



Building A Better Community



Regular Meeting of the Board

Wednesday, November 18, 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 November 18, 2015 Agenda
- 5. Approval of the October 28, 2015 Minutes

Copies of the October 28, 2015 Minutes (<u>Attachment A</u>) 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. *Mark Simon*, Street Services Superintendent, L.A. Bureau of Street Services, Street Maintenance Division Preparing for El Niño
 - ii. *Chuck Turhollow*, Division Manager, Industrial Safety and Compliance Division, L.A. Department of Sanitation Preparing for El Niño
 - iii. Tom Soong, DONE Empowerment Advocate
 - iv. Janet Turner, Field Representative for Congressman Ted W. Lieu, CA 33
 - v. *Catherine Landers*, Senior Field Deputy, Hollywood Field Office, for Councilmember *David Ryu*, of Council District 4
 - vi. Noah Muhlstein, Planning Deputy for Councilmember Paul Koretz, of Council District 5
 - vii. Chris Ragsdale, Senior Lead Officer, West Los Angeles Police Station
 - viii. Ralph Sanchez, Senior Lead Officer, Hollywood Police Station

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 October 2015 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) Board will consider approval of October 2015 expenditure report and bank statement (Attachment B) (Discussion & Action)

Reports of Committees

11. Public Safety/Disaster Preparedness Committee - Chuck Maginnis, Chair (Update & Discussion)

- 12. Planning & Land Use Committee Report Michael Kemp, Chair
 - a. Update on November 10, 2015 PLUC Meeting (Update, Discussion & Action)

The following motions are recommended by the BABCNC Planning & Land Use Committee from their October 2015 meeting:

b. <u>2123 Groveland Drive:</u> ZA 2015-2821-ZAD

A new Single Family Dwelling on a sub-standard street.

<u>Motion:</u> The BABCNC recommends to the Los Angeles City Planning Department that the project, due to its location on a sub-standard street, be required to conform to all CEQA requirements, and that a MND (Mitigated Negative Declaration) is not acceptable under the current provisions of CEQA.

c. 10101-10107 Angelo View Drive: ENV 2014-4540

A haul route to allow the total export of 51,050 cubic yards of dirt for the construction of a 41,206 s.f. SFD with a basement that includes 19,500 s.f. of habitable space and a 13,189 s.f. underground garage.

<u>Motion</u>: The BABCNC recommends to the Los Angeles City Planning Department and Councilman Koretz that the time period for comments on the MND be extended, especially in light of the issue that the applicant originally agreed to a full EIR report and is not stating that the provisions in the MND are equivalent to what would have been in the EIR.

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

- a. Updates from the Committee Gary Plotkin
- b. Status of Enactment of Ridgeline Ordinance Don Loze

14. Bylaws, Rules, and Elections Committee – Larry Leisten, Chair (Update, Discussion and Action)

- a. Board approval of division of elections budget approved on 10/28/15, into elections and selections budgets.
- b. Board to consider approval of the 2016 Selection Stipulation Worksheet including modified budgets for election and selection outreach. (<u>Attachment C</u>)
- c. Election of additional members to the Bylaws, Rules, and Elections Committee
- d. Other Updates from the Chair

15. Outreach and Education Committee – Robin Greenberg, Chair

Reports of Representatives

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

- a. Report from Budget Representatives (Update & Discussion)
- 17. DWP Committee Update Don Loze
 - a. Report on DWP Rate Increases
- 18. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Report Travis Longcore
 - a. Update from Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy (Discussion)

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

- a. Discussion and Update from the November 18, 2015 meeting
- 20. Old Business (Updates, Discussion and Possible Action)
 - a. Update and Discussion on Action on Short-Term Rentals taken on 10/28/15 Nickie Miner
 - b. **Update and Possible Action.** Public Comment on Veteran's Administration Property Master Plan.
 - c. Update on Flag Poles and Signs Cassandra Barrère
- 21. New Business (Updates, Discussion and Possible Action)
 - a. Discussion and Update on Neighborhood Purpose Grants Gary Plotkin
 - **b.** Discussion and Possible Action on the City Project "Wi-Fi Across LA" Involves placing Wi-Fi at 20,000 lampposts across Los Angeles <u>Council File No: 13-0953</u>
 - c. Discussion and Possible Action on the Power Grid Vulnerabilities Maureen Levinson Consider supporting Paul Koretz's motion going to the Energy and Environment Committee and submit a community impact statement to the Council File Council File No: 14-1690 as well as to write to the US Congress (HR -2417) (HR-688). (Attachment D)
- 22. Good of the Order Members of the Board may report on any item of interest to the Council.
- 23. Adjourn

Upcoming Meetings @ AJU – December 16, 2015

Return to fourth Wednesday of the month beginning on January 27, 2016





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DRAFT MINUTES Regular Meeting of the Board

Wednesday, October 28, 2015 7:00–9:00 P.M. American Jewish University 15600 Mulholland Drive, Room 223, Main Campus, 2nd Floor, Bel Air, CA 90077

| Present: | | Quorum: 15 | <u>AT</u> | TAC | H | MF | MEN | <u>MENT</u> | MENT " | <u>MENT ".</u> | MENT "A | MENT "A | <u>MENT "</u> 2 | MENT "A |
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| 2015-2016 Stakeholder Groups / Certified Representatives | Present | Not Present | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bel Air Crest Master Homeowner Association | | | _ | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Irene Sandler | X | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bel Air Ridge HOA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| André Stojka (planned absence) | | X | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Benedict Canyon Association | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Matthew Post | X | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nickie Miner | X | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Don Loze | X | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bob Schlesinger | X | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Casiano Estates Association | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gary Plotkin | X | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Faith-Based Organizations | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lonnie Mayfield | | X | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Holmby Hills Association | I | <u> </u> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Jason Spradlin | | X | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| K-6 Private Schools | I | <u> </u> | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Teresa Lee | X | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7-12 Private Schools | | <u> </u> | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| John Amato | X | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Laurel Canyon Association | 1 | L | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Jamie Hall | X | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cassandra Barrère | | X | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cathy Wayne | X | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Tony Tucci | X | | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |

| 2015-2016 Stakeholder Groups / Certified Reps | Present | Not Present |
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| Members-at-Large | | |
| Larry Leisten | X | |
| Chuck Maginnis | X | |
| Residents of Beverly Glen | | |
| Robert A. Ringler | X | |
| Dan Palmer | | X |
| Roscomare Valley Association | | |
| Robin Greenberg | X | |
| Michael Kemp | X | |
| Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy | | |
| Travis Longcore, Ph.D. | X | |
| Bel Air District | | |
| Dan J. Love | X | |
| Maureen Levinson | X | |
| Beverly Park Estates | | |
| Maureen Smith | X | |
| Totals: | 20 | 5 |

