



**Regular Meeting of the Board AGENDA
Wednesday, July 26, 2017 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm**

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** (Quorum remains 15, per DONE-approved revisions to Bylaws)
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Approval of July 26, 2017 Agenda** (per Bylaws, Article VIII, Section 2)
5. **Approval of June 28, 2017 Minutes (Attachment A)** Copy was circulated with agenda.
6. **Public Comment:** BABCNC welcomes public comment on any topic not on the adopted agenda. Each speaker will be limited to 3 minutes; comments limited to 15 minutes unless decided otherwise by Chair.

Reports of Officers

7. **President’s Report – Robin Greenberg** (Update, Discussion & Possible Action)
 - a. **Update from the President (August meeting cancelled)**
 - b. **Motion:** To nominate Pamela Pierson to the Board, for the 4th At-Large Seat.
 - c. **Motion:** Initiate process to remove privately appointed representative of Private Schools, Grades 7-12, John Amato, due to continued absence from Regular Board Meetings over an extended period of time, in violation of, and as provided by Article V, Sections 7 and 9(a), and to schedule a hearing at next Board Meeting, September 27th, so John may have an opportunity to be heard on the matter.
 - d. **Discussion & possible motion** to reconstitute the Traffic Committee. This committee monitors issues related to motor vehicle and bicycle traffic, road resurfacing, restriping, parking, traffic control such as signaling and signage, road design; analyzes and sets policy for board approval.
 - e. **Discussion & possible motion** to review committee membership, appointments and terms, and review of size of Planning & Land Use Committee.
 - f. **Save the Date: Congress of Neighborhoods September 9, 2017 @ City Hall**
To help with this year's Congress, please email nccongress@gmail.com.
 - g. **Upcoming & Recent Hearings on Citywide Land Use Issues** (Discussion & Possible Action)
 - h. **Representatives of Elected Officials and Agencies** (Update & Discussion)
 - i. Gurmet Khara, Field Deputy for CD-5 CM Paul Koretz
 - ii. Faisal Alserri, Senior Planning Deputy for CD-5 CM Paul Koretz
 - iii. Alice Roth or Nikki Ezhari, Field Deputies for CD-4 CM David Ryu
 - iv. Julia Duncan, Senior Planning Deputy for CD-4 CM David Ryu
 - v. Janet Turner, Representative for 33rd District Congressman, Ted Lieu
 - vi. Semee Park, DONE Project Director
 - vii. Chris Ragsdale, Senior Lead Officer, LAPD, WLA Station

8. **Vice President's Report – Nickie Miner**
9. **Secretary's Report – Robert Ringler**
10. **Treasurer's Report – Jacqueline Le Kennedy** (Update, Discussion & Action)
 - a. **Update from Treasurer**
 - b. **Motion:** Consideration of June 2017 Monthly Expenditure Report & Statement (**Attachment B**)
 - c. **Motion:** Approval of Budget Package (Strategic Plan, Outreach Survey & Self-Assessment) for fiscal year 2017-2018 – due 06/30/2017 (**Attachment C**) (*Budget has already been submitted*)
 - d. **Motion:** To reimburse Jacqueline Le Kennedy **\$165.00** for paying Google, as auto-pay declined while having no access to credit card.
 - e. **Motion:** To reimburse Cathy Palmer of \$94.57 for printing agenda packets while having no access to credit card as follows: 06/13/2017 @ \$8.75 for 06/13/2017 PLU Meeting; 06/28/2017 @ \$68.89 for Board meeting; and 07/11/2017 @ \$16.93 for 07/11/2017 PLU Meeting: **Total: \$94.57**

Reports of Committees (Updates, Discussion & Possible Action)

11. **Bylaws, Rules & Elections Committee – Laurence Leisten, Chair**
 - a. Update/Report by Chair
12. **Public Safety / Disaster Preparedness Committee – Chuck Maginnis, Chair**
 - a. Update/Report by Chair
 - b. **Next EP Meeting: August 15, 2017** Bel Air Ridge Clubhouse 2760 Claray LA 90077
13. **Planning & Land Use Committee (Update, Discussion & Action) – Bob Schlesinger, Chair**
 - a. **Update & Report by Chair on the July 11, 2017 Meeting**
 A brief special presentation was given on Harvard-Westlake's "Parking, Safety and Athletic (PSA) Improvement Plan" by Ari Engelberg, Head of Communications & David Weil, CFO for school and project manager for the proposed project <http://www.hw.com/psaproject/> **PUBLIC HEARING is scheduled for: Tues. August 8, 2017, 9:00 a.m., at Van Nuys City Hall –14410 Sylvan St., #201 Van Nuys, CA 91401.**
 - b. **Motions on Projects Heard:**

