



Building A Better Community

General Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday January 23, 2019 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

American Jewish University

15600 Mulholland Drive, Bel Air, CA 90077

**Accessible from the west side of Casiano Road ; park at lower parking (Lot 1) below the security kiosk
(Room Change: 3rd Floor Main Floor: **“Small Berg Dining Hall”** smaller room off larger dining hall)**

Present: 21 (Quorum 15)

Attachment “A”

| <u>2018/2019 Stakeholder Groups / Representatives</u> | <u>Present</u> | <u>Not Present</u> |
|--|----------------|--------------------|
| Bel Air Crest Master Homeowner Association | | |
| <i>Irene Sandler, Traffic Committee Chair</i> | | X |
| Bel Air District | | |
| <i>Maureen Levinson</i> | X | |
| <i>Leslie Weisberg</i> | | X |
| Bel Air Glen District | | |
| <i>Larry Leisten, Bylaws, Rules & Elections Chair</i> | X | |
| Bel Air Hills Association (BAHA) [Formerly RVA] | | |
| <i>Robin Greenberg, President</i> | X | |
| <i>Michael Kemp</i> | X | |
| Bel Air Ridge HOA | | |
| <i>André Stojka</i> | X | |
| Benedict Canyon Association (Alternates: Matt Post & David Scott Kadin) | | |
| <i>Robert (Bob) Schlesinger, PLU Committee Chair</i> | X | |
| <i>Don Loze</i> | | X |
| <i>Nickie Miner, Vice President</i> | | X |
| <i>Mindy Rothstein Mann</i> | X | |

| 2018/2019 Stakeholder Groups / Representatives | Present | Not Present |
|---|----------------|--------------------|
| Casiano Estates Association | | |
| <i>Sam Sanandaji, DPM</i> | | X |
| Commercial or Office Enterprise Districts | | |
| <i>Jacqueline Le Kennedy, Treasurer</i> | X | |
| Custodians of Open Space | | |
| <i>Travis Longcore, Ph.D.</i> | X | |
| Faith-Based Organizations | | |
| <i>Maureen Smith</i> | X | |
| Franklin-Coldwater District | | |
| <i>Jeremy Summer (Notified of absence)</i> | | X |
| K-6 Private Schools | | |
| <i>John Amato</i> | | X |
| 7-12 Private Schools | | |
| <i>Jon Wimbish</i> | X | |
| Public Educational Institutions (K-12) | | |
| <i>Kathy Copcutt (Notified of absence)</i> | | X |
| Holmby Hills Association | | |
| <i>Jason Spradlin (Notified of absence)</i> | | X |
| Laurel Canyon Association (Alternate: Tony Tucci) | | |
| <i>Jamie Hall</i> | | X |
| <i>Stephanie Savage</i> | X | |
| <i>Cathy Wayne</i> | X | |
| <i>Tony Tucci Resigned / Heather Roy taking his place</i> | X | |
| Members-at-Large | | |
| <i>Dan Love</i> | X | |
| <i>Chuck Maginnis, Emergency Preparedness Chair</i> | X | |

| <u>2018/2019 Stakeholder Groups / Representatives</u> | <u>Present</u> | <u>Not Present</u> |
|---|----------------|--------------------|
| <i>Pamela Pierson, M.D.</i> | X | |
| Member-at-Large / Youth Seat | | |
| <i>Robinson (Rob) Farber</i> | X | |
| North of Sunset District | | |
| <i>Luis Pardo</i> | X | |
| <i>Ellen Evans</i> | X | |
| Residents of Beverly Glen | | |
| <i>Robert A. Ringler, Secretary</i> | X | |
| <i>Dan Palmer</i> | | X |
| Total: | 21 | 11 |