Guest Speakers & Guests:

Gurmet K. Khara, Muhlstein, Planning Deputy, , for Councilmember, *Paul Koretz*, CD5 *Janet Turner*, Field Representative for Congressman *Ted W. Lieu*, CA 33 *Catherine Landers*, Senior Field Deputy, Hollywood Field Office, for Councilmember, *David Ryu*, CD4 *Chris Ragsdale*, LAPD / West Los Angeles Police Station 310-444-0702 Four stakeholders signed the guest list and/or speaker cards

- 1. Call to Order: Board President, Travis Longcore, called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.
- 2. **Roll Call:** Board Secretary, *Robin Greenberg*, called the roll with 18 present initially and a quorum met. By 7:15 p.m., 20 were present.
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Adoption of the October 28, 2015 Agenda: *Robert Ringler* asked that SLO *Ralph Sanchez* be placed back on the agenda, under Emergency Preparedness along with *Chris Ragsdale*, has been done in the past. The agenda was unanimously adopted, as written.
- 5. Approval of the September 16, 2015 Minutes: Copies of the September 16, 2015 Minutes (<u>Attachment</u> <u>A</u>) were circulated with the draft agenda. There were no comments, additions, deletions or corrections, and the minutes were approved by unanimous consent.
- 6. Public Comment: There were no speaker cards for non-agendized public comment.

Reports of Officers

7. President's Report – Travis Longcore

a. Representatives of Elected Officials and Agencies (Updates & Discussions)

- *i. Mike Fong*, BABCNC'S new DONE Empowerment Advocate, replacing *Tom Soong* <u>Correction</u>: *Mike Fong* will be replacing *Thomas* at WRAC, <u>not</u> at BABCNC. *Thomas* is still with us at BABCNC!
- ii. Janet Turner, Field Representative for Congressman Ted W. Lieu, CA 33 janet.turner@mail.house.gov (323) 651-1040.

- *Janet* related that the VA has released a Preliminary Draft Final Master Plan on 10/16/15 with 45 days for written public comment on or before December 7, 2015. PDF can be found bottom of page @

http://www.regulations.gov/#!documentDetail;D=VA-2015-VACO-0001-0251. Website www.Helphouselayets also allows comments.

- *Janet* briefly mentioned highlights to include four zones: 1) recreational, 2) veteran housing, 3) health-care, and 4) administrative mixed use; seven neighborhoods; 800-900 short term and 2,500 long term units and restoration of historic buildings. Land use must be veteran-centric.

- *Janet* passed out a printout on Mail Theft and Crime Prevention and stated that there are two mail theft rings of which eight individuals have been caught "but it is much bigger." USPS will be modifying collection boxes in targeted areas; recommends collecting mail before dark; depositing before final pickup.

- *Janet* meets with the USPS regularly and welcomes your calls regarding mail and issues such as visas and IRS.

- *Victoria Talbot* of the BH Courier stated she lives in Brentwood, which area has been compromised & inquired about targeted areas, which info *Janet* could not provide.

- iii. *Catherine Landers*, Senior Field Deputy, Hollywood Field Office, for Councilmember *David Ryu*, of CD4. (323) 957-6415 6501 Fountain Avenue LA CA 90028. *Catherine & Adam Miller* cover Hollywood Hills to Griffith Park, Los Feliz & Silverlake. <u>catherine.landers@lacity.org</u>. <u>adam.miller@lacity.org</u> *Catherine* related that Councilmember *David Ryu* has been in office 100 days. They are working on El Niño preparation and will hold a Town Hall meeting on it. <u>Westside</u>: Weds. 12/09/15 6:30-8:30 p.m. @ Westchester Rec. Center 9100 Lincoln Blvd. *Catherine* mentioned the Councilmember's Clean Streets program for community beautification, "conservation core partnering" and "ad hoc pickups." *Jamie Hall* expressed appreciation to Councilmember *Ryu*, who pledged a \$15,000 matching fund to "Let's Buy a Mountain" and to *Catherine* and the CM's office.
- iv. *Gurmet Khara*, Planning Deputy for Councilmember *Paul Koretz*, of Council District 5: *Gurmet* related that the City will host Town Hall meetings, and encourages our input and partnering with CD4.

- She explained that for the LADWP Pipeline project on Mulholland between Mulholland Drive & Beverly Glen, they need one more day, Friday, and are due to finish in two weeks. Plates will be removed after project is over & BSS will patch the entire segment. - *Gurmet* mentioned the new haul route moratorium app, "**Navigate L.A**.," to view and help monitor haul routes: <u>http://ladbs.org/LADBSWeb/haul-route.jsf.</u>

- Gary Plotkin thanked Gurmet for her responsiveness to all of our needs.

v. *Chris Ragsdale*, Senior Lead Officer, West Los Angeles Police Station: <u>310-444-0741</u> <u>26690@lapd.lacity.org</u> & website: <u>www.lapdonline.org</u> - *Chris* gave update that crime is unchanged with an 18% increase for the entire area, on a downtrend from last year. No change in types: knock/knock thefts, bicycles, personal property. He advised taking security very seriously.

- As to party houses, *Chris* stated that the noise laws are in force 24/7, so do not wait or hesitate to call, especially on habitual ones. The earlier the better. If chronic, pull him in so he could work on a follow-up basis with the City Prosecutor, setting up a process, and he will let them know it is under active investigation.

- *Don Loze* asked what is being done about speeding and noise of hot cars on Benedict. *Chris* responded that the Department is statistically driven and will divert resources to smaller canyon roads from main thoroughfares on a "complaint basis versus statistics of collisions; there are competing priorities as there are not a lot of traffic cops out there."

- West Traffic Division's Community Traffic Services Unit: 213-473-0215.

Officer P. Menchaca is the complaint officer for the area: <u>33169@lapd.lacity.org</u>.
Asked about permits for parties, *Chris* replied that permits are required only to cover staging, structures, and other items, not to have a party. Only noise laws are enforced. *Maureen Levinson* asked about laser lights. *Travis* explained that there is an ordinance that limits the lights going through a bedroom window to no brighter than a 60 Watt bulb, and that this is a zoning and planning issue.