1. 13442 & 13444 JAVA DR, 90210 ZA-2017-1743-ZAD ZA-NPH July 20, 2017 ENV-2017-1744-CE RE-40-1-H-HCR 90210 Mulholland West of B-Park
 Const (n) SFD on lot w/o veh access rte from a street improved with a min 20ft wide continuous rdway from drive way apron that prov access to main residence to boundary of substandard hillside limited street, improved with rdway less than 20ft. Recorded Covenants. New 2 stry 8,921 sf SFD w/att garage, pool on 2 vacant lots. Access provided from Java. Exist driveway demo & rebuild to attain a min of 18ft wide and 135 ft long to Mulholland Dr. Java provides access to 16 other properties between its conn to Mulholland Dr. & Gibraltar. Firth Dr. adjoining the prop to South, provides access to 5 other properties between its conn to Java and termination to South of sub prop. What intervening structures? Approval of assoc Haul Route sought re export 2,500 cy from site. Crest Real Estate cailan@crestrealestate.com 775-690-2230 & Tony Russo. [Jamie asked why he didn't speak with the neighbors.]
By a vote of 10 yes, 1 no: Mike, 0 abstentions, and 1 absence: Leslie, the BABCNC PLU Committee recommended that the BABCNC Board DENY the request.

2. 1860 BLUE HEIGHTS DR., ZA-2017-883-ZAD DSP Hearing Not set a/o 3/30/17 ENV-2017-885-CE, AA-2017-884 Lot area 29,276.8 Demo & add 4,479 sf of floor area SFD fronting sub-standard Hillside Limited, width less than 20 ft. CPR from driveway to apron to the boundary of

the hillside. Street. No veh access, deemed to be a private street. Appl/Owner: Salim Lahoud, Dubina Arts LLC. Agent/Rep: Crest Real Estate caitlan@crestrealestate.com 775-690-2230 & Tony Russo

By a vote of 11 yes, the PLU Committee voted unanimously to recommend that the BABCNC board SUPPORT this project with the following conditions: 1) providing photo-simulations of the project to verify the size of the house, and, 2) a master covenant agreement for not using ADU for airBnB; 3) provision of a debris fence, and, 4) approval of the fence height for wildlife; 5) subject to the approval of the Advisory Agency (AA-2017-884-DPS) for construction access.

3. 8551 W COLE CREST DR ☉ ZA-2017-0086-ZAD-ZAA Hearing: End of July Early August ENV-2017-87-CE (Kirkwood Bowl) Conforms to R-1 zone hillside area.

New const 1,806. Allow vehicle bridge access to garage & entry stair within req frt setback. (2 structures ZAA) Scale compatible. 2 cov cars, roadway widen to 20', current sub std rd 12.5'. New st ret wall will vary from 4 to approx. 12' above grade. New SFR located 6.5' fr ret wall to a req a bridge within the frt setback. 90 cy export. Appl: Justin Schneider justinsc76@gmail.com 323.893.5454 Rep: Anthony Stark, Corsini Stark Architects, LLP Anthony@corsinistark.com 323.255.9100 x 304 Cell 323-547-0651

By a vote of 8 yes, 2 no: Mike and Jason; 1 abstentions: Yves; and 1 absence: Leslie, the BABCNC PLU Committee recommended that the BABCNC Board DENY the project because of failure to conduct a sufficient environmental review; noting that from a purely academic perspective, this is not exempt from CEQA; there are cumulative impacts and an EIR needs to be done.