- 1. Call to Order:** President Robin Greenberg called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.
- 2. Roll Call:** Secy. Ringler called roll w/19 board members present, Jacqueline arrived 8:11 w/21 present.
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 4. Approval of January 23, 2019 Agenda** (per Bylaws, Article VIII, Section 2)
Travis proposed we move the PLU items up and Robert S. asked to move the SB-50 motion up.
Moved by Cathy; **seconded** by André; **19 yes; 0 no; 0 abstentions; approved as amended.**
- 5. Approval of December 19 2018 Meeting Minutes (Attachment A)**
Moved by Robert R., **seconded** by Larry. Ellen Evans related that she read the charter about neighborhood councils and thought liaisons fulfilled part of the mission of neighborhood councils. Larry related that he had sent an email to Cathy with corrections to the December minutes, which she forwarded to Rob and he made the corrections on his minutes. He noted that some of the corrections included that where directed to contact the clerk's office, it wasn't Chris Garcia but City Clerk Holly Wolcott. He also rephrased some of the language in Rob's minutes. Larry continued that he responded to a letter he drafted on behalf of Robin and himself, regarding timing and ability to change the boundaries. A meeting with Councilmember Paul Koretz was not to address boundary issue; one was boundary map; by the time he arrived, Councilmember agreed to a motion as to the boundary. Larry related that Jeff Ebenstein has been appointed to shepherd (as Neutral Third Party) the elections. **Amendments moved** by Cathy & **seconded** by Rob; **19 yes; 0 no; 2 abstentions;** Maureen Levinson & Jon Wimbish. **Minutes were approved as amended.**
- 6. Public Comment:**
Stephanie Savage: Stephanie related, as to a land use issue voted on in January on 8201 Bellgave, a new house on cul-de-sac, that we were concerned that the neighbors were not showing up at our meeting. We were given receipts from the Post Office to assure that they were notified of the project. Stephanie noted that some of the abutting property owners are here to speak. They did not see the postings required at the site nor were they given the hearing notice. They didn't get a letter of determination which was sent out twice. She has asked the applicants to give us a copy of these letters. Stephanie would like the board to draft a letter that there is a problem in the system.

Vic Armstrong spoke on 8201 Bellgave, that he had purchased 8211 Bellgave and was not notified of the plans for a mega-mansion at 8201 Bellgave. He was approached at his house by Jason Somers and has since heard negative things about him and his business practices; was told that he and the neighbors would not be disturbed by construction. He described a project that would destroy his privacy and the views of the neighbors. He was told the neighbors have been lied to and complained that there has been no notification of the building plan, which has been going on for two years. He describes this as a “house built on lies.”

Andy Armstrong. Public comment card indicates opposition to this project.

Laurie Hirsch Kouyoumdjian: She agreed with Mr. Armstrong, and complained about Jason Somers and devious introductions by other people about this property. She questions how permits were granted. - Per Stephanie, the item was approved pending notification of the neighbors; she would like a letter. Parliamentarian, Travis Longcore, stated that this is to be agendized for next month’s PLUC meeting.

Reports of Officers

7. President’s Report – Robin Greenberg

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

- i. Janet Turner, Field Representative for 33rd District Congressman Ted Lieu – Absent
- ii. Field Deputy Jarrett Thompson, taking the place of Gurmet, for CD5 Councilmember Paul Koretz, introduced himself. He mentioned the Benedict Canyon Association (BCA) meeting; he is getting the lay of the land, meeting people at DOT & other departments. He welcomes us to reach out to him with any questions by phone or email. Debbie Dyner-Harris, District Director expressed being happy to have Jarrett on board.
- iii. Madelynn Taras, Field Deputy for CD4 Councilmember David Ryu: 1) The homeless count is going on now, working with LAHSA; 2) Dockless Scooters: DOT has been working on a pilot program for the last year; DOT will soon host a series of open houses where community members can speak with DOT & operators and share comments. 3) download Shake-Alert LA app: <https://www.lacity.org/blog/download-shakealertla-earthquake-early-warning-app-now> 4) DWP crews have installed all the pipe on phase 1 of the Yucca Trail Project; plan to close by April 2019. There will be street closures.
- iv. CD5 LAPD Senior Lead Officer, Chris Ragsdale – **Not present**
- v. CD4 LAPD Senior Lead Officer, Anabelle Eubank – **Not present**
- vi. Jasmine Elbarbary, Project Coordinator, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment: 1) The Commission approved the correction of our boundaries to the way we want them, and that is part of the record forever. 2) The City Clerk has updated the funding policy and guidelines; there is now a noncumulative rollover of funds remaining at the end of the fiscal year up to \$10,000. 3) She is working with Larry on the Selection process.