- b. Appointment of BABCNC Representative at C-PAB & West Bureau Traffic Committee Deferred. (See Vice President's Report.)
- c. Appointment of an Animal Services Liaison to work with the Department of Animal Services (DAS) as requested by DONE and DAS. For Full Role Description: (<u>Attachment B</u>) Gary Plotkin will be the Primary Liaison, and Nickie Miner and Travis Longcore registered as "Secondary" Liaisons.
- 8. Vice President's Report *Nickie Miner Nickie* announced that at the C-PAB meeting yesterday, an election took place and *Robert Ringler* will co-chair with *Commanding Officer, Captain Tina Nieto*.
- 9. Secretary's Report *Robin Greenberg Robin* reported that there was successful turnout and valuable information disseminated at the Congress of Neighborhood Councils.

10. Treasurer's Report - Dan Love

- a. Update from Treasurer (Discussion)
- b. Consideration of September 2015 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) Board to consider approval of September 2015 expenditure report & bank statement (<u>Attachment C</u>) (Discussion & Action): Dan Love moved, Robert Ringler seconded; a roll call vote was taken with 18 yeas from Irene Sandler, Bob Schlesinger, Don Loze, Nickie Miner, Matt Post, Gary Plotkin, Teresa Lee, Jamie Hall, Cathy Wayne, Tony Tucci, Larry Leisten, Chuck Maginnis, Robert Ringler, Robin Greenberg, Michael Kemp, Dan Love, Maureen Levinson and Maureen Smith; 0 nays, and 1 abstention from John Amato who stepped out when the item was introduced, and the September 2015 MER was approved.

(Consideration of Election Outreach Budget is under <u>Bylaws, Rules and Elections</u> below.)

Reports of Committees

11. Public Safety/Disaster Preparedness Committee – Chuck Maginnis, Chair (Discussion)

- *Chuck* thanked *Gary Plotkin* for giving update at the last meeting. He reminded the Board of the need to prepare for El Niño, floods and fires from downed poles, earthquakes.

- The Next EP Meeting is Tuesday November 17, 2015. Christie Adair, CERT representative will speak.

- *Larry Leisten* brought up problem that catch basin screens get blocked by debris. Department of Public Works (DPW) Liaison, *Dan Love*, stated that Director of DPW, *Kevin James*, told him that teams are going into the hillsides from Laurel Canyon to Sepulveda to clean out the storm drains.

- Maureen Levinson renewed her license to use ham radios.

a. Liability and Good Samaritan Law – Irene Sandler (Discussion)

https://rhopc.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/05/Avoiding-Liability-When-Providing-Emergency-Services.pdf &

http://www.hoalawblog.com/08.23.10%20Article%20-%20CERT.pdf

- *Irene* brought up the EP Committee's concerns that the Good Samaritan laws are being used to stop organizations from handling emergencies. They would like discussion of revising or amending the laws to cover organizations working on emergency preparedness.

- Larry Leisten has read the links and does not recommend referring to them for this goal.

- Noted was that *Tim Pershing* of Assemblyman *Richard Bloom's* office is working to create legislation for the next Assembly meeting. *Jamie Hall* concurred that this is the way to go: have the Assemblyman sponsor the bill, meet with the Assembly, and tell them it is important.

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

a. Update on October 13, 2015 PLUC Meetings (Update & Discussion)

b. 662 N. Sepulveda Blvd (aka: Bel Air Bar & Grill). ZA 2010-220-CUB

"The instant request is an approval of plans to permit the continued sale and dispensing of a full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site sale, and to allow the off-site sale of beer and wine, in conjunction with a 5928 square-foot restaurant (plus 544 square-foot open deck) in the [Q]C2-1VLD Zone".

Motion: The BABCNC supports the applicants request as so noted in the above referenced case with the following additional conditions:

A. Wine with an alcoholic content of greater than 16% shall be permitted to be sold in the main restaurant spaces; however, not in the take-out portion of the establishment.

B. Additional signage shall be placed along the northerly edge of the establishment notifying patrons that parking in the adjacent alley is not allowed, and directing customers to the various on-site parking areas. Valet parking shall be maintained during the evening hours of operation.

Speaker Cards / Public Comments:

Susan Lord, Bel Air Bar and Grill owner, spoke for the motion, stating that she has asked for support of her CUP renewal application and has obtained close to 300 signatures.

<u>Pat Nation</u> provided general comments, referencing *Mr. Tom Jones*, who founded the Moraga Vineyards, who has passed away but had placed condition demands on the property, including that the Shack not be open on Saturday, and that the Shack has been open Saturdays for four years, selling beer and wine without a permit. She noted *Ms. Lord's* lack of provision for parking at the Shack, and continued problems created by the parking in the alley. Pat provided sheets about the parking signage. *Pat* added that she had not been called for the survey.

<u>Bruce Kuyper</u> stated that he is for the motion, as it is on the agenda, with dining not permitted in the entry lobby area and would like a modification of Condition B to add: "because lower level is used for Valet."

<u>Marsha Hobbs</u> spoke in opposition to sales at 6:30 a.m., and against continued use of the alley for parking. She asked why off-sale or any-sale alcohol at 6:30 a.m., near the freeway, where construction workers and other workers have access to alcohol, and when kids are around. - *Ms. Lord* responded that she leaves the garage door open and that people park in the alley at their own risk. She stated that she has tried to get people to not park in the alley. Board Discussion ensued which included but was not limited to the following:

- *Larry Leisten* asked about the condition of alcohol content. *Ms. Lord* stated that she would like to serve dessert wine with an alcohol content up to 20% in the main restaurant area, but the Shack would remain with a maximum of 16% alcohol for all take out sales.

Bob Schlesinger asked, why sell single-serve 24- and 40 ounce (alcohol) in a residential neighborhood? *Ms. Lord* stated that she is not responsible for what happens when they leave.
Nickie Miner asked about live music: *Ms. Lord* replied that music would be inside the Sunset Room only and only on Friday and the weekends.

Nickie Miner asked, as Ms. Lord is now trying to make selling on Saturdays legal, if she'd consider a trade-off for selling later in the day or fewer hours. Maureen Levinson interjected to not sell alcohol to go. Ms. Lord replied that she would not want to give up her alcohol sales.
Jamie Hall asked Ms. Lord how she explains being open on Saturdays, to which Ms. Lord replied that she had not read the conditions.

