



Building A Better Community

General Board Meeting Agenda

Wednesday October 24, 2018 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 15)**
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Approval of October 24, 2018 Agenda** (per Bylaws, Article VIII, Section 2)
5. **Approval of September 26, 2018 Meeting Minutes (Attachment A)**
6. **Public Comment:** BABCNC welcomes comment on any topic not on adopted agenda, within the Board’s jurisdiction. Each speaker will be limited to 3 minutes, up to 15 minutes, unless waived by President.

Reports of Officers

7. **President’s Report – Robin Greenberg**
 - a. **Representatives of Elected Officials and Agencies (Updates & Discussion)**
 - i. **Jasmine Elbarbary**, DONE Representative
 - b. **Special Presentations**
 - i. **Ron Galperin**, City of Los Angeles Controller
 - ii. **Richard Bloom**, Assembly member of the 50th Assembly District
 - iii. **Tim Pershing**, Senior Field Representative for Assembly member Richard Bloom

8. Vice President's Report – Nickie Miner

9. Secretary's Report – Robert Ringler

10. Treasurer's Report (Update, Discussion & Action) Jacqueline Le Kennedy

a. Update/Report from Treasurer

b. **Motion:** To approve the September 2018 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) (**Attachment B**)

Reports of Committees (Updates, Discussion & Possible Action)

11. Bylaws, Rules & Elections Committee – Laurence Leisten, Chair [*Kennedy, Greenberg, Smith, Evans*]

a. Update/Report by Chair

12. Emergency Preparedness Committee – Chuck Maginnis, Chair [*M Smith, Sandler, D Palmer, Kennedy, Farber, Savage, Michael Schlenker, Ron Cornell, Hildreth Simmons, Danielle. Cohen & Seema Hassan*]
EP Committee met Thurs. September 13, 2018, reported by Robin Greenberg at the 09/26/18 meeting.

a. Update/Report by Chair, Chuck Maginnis

b. Update/Report by EP Communications Committee Chair, Michael Schlenker

c. Next EP Meeting: November 14th (2nd Wednesday) @ Bel Air Ridge Clubhouse @ 2760 Claray – Guest speaker will be Kevin Johnson, Captain I / PM EMS / Resilience Officer, Los Angeles Fire Department Operations West Bureau. All are welcome to attend.

13. Planning & Land Use Committee – Robert Schlesinger, Chair / Stephanie Savage, Vice Chair; [*Greenberg, Miner, Kemp, Hall, Loze, Spradlin, Levinson, Weisberg, Steve Twining & Yves Mieszala*]

a. Update/Report by Chair – At the October 9, 2018 PLUC meeting, the committee voted to recommend that the Board consider committee's positions on the following:

b. 865 STRADELLA RD 90077 ZA-2018-4948-F ENV-2018-4949-CE and
911 TIONE RD 90077 ZA-2018-4946-F ENV-2018-4949-CE

The case for 865 Stradella is for an over-in-height fence that also includes 911 Tione

Permanent Link: <http://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/CaseId/MjE2MzM20>

Motion: To approve pending Bel Air approval.

Moved by Robert; **Leslie** seconded; **7 yes; 0 no; 0 abstentions; [1 recusal: Maureen]; passed.**

c. 300 N DELFERN 90077 • DIR-2018-4157-SPR ENV-2018-4158-EAF

Project Description: Site Plan Review for the remodel and addition to an existing SFD resulting in RFA greater than 17,500sf. **Requested Entitlement:** Pursuant to 16.05, Site Plan Review for the remodel and addition to an existing SFD resulting in RFA greater than 17,500sf. Lot Area 93,892.4 sf. Major remodel and addition to an (e) SFD resulting in a 2 story SFD w/basement, pool/spa, det garage, guard shack and accessory structure. Haul route for 3,800 cy of export.

Owner: Justin Topilow Appl: Jondolin Residence, LLC, NY.

Jennifer Strickland; Agent/Rep: Tony Russo Crest

Permanent Link: <http://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/CaseId/MjIvNjIz0>

Motion: Move to support this provided they connect with Holmby Hills HOA, agree with a parking and staging solution, and provide clarification on trees to be replaced and what they're replacing them with **moved** by Jason; Leslie **seconded; 8/0/0 passed.**

d. **Update Only:** 457 N CUESTA WAY • ZA-2017-1992-ZAD ENV-2017-1993-EAF

Tabled at August 14, 2018 PLUC meeting & continued at the October 9, 2018 PLUC meeting until getting word from Bel Air Association & we will request that they have an EIR. Bob was to send letter to ZA that there are a lot of unresolved issues.