[Attention was turned to the PLU Committee at this time.]

b. Special Presentations

- i. **Bureau of Street Services Mr. Adel H. Hagekhalil, Executive Director, Department of Public Works / (Vanessa Guillen, Executive Administrative Assistant) Rescheduled**

8. Vice President’s Report – Nickie Miner

9. Secretary’s Report – Robert Ringle

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

a. Update/Report from Treasurer

b. **Motion:** To approve the December 2019 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) (**Attachment B**) **Moved** by Robert; **seconded** by Pamela; **18 yes; 0 no; 2 abstentions:** Larry; Dan L; **approved.**

Reports of Committees (Updates, Discussion & Possible Action)

11. 2019 Elections Ad-Hoc Committee/Outreach Committee & Budget & Finance Committee – Leisten & Greenberg

IMPORTANT DATES:

BABCNC Election: June 2 @ Harvard-Westlake School.

Candidate Filing Begins: February 17

Candidate Filing Closes: March 19

A joint committee meeting was held Thursday 01/17 @ 12:00 at Board's office. Larry related that we went over the Selection process. He believes we may be the only NC that holds both Elections and Selections. The City Clerk will only administer the Elections, not the Selections. He is communicating with Jasmine from DONE. We will have a stipulation worksheet for this selection process (similar to that from the last selection). We are responsible for the selection process and will not receive assistance from DONE. We need to fill out the worksheet tonight; will need a Neutral Third Party; Jeff Ebenstein has agreed to do this; however, he still needs to be apprised of the responsibilities. Larry was told that NTP has to help solicit candidates and help promotion and advertising, which he does not agree with. Larry noted that **the following motions, a., b. & c, recommended to the BABCNC Board are addressed in the Stipulation Worksheet, which will be approved following review with the board.**

a) **Selection Town Hall Date**

Motion: To have the Selection Town Hall meeting at the May 22nd meeting preceding the June 2nd election date, 7-8pm. **Moved** by Larry; **seconded** by Rob; 5/0/0; approved. **See worksheet for this.**

b) **Selection Candidate Filing Window**

Motion: That the candidate filing window for seats up for selection be the same as filing window for seats up for clerk-administered election. **Moved** by Larry; **seconded** by Ellen; 5/0/0 approved.

Application process opens 02/17 and closes 03/19.

c) **Discussion & Possible Motion** whether city will accept filing of worksheet to allow selection candidate filing window as recommended by committee. Not discussed and no action was taken.

d) **Elections & Selections Meet & Greet Date**

Recommend we schedule this meet and greet for a date after all candidates have been certified by the City for both selection and election at least a month after closure of candidate filing.

Motion: Meet and Greet be held on April 24th 7-8 pm, at the time of the regularly scheduled meeting, as **moved** by Robin; Rob **seconded**; 5/0/0; passed

Moved by Cathy; **seconded** by André; **20 yes; 0 no; 0 abstentions; approved.**

e) **Selection Procedures Stipulation Worksheet:** Larry reviewed and discussed the questionnaire, prior to Board review and approval. (**Attachment C**)

Candidate verification: Live, work or own property; ongoing substantial interest.

One issue that the committee wrestled with: Whether a candidate for a selected seat has to be present at the town hall meeting at which the selection takes place.

Minimum voting age: 18. Larry related that what we did in the past was to have a town hall selection process. Ultimate vote for the candidates are within the purview of the board.

Seats for selection: 1) Private schools: K-6 John Thomas Dye for which we have John Amato & 2) secondary, Harvard Westlake Middle School & Marymount High School for which we have Jon

Wimbish; 3) Faith-based Institution seat. Per our bylaws, Stephan Wise, Leo Baeck and Chabad of Bel

Air; however, there are surely other congregations that we need to reach out to. 4) The Custodians of Open Space seat, for which we are fortunate to have Travis Longcore. Originally, that seat was appointed by SMMC. The board holds the votes for these selected seats. Larry noted that there remains the question of whether we want to require being present at the town hall for the election in June and selection in May. The Neutral Third Party (NTP) will certify the selection candidates. Once approved, we will have the meet and greet in April so the candidates can introduce themselves and campaign, but the issue before us now is yea or nay that they be present at the town hall.