- *Irene Sandler* inquired about the liquor license to which *Ms. Lord* answered that it covers both the restaurant and the Shack. *John Amato* added that this is the building license.

- *Dan Love* stated that the Bel Air Alliance would not support extension of services at all due to their violation. He noted that the included conditions in BAA's letter of the 28th were not included in the motion. They do not think there should be single service in the mornings.

- *Mike Kemp* stated that he supports businesses in our community such as this.

- *Don Loze* asked shouldn't we be consistent with the conditions placed upon the gas station.

Robert Ringler supports motion as originally written by the PLU Committee. *Gary Plotkin* wants to support our PLU Chair, and do whatever is necessary to enforce no parking in the alley. *Maureen Levinson* brought up the issue of monitoring high school students with take away of alcohol from the Shack. *John Amato* stated that there have been zero complaints from ABC. *Larry Leisten* asked *Mike Kemp* about the committee's vote to which *Mike* replied at subcommittee there are 5 members, *Mike, Dan, Bob, Jason and Gary. Pat* and *Bruce* were invited to attend a preliminary meeting at the site and told *Mike* that they did not want to attend. Bruce Kuyper stated that the meeting might be in violation of the Brown Act. Mike then cancelled the preliminary meeting while awaiting legal advice from the City Attorney on the matter. The case was then brought before the PLU Committee on 10/13/15. *Jamie Hall* asked to consider shortening the term of the CUB/P.

<u>Amendment to Main Motion #1</u>: Nickie Miner proposed an amendment to the main motion to add a recommendation to the City that the CUP be limited to alcohol sales not before 10:00 on any day of the week and not before 11:00 on Saturday and Sunday. Seconded by Bob Schlesinger. Discussion was held and <u>Amendment to Amendment #1</u> was made to <u>amend</u> motion to 10:00 a.m. on all days. Larry Leisten called the question and the ayes had it. Will add recommendation to the main motion of "No alcohol sales prior to 10:00 a.m. on any day."
 <u>Amendment to Main Motion #2</u>: Jamie Hall moved to recommend to the City to require the CUP to be reviewed in five (5) years. Nickie Miner seconded. All voted aye but Robert Ringler

& John Amato, who voted nay, with one abstention from Chuck Maginnis.

- The main motion was therefore amended to include no alcohol sales prior to 10:00 a.m. on any day and to recommend to the City of Los Angeles to require the CUP to be reviewed in five (5) years. A roll call vote count was taken, with 13 yeas, 1 nay by *Dan Love*, 5 abstentions from *Irene Sandler, Nickie Miner, Theresa Lee, Chuck Maginnis,* and *Maureen Levinson*, and the motion carried.

c. <u>1177 Tower Grove Road:</u> AA 2015-567-PMLA Lot split. Request by Applicant for a reconsideration of the BABCNC position.

Motion: The BABCNC supports the applicants request as so noted in the above referenced case only with the following additional condition(s):

A. That the applicant file a covenant and agreement with the County to so run with the land for perpetuity, prohibiting any adjacent property from securing an easement over the subject properties for the purposes of egress to the adjacent property.

Mike moved, all were in favor, none opposed; passed unanimously.

d. <u>10101-10107 Angelo View Drive:</u> ENV 2014-4540 Project Update

Haul route to allow the total export of 51,050 cubic yards of dirt for the construction of a 41,206 s.f. SFD with a basement that includes 19,500 s.f. of habitable space and a 13,189 s.f. underground garage.

Motion: The BABCNC supports Councilman *Koretz's* request and recommends to the Los Angeles Board of Building & Safety Commissioners (BBSC) and City Planning Department that they require the applicant to prepare a full EIR (Environmental Impact Report) on the project, as originally promised by the applicant.

Mike Kemp moved; Bob Schlesinger seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

- e. Update on City Planning Neighborhood Conservation Team: Newsletter Issue #1 published. (<u>Attachment D</u>)
- f. Consideration of PLU Committee General Information Memo to post on BABCNC website (<u>Attachment E)</u>

Mike Kemp moved to approve, Larry Leisten seconded, and motion was unanimously approved.

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

- a. Updates from the Committee Gary Plotkin Deferred
- b. Status of Enactment of Ridgeline Ordinance Don Loze

Don suggested inviting Paul Koretz back as it has been one year since we last had him.

14. Bylaws, Rules, and Elections Committee – Larry Leisten, Chair (Update, Discussion and Action)

a. **Board will consider approval of the second stipulation worksheet** for the Department of Neighborhood Councils (due by 10/31/15). (<u>Attachment F</u>)

- In addition to Attachment "F", *Larry Leisten* prepared a more succinct and complete supplement to the <u>"2016 Election Procedures Stipulation Worksheet</u>" which was circulated via email prior to the meeting, and copies distributed at the meeting. Discussion of the polling location, hours and second language was held.

Motion: *Larry Leisten* moved that the BABCNC Board approve the 2016 Election Procedures Stipulation Sheet which lists Harvard Westlake as first choice and Franklin Canyon as second choice for elections polls, polling hours from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and no second language translation. Vote taken with 20 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions, and motion was approved.

a. (i.) Budgeting for Election Procedures for the Stipulation Worksheet

- *Larry* explained that we have a total of 10 seats open: 2 Bel Air, 4 other residential districts, a Public School, a Commercial Enterprise rep, and two At-Large positions.

- As to outreach, we have an extra \$5,000 from the City. *Larry* was told the most effective way to reach stakeholders is by mail, not banners. However, funds can be used for flyers, posters, banners, notices in publications, and to host a town hall meeting to meet the candidates. - *Travis* stressed to the Board that we need people to get excited to work with *Robin, Gary* and *John Amato*, outside of these meetings, and to form a committee.

Motion: To approve budgeting \$6,000 for elections: Moved by *Cathy Wayne*, seconded by *Chuck Maginnis*; a roll call vote was taken with 19 yeas from *Irene Sandler*, *Bob Schlesinger*, *Don Loze*, *Nickie Miner*, *Matt Post*, *Gary Plotkin*, *Teresa Lee*, *John Amato*, *Jamie Hall*, *Cathy Wayne*, *Tony Tucci*, *Larry Leisten*, *Chuck Maginnis*, *Robert Ringler*, *Robin Greenberg*, *Michael Kemp*, *Dan Love*, *Maureen Levinson* and *Maureen Smith*; 0 nays, and 0 abstentions and the proposed elections budget was unanimously approved.

b. TUX Boot Camp on Elections: Board members are encouraged to attend these elections training sessions. For Workshops, see: <u>http://empowerla.org/tux-boot-camp/</u> Notes from Tux Boot Camp on BABCNC on Elections Timeline & More were provided by Maureen Levinson as (<u>Attachment G</u>)

15. Outreach and Education Committee – Robin Greenberg, Chair

Robin distributed previously written BABCNC pamphlets and price lists of previously printed outreach materials as examples of outreach materials and expenses.

