4,000.00	\$0.00	\$4,000.00
400	NPG	\$3,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$8,669.04
500	Elections	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
900	Unallocated		\$0.00	\$0.00
	TOTAL	\$37,000.00	\$2,572.76	\$34,369.37
				Unspent Budget Balance (D) = A - B - C
				\$574.38
				\$1,652.53
				\$4,000.00
				-\$7,169.04
				\$1,000.00
				\$0.00
				\$57.87

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL DECLARATION

We, the Treasurer and Signer of the above indicated Council, declare that the information presented on this form is accurate and complete, and will furnish additional documentation to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment upon request.

Treasurer Signature	Donna D. Love	8/13/15	Signer's Signature	Robert A. Ringler
Print Name	DAVID J. LOVE		Print Name	Robert A. Ringler
Date	8/13/15		Date	08/30/2015
NC Additional Comments	OLD ACCOUNT - \$5780 CASHED OUT BY CITY OF BA AS OF 8/30/15 BALANCE OF ACCOUNT - \$5787 TRANSFERRED TO NEW A/C #3249			



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Business Basics Checking Summary

Account Number: 0062263249

Days in statement period: 31

Balance on 7/1	\$	100.00
Additions		9,150.00
Subtractions		-2,791.77
	Checks	-25.19
	Payments	-2,574.00
	Purchases	-192.58
Balance on 7/31	\$	6,458.23
Statement Average Ledger Balance		3,269.64
We waived your service charge this statement period.		

BANK BALANCE 6458.23
7.31.15

o/s check (37.10)

Book Balance #6421.08
8/1/15

Additions

Date	Description/Location	Reference	Amount
7/20	CITY OF LOS ANGE EFT PAYMT PPD *****0735	51934005	\$ 9,092.13
7/27	UB CHECKING TRANSFER 150727 XXXXXX4540 0103	62088296	57.87
Total			\$ 9,150.00

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#4540

Checks

Number	Date	Reference	Amount	Number	Date	Reference	Amount
5001	7/27	06184440	25.19				

Payments online and electronic banking

Date	Description/Location	Reference	Amount
7/28	LLOYD STAFFING ONLINE PMT WEB 56779809		\$ 1,544.40
	CKF708847668POS		
7/29	LLOYD STAFFING ONLINE PMT WEB 58645360		1,029.60
	CKF708847668POS		
Total			\$ 2,574.00

Purchases ATM card and Debit card™ purchases

Date	Description/Location	Reference	Amount
7/22	TRADER JOE LOS ANGELES CA LOS ANGELES CA	70457902	\$ 10.38

Purchases *ATM card and Debit card™ purchases*

<i>Date</i>	<i>Description/Location</i>	<i>Reference</i>	<i>Amount</i>
7/23	GOOGLE *SV CC GOOGLE.CO CA CC	71130794	38.70
	GOOGLE.CO CA		
7/23	GOOGLE *SV CC GOOGLE.CO CA CC	71130795	143.50
	GOOGLE.CO CA		
Total			\$ 192.58

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NEW ACCOUNT #3249
for FY 2016



Department of Neighborhood Empowerment

Reporting Month: **JULY**

NC Name: **Bel Air-Beverly Crest**

Budget Fiscal Year: **2014-2015**

Submitted: **8/13/2015 11:57:22**

EXPENDITURES BY LINE ITEM (for more than 12 expenditures, you may continue entering on page 3 of this worksheet - see below)					
A	Date / Item / Service Description	BUDGET CATEGORY	VENDOR	INVOICE NUMBER	1099 Reportable
1	7/28NC Secretary w/e 7/5,6/28,6/21@514.80 50%	OPERATIONS	Lloyd Staffing	612-889,873,856	\$772.20
2	7/28NC Secretary w/e 7/5,6/28,6/21@514.80 50%	OUTREACH	Lloyd Staffing	612-889,873,856	\$772.20
3	7/29NC Secretary w/e 7/12,7/19@514.80 50%	OPERATIONS	Lloyd Staffing	612922,923	\$514.80
4	7/29NC Secretary w/e 7/12,7/19@514.80 50%	OUTREACH	Lloyd Staffing	612922,923	\$514.80
5	7/22 Water for BOD Meeting card purchase	OPERATIONS	Trader Joe's	see attached	\$10.38
6	6/23 Printing & Water BOD Meet-Reim C Palmer	OPERATIONS	LA Press	see attached	\$25.19
7	7/21 email a/cs & license fee for software	OPERATIONS	GOOGLE	see attached	\$182.20
8					
9					
10					
11					
12					
SUBTOTAL: Expenditures by Line Item (May include totals on page 3, if entered)					\$2,791.77
CUMULATIVE EXPENDITURES FROM PRIOR MONTHS					\$0.00
OUTSTANDING COMMITMENTS					\$37.15
C 1. Outstanding Checks (checks that have been issued, but have not yet cleared the account)					
C 2. Rent/Lease					
C 3. Contractual Services					
C 4. Large Purchases					
C 5. Neighborhood Purpose Grants (pending or in process)					
C 6. Temporary Staffing Services					
C 7. Storage					
C 8. Other Outstanding Commitments					\$37.15
SUBTOTAL: Outstanding Commitments					\$2,828.92
Total Expenditures & Commitments					
Total Adjustments by Department (such as use taxes assessed, credits from prior fiscal years, etc) (use '+' for credits, '-' for deductions)					\$37,000.00
Approved Budget 2014-2015					\$34,171.08
Balance of Budget					

Reporting Month:	JULY
NC Name:	Bel Air-Beverly Crest

MONTHLY CASH RECONCILIATION			
Beginning Balance (A)	Funds Deposited (B)	Total Available (C) = (A+B)	Cash Spent this Month (D)
\$100.00	\$9,150.00	\$9,250.00	\$2,791.77
			Remaining Balance (E) = C - D
			\$6,458.23

MONTHLY BUDGETARY ANALYSIS				
Category Identifier	Budget Category	Adopted Budget (A)	Total Spent this Month (B)	Total Spent in Prior Months (C)
100	Operations	\$17,540.00	\$1,504.77	
200	Outreach	\$18,460.00	\$1,287.00	
300	Community Improvement		\$0.00	
400	NPG		\$0.00	
500	Elections	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	
900	Unallocated		\$0.00	
	TOTAL	\$37,000.00	\$2,791.77	\$0.00
				Unspent Budget Balance (D) = A - B - C
				\$16,035.23
				\$17,173.00
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
				\$1,000.00
				\$0.00
				\$34,208.23

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL DECLARATION

We, the Treasurer and Signer of the above indicated Council, declare that the information presented on this form is accurate and complete, and will furnish additional documentation to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment upon request.