Motion: That the requirement not be that they be present. **Moved** by Larry; Ellen **seconded**.

Discussion was held in which Luis noted that for four seats, we tell John if he wants to continue, to come, and to change motion to that the candidate be present. Ellen noted a situation with an extremely qualified candidate who may not be able to come. **New Motion:** To check the yes box which requires a candidate to be present at the town hall selection process. **Moved** by Larry; **seconded** by Robert R. **10 yes; 9 no; 0 abstentions; approved.** They have to be here. Luis moved to reconsider; no second.

[At 8:06 pm Heather Roy left the room briefly; she returned at 8:11, at which time Jacqueline arrived.]

f) **Election Funding for Social Media**

Motion: To request several hundred dollars not to exceed \$500 for social media advertising only. We want to advertise on Twitter and Facebook. **Moved** by Ellen, **seconded** by Larry, 5 yes: Robin, Nickie, Ellen, Larry & Rob; 0 no; 0 abstentions; passed.

Moved by Robin; **seconded** by Larry **21 yes; 0 no; 0 abstentions; approved.**

g) **Election Funding Regarding Mailers & Brochures:**

c. **Motion:** To recommend Board approval of the estimates for flyers & postcards (give or take an additional amount that may be needed.) (**Attachments D & E**)

Postcards: \$1,092.88 & Mailers/Brochures: \$1,361.29; **moved** by Ellen & **seconded** by Larry; 5/0/0; approved. **Moved** by Robin; **seconded** by Larry **21 yes; 0 no; 0 abstentions; approved.**

h) **Election Funding for Bus Bench:**

Motion: To use the one bus bench on Sepulveda if available at the following rate:

Martin Outdoor Media Cost Per Print for one bench: \$125.00 (Attachment F)

AAA Banner: Art design for bus bench: \$150.00 (Attachment G)

Moved by Robin; **seconded** by Rob; approve budget for the bus bench, with the condition that the artwork shows BABCNC. 5/0/0; approved.

Moved by Robin; **seconded** by Larry **21 yes; 0 no; 0 abstentions; approved.**

i) **Town-Hall to meet Senator Ben Allen** for at least 100 people, hosted solely by BABCNC at the Skirball Mon. April 15th the week between Easter and Passover. (**Date subsequently changed to 03-14**)
Possible budget for refreshments.

Motion: Funding request for refreshments not to exceed \$500. **Moved** by Larry and **seconded** by Ellen 4/0/0; (Nickie left) **approved.** Robin noted that the Senator will help with the outreach to his districts.

Moved by Robin; **seconded** by Larry; **21 yes; 0 no; 0 abstentions; approved.**

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

a. **Update/Report by Chair:** Joint committee meeting was held on Thursday January 17, 2019

- **Officer Elections** – With the 2018 revisions, we revised the timing of officer elections to coincide with the election results, to give opportunity for newly selected representatives to run for office. Officer elections are to be held at first Board Meeting following certification of the newly elected and selected board members. This will take place in June.

- **Update on latest approved Bylaws (Attachment H)**

13. Outreach Committee – Greenberg, Chair *[Miner, Tucci, Smith, Sandler, Stojka, M Post & R Cornell]*

- a. Update/Report by Chair: Joint committee meeting was held on Thursday January 17, 2019
- b. Discussion & Possible Motion to approve application for EmpowerLA Awards (**Attachment I**)
Robin noted that she prepared applications including mention of our Skirball Fire Town Hall, the EP Committee and PLU Committee.

Moved by Robert Ringler; **seconded** by Cathy Wayne; **21 yes; 0 no; 0 abstentions; approved.**
(EmpowerLA Awards 2019 Dinner takes place on March 28, 2019 from 6-9pm.)