Reports of Representatives

16. Budget Representatives' Report - Nickie Miner for André Stojka

a. Report from Budget Representatives (Update & Discussion) Regional Budget Day was 10/17/15 & Change in Budget Advocates/Departure of Jay Handal

17. DWP Committee Update – Don Loze

a. Report on DWP Rate Increases

Don Loze gave report stating there will be an enormous rate increase. There are two DWP committees. They met this month and asked that nothing be done until the Rate Payer Advocates have been notified; and as information has not yet been given to them what they have is inadequate to advise the Councilmember of what they want to do.

18. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy Report – Travis Longcore

a. Update from Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy (Discussion) Deferred

19. West Los Angeles Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC) – Nickie Miner for Robin Greenberg

- a. Update, Discussion and Possible Actions from the October 21, 2015 meeting
- b. Consideration of motion regarding short-term rentals that enumerates essential provisions that must be included in any ordinance legalizing short-term rentals. (Attachment H)

Speaker Cards / Comments:

<u>- Bruce Kuyper</u> stated that we need to submit another Community Impact Statement (CIS) with conditions to include not in single-family zones and not in high severity fire zones.

Board discussion ensued to include but not limited to the following:

- Gary Plotkin related that the WRAC motion may be something right for our area.

- *Maureen Levinson* noted, for EIRs, the community has to hire own experts and asks, who will pay for these?

- *Nickie Miner* stated that these short-term rentals compromise the security of the residents, that the Police cannot make policy. She stated that you cannot have Neighborhood Watch when you don't know who your neighbors are, and that we need to take a stand: Say No. Enforce what's on the books: 30 days and not less.

- *Irene Sandler* felt that there is a need for even more arduous conditions. She mentioned additional insurance for the neighborhoods.

- Travis Longcore referred back to Attachment H, and the motion to support WRAC's limitations:

A roll call vote was taken on the motion with 3 yeas from *Gary Plotkin*, *Tony Tucci* and *Robert Ringler*, 15 nays from *Bob Schlesinger*, *Don Loze*, *Nickie Miner*, *Matt Post*, *Teresa Lee*, *Jamie Hall*, *Cathy Wayne*, *Larry Leisten*, *Chuck Maginnis*, *Robin Greenberg*, *Michael Kemp*, *Travis Longcore*, *Dan Love*, *Maureen Levinson* and *Maureen Smith*, and 0 abstentions and the nays carried.

20. Old Business – (Updates, Discussion and Possible Action)

a. Update, Discussion and New Action on Short-Term Rentals – *Matt Post & Nickie Miner* (CF#: 14-1635-S2)

Motion: BABCNC opposes legalizing short-term rentals in the City of Los Angeles, supports enforcement of the existing no-less than 30-day rentals law on the books, and authorizes a Community Impact Statement or "Request of Electeds" to submit within 60 days.

Nickie Miner moved. A roll call vote was taken with 19 yeas from Irene Sandler, Bob Schlesinger, Don Loze, Nickie Miner, Matt Post, Gary Plotkin, Teresa Lee, Jamie Hall, Cathy Wayne, Tony Tucci, Larry Leisten, Chuck Maginnis, Robert Ringler, Robin Greenberg, Michael Kemp, Travis Longcore, Dan Love, Maureen Levinson and Maureen Smith; 0 nays, and 0 abstentions and motion was unanimously approved.

b. Update on flag poles and signs – Cassandra Barrère

- 21. New Business (Updates, Discussion and Possible Action)
 - a. Discussion and Update on Neighborhood Purpose Grants Gary Plotkin Deferred

b. Consideration of BABCNC support for Laurel Canyon Association's and CLAW's "Let's Buy a Mountain" initiative – *Jamie Hall* (Attachment I)

Jamie Hall moved; *Larry Leisten* seconded. *Jamie* related that this project involves purchasing 17 acres of open space in Laurel Canyon; requires 18 months to raise 1.6 million dollars. They had a huge press conference. They are asking for our support for preservation of open space and wildlife in our community. Once purchased, they will transfer the land to MRCA to manage all aspects. They have raised their first \$50,000 and have events planned including an art auction in February. The Board vote was unanimous in favor of supporting this project.

c. Veterans Administration Land Use – Irene Sandler For Discussion: http://www.nbclosangeles.com/news/local/VA-Delays-Park-Closure-Agrees-to-Meet-First-With-City-of-LA--330801332.html Not discussed here. (See notes above on Janet Turner's presentation, including link to the Draft Master Plan for public comment by December 7, 2015.) **d.** Discussion and Possible Action on Opting In or Out to the Upcoming Homeless Count Enclosed 14-page document with pages specific to BABCNC: (Attachment J).

The Board unanimously declined to opt into the upcoming Homeless Count.

e. Discussion and Possible Action to take position on the City Project "Wi-Fi across LA" This involves placing wife at 20,000 lampposts across Los Angeles without community input. Deferred.

Good of the Order - Members of the Board may report on any item of interest to the Council. None.

22. Adjourn

Upcoming Meetings @ AJU:

Due to Thanksgiving & Christmas holidays, meetings will be held on

the third (3rd) Wednesday for the next two months: November 18, 2015 & December 16, 2015.

ATTACHMENT "B"

Budget Fiscal Year: **Reporting Month:** Department of Neighborhood Empowerment NC Name: 2014-2015 Bel Air-Beverly Crest OCTOBER MONTHLY EXPENDITURE REPORT Submitted: 11/4/2015 14:27:43

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| 200 | Outreach | \$18,460.00 | \$0.00 | \$2,093.18 | \$16,366.82 |
| 300 | Community | | \$0.00 | | \$0.00 |
| 400 | NPG | | \$0.00 | | \$0.00 |
| 500 | Elections | \$6,000.00 | \$0.00 | | \$6,000.00 |
| 006 | Unallocated | | \$0.00 | | \$0.00 |
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Vulnerabilities of our Power Grid Council File No: 14-1690 Presentation at LANCC Meeting, 11/7/15

Motion pending in the Energy and Enviornment Committee

PRESENTERS:

Andy Shrader, Director of Environmental Affairs, Water Policy & Sustainability, CD5 Charles Edelsohn, Professional Engineer; formerly Chief Engineer of Hughes Aircraft; Director, Comstock Hills Neighborhood Association; CD5

Charles Edelson brought our power grid vulnerabilities to Councilman Koretz's attention last Spring. The alarming scenario inspired Councilman Koretz to introduce a Motion to have the LADWP look into our vulnerabilities and report back.