Treasurer Signature	<i>Daniel D. Love</i>	Signer's Signature	<i>Robert H. Engler</i>
Print Name	DANIEL J. LOVE	Print Name	Robert H. Engler
Date	8.13.15	Date	08/30/2015
NC Additional Comments	NEW ACCOUNT - 3849 for FY 2016		



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Balance on 8/1	\$	6,458.23
Additions		0.00
Subtractions		-2,171.96
Checks		-101.50
Payments		-1,224.45
Purchases		-846.01
Balance on 8/31	\$	4,286.27
Statement Average Ledger Balance		5,395.26

We waived your service charge this statement period.

Checks

Number	Date	Reference	Amount	Number	Date	Reference	Amount
5002	8/11	06910054	37.15	5006*	8/21	07542578	64.35
Total						\$	101.50

Payments online and electronic banking

Date	Description/Location	Reference	Amount
8/11	CITY OF LA PUBLI ONLINE PMT WEB	58526416	\$ 259.20
	UN1708847668POS		
8/25	LLOYD STAFFING ONLINE PMT WEB	57564560	965.25
	UN1708847668POS		
Total			\$ 1,224.45

Purchases ATM card and Debit card™ purchases

Date	Description/Location	Reference	Amount
8/3	GOOGLE *SV CC GOOGLE.CO CA CC	71131362	\$ 111.30
	GOOGLE.CO CA		
8/10	VERIZON*ON 800-VERIZON TX 800-VERIZON TX	71298656	725.61
8/24	FEDEXOFFIC LOS ANGELES CA LOS ANGELES	73254851	9.10
	CA		
Total			\$ 846.01

Department of Neighborhood Empowerment

Reporting Month:

NC Name:

Budget Fiscal Year:

AUGUST

Bel Air-Beverly Crest

2014-2015

MONTHLY EXPENDITURE REPORT

Submitted: 9/9/2015 12:03:44

FILL IN ALL THE UNSHADED (WHITE) FIELDS (Must be submitted to the Department within 10 days of Board Approval along with documentation and hard copy)

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EXPENDITURES BY LINE ITEM (for more detail, see page 3)						
A	Date / Item / Service Description	BUDGET CATEGORY	VENDOR	INVOICE NUMBER	OUT OF STATE VENDOR	1099 Reportable
1	8/25 NC Secretarial w/e 8/2,8/9 50%	OPERATIONS	Lloyd Staffing	612969/612970		
2	8/25 NC Secretarial w/e 8/2,8/9 50%	OUTREACH	Lloyd Staffing	612969/612970		
3	8/8/24 Speaker cards 8/20 card payment	OPERATIONS	Fed Ex	receipt		
4	8/21short pay correction on Sec Inv for w/e 7/19	OUTREACH	Lloyd Staffing	612923		
5	8/10Several mos phone/ internet chg WLA office	OPERATIONS	VERIZON	8/1/15 1138752909		
6	8/11 Business cards for NC BOD	OUTREACH	City of LA Publishing	96529		
7	8/11 Reim M. Kemp for PLU meeting copies	OPERATIONS	M Kemp/Fed Ex	5918995557		
8	8/3 Email & Apps usage	OPERATIONS	GOOGLE			
9						
10						
11						
12						
SUBTOTAL: Expenditures by Line Item (May include totals on page 3, if entered)						
B	CUMULATIVE EXPENDITURES FROM PRIOR MONTHS					
C	OUTSTANDING COMMITMENTS					
	C 1. Outstanding Checks (checks that have been issued, but have not yet cleared the account)					
	C 2. Rent/Lease					
	C 3. Contractual Services					
	C 4. Large Purchases					
	C 5. Neighborhood Purpose Grants (pending or in process)					
	C 6. Temporary Staffing Services					
	C 7. Storage					
	C 8. Other Outstanding Commitments ==> Description:					
SUBTOTAL: Outstanding Commitments						
D	Total Expenditures & Commitments					
E	Total Adjustments by Department (such as use taxes assessed, credits from prior fiscal years, etc) (use '+' for credits, '-' for deductions)					
F	Approved Budget 2014-2015					
G	Balance of Budget					



Reporting Month:	AUGUST
NC Name:	Bel Air-Beverly Crest

MONTHLY CASH RECONCILIATION			
Beginning Balance (A)	Funds Deposited (B)	Total Available (C) = (A+B)	Cash Spent this Month (D)
\$6,458.23		\$6,458.23	\$2,171.96
			Remaining Balance (E) = C - D
			\$4,286.27

MONTHLY BUDGETARY ANALYSIS				
Category Identifier	Budget Category	Adopted Budget (A)	Total Spent this Month (B)	Total Spent in Prior Months (C)
100	Operations	\$17,540.00	\$1,365.78	\$1,504.77
200	Outreach	\$18,460.00	\$806.18	\$1,287.00
300	Community Improvement		\$0.00	
400	NPG		\$0.00	
500	Elections	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
900	Unallocated		\$0.00	\$0.00
	TOTAL	\$37,000.00	\$2,171.96	\$2,791.77
				Unspent Budget Balance (D) = A - B - C
				\$14,669.45
				\$16,366.82
				\$0.00
				\$0.00
				\$1,000.00
				\$0.00
				\$32,036.27

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL DECLARATION

We, the Treasurer and Signer of the above indicated Council, declare that the information presented on this form is accurate and complete, and will furnish additional documentation to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment upon request.

Treasurer Signature	<i>Daniel J. Lowe</i>	Signer's Signature	
Print Name	DANIEL J. LOWE	Print Name	
Date	9.9.15	Date	
NC Additional Comments	NEW A/c # 3349 for use during FY 2016		



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Neighborhood Council Self-Assessment Form for Fiscal Year 2014-2015

Neighborhood Council Name: Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council

What was the BIG Vision(s) for your Council? To make the BABCNC one of the most outstanding Neighborhood Councils in the City of Los Angeles by addressing the most pressing issues facing our Stakeholders.

What were the BIG Goals for fulfilling your Vision?

1. An efficient and responsible Planning and Land Use Committee.

Did your Council meet this goal? ☒ Yes ☐ No – Why? The PLUC has been efficient and fair it addressing the many pressing land use issues facing the community. Advances were made in tracking projects and assigning members to be responsible for managing items.

2. Completion of revision of the Bylaws

Did your Council meet this goal? ☒ Yes ☐ No – Why? Bylaws chair Larry Leisten stewarded the proposal through BONC and received final approval.

3. Support our Fire Stations.

Did your Council meet this goal? ☒ Yes ☐ No – Why? BABCNC participated at open houses at two fire stations and made significant contributions of needed equipment to fire stations throughout the territory under the leadership of Robin Greenberg.

4. Host informative speakers at Board meetings.

Did your Council meet this goal? ☒ Yes ☐ No – Why? The Board meetings have become a venue for agencies (DWP, Street Services, LAPD, LAFD) and corporations (e.g., The Gast Company) to reach our constituency and each meeting has had at least one important guest speaker.