4. 9450 Sierra Mar ZA-2015-4070-ZV-ZAD-ZAA NPH ZA Hearing 7/25 C/H 9:30am

ENV-2015-990-CE (also 9448, 9458, 9460) Hollywood Plan, V-Low II Residential-RE11-1 A 2 stry 1,277 sf addition of RFA to existing 2 stry 3,627 sf SFD + pool. Overall bldg. ht of 61' in lieu of 30' ft envelope ht. 6 ft North side yard + 4' So side yard lieu of 11' side yard setback. Allow max bldg. ht of 28' in lieu of permitted 24' w/in 20' of front lot line for lot fronting a Substandard Hillside Limited Street. App: Harry Touil H77LA, LLC / Rep: Chris Parker Chris@PCCLA.com

By a vote of 11 yes, 0 no; 0 abstentions; and 1 absence: Leslie, the BABCNC PLU Committee recommended that the BABCNC Board TAKE NO EXCEPTION to the project.

c. Motions on Other PLU Issues:

1. Motion for Haul Route Appeals in Doheny Sunset Plaza Neighborhood at 9016 Thrasher & 9196 W. Thrasher: By a vote of 11 yes, 0 no; 0 abstentions; and 1 absence: Leslie, the BABCNC PLU Committee recommended that the BABCNC Board SUPPORT the DSPNA's appeals of haul routes at 9016 Thrasher & 9196 W. Thrasher, based on the failure of the city to clear the streets for the haul routes and on the lack of enforcement. (There's a street-width issue on one.)

2. Request of Elected Officials to ask for Enforcement of Planning Cases where ZAD Requirements are Not Being Implemented – Stephanie Savage & Tony Tucci

Example: ZA-2014-1621-ZAD-ZAA 2104 Stanley Hills (one of many)

Case info - <http://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/CaseId/MTk2Nzc20>

Determination letter for ZA-2014-1621-ZAD-ZAA

By a vote of 8/0/0, the BABCNC PLUC APPROVED a motion asking the PLU Committee to write a letter to the Planning Department and CD4 & CD5 Councilmembers, David Ryu and Paul Koretz, respectively, asking for enforcement that the procedures of the Zoning Administrators are followed for road improvements prior to construction of Single Family Residences and to add a penalty for beginning the project prior to completion of the road improvement. (**Attachment D -- Full Draft Letter**)

Motion: To approve letter prepared by S. Savage to be sent to Councilmembers.

14. Outreach Committee (Update, Discussion & Possible Action) – Robin Greenberg, Chair

a. Update & Report by Chair on meeting held Weds. July 12, 2017 @ 10:00 am @ Chateau Marmont

b. Next Outreach Mtg.: Weds. September 12, 2017 @ 10:00 am. Discuss possible locations.

New Business / Motions & Resolutions: (Discussion & Possible Action)

15. WRAC: Westside Regional Alliance of Councils – Robin Greenberg & Nickie Miner

a. Update by WRAC Representative

b. WRAC asks that the BABCNC approve the following motions:

i. Sepulveda/Pico/Exposition station mixed-use project: The City (Planning Dept. and/or DBS) shall provide the site plan in order to provide stakeholders an opportunity to comment on the design. WRAC & BABCNC are concerned that area stakeholders have received no site plan for review, and no opportunity for community input has been provided as part of development of the site plan, even though construction sitework has begun. The City promised that stakeholders would have a chance to collaborate on design of the site plan, as part of its decision to allow the Planning Commission rush approval without a final site plan, prior to Mayor Villaraigosa leaving office.

ii. Temporary offsite advertising signs on construction sites: With regard to Council file CPC-2017-455-CA, WRAC & BABCNC believe no temporary offsite advertising signs should be allowed on construction fencing and that other regulations should be imposed including limiting paint color; openings provided every 50 linear ft. for police to peer in and deter crime; limiting signage to fences that face/front C zones; signs be allowed only on active construction sites (not on vacant sites that are being leased for car storage or construction staging for another site); maximum amount of signage limited to 6 sf of signage for every 50 ft.; and stringent graffiti cleanup. WRAC believes there is no public benefit to allow such signs all over the city when billboards are limited.