Not presenting but part of the team: Rajit Gadh, PhD, Professor and Director, UCLA – WINMEC & Smart Grid Energy Research Center

DISCUSSION: A sniper attack on a San Jose power substation last year, which took utility workers 27 days to repair, emphasized the vulnerabilities facing our power grid, including increasing extreme weather events caused or exacerbated by global warming, like the approaching El Nino. Councilman Paul Koretz has introduced a motion to have DWP report on its efforts to protect the grid and on what residents can do to protect themselves.

If our power grid goes out, most of us will die-not immediately as it may take a year. This figure is from a Federal study.

It would cost \$2 billion to protect the entire US grid.

Protecting our power grid is a Federal responsibility, however, they're dropping the ball as there are bills in Congress (HR-2417) (HR-688) mandating that every public utility study the problem and take action. Congress asked the Federal Electric Regulatory Commission (FERC) and the National Electrical Reliability Council (NERC) to provide guidelines.

It is stalled in Congress largely because public utility companies want to proceed slowly, they control the NERC, and the public is unaware of the entire issue.

Councilman Koretz is trying to get action through a local approach since Federal efforts are stymied.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION IS ATTACHED.

LADWP Personnel:

Marvin Moon, Director of Power System Engineering John Dennis, Director of Power System and Development RE Cyber attacks—LIGHTS OUT, by Ted Kopple—addresses this issue of cyber attacks—released about a week ago.



Every power grid in the US is vulnerable:

1. Physical and Cyber Attacks on Power Stations

In 2013 at the Metcalf Transmission Substation, a rifleman shot into the radiators of giant transformers, severely damaging 17 transformers. If they were disabled, they would have taken out the entire Northern California power grid. FYI-there are a set of 9 stations that can bring down the power grid for the entire nation. **Cyber attacks** is a way to bring these stations down.

2. Failures and Overloads

In 2003, a powerline fell due to storms, and software errors brought down the entire Northeast power grid for about a week.

Recall Northeast corridor-where one system went down after another (Boston to Detroit).

What happens when our power goes out? We're back in 1910-but without the survival skills necessary to survive.

3. Nuclear or non-Nuclear EMP Weapons—non-lethal nukes create an Electro-Magnetic Pulse (EMP) which destroys large transformers and electronics.

4. Giant Solar Flares: Giant flares cycle is about 150 years (like San Andreas Fault movement). Last giant flare was 1859.

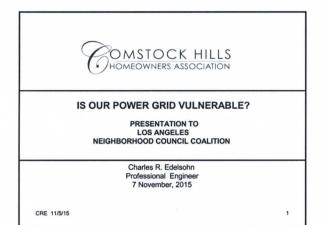
1989 – a solar flare took out the Quebec and northeastern US. A few days ago, a small solar flare took out Sweden's Air Traffic Control.

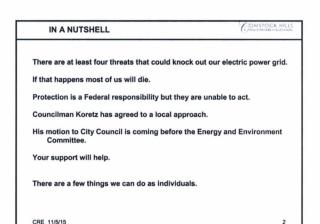
The large transformers take about a year to replace—so it is a dangerous situation. The transformers are hand-made in Germany by Siemens (used to be built by Westinghouse). Each transformer must be customized. There are about 1,000 giant transformers nation-wide.

There is a move in the direction that as the giant transformers are replaced when they have about 1-year of service ability remaining—and they are stored.

CONCERN RE "Smart Grid": Are we moving to a more centralized power grid structure—this may be a problem instead of keeping it decentralized.

Website: readyla.com for tips on disaster preparedness.





IS THE LA POWER GRID VULNERABLE?

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Giant Solar Flares – One hits the earth about every 150 years. (Same interval as San Andreas Fault.) Charged particles from the sun create a huge EMP. The last giant one hit us in 1559. A year ago one missed by a week. A small one shut down the Quebec Grid and the Northeast Corridor in 1989. Three days ago a small flare knocked out Sweden's Air Traffic Control.

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| IS ANYONE DOING ANYTHING? |
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| It would cost only about two billion dollars to protect the entire US grid. |
| There are bills in Congress (HR-2417) (HR-688) mandating that every public utility study the problem and take action. Congress asked the Federal Electric Regulatory Commission (FERC) and the National Electrical Reliability Council (NERC) to provide guidelines. |
| It is stalled in Congress largely because public utility companies want to proceed slowly, they control the NERC, and the public is unaware of the entire issue. |
| Because the Federal efforts are stymied, we are trying a local approach. We have convinced Paul Koretz and Environmental Deputy, Andy Shrader, not to wait for Congress. We helped them prepare a Motion for City Council, for DWP to study the problem, including: 1. The threats, costs and impacts on the City. 2. Protections, their costs and feasibilities. |
| Individual and neighborhood preparedness. |
| The motion is before the Environment Committee and your support will help. |

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| what would happen if all our electricity and electronics werk out? |
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| It would be 1910 again, except for our missing survival skills. |
| All houses, businesses, and street lights would go dark. |
| Air conditioners and most furnaces would stop working. |
| Water, gas supplies, and gasoline stations would stop. |
| Telephones, cell phones, computers and the internet would stop |
| Banks, stock exchanges, ATMs, and cash registers would stop. |
| Many trucks, automobiles would not run. |
| Most airlines, trains, and buses would not run |
| Groceries would run out of food, even without rioting. |
| Most police, fire, and ambulance services would stop. |
| Most military vehicles, computers, and communications would still work. |
| For how long? - It takes a year to build a big power transformer. |
| Government estimates say it would take years to restore the nation and, |
| 60 to 90% of us would die. |
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WHAT WOULD HAPPEN?

What would happen if all our electricity and electronics went out?