5. Be a leader in emergency preparedness.

Did your Council meet this goal? ☒ Yes ☐ No – Why? BABCNC has an active and informative EP committee, led by Chuck Maginnis.

How did you measure your BIG Score and what were the results? Please be specific with numbers if the measurement was to increase a number, e.g. increase web traffic (from how many hits to how many?) or more people at meetings (from how many people to how many?)

Measure: The 2014-2015 Strategic Plan did not set numeric goals to be achieved.

Result:

Measure:

Result:

Measure:

Result:

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Result:

How did your BIG Budget match up to your goals?

Outreach: Budgeted:\$ 14,250 Spent:\$ 12,598

Operations: Budgeted:\$ 14,750 Spent:\$ 14,175

Neighborhood Purpose Grants: Budgeted:\$ 3,000 Spent:\$ 10,169

Neighborhood Improvements: Budgeted:\$ 4,000 Spent:\$ 0

Elections/Selections: Budgeted:\$ 1,000 Spent:\$ 0

Budgeted Total:\$ 37,000 Actual Amount Spent:\$ 36,942

When did your Council do the majority of the spending?

☐ First quarter (July – Sept):\$ ☐ Second quarter (October – December):\$

☐ Third quarter (January – March):\$ ☒ Fourth quarter (April – June):\$ 19,445

Other important metrics the Department is measuring citywide from July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015, which should be included in your Big Score next year:

How many Community Impact Statements did your Council file? 11 ☐ None. Why? _____

How many Requests for Action* (not including Community Impact Statements) from your electeds or City Departments did your Council make? many ☐ None. Why? BABCNC is in constant contact with relevant City Council offices regarding many issues, including

land use. We worked closely on haul routes, illegal development, traffic impacts of road work, repaving, and other issues.

*A Request for Action is when the board makes a recommendation on an issue that must be conveyed to your electeds or City Departments to take further action, e.g. Neighborhood Council position on a land use issue or other City matter.

How many general and special meetings did your Council conduct? 11 Committee meetings? 17

How many events did your Council collaborate with electeds and/or City Departments to conduct? 1

Please list the event and the elected and/or City Departments involved.

Fire Station Open House

How many events did your Council collaborate with a community group or non-profit? 0 Schools? 0

Please list the event and the community group, non-profit or school.

How many stakeholders did your Council have in its database (if not already listed in the Big Score above):

on July 1, 2014 395 and on June 30, 2015 432

☐ do not have a stakeholder database


How many times did your Council communicate with its stakeholder database? ☐ 1 times every ☒ month ☐ year

Thank you for taking the time to complete this Neighborhood Council Self-Assessment Form!

ATTACHMENT "E"



1324 Benedict Cyn Dr

Recently sold home, that is now listed on Airbnb. The house literally looks like it was built to be a motel, with rooms wrapping around the pool area complete with an outdoor bar, fireplace, dining area.

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California · Los Angeles · Beverly Glen · 1324 Benedict Canyon Dr

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1324 Benedict Canyon Dr, Beverly Hills, CA 90210

7 beds · 7 baths · 4,275 sqft [Edit](#)

[Edit home facts for a more accurate Zestimate.](#)

The most beautiful property in Beverly Hills! Over 1.6 acres. Private BHPO Compound with ever amenity possible! Gorgeous one-story home boasts 5 bed/4.5bath, beautiful beamed ceilings and Ample-sized rooms. Step out to expansive courtyard with large pool and over-sized 2-story guesthouse w/2 bed & 2 baths. Tremendous amount of storage space and ample parking for at least a dozen cars. DO NOT MISS THE OPPORTUNITY TO LEASE THIS HOME! Clients would consider selling above 3 million.


FACTS

- Lot: 1.66 acres
- Single Family
- Built in 1951
- Views: 8,510 all time views
- Cooling: Central
- Heating: Other
- Last sold: Apr 2015 for \$2,795,000
- Last sale price/sqft: \$654

FEATURES

- Fireplace
- Flooring: Other
- Gated Entry
- Hot Tub/Spa
- Parking: Carport, Garage - Attached, 8 spaces
- Patio

● **SOLD: \$2,795,000**
Sold on 04/24/15
Zestimate®: \$6,491,602
[Update my Zestimate](#)

EST. MORTGAGE
\$10,467/mo 
[See current rates on Zillow](#)
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Airbnb Listings

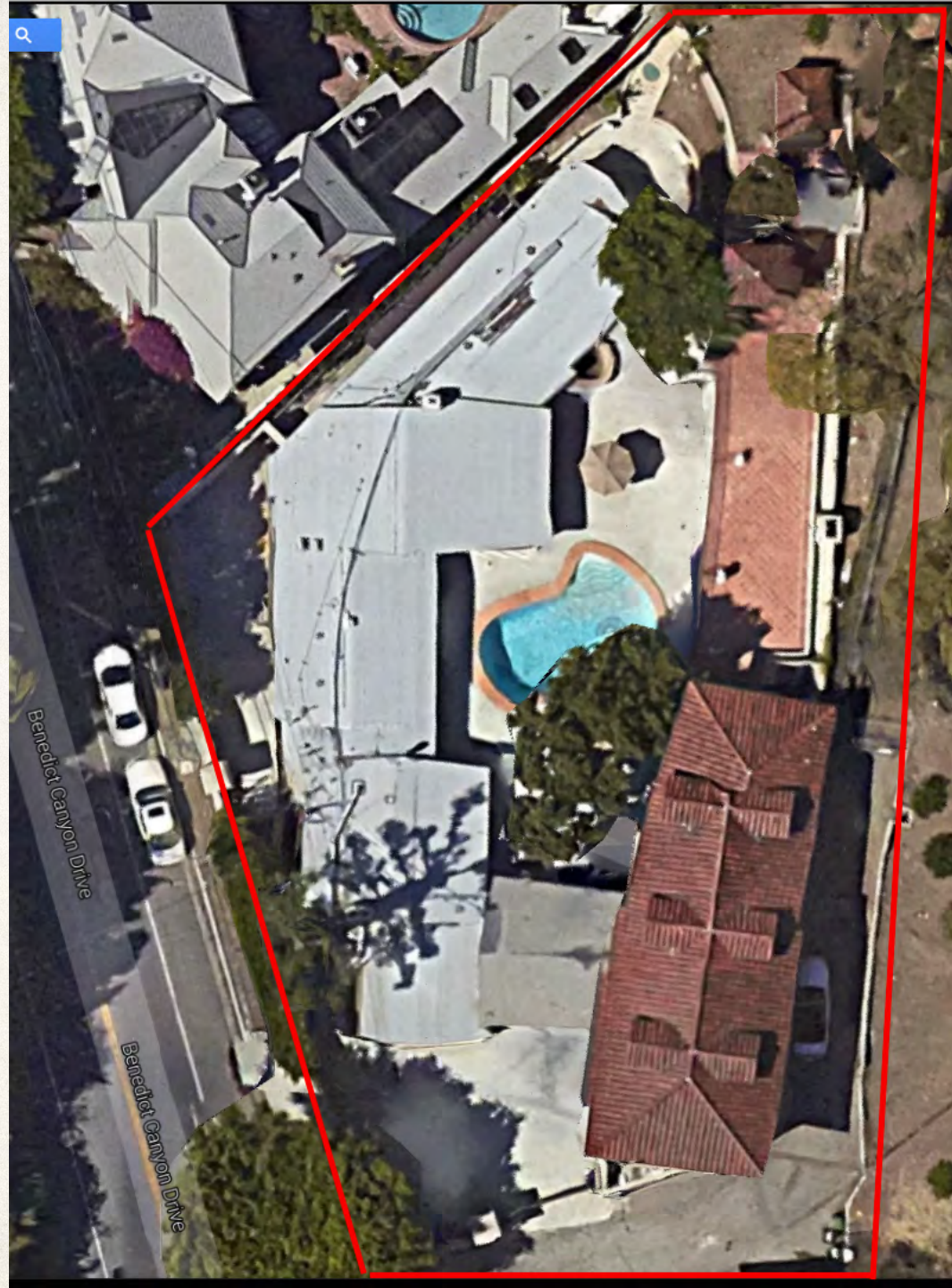
1324 Benedict Canyon Drive is currently being listed on Airbnb 16 different ways. These range from “Beverly Hills Resorts & Pool”, “Beverly Hills Resorts Events Estate”, “BHR Italy Suite & Surfing Lessons”, “Pool, Sun, Surf Lessons Only”, “Guest House, Pool, Jacuzzi, Kitchen”