iii. Cell towers aka wireless facilities in public right-of-way and on city property: WRAC & BABCNC recommend opposing SB 649, which removes from cities the discretionary regulation of "small cell" cell phone towers in the public right-of-way and on city property. Exceptions for historic zones and Coastal Zone are included, but scenic highways and R zones are not included. Local control should be maintained. Cities have capability to properly analyze applications within existing laws and balance protection of neighborhoods with the need for increased wireless capacity. Status: Senate approved bill, which is similar to a bill from last year. Assembly will consider it next. Telecom companies need more pole space and facilities for 5G capacity. Sizes of cell panels are big (6 cu. ft.) and sizes of equipment panels are big (21 cu.ft.), and can be reduced. Telecom companies can spend more money to rent space on existing public poles (streetlights, etc.). Opponents to bill include 100 cities, League of California Cities, League of California Counties, American Planning Institute.

iv. Open Space Element update of General Plan: The Planning Dept. shall open all advisory group meetings, provide agendas and minutes, include public comment and release the membership and composition of the General Plan Elements updates' advisory working groups. [ReCodeLA Citizen's Zoning Advisory Committee should be the example used for the General Plan Elements updates. ReCodeLA's review work is a transparent process, and agendas and minutes are available. Meetings are open, and public comment is included when time permits.]

v. Permit Streamlining Act compliance with deadlines: The City shall take proactive, definitive measures to comply with State laws that establish time limits for entitlement approvals, including the Permit Streamlining Act, and shall advise Neighborhood and Community Councils of these time limits as they draw near. These measures shall include but not be limited to:

1. Creation of a new tracking/tagging system with deadline alerts.
2. Align the date of the CEQA determination (whenever possible, with the entitlement determination).
3. Asking applicants to voluntarily extend any determinative timelines at time of application submittal.

vi. Motion: Increased transparency into the relationship between LA DWP and the IBEW

Whereas the DWP Board of Water and Power Commissions approved the new labor agreement between the Department of Water and Power and IBEW Local 18 at a Special Meeting on Tuesday, June 20, 2017;

Whereas the Notice of this Special Meeting was not given until Monday, June 19, 2017;

Whereas the documentation concerning the new labor agreement was not placed on line until the day of the meeting;

Whereas the City Council approved the new labor agreement on June 28, 2017;

Whereas DWP, the City Council, and the Mayor did not conduct any outreach to the Neighborhood Councils or the Ratepayers;

Whereas the lack of transparency erodes the trust of confidence of Ratepayers and Angelenos in the Department, the City Council, and the Mayor;

Therefore, the BABCNC joins with the Neighborhood Council DWP Advocacy Committee in condemning the lack of transparency by DWP, the City Council, and the Mayor;

Therefore, the BABCNC calls for a full presentation and discussion on the new labor agreement to the Neighborhood Councils and Ratepayers.

vii. Motion: Changes to Proposed City Cannabis Regulations (Attachment E)

BABCNC recommends the following changes and additions to the City's proposed cannabis regulations:

- i. To conform with State law, create a stable and legitimate business environment, and avoid the kind of exploitable "grey areas" created by Prop. D, the City must implement an unambiguous licensing system for commercial cannabis activities and include those activities as enumerated uses in the City's municipal code.
- ii. Complaints about specific cannabis businesses collected by City staff, LAPD, Council offices, Neighborhood Councils, and the City's MyLA311 app should be included and considered in the licensing approval and renewal process.
- iii. Hearing dates and non-sensitive application information should be posted upon receipt on the Cannabis Dept.'s website, and notice sent to affected NCs.
- iv. The standard application process should include an assessment from the Planning Dept. on land use considerations, and should not be split into a separate land use approval and appeals process.
- v. Retail cannabis storefronts should be limited to operating hours of 7am to 9pm. Deliveries should extend no later than 11pm.
- vi. In the interest of eliminating black market sales, the City should conduct a market-sizing study by January 1, 2019 (and every five years thereafter) to assess how well the City is addressing demand and to inform regulatory adjustments.