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| | CAN WE DO ANYTHING FOR OURSELVES? | COMSTOCK HILLS |
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| Indi | vidual Power Generators – Each household could insta generator. Each would require a fuel tank but the fuel w weeks. Solar cells and batteries will help. | |
| Buy | a Prius – It is possible to connect the main battery of an automobile to a power inverter to supply household elec available. Japanese manufacturers are working on cars built in. | tricity. Kits are |
| Nei | ghborhood Power Centers – There are companies (Cal that sell small gas turbine generators that could power a | |
| The | City Council Motion includes study of these possibilities. | |
| Asa | a practical matter, most of these ideas will not work for ve fuel. Our best option is to speed up government and uti | |
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The Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) provides essential utility services to the City of Los Angeles, including a reliable grid. Reliability of the power grid is critical to life, health, public safety, and economic advancement of the City and surrounding region.

Electric utility properties and equipment are distributed over a large region and there may be vulnerabilities to this equipment including but not limited to: extraordinary solar flares creating damaging Electromagnetic Pulse (EMP) effects, geomagnetic disturbances, nuclear and nonnuclear EMP weapons, physical attacks, cyber attacks, equipment failures, and power overloads.

Additionally, the 2014 United Nations International Panel on Climate Change report warns that we are irreversibly on course to trigger the 3.6 degree Fahrenheit (2 degrees Celsius) global temperature tripwire that will "increase the likelihood of severe, pervasive and irreversible impacts for people and ecosystems," including more and worse extreme storm events, like those which have already been leaving affected areas without power sometimes for weeks.

It is important that LADWP maintain the historical reliability of the power system and address the power grid vulnerabilities described.

I THEREFORE MOVE that, within the provisions or limitations of prudent security practices, the LADWP report to the Energy and Environment Committee within 60 days on:

- The degree to which the electric utility properties and equipment (the power grid) are 0 subject to damage from these vulnerabilities, the time spans and costs necessary for repair of such damage, and the impact such damage would inflict on the ability of the citizens, businesses, and governmental agencies to function in support of life, health, public safety, and economic advancement of the City and surrounding region;
- The standards used to prepare or protect the power grid from such vulnerabilities;
- The methods available to prepare or protect the power grid from such vulnerabilities, their costs, and their feasibilities;
- Practical and safe guidance as to how an individual utility customer, or a neighborhood, may be able to prepare for such emergencies as the inability of the LADWP to maintain service in the event of failures caused by these vulnerabilities, and how the City of Los Angeles could contribute to individual or neighborhood preparations;
- A comparison of the relative grid security and safety to residents of LADWP's service area by providing local renewable distributed generation sources and microgrids versus central station out-of-basin power generation.

PRESENTED BY:

PAUL KORETZ Councilmember, 5th District

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SECONDED BY:

Los Angeles

Department of Water & Power

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MARCIE L. EDWARDS General Manager

February 23, 2015

The Honorable City Council c/o Office of the City Clerk Room 395, City Hall Mail Stop 160

Attention: Councilementer Felipe Fuentes Chair, Energy and Environmental Committee

Honorable Members:

Subject: Los Angeles City Council (Council) File No. 14-1690, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power's (LADWP's) Report on Security Practices Related to Power Grid Vulnerabilities

This is in response to the Energy and Environment Committee's Motion (Council File No. 14-1690), dated December 9, 2014, which addresses a request to report on security practices related to power grid vulnerabilities, including:

- The degree to which the electric utility properties and equipment (the power grid) are subject to damage from these vulnerabilities, the time spans and costs necessary for repair of such damage, and the impact such damage would inflict on the ability of the citizens, businesses, and governmental agencies to function in support of life, health, public safety, and economic advancement of the City of Los Angeles (City) and surrounding region;
- The standards used to prepare or protect the power grid from such vulnerabilities;
- The methods available to prepare or protect the power grid from such vulnerabilities, their costs, and their feasibilities;
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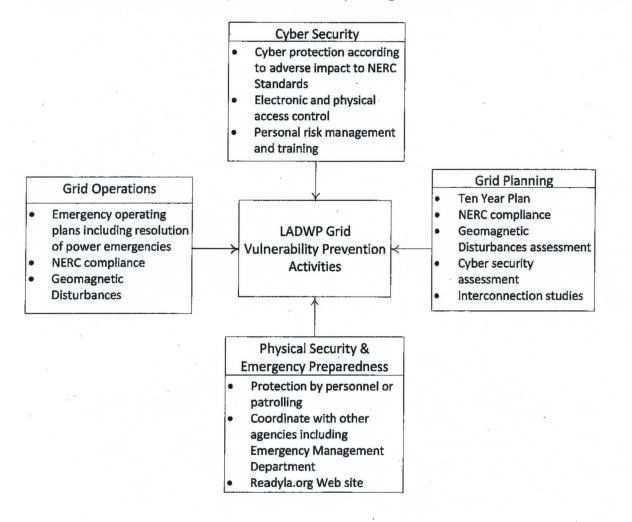
Los Angeles Aqueduct Centennial Celebrating 100 Years of Water 1913-2013 111 N. Hope Street, Los Angeles, California 90012-2607 Mailing address: Box 51111, Los Angeles, CA 90051-5700 Telephone: (213) 367-4211 www.LADWP.com The Honorable City Council Page 2 February 23, 2015

LADWP - A Summary on Power Grid Reliability

The motion requests information on potential vulnerabilities LADWP power grid, and activities to prevent impacts to the reliability of the power system.

LADWP adheres to the reliability standards that are developed by NERC and mandated by FERC. These standards include the protection of critical infrastructure, including measures of cyber security.

While national and regional operating standards require certain levels of confidentiality on these topics, the LADWP's approach is explained in accordance to those security standards and how they apply to reliability of the power grid. The following is a description of the functions of four entities at LADWP that work to prevent or reduce power grid vulnerabilities:



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Grid Planning and Development (Grid Planning)

LADWP performs assessments each year to model and evaluate the operating conditions of the transmission system for the next 10 years. Included in those studies are a variety of scenarios that could impact the transmission system such as high temperatures or transmission line outages. These studies demonstrate the redundancy and robustness of the LADWP transmission system. It will continue to provide power to its customers despite experiencing some outages at the transmission level. These studies are technically rigorous and are performed by LADWP engineering and operations staff in accordance with national and regional electric utility reliability standards. The LADWP is accountable to these reliability agencies including, the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) and the Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC).