<div> </div> <div> BHR "Room Nice" Luxurious Space Beverly Hills, CA, United States Private room • 2 Guests • 1 Bed </div> <div> \$350 Per Night Check In: mm/dd/yyyy Check Out: mm/dd/yyyy Request to Book </div>	<div> </div> <div> BHR "Italy" Suite & Surfing Lessons Beverly Hills, CA, United States Private room • 2 Guests • 1 Bed </div> <div> \$100 Per Night Check In: mm/dd/yyyy Check Out: mm/dd/yyyy Request to Book </div>
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<div> </div> <div> Pool, Jacuzzi, Surf Lessons, Sun Beverly Hills, CA, United States Entire home/apt • 1 Guest • 1 Bedroom • 1 Bed </div> <div> \$100 Per Night Check In: mm/dd/yyyy Check Out: mm/dd/yyyy Request to Book </div>	<div> </div> <div> BHR "Room Paris" Luxurious Space Beverly Hills, CA, United States Private room • 2 Guests • 1 Bed </div> <div> \$300 Per Night Check In: mm/dd/yyyy Check Out: mm/dd/yyyy Request to Book </div>
<div> </div> <div> BHR "Loft Venice" Luxurious Space Beverly Hills, CA, United States Shared room • 1 Guest • 1 Bed </div> <div> \$200 Per Night Check In: mm/dd/yyyy Check Out: mm/dd/yyyy Request to Book </div>	<div> </div> <div> BHR "Master Suite" and Surf Lessons Beverly Hills, CA, United States Private room • 2 Guests • 1 Bed </div> <div> \$200 Per Night Check In: mm/dd/yyyy Check Out: mm/dd/yyyy Request to Book </div>
<div> </div> <div> BHR "Room Villa" Luxurious Space Beverly Hills, CA, United States Private room • 2 Guests • 1 Bed </div> <div> \$200 Per Night Check In: mm/dd/yyyy Check Out: mm/dd/yyyy Request to Book </div>	<div> </div> <div> BHR "Room Italian" Luxurious Space Beverly Hills, CA, United States Private room • 1 Guest • 1 Bed </div> <div> \$200 Per Night Check In: mm/dd/yyyy Check Out: mm/dd/yyyy Request to Book </div>
<div> </div> <div> Beverly Hills Resorts Owner Suit Beverly Hills, CA, United States Private room • 2 Guests • 1 Bed </div> <div> \$750 Per Night Check In: mm/dd/yyyy Check Out: mm/dd/yyyy Request to Book </div>	<div> </div> <div> Guest House, Pool, Jacuzzi, Kitchen Beverly Hills, CA, United States Entire home/apt • 2 Guests • 1 Bedroom • 1 Bed </div> <div> \$295 Per Night Check In: mm/dd/yyyy Check Out: mm/dd/yyyy Request to Book </div>
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<div> </div> <div> Pool, Sun, Surf Lessons Only Beverly Hills, CA, United States Entire home/apt • 10 Guests • 0 Bedrooms • 1 Bed </div> <div> \$100 Per Night Check In: mm/dd/yyyy Check Out: mm/dd/yyyy Request to Book </div>	<div> </div> <div> Beverly Hills Resorts Event Estate Beverly Hills, CA, United States Entire home/apt • 10 Guests • 6 Bedrooms • 8 Beds </div> <div> \$1500 Per Night Check In: mm/dd/yyyy Check Out: mm/dd/yyyy Request to Book </div>
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Satellite View



Example of listing amenities

Photos About this listing Reviews The Host Location



Finn

Beverly Hills Resorts Estate & Pool

Beverly Hills, CA, United States



Entire home/apt



16 Guests



4 Bedrooms



6 Beds

About this listing

Exquisite estate near to the famous Sunset Blvd. and The Beverly Hills Hotel. We offer private surf lessons by my husband who is a pro surfer, 17th in the world.

Contact Host

The Space

Property type: **House**
Accommodates: **16+**
Bedrooms: **4**

Bathrooms: **4.5**
Beds: **6**

Amenities



Kitchen



Internet



Essentials



Shampoo



Heating



Air Conditioning



Washer



Dryer



Free Parking on Premises



Wireless Internet



Cable TV



Breakfast



Pets Allowed



Family/Kid Friendly



Suitable for Events



Smoking Allowed



Wheelchair Accessible



Elevator in Building



Indoor Fireplace



Buzzer/Wireless Intercom



Doorman



Pool



Hot Tub



Gym



Smoke Detector



Carbon Monoxide Detector



First Aid Kit



Safety Card



Fire Extinguisher

Prices

Extra people: **\$100 / night after 12 guests**
Cleaning Fee: **\$300**

Security Deposit: **\$2500**
Cancellation: **Strict**

Availability

1 night minimum stay

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Benedict Canyon

Summer 2015

Benedict Canyon Association Newsletter

Volume VI Issue 4

Will You Soon Have a Motel Next Door?