- e. **Update, Discussion & Possible Motion on Bel-Air Country Club Removal of 23 Protected Trees:** PLUC and Board previously approved a letter to the Board of Public Works and CM Paul Koretz, and a follow-up letter to same. Hearing was held on Wednesday 10/03/2018 – **Whitford**
Motion: To approve writing further follow-up letter to CM Koretz and the Board of Public Works signaling the NC's continuing interest in this matter, and to ask they give due attention to the community's request for additional meaningful environmental mitigations to compensate for the illegal removal of the protected trees; **moved** by Steve; **seconded** by Leslie; **8/0/0; passed.**
[The next BPW hearing will take place on January 9, 2019.]
- f. **Next PLU Committee Meeting: Tuesday November 13, 2018 @ 7:00 pm @ AJU, Room #223**
14. **Additional PLU Item, Not Heard at PLU Committee Meeting, filed by LADCP on 9/19/18 & Assigned/Staff on 9/24/18. We are bringing this to the NC to review and vote this evening, in order to meet MDRB Hearing on 11/07/18 – Robert Schlesinger**
- 2320 Bowmont Dr. DIR-2018-5476-DRB-SPP-MSP ENV-2018-5477-CE 11/07 MDRB Hearing**
Project Description: Major Project Permit Compliance with design review within the Mulholland Scenic Parkway Specific Plan for remodel & addition to an existing SFD, plus accessories.
Requested Entitlement: Pursuant to LAMC 11.5.7 and 16.50, a Major Project Permit Compliance with design review within the Mulholland Scenic Parkway Specific Plan for remodel & addition to an existing single-family dwelling, proposed new accessory buildings, grading, & landscaping.
 Applicant/Owner: John Goldwyn/Jeff Klein <<mailto:jyamashita@cbt-la.com>>
 Agent: Crest: Andrew Odom <<mailto:Andrew@crestrealestate.com>> 310/571-4000
 Filed:9/19/18 Assign/Staff: 9/24/18 Michele Levy email: <michelle.levy@lacity.org> 818/374-9907
 Case Information Number: <http://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/CaseId/MjI0MDI10>
15. **Outreach Committee – Greenberg, Chair** *[Miner, Tucci, Smith, Sandler, Stojka, M Post & R Cornell]*
 a. Update/Report by Chair – **Outreach & B&F committees met on Friday September 28, 2018 @ Office: 1645 Corinth #103-4, and approved the following:**
 b. **Motion:** To assess who can come to meetings with electronic devices such as phone, tablet or laptop for viewing agendas and attachments.
16. **Budget & Finance Committee – Kennedy, Chair** *[Hall, Greenberg, Farber & Wayne]*
 a. Update/Report by Chair **B&F & Outreach committees met on Friday September 28, 2018 @ Office: 1645 Corinth #103-4: As noted above, under Outreach Committee.**
17. **Traffic Committee – Irene Sandler, Chair** *[Stojka, Pierson, Copcutt, Templeton, Weisberg, Farber, Greenberg, Leisten]*
 a. **Update/Report by Chair – Traffic Committee Meeting: Monday October 22, 2018 @ Bel Air Crest Clubhouse @ 11701 Bel Air Crest Road**
18. **Ad-Hoc Committee on Environmental Issues (Update, Discussion & Possible Action)**
[Greenberg, Mann, Hall, Schlesinger, Savage, Wayne, Miner, Evans, Smith & Patricia Bell Hearst.]
The committee last met on 09/24/2018 @ Franklin Canyon, Rosenfeld Auditorium, with the following items referred to the Board for approval:
- a. **Motion:** In order to more successfully assess the impact of development in the hillsides currently and in the future, it is imperative that we have a **baseline biological assessment of the Santa Monica Mountains**, to begin at least with the area between the 405 and Laurel Canyon. **Moved** by Ellen & **seconded** by Nickie; **5/0/0 passed.**
- b. **Motion:** Prepare letter regarding need for clarification on when a project in the hills is going to get an **MND vs. a CE**. **Moved;** by Ellen; **seconded;** by Maureen; **5/0/0; passed.**

c. Motion: Regarding Changes/Amendments to the Protected Tree Ordinance (There are no protections for significant non-protected trees, such as within City of Beverly Hills.

The following can be done:

- 1) Pre-application consultation requirement. The first step: Pay a \$500 fee, fill out the pre-application consultation form which will have full cost recovery;
- 2) Budget to hire two environmental planners to be embedded within the Urban Forestry Division to help architects to modify project to avoid removal of trees.
- 3) 60-day notification for tree removal.
- 4) Put trees at the top of the permitting process.

Moved by Mindy; seconded by Maureen; 5/0/0 passed.

d. Motion: To have Neighborhood Council Tree Fest Town Hall with Rangers and Urban Forestry among others with knowledge about the importance of trees, date to be determined at the Rosenfeld Auditorium; Moved by Maureen; seconded by Ellen; 5/0/0; passed.

New Business / Motions & Resolutions

19. Update, Discussion & Possible Motion Regarding HCR hours, which affects all of us in the HCR-approved zones of the BABCNC and beyond – Ellen Evans

Motion: That the BABCNC send a letter to Paul Koretz, David Ryu, Mayor Garcetti, Frank Bush and Mike Feuer demanding that LADBS's new finding that construction hours are a vested right be re-examined and overturned.

20. Update, Discussion & Possible Motion for an updated CIS to submit to the Council File, #16-1468, RE City Planning Commission's Ordinance on Accessory Dwelling Units, #CPC-2016-4345-CA

[Following the 10/11 CPC meeting, Ordinance was continued pending additional hillside recommendations. The next (3rd) hearing is scheduled for November 29th.]