14. Budget & Finance Committee – Jacqueline Le Kennedy, Chair *[Hall, Greenberg, Farber & Wayne]*

- a. Update/Report by Chair: Joint committee meeting was held on Thursday January 17, 2019.
Jacqueline noted that DONE is not giving us money for election marketing unless go through them. Otherwise, funds come out of our own budget. Larry noted that DONE increased our budget for the purpose of elections. Jacqueline asked us what bucket to reallocate funds for if we need more than the \$4,400.00 for our elections. Discussion was held on this. Larry recommended that the Treasurer make a recommendation and Travis would leave it to Jacqueline's discretion as to categories; thinks this would probably come from outreach. No action was taken at this time.

15. Emergency Preparedness Committee – Chuck Maginnis, Chair *[Smith, Sandler, Palmer, Kennedy, Farber, Savage, Michael Schlenker, Ron Cornell, Hildreth Simmons, Danielle. Cohen & Seema Hassan]*

- a. **Update/Report by Chair: EP meeting was held on January 16th**
- b. **Next EP Meeting: March 20th 7:00pm @ Bel Air Ridge Clubhouse @ 2760 Claray**
Chuck noted that we had a great meeting. Bel Air Association is gaming up for EP. Maureen related that they divided Bel Air into 84 sectors and have 54 team captains in alignment with RYLAN/mapping neighborhoods adapted to the hillsides. The people are enthusiastic. They distributed some FRS ham radios. Guest speaker was Captain Kevin Johnson, responsible for WLA Resiliency, a program pioneered by the Rockefeller Foundation mainly related to EP, e.g., wildfires, earthquakes, etc. We discussed evacuation routes. Bill Grundfest presented micro and macro viewpoints related to fire. Michael Schlenker was not present but provided map overlays of the different levels of infrastructure, including faults, natural gas, among other things. Michael would like each representative of communities here to provide the information for these maps. Robert volunteered to send these maps and Travis volunteered to send some maps, e.g., FEMA flood hazard zones, earthquake hazards. Patricia Hearst noted that in April and May Mandeville Canyon will do evacuations. She will get the info to Cathy. Park at Paul Revere and watch.

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

- a. Update/Report by Chair
- b. **The following projects were heard at the January 8, 2018 PLU Committee meeting:**
- c. **62 Beverly Park •ZA-2018-4615-ZAA ENV-2017-554-MND-REC1**

BBSC Haul Route App'd 11/28/18✓

Project Description: Proposed over-in-height fence of 8-feet to 10.27 feet in height in required front yard and wall of approximately 8.75 feet in the required southerly side yard.

Requested Entitlement: Pursuant to LAMC Section 12.28, Request for a ZAD for relief from LAMC Section 12.21C.1(G) to allow the construction, use and maintenance of an over-in-height wall varying in height from between approximately 8-feet to 10.27 feet which extends into portions of the required 25-foot front yard including pillars and a metal gate and approximately 9.5 feet and 9.9 feet at portions, in lieu of the 3ft-6in requirement; and a wall of approximately 8.75 feet in the required southerly side yard in lieu of the 6ft requirement.

Applicant/Owner: OKSANA SMOLIK [Company:]

Representative: CHRIS J PARKER PACIFIC CREST CONSULTANTS]

Permanent Link: <http://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/CaseId/MjIzMTEw0>

ENV-2017-554-CE DIR-2017-1927-DRB-SPP-MSP VN 3:00p DRB Hearing date 3/21/18 Held due to pending ENV documents. 1/30/18 BBSC HELD IN ABEYANCE

Proposed (N) 2-story SFD, over basement, and attached garage, with 2 retaining walls, new front yard fence wall. Request a project permit compliance review and pursuant to LAMC section 16.50 to request a design review board review in the Mulholland Scenic Parkway area for the construction of a 2-story single family dwelling. Haul Rt Export: 5,545 cy. EAF Accessmnt.