Alan Schimmel

Current zoning rules in Los Angeles prohibit property owners from renting out residential units for less than 30 days. Any rentals under 30 days in length are illegal in R-1 and R-2 zones, which are single family dwellings and duplexes. Under the City's ordinances, "short-term rentals" are treated as "transient occupancy" and are subject to the laws and regulations governing hotel rooms. With internet sites such as

Airbnb and Vacation Rental by Owner ("VRBO"), the City is considering repealing zoning rules that restrict rentals of residential units for less than 30 days, AND TURNING OUR R1 RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY ZONING INTO "TRANSIENT MOTEL."

Although short-term rentals are currently prohibited, the prohibitions are largely unenforced. The Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety (LADBS) is charged with enforcing the ordinances which ban short-term vacation rentals. Typically, unless a complaint is filed with LADBS, no enforcement action is taken. Difficulties



Vacation Motor Hotel

with enforcement also arise because LADBS must inspect the residence and discover proof that the owner is violating the prohibition on short-term rentals. If LADBS determines that an owner is in violation of the short-term rental prohibition, the owner is simply fined \$336.00 for each violation; there is no mechanism in place for escalating penalties for repeat violations.

In Los Angeles there is a "Transient Occupancy Tax" of fourteen percent (14%) on revenues received that hotel operators are obligated to pay to the City - revenues which are normally collected from customers. If it is

discovered that a residential homeowner is renting out a residence on a short-term basis, the Los Angeles Department of Finance will send statements to the homeowner in an attempt to collect taxes on the rentals, which includes the tax due plus penalties for unpaid taxes. It is unlikely the city could enforce compliance and collection without a significant addition in personnel. Is Airbnb prepared to pay for this added staff, or are we the taxpayers?

The current restrictions on short-term rentals serve some very fundamental and important purposes, such as the reduction of noise and traffic in our local community. The prohibitions on short-term rentals also help ensure that property values are protected and alleviate the problem of reduced housing available to those who live and work in our community. Having new neighbors every few days next door, will negatively impact our property values and will likely become a required disclosure to lease or sell a home. Will a long term tenant or buyer want to live next to a motel?

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President's Letter

The week of June 20th, 1926 was a week that forever changed Benedict Canyon from a simple, quiet, dead-end canyon road, into a highway connecting Van Nuys to Los Angeles and the Beach Resorts. This new road from the San Fernando Valley through Benedict Canyon was referred to as the "scenic route" to Beverly Hills. Just imagine a family loading up the car on the weekend for a leisurely drive, taking in the beauty of the canyon and perhaps pulling over to take in the view as they look out towards the sea. That was then...

And this is now. The Department of Transportation estimates that 20,000 cars commute on Benedict Canyon each weekday. Think about it - that is 100,000 cars a week not including the weekends. Multiply 100,000 cars by 52 weeks in the year, and you get 5.2 MILLION cars traveling on Benedict Canyon!!!

With 5.2 MILLION cars traversing Benedict Canyon each year, canyon residents are increasingly paying the price. Every single day we are subjected to rude and reckless drivers traveling at ridiculously high rates of speed, passing around blind curves, blowing the stop lights and honking if you yield to turn into your own driveway. Sadly, it doesn't end there. People litter the canyon with car parts left behind after an accident and workers litter the road with trash from their lunches. The irresponsible smoker passing through the canyon flicks his/her cigarette out of his/her car upping the stakes for a fire. Say "goodbye" to our scenic route.

Benedict Canyon is the only canyon in Los Angeles that is made up of 100% residential single-family homes. This is why safety and preserving the Canyon's beauty should be a top priority for everyone who lives here. Everyone needs to do their part, by driving the speed limit to slow down traffic or by asking that your gardeners clean up trash around your home, even if it is across the street. Please be a part of the solution in 2015 - it cannot be done without your help!

In January the BCA held its annual meeting, and the community came out to voice its concerns. Reckless and dangerous driving, unsafe roads, and overall concern over safety in the canyon were the main topics. As a group, you helped show your strength in numbers by stepping up to the microphone for 90 minutes solid to ask Councilman Paul Koretz, the LAPD and the LAFD how they will be part of the solution. We need to continue the conversation with the City, and demand change. If you would like to be a part of the solution, we invite you to join us at our monthly meetings held on the second Monday of each month at the Beverly Hills Women's Club from 7:00 -8:30 PM. I would also encourage everyone to visit our website www.benedictcanyonassociation.org for community updates and to learn about the rich history of Benedict Canyon.

I look forward to seeing you.,

Sincerely,



Matthew A. Post

President

Benedict Canyon Association



Matthew A. Post

Benedict Canyon Grand Prix *by Kerry Welland*

At approximately 3:02 PM PST a driver was struck in a head-on collision with another driver heading in the opposite direction on Benedict Canyon Boulevard today. The driver and the passenger, a 5 year old child, remain in critical condition. Witnesses tell us that the driver who caused the accident was driving aggressively at speeds estimated at over 90 MPH and attempted to pass the car in front of them by passing into the oncoming lane. Another witness alleges that the driver was racing another driver through the canyon. Regardless of what actually transpired, it is evident that the driver's recklessness caused their own death and left another driver and a child in critical condition.

This is a fictional account, however, unless things change in the canyon it's just a matter of time before this story becomes a reality. Since when did Benedict Canyon become the location for time trials for the Grand Prix? For those of you who have lived here for years and traveled the canyon on a daily basis, the answer is "FOR TOO LONG!" Ask any resident what their main issue is with living in Benedict Canyon and you'll likely hear - "The drivers."

Benedict Canyon Grand Prix *(continued from page 2)*

There are the drivers who don't stop at the signals because they know the lights will change as soon as they reach the intersection. Then there are the drivers who pass on the right or enter oncoming traffic playing "chicken" to pass the driver in front of them. Other drivers tailgate and harass drivers, honking and flashing their high beams for no apparent reason. Then you have the drivers who are racing each other in packs at 90+ MPH, from Mulholland all the way down to Sunset. Finally, you have the motorcyclists who are practicing stunts and dropping sideways into turns traveling at speeds North of 100 MPH. Still others are guilty of committing a combination of all of the above.

Our City Councilman, Paul Koretz, certainly heard an earful of complaints about this very issue January at the BCA's annual meeting. This was not the first time he had heard an outcry from the community about the reckless speeding in the canyon; he heard about it last year as well. Last year he told us about his own experience with a wreck that "could have killed me right on Benedict Canyon". This year residents spoke in front of the councilman for over an hour. One by one, residents approached the microphone suggesting solutions and some even told of horrific "near hits" that they have witnessed in the canyon. The theme was the same across the board; residents were DEMANDING change. As a result, Councilman Koretz gave the community his commitment to address its concerns and work with city engineers to identify and implement solutions in the canyon.