Motion: To support the exclusion of all ADUs in the planning department's proposed Option 3 which excludes ADUs in all areas within High Fire Severity Zones.

21. Liaisons for City Departments – (Discussion & Possible Motion) Ellen Evans

We have experienced large-scale infrastructure projects in our area that are highly burdensome and come as a complete surprise to neighbors. We have infrastructure projects we are expecting that never seem to happen. DWP communication during the heat wave power outage was inadequate. To better inform our constituents about provision of services and about infrastructure projects as well as to communicate issues to the appropriate City departments, we should strengthen relationships with those departments.

Motion: To appoint liaisons to DWP, Sanitation, Street Services, BOE, DOT, Public Works and other depts. Liaisons will establish relationships with specific individuals within those departments and maintain relationships with those individuals and their replacements. The plan would be to touch base on a regular schedule as well as when necessary.

22. Report on the 08/05/2018 Retreat To-Do List. (Attachment C)

- *Traffic Committee is looking at Mulholland, Beverly Glen & North of Sunset traffic issues*
- *David Ryu NC reforms issues have been communicated to CM Ryu, Koretz & BONC.*
- *Trees: Plan for town hall, and motions being proposed.*
- *Coalition building: Robin held a meeting with all CD5 NCs at Stephen Wise Temple, identifying commonalities; communications increase with CD4&5. Robin attended "Access" meeting – sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce – with all Council members and introduced herself to them.*
- *We are working on establishing "liaisons" to communicate with various departments.*

23. Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC) – Greenberg, Miner & Schlesinger

a. Update by BABCNC WRAC Rep: WRAC approved the following motions:

b. Discussion and possible action: Oppose SB 831 (WRAC LUPC)

Background: The bill would allow up to the 1,200 sf legal limit of the square footage of accessory dwelling units to be exempt from FAR calculations. However:

- i. No compelling reason has been stated for why this specific exemption is needed.
- ii. By exempting the FAR for ADUs, the floor area could increase 100% for buildings in low-density neighborhoods.
- iii. The City of Los Angeles has established 14 Floor Area Overlay Zones, and their FAR limits would be abolished.
- iv. Local municipalities should decide FAR standards like these.
- v. ADUs are not counted in State inventories of housing units or housing units projections.

c. Discussion and possible action: Regulate Personal Electric Scooters (WRAC LUPC)

The BABCNC requests that the city regulate personal electric scooter issues with regard to public safety and accessibility. Background: Issues include requirement for a city business permit, use of helmets, fines for blocking the public right-of-way. ~~The city has no regulations currently.~~

[Of note: On 10/16/2018, Mar Vista NC submitted a CIS with one-page motion to the council file: **(Attachment D)** and passed this motion out at the 10/17 WRAC meeting. However, ordinance has already passed and went into effect on 10/05/2018. WRAC may or may not consider this at their next meeting, as any action on this will now require a councilmember to reopen or start a new council file.]

For update on Dockless Scooters, see link for Council File #17-1125:

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=17-1125>]

d. Request for planning data prior to start of Community Plan update Proposed by WRAC

i. Motion: The BABC Neighborhood Council requests the Planning Department provide all information (below), prior to commencing any work on the Community Plan Update process. These data are prerequisite for meaningful asset-based grassroots planning input to any Community Plan, whether it is for the Westside's first cycle (Palms-Mar Vista-Del Rey, Westchester-Playa del Rey, West Los Angeles Venice) or the second cycle (Westwood, Bel Air-Beverly Crest, Brentwood-Pacific Palisades):

- What is the current aggregate population in the Community Plan area?
- What is the projected population in the build-out year?
 - a. How is it calculated? Who calculates it? Is the U.S. Census used?
- What is the population capacity in the current zoning, including R zones and C zones with density bonuses (Transit Oriented Communities, Expo Station Transit Neighborhood Plan) and Accessory Dwelling Units?
- What is the population capacity in the proposed zoning, including R zones and C zones with density bonuses (TOC, Expo Station TNP) and ADUs?
- Capacity of jobs or count of jobs currently.
- Change in jobs as a result of proposed zoning, either by increase in C or M zones or reduction in jobs if C or M zones are decreased.

ii. Motion: The BABC Neighborhood Council finds the Community Plans Update Outreach Plan timeline of 3 years to be ambitious (consider that the West Adams-Baldwin Hills-Leimert and Granada Hills Plans required 7 years, and the Expo Station Neighborhood Transit Plan required 4.5 years), potentially limiting adequate public input and feedback. Therefore, we request that the Planning Department be funded to extend the timeline if and as needed to accommodate achievement-anchored benchmarks.

- 24. Budget Representative Reports – Ellen Evans & Jacqueline Le Kennedy**
a. Update by Budget Representative(s) on current budget process & on Budget Day June 23rd LA City Hall
- 25. Update on the Congress of Neighborhoods – Anyone who attended**
- 26. Good of the Order – Members of the Board may report on any item of interest to the Council**
- 27. Adjournment**

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 28, 2018 7:00pm @ American Jewish University, #223