16. LANCC: Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition - André Stojka

a. Update by BABCNC LANCC Representative

b. LANCC asks that the BABCNC approve the following motion (addressed by WRAC previously)

Motion: Whereas the city has for months been working on a plan behind closed doors for the overall vision and dreams for Los Angeles, the **General Plan**, which is to be presented to the public and Neighborhood Councils sometime this fall; And whereas Mayor Garcetti has said, residents must have "a sense of ownership over the development of our communities," and City Councilman Jose Huizar, chair of the powerful PLUM committee, pledged to bring "accountability and transparency back into our **General Plan and Community Plan** processes"; And whereas Los Angeles is several years behind other Western U.S. cities in involving its citizens in a **General Plan Update** process that starts from the ground up; And whereas public money and public interest are major factors in the earliest decision-making on our **General Plan Update** process, strategies, and dreams; And whereas it is widely agreed the public cannot fully participate in **General Plan Updating** meetings, hearings and debates that unfold during the day downtown; And whereas closed-door meetings on the fundamental debates and decisions about our dreams and goals for updating of the **General Plan** can only create more distrust and dismay over the city's broken planning system;

The Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition(LANCC) and the Bel Air Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council (BANCNC requests that now-underway, and upcoming, Planning Department Work Group meetings about our shared ideas and ideals for the **Los Angeles General Plan** and its many Elements be made fully transparent, be set at evening and weekend hours; be open to the public as of now; invite a representative from each neighborhood alliance; and in the case of the nearly completed Open Space Work Group, be expanded from the four meetings completed in closed-door sessions, to four extra meetings that follow the prescription in this paragraph.

The Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition(LANCC) and the Bel Air Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council further requests, in the same vein, that the Mayor's Planning Task Force and Transportation Infrastructure Steering Committee for the **General Plan** both be made fully transparent, be set at evening and weekend hours; be open to the public as of now; and expand their closed-door meetings to several additional meetings that follow the prescription in this paragraph.

(See Attachment F for complete LANCC- recommended letter)

Reports of BABCNC Representatives & Liaisons (Updates & Discussion)

17. Liaison Updates

- a. Animal Services Liaison– Gary Plotkin & Travis Longcore
- b. Department of Public Works & Film Liaison – Dan Love
- d. Homelessness Liaison – Leslie Weisberg (May 31st last Homelessness Liaison meeting)
- e. Purposeful Aging Liaison – Jacqueline Le Kennedy

18. Budget Advocate & Budget Representative Reports

- a. **Update by Jacqueline Le Kennedy, Budget Advocate & André Stojka Budget Representative**

19. DWP Update – André Stojka & Don Loze

- a. **Update & Discussion on meetings of Advocacy Committee & MOU Oversight Committee Report:** On July 1, 2017 the DWP Committee passed the following resolution: (**Attachment G**)
- b. DWP Stone Canyon Ad Hoc Committee Report – Robin Greenberg & Leslie Weisberg
[Ad-Hoc Committee Members: Don Loze, André Stojka & Leslie Weisberg]

Update on Stone Canyon -- Robin Greenberg
- c. DWP Meetings: 1st Sat 8:45 am LADWP Cafeteria Level, 111 N. Hope St. 90012 (+Parking)
MOU Oversight Committee meets even months; Advocacy Committee meets odd months.

20. Neighboring Neighborhood Councils & Alliance Meetings

CD5 Coalition – Nickie Miner

Hillside Federation: <http://www.hillsidefederation.org/> – Robin Greenberg
1st Weds. 7:00 pm @ Pinz Bowling Center 12655 Ventura Blvd.

WRAC: Westside Regional Alliance of Councils – Robin Greenberg (motions above)
3rd Weds. 8:30 am @ Lenny's Deli 2379 Westwood Blvd. www.westsidecouncils.com

LANCC: Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition: <http://www.lancc.org/>
1st Saturday 10:00 am @ LADWP Headquarters Bldg., Caf Level, 111 N. Hope – André Stojka

VANC: Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils: <http://empowerla.org/vanc-2/>
2nd Thursday 6:30 pm @ Sherman Oaks Hospital 4929 Van Nuys Bl., 1st Fl. Doctors' Conf. Rm.
Validated parking in structure next door. jbbarad@roadrunner.com – Irene Sandler

BONC: Board of Neighborhood Commissioners <http://empowerla.org/commission/> See website

Plan Check NCLA <http://plancheckncla.com> Nickie Miner & Cathy Wayne 2nd Sat 10:30–12:00 pm

NCSA: Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance: NCSA@empowerla.org Jacqueline Kennedy

21. **Good of the Order** – Members of the Board may report on any item of interest to the Council.

22. **Adjourn**

Next Meeting: **Wednesday September 27, 2017 7:00 pm @ AJU (4th Wednesday)**

Please Note: The August meeting is cancelled.

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