The BCA's Traffic & Safety Committee led by Kerry Welland has identified a detailed list of issues that needs to be addressed and resolved in our canyon. The Committee

worked with the Councilman's CD-5 staff, including Gurmet Khara and Noah Muhlstein as well as city engineers to prioritize and address several major issues. They included the following:

- Benedict Canyon Drive is not clearly striped, making it impossible to see where the lanes are located.
- Plastic delineators need to be installed in various parts of Benedict Canyon Drive.
- There are no street lights from the 2700 block of Benedict Canyon to Wallingford.
- There is inadequate signage indicating the speed limits within the canyon.
- At one point there was a speed trailer on Benedict Canyon but no speed data or stats were gleaned from it; we need access to driver speed data in the canyon.
- The canyon desperately needs LAPD patrol presence to enforce the traffic laws. We are working with LAPD to develop solutions for additional policing in the canyon.

Since our annual meeting in January, CD-5 has addressed two of our concerns. Over the July 4th weekend, Benedict Canyon was completely re-striped, and the plastic delineators have been ordered and will be installed in the coming months. Perhaps most importantly, there has been an increase in LAPD presence in Benedict Canyon.

We welcome your suggestions and input. The easiest thing you can do to help is to SLOW DOWN. Stop at the stop signs and lights. Be part of the solution and help us make the canyon safer for everyone. One stupid decision to pass into oncoming traffic could take the lives of others including your own.

NEWSFLASH!!!

Benedict Canyon has been re-striped! The Benedict Canyon Association (BCA) is working closely with Councilman Koretz' office to improve canyon safety and to improve the overall quality of life in the canyon for our residents. Check the BCA website www.BenedictCanyonAssociation.org for updates and for other important information that affects our community.

How To Save Our Gardens And Be Water Smart *by Garrett Carlson, ASLA*

It seems the drought is here to stay for a while so what can we do?

Your first step is to evaluate your garden. What do you have and how is it used?

Lawn is the worst water hog. If you got rid of your lawn you would save 50% on your water bill and another 50% on your

maintenance bill. If you have kids or animals maybe some lawn makes sense. But, perhaps you can consider a lawn substitute, such as artificial grass or a more water sensitive grass such as Blue Gama, Buffalo grass or Bermuda. These grasses are all quite drought tolerant and they also like the sun. Be careful not to overwater, though, or you will lose

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Benedict Canyon Association

OUR MISSION

To promote, advance, further and protect the community interests and general welfare of the homeowners and residents residing in the general area of Benedict Canyon Drive.

WHO ARE WE?

We are a 100% volunteer organization comprised of area residents. All of our work is funded by donations. We are not sanctioned by any entity.

WHAT DO WE DO?

We monitor ongoing projects, programs and policies by private entities and city agencies outside our area which may impact or set precedent for land use and development within the canyon. We monitor crime, safety, traffic, development and quality of life in the canyon and are concerned with the preservation and beautification of our canyon. We have four seats on the Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council, an officially recognized component of our city government. We also have one executive seat on The Federation of Hillside and Canyon Associations.

WHAT SERVICES DO WE PROVIDE FOR OUR MEMBERS?

Annual Meeting at the Beverly Hills Hotel; Monthly meetings open to the public at the Beverly Hills Women's Club; Representation at greater Los Angeles civic meetings; Representation at the West Los Angeles division of LAPD; Emergency preparedness information; Regularly published newsletter; Hotline (310) 553-4BCA; Website: www.benedictcanyon.org

WHEN AND WHERE DO WE MEET?

The second Monday of every month - Open to the Public
The Beverly Hills Women's Club (Benedict Canyon Drive @ Chevy Chase Drive)
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM
Refreshments - Free Parking

MAKING LIFE EASIER – BCA MEMBERSHIP

The Board of the Benedict Canyon Association would like to express our gratitude for all of the Benedict Canyon residents who support our efforts through their membership. To streamline the payment method for membership we have recently set up online payment.

To pay online, go to our website **www.BenedictCanyonAssociation.org**. Click on the Membership tab and then click on the “Join the association online today” tab below. This will take you to a new page where you can click on either “Become a Member online here” or “Renew your Membership online here”. Follow the instructions.

Once you have joined, we urge you to tell your neighbors about our informative website and to support us as members.

We wish to thank Board Member Matt Post, who researched available software and installed it this summer.

How To Save Our Gardens And Be Water Smart

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them to rot. Quite a few people these days are making their front yards drought tolerant and keeping their back yards as is for practical use.

If you do choose to change over to more drought tolerant plant material make sure that you still continue watering your big trees. These need deep watering once a week. Soaker hoses work great for this. Wrap the hose around the tree approximately 3-5 feet away from the trunk and let it run for several hours or over-night. Our trees are very important and should be watched over carefully. They are the main structure of our gardens plus they provide shade and homes for our wildlife. Smaller plant material can be replaced easily, not so for big trees. Trees also add great value to our properties.

There are so many new and exciting plants being grown these days that it would be hard to list all of them. Some of my favorites are: lavenders, sages, aloes, agaves, red hot pokers, achilleas, grevillea, artemisias, yuccas, and kangaroo paws.....I could go on forever! Your best bet is to buy a few books and choose for yourself. My three favorite books are: 1) "Landscape Plants for California Gardens" by Bob Perry. This book is all pictures and text. It also shows how the



landscape

plants are used in different environments. 2) "Designing with Succulents" by Debra Lee Baldwin, again lots of pictures and text. You would be amazed at what you can do with an all succulent garden. 3) "The Sunset Western Garden Book", Of Course! Be creative and just go for it.

P.S. Your garden doesn't have to be all plants; you can use some rock and decomposed granite. This really does cut down on the water. Good Luck and let's hope we get some rain this winter!

The San Ysidro/Beverly Park Haul Route Issue

By Robert Schlesinger



dump truck

Some of you may have noticed an increase in the number of construction vehicles using San Ysidro Drive in recent years to the present, in blatant violation of a Covenant & Agreement with Beverly Park Estates dated January 28, 1988 and recorded in the Hall of Records Downey California. That record states "That all construction vehicles be limited to taking access from Mulholland Drive and that covenants, conditions and restrictions be developed to provide for this restriction in perpetuity."

On September 8, 1989, another recorded document stated "All Construction Vehicles shall access the project from Mulholland Drive only". The same document reconfirms the use of South Gate Beverly Park construction vehicles going through the North Gate to and from Mulholland Drive only.

In 2006 Beverly Park North restricted entrance to Beverly Park South to owners only. On May 21, 2009, in the Los Angeles Superior Court, Judge Norman P. Tarle reaffirmed

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The San Ysidro/Beverly Parkw Haul Route Issue *(continued from page 5)*

that Beverly Park South is entitled to access through Beverly Park North to Mulholland Drive by South Gate's owners, guests and invitees. Between 2010 & 2011, the Court of Appeals of the State of California concurred with the lower court's decision in favor of Beverly Park South.