From these studies, the LADWP is able to identify any necessary short- or long-term upgrades on the transmission lines to continue providing power to its customers. LADWP also performs interconnection studies for new business projects and coordinates with neighboring utilities for any potential impacts or disturbances to the system.

In addition to studying the various transmission lines, LADWP also performs risk assessments of the LADWP transmission stations (existing and planned to be in service within 24 months) that are deemed critical to the reliability of the system. This study is performed based on the requirements and guidance of the recently approved NERC Physical Security Standards. These standards are identified under the NERC's Critical Infrastructure Protection (CIP) rules.

In addition, LADWP is working with NERC and WECC organizations in the development of reliability standards that address the potential impact of geomagnetic disturbances (GMDs) on the high voltage power system. Due to the geographical location of LADWP in the more southern latitudes, the probability of a GMD event occurring in LADWP facilities is extremely low, if any; however, LADWP complies with the requirements of NERC Reliability Standards associated with impacts of GMD events.

Grid Operations

The LADWP operates the Bulk Electric System (BES) in compliance with all NERC and WECC Standards. Specifically, NERC Standard EOP-001 requires LADWP to develop, maintain, and implement a set of plans to mitigate (prevent or remedy) operating emergencies. NERC Standard TOP-004 requires LADWP to operate within System Operating Limits at all times so that instability, uncontrolled separation, or cascading outages will not occur as a result of the most severe single contingency or from multiple contingencies as specified by its Reliability Coordinator.

The LADWP Capacity and Energy Emergency Plan is written in order to promote the safe and reliable operation of the power system and to provide a guide for actions following system disturbances including equipment failure and power overloads. This plan is reviewed each calendar year or more frequently, where required or needed. Load dispatching personnel

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receive Emergency Operations training on all aspects of the plan yearly or more frequently as required by NERC and WECC Standards.

A NERC Standard EOP-010 deals with GMD and details the operating response in the event of a GMD.

LADWP Cyber Security

LADWP adheres to the CIP Reliability Standards developed by NERC and mandated by Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). These standards support the reliable operation of the BES by protecting associated cyber systems from threats and vulnerabilities. LADWP has taken several measures to prevent or mitigate potential cyber attacks.

Personnel risk assessment, training, and security awareness help minimize the risk against compromise from individuals who have access to cyber assets. Electronic and physical access is controlled and monitored. Strong technical and operational procedures enhance system security. A cyber security incident response plan is in place to mitigate a potential incident and expedite the recovery of reliability functions.

Sensitive cyber system information is protected from unauthorized access through security management controls and reviews. A multi-layered approach is used to protect transmission stations, substations, generation resources, special protection systems, and control centers. Security management controls establish responsibility and accountability to protect these systems. LADWP's Cyber Security Program continues to mature as the NERC CIP Standards are updated and the industry develops new methods to mitigate and prevent cyber attacks.

LADWP is in regular communication with NERC, WECC, and the electric utilities on current cyber events and cyber security matters.

LADWP Physical Security and Emergency Preparedness

The LADWP Security Services Division is responsible for the protection of the physical security of the power grid which includes generation stations, receiving and distribution stations, transmission lines, solar farms and wind farms. Security Services either posts personnel at these locations or conducts patrols utilizing vehicles or helicopters to prevent unauthorized intrusions or spot suspicious activity. Additionally, Security Services monitors video and alarm feeds from local and remote cameras to identify and respond to crimes in progress.

Security Services continually coordinates with local law enforcement for extra patrol and to ensure a rapid response to unfolding situations. In addition to working with local law enforcement, they also coordinate with the United States Department of Homeland Security and Federal Bureau of Investigation to monitor threats against the Power System and ensure a comprehensive investigation is conducted when a crime or attack occurs against LADWP assets.

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The cost of compliance with the security measures are embedded in the ongoing operation and maintenance activities.

Guidance to Customers

With respect to providing practical and safe guidance to our customers so they are able to prepare for emergencies related to loss of power, the LADWP Office of Emergency Management works closely with the City Los Angeles Emergency Management Department. LADWP reminds all customers and residents of the City to visit the Readyla.org Web site. This site provides information related to having a disaster plan that addresses the possible hazards and disasters that may affect Los Angeles. In addition, customers are also encouraged to have an emergency preparedness kit as a part of their disaster plan and have sufficient supplies at home to sustain a family for at least three days.

Conclusion

While electric utilities cannot say there will never be a power outage, the national and regional agencies continue to work together on identifying and reducing the vulnerabilities of the power grid as noted by a sampling of the operating standards that have been referenced in the above notes. By working together towards effective and efficient solutions, LADWP customers enjoy a highly reliable power system.

If you have any questions or require further information, please call me at (213) 367-1338, or you may have your staff contact Ms. Winifred J. Yancy, Director of Intergovernmental Affairs and Community Relations, at (213) 367-0025.

Sincerely,

Marcie L. Edwards General Manager

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c: The Honorable Bob Blumenfield, Vice-Chair, Energy and Environment Committee The Honorable Jose Huizar, Member, Energy and Environment Committee The Honorable Paul Koretz, Member, Energy and Environment Committee The Honorable Tom LaBonge, Member, Energy and Environment Committee Board of Water and Power Commissioners Ms. Winifred J. Yancy

DRAFT OF PROPOSED COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT

COUNCIL FILE NO: 14-1690

WHEREAS, the Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council recognizes that the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) provides essential utility services to the City of Los Angeles, including a reliable grid.

WHEREAS, reliability of the power grid is critical to life, health, public safety and economic advancement of the City and surrounding region.

WHEREAS, electric utility properties and equipment are distributed over a large region and there may be vulnerabilities to this equipment including but not limited to extraordinary solar flares creating damaging Electromagnetic Pulse (EMP) effects, geomagnetic disturbances, nuclear and nonnuclear EMP weapons, physical attacks, cyber attacks, equipment failures, and power overloads.

WHEREAS, it is important that LADWP maintain the historical reliability of the power system and address the power grid vulnerabilities described.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the BABCNC supports Councilmember Paul Koretz's Motion to Maintain Historical Reliability of the Power System/Power Grid Vulnerabilities/Department of Water and Power which calls on the LADWP to report to the Energy and Environment Committee within 60 days regarding the vulnerability of our power grid, the costs and feasibility of upgrading and protecting the grid, and other related items. The BABCNC urges all other Neighborhood and Community Councils and other stakeholder groups to join in and support this important effort.

This BABCNC position is to be filed as a Community Impact Statement in Council File Number 14-1690.