First and foremost this is a safety issue for the residents of the San Ysidro Area. Portions of the covenant and agreements were implemented during the initial plans for the development of "Beverly Park" for the explicit purpose to protect the residents of San Ysidro. San Ysidro has been suffering the violations of these agreements with a continuous assault of heavy duty construction vehicles, going up and down two miles of a narrow, dangerous, steep winding street, causing one traffic jam after another.

Dump trucks, cement trucks and other construction trucks are vehicles with axles that can accommodate 65,000 to 70,000 pounds gross weight. This is another Loma Vista incident waiting to happen, when two off duty police officers were killed by cement trucks, within a month of each other.

This information has been submitted to the City Attorney's Office regarding enforcement of the covenant and agreements.

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Carbon Monoxide Detector Law Revisited *by Marcy Braiker*

The Carbon Monoxide Poisoning Prevention Act of 2010 was signed into law in December of 2010. It requires carbon monoxide detectors to be installed in every "dwelling unit intended for human occupancy." A carbon monoxide device is designed to detect carbon monoxide and sound an alarm. It can be battery powered, a plug in device or a device that is wired into the power line of the unit with a secondary battery backup. The following language is included in packages with CO detectors: "For minimum security a CO Alarm should be centrally located outside of each separate sleeping area in the immediate vicinity of the bedrooms. The alarm should be located at least 6 inches from all exterior walls and at least 3 feet from supply or return vents." It is also required on every level including basements within which fuel-fired appliances are installed, and in dwellings that have attached garages. The law is also applicable where a permit is required for alterations, repairs or additions exceeding \$1000. In existing dwelling units there are penalties for noncompliance with this law regarding installation of a CO device. A property owner must first receive a 30-day notice to correct. If an owner who receives a notice fails to correct the problem, the owner may be assessed a maximum fine not to exceed \$200.

What is Carbon Monoxide? It is a colorless, odorless

gas produced from fireplaces, furnaces, heaters, and whenever any fuel, such as gas, oil, kerosene, wood or charcoal is burned. It can also be produced by vehicles when they idle. Although a person cannot see or smell carbon monoxide, at high levels carbon monoxide can be fatal. In addition, documented health effects of acute carbon monoxide poisoning include lethargy, headaches, concentration problems, amnesia, psychosis, Parkinson's disease, memory impairments, and personality alterations.

Every owner of a "dwelling unit intended for occupancy" must install an approved carbon monoxide device in each existing dwelling unit having a fossil fuel burning heater or appliance, fireplace or an attached garage. This is the law.

What is a dwelling unit? It is defined as a single-family dwelling, duplex, lodging house, dormitory, hotel, motel, condominium, time-share project, or dwelling in a multiple-unit dwelling building.

For a single-family dwelling, the effective date for installing a CO device was July 1, 2011. For all other dwelling units, the effective date was January 1, 2013.

*California Health and Safety Code 13260 et seq. and

**Cal. Health & Safety Code 17926 (a).

"I Have Lived, Loved and Laughed. No Regrets"

Jimmy Murphy
Benedict Canyon Resident
June 4, 1938 – January 31st, 2014

"May your home always be too small to hold all of your friends; may the roof above us never fall in ... and those gathered below never fall out." - Jimmy Murphy

Interview by Barbara Blinderman

To Marlon Brando he was Il Patron. To Old Hollywood, Ireland-born Jimmy Murphy was keeper of the most elegant salon and restaurant in Beverly Hills, where over two decades, anything could (and did) happen." Jimmy Murphy Remembered, The Dailies (The Hollywood Foreign Press Association) [www. Goldengloves.com](http://www.Goldengloves.com).

Chances are that if you lived in Benedict Canyon anytime between 1978 and 1998 you knew Jimmy's. You went to Jimmy's. You talked about Jimmy's. And you knew that when you went there you'd be welcomed with a grace and a flair that was unique to Jimmy and Anne.

Jimmy died this year at the age of 75. In the many published tributes you learned, if you didn't already know it, that he was Beverly Hills' premier restaurateur. The Los Angeles Times said he was 'the genial Irishman who reigned as a Beverly Hills dining room power broker for more than three decades,' for 14 years as maitre'd at the Bistro, and for the next 20 at his own elegant establishment on Moreno Drive just south of Santa Monica Blvd. The Hollywood Reporter described Jimmy's as "the fashionable restaurant in Beverly



Jimmy Murphy

Hills that served Hollywood's high society..." Variety listed just some of his regulars: Johnny Carson, Bob Newhart, Don Rickels, Frank Sinatra, Richard Burton, Elizabeth Taylor, and Ronald and Nancy Reagan. That list failed to mention Zsa Zsa Gabor, Bob Hope, Burt Lancaster, Henry Kissinger, and Cary Grant. And the list goes on and on.

Jimmy was born in Kilkenny, Ireland and trained at the Savoy Hotel in London. He met a vivacious and very pretty nurse there named

Anne Powers who left for Los Angeles soon after. He must have decided he liked her better than the Savoy, because he followed in pursuit in 1963, without a job and not knowing what he'd find when he got here. He conquered Anne and then Los Angeles. The marriage lasted 54 years and produced three children, Geraldine, Sean and Jamie, and two grandchildren, Brandon and Charlotte.

Their first house was in Hawthorne, but it was a long commute to Beverly Hills, so they decided to look in the hills. They found their home in Benedict Canyon in 1970. As Anne describes it, "Jimmy and I realized that Benedict Canyon is one of the most desirable places in California

to reside where we are surrounded by green hills, hiking trails, and wild life. Waking up to a beautiful sunrise in the morning and spectacular sunsets as the crickets sing, make for a lovely evening of cocktails and patio dining, while God's gift of nature is all around us. Also, the beautiful city of Beverly Hills is just down the road. Life around this area is grand."

Anne doesn't plan to move. The place is too beautiful and the memories too wonderful.

Will You Soon Have a Motel Next Door?

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Courts have determined in other California communities that the residential character of a neighborhood is threatened when a significant number of homes are occupied not by permanent residents but by a stream of tenants staying a weekend, a week, or even 29 days since short-term tenants have little interest in the community-- they are here today and gone tomorrow--without engaging in the sort of activities that weld and strengthen a community. For this reason, zoning ordinances regulating or restricting short-term rentals are beneficial for communities such as ours.

The City of Malibu, which allows short-term rentals as long as property owners register with the city and pay a twelve percent (12%) transient occupancy tax, has experienced disruption in their peaceful residential neighborhoods due to short-term renters. Local residents in some Malibu neighborhoods are now complaining about the rude and annoying conduct of renters, and Malibu is looking to cut down on the "party house" atmosphere that has disrupted some Malibu neighborhoods. Malibu's experience shows that regulation and oversight of short-term rentals does not resolve the issues associated with short-term rentals.

Short-term rentals can damage the quality of life for residents. Often, individual owners who don't live on the site of their rental properties don't do enough to prevent the rentals from being used inappropriately in a residential area, and/or from being turned into party houses. This leads to increased noise at all hours, parking congestion and trash problems, and disrupts the quiet nature of our canyon. This brings health and safety risks as it increases traffic and many of the party-goers are unfamiliar with the many dangerous

twists and turns of the canyon roads. Parking is also a serious concern. Since many side streets are very narrow and have no legal parking on either side, illegally parked cars jeopardize the safety of the residential community by blocking the passage of emergency vehicles.

Additionally, residents of the canyon know what to do in the event of a fire; we know that there is limited ingress and egress. Short-term renters and their visitors are often unfamiliar with the canyon's "no-smoking" rules, and smoke freely in the canyon, endangering us all. Many insurance companies have indicated that they will not insure short term rentals and insurance for those who live near short term rentals may rise.

The Benedict Canyon Association believes that the influx of short-term tenants will threaten the character of our neighborhood and has sent a letter to Councilman Koretz indicating that short term rentals should not be made legal. The community should band together and do its utmost to ensure that Benedict Canyon remains the peaceful and safe neighborhood that it has always been.

Please register your opposition to short term rentals in Benedict Canyon, email our City Councilman's office, Paul Koretz at Paul.Koretz@lacity.org, or call (818) 788-9210. You should also contact Mayor Garcetti at Mayor.Garcetti@lacity.org (please cc his field deputy Daniel Tamm at Daniel.Tamm@lacity.org), or call 213-978-0600. You did not buy in a Motel Zone and do not want to live in one.

DWP and Benedict Canyon Tree-Trimming *by Mindy Rothstein Mann*

There has been growing concern over DWP's tree-trimming policies in our canyon. In response to these concerns, BCA determined that it was time to meet with DWP to see if we could find a way to work together. With the help of Councilman Koretz's staff, a meeting was arranged. Last year a small group with representatives from DWP, the BCA and Councilman's Koretz's office convened with Garrett Carlson, landscape architect, in Garrett's office.

DWP has a mandate to comply with California's Public Utilities Commission, GO95 rule 35, which requires that they keep energized conductors clear of any vegetation. In our canyon, this means cutting back all branches and trees to a minimum clearance of 5' around the high voltage lines (until this year the minimum was 4'). The high voltage lines are the ONLY lines that DWP is concerned with keeping clear; they are not concerned about the other power lines or the telephone lines.

DWP contracts the work out to a private contractor- Davey Tree Service. Although Davey Trees is supposed to have an arborist on the job, there have still been complaints from residents that trees have been cut back severely beyond 5', and protected native trees such as oaks have been cut on private property without notice. Yet, DWP says it is their policy not to do any unnecessary damage to trees during the annual trimming, and that they follow the national arborists' rules in trimming trees. While we don't believe that it is DWP's intention to harm trees, the problem is that their main priority and focus is to keep the wires free and clear of vegetation, and this can conflict with the welfare of the trees.

The BCA is also concerned with canyon safety, but that is not our only focus. The BCA is concerned with protecting

DWP and Benedict Canyon Tree-Trimming *(continued from page 8)*



tree canopy

the rights and property of the residents of our canyon and is equally concerned with protecting the trees in our canyon in order to maintain the beautiful character that makes it so unique.

In an effort to find a way to accommodate these concerns we reached the following agreements with DWP:

1. Before DWP does its annual tree trimming in January/February, it surveys the canyon and “marks” all trees that need to be trimmed. DWP agreed to contact BCA every year to do a walk-through of the canyon to survey all the trees that are being “marked”. DWP has agreed not to move forward with any tree trimming until it has completed this walk-through with the BCA. This will give the BCA the opportunity to have input and to discuss any tree-trimming issues.
2. Before DWP embarks on its actual annual tree trimming in our canyon, DWP has agreed to contact the BCA to let us know exactly when to expect the work to begin. We hope that we will have the ability to provide information to our residents about upcoming tree-trimming in our newsletter, via email, or through signage in the canyon.

3. Before trimming trees on or around anyone’s property, DWP is required to give notice. It was brought to their attention that in the past, some residents have not received notices. The BCA made it clear that giving proper notice to canyon residents is vital, and we expect them to be more diligent in their efforts to do so in the future.

4. DWP has agreed that all work in our area will be done through Davey Trees only, and that Davey Trees will not use sub-contractors to do any of the work in our area.

We anticipate that there will be other meetings with DWP in the future, but we hope that the experience we had this year with our annual tree-trimming is a portent for a better working relationship with DWP in the future. While there is always room for improvement, and we must always remain diligent in our efforts to protect our trees, we are happy to report that we didn’t receive any complaints from our residents this year. As far as we know, the tree trimming this January proceeded smoothly and without any serious problems. This was a perfect example of how careful collaboration on the part of BCA with the councilman’s office and various other city and county agencies can benefit our community.



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August 12, 2015

Ms. Nora Dresser
City of Los Angeles Planning Department
Office of Zoning Administration
200 North Spring Street, Room 1020
Los Angeles, CA 90012

VIA EMAIL:
Nora.Dresser@lacity.org

Re: 8904 Crescent Drive
Case Number(s): ZA-2014-3721 (ZAD) (ZAA)
ENV 2014-3722-MND

Dear Ms. Dresser,

Please be advised that the Bel Air Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council (BABCNC), Planning and Land Use Committee, reviewed the above noted case, and heard testimony from the applicant's representative at its August 11, 2015 meeting. It should be so noted that the BABCNC PLU Committee appreciates the fact that the applicant reached out to the BABCNC on this project.

However, based on the testimony received, and its review of the project, the BABCNC PLU Committee voted, with 6 yeas, and 2 nyes, to recommend to the Zoning Administrator that the application as presented be denied.

While the BABCNC PLU Committee understands that there may be physical and practical contriaints that would cause widening of the subject road to 20', the full distance to a standard street. There is grave concern by the Committee, and members of the Community, that due to the severity of the adjacent topography, and the substantial detriment of the subject sub-standard road, that there are significant health/life safety issues presented by the proposed new construction on this site.

The BABCNC PLU Committee feels that further mitigating issues need to be addressed before any new construction should be approved for this site and area. Including, but not limited to, Fire Department and emergency vehicle access, road stability assessment for sustained, long duration, heavy loading construction equipment impact, and the feasibility of constructing on the severe topography.

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Further, all provisions of the Baseline Hillside Ordinance should be strictly adhered to for any project in this area.

We wish this position of the BABCNC Planning & Land Use Committee to be entered into the official file for this case.

It should be so noted that, due to scheduling conflicts, the full BABCNC Board has not yet rendered a final decision on this position. This position is the recommendation of the BABCNC Planning & Land Use Committee

Should you have any questions regarding this position, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael A. Kemp

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