PLUC Motion: To approve the fence as presented, subject to confirmation by the HOA moved by Mike; seconded by Jason; 7 yes; 1 no; Stephanie; 1 abstention; Don Loze; passed
- Bob related that Chris Parker sent a notice and a copy of the letter that the Beverly Park Architectural Review Board approved; we asked them to honor the overlay though they are not in the overlay, as to heavy duty vehicles. He said that he'll get back to Bob in a couple of days. The HOA has approved it. Moved by Robert; seconded by Larry; 20 yes; 1 no; Stephanie; 0 abstentions; approved.

d. 875 Moraga Dr. • ZA-2018-4300-ZAD ENV-2018-4301-CE NPH 1/10/19 WLA 10a
BAA 90049 Hold for BAA ARB?

Project Description: Continued use and maintenance of an existing 250-sf pool house which observes reduced sy of 4 ft and a proposed 195-sf addition thereto which will observe reduced 8-ft sy.

Requested Entitlement: ZA's determination pursuant to section 12.24 x 28 of the LAMC to allow the continued use and maintenance of existing 250-sf pool house observing a reduced side yard setback of four (4) feet and to allow the construction, use and maintenance of a proposed 195-sf addition to said pool house, with said addition to observe a reduced side yard of eight (8) feet, both in lieu of the required side yard of 10 feet pursuant to section 12.21 c 10 (a) of said code, all in conjunction with an existing 2,961-sqaure-foot, one-story one-family dwelling, in the re20-1-H-HCR Zone. *Lot 42 & portion of lot 41, block 3, tract 11028 Total lot area 20,316 sf. Use recreational w/existing non-permitted pool house 250 sf. Legalize (E) 250 sf pool house w/a non conforming back and a proposed 195 sf addition w/a reduced 8' set back, required set back 10'. No neighbor sigs.*

App/Owner: Sheldon & Cathy Berger

Arch/CEQA Cons: David Keith & Assoc/Struct Eng

Rep: Ursula Buerli S-Concepts ENV Debbie Lawrence,

Permanent Link: <http://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/CaseId/MjIyNzc20>

PLUC Motion: To approve the project subject to BAA moved by Stephanie; seconded by Mike; 9 yes; 0 no; 0 abstentions; passed

- Bob spoke to Sheldon and Cathy Berger. It is a small addition to a pool house; the original pool house was never permitted. We approved it. Mike would like to continue it here and approve the project as noted (pending approval of BAA); moved by Michael; seconded by Robert R.; 19 yes; 0 no; Larry, Maureen & Chuck; 0 abstentions; passed.

e. UPDATE ONLY: 8368 Hollywood Blvd. ZA-2017-3832-ZAD / ENV-2017-3833-CE
(131 W Marmont Ln) Stella Grey will research

Project Description: New, 7,117.5 sq. ft. SFD w/ ZAD to waive the requirement to improve the paper street portion of Marmont Lane & allow vehicular access.

Requested Entitlement: Pursuant to LAMC Sec. 12.24 X.28, the applicant requests a ZAD to waive the requirement to improve the paper street portion of the adjacent hillside street (Marmont Lane), and allow vehicular access from the lot to the boundary of the Hillside Area on streets not continuously improved to a Minimum Roadway Width of 20 ft., as required by LAMC Sec. 12.21.C.10(I)(3). To demolish an existing 2,124 sq. ft. SFD and construct a new, 7,117.5 sq. ft. (in Residential Floor Area or "RFA". Appl: Aldolfo Suaya Rep: Sue Steinberg at Howard Robbins & Assoc

<http://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/CaseId/MjE2MTI10>

PLUC Motion: To hold this in abeyance subject to approval from the DSPNA PLUM Committee then come back here; subject to a staging and parking plan, and to have issues that Stephanie is concerned about addressed with regarding retaining wall height, house height and grading as well as fire hydrants. Moved by Stella; seconded by Jason; 9 yes; 0 no; 0 abstentions; passed – No Action Taken

f. Next PLU Committee Meeting: Tuesday February 12th @ 7:00 pm @ AJU, Rm #223

17. Traffic Committee – Irene Sandler, Chair [*Stojka, Pierson, Copcutt, Templeton, Weisberg, Farber, Greenberg, Leisten*]

a. Update/Report by Chair: Meeting was held on Monday January 7, 2018 @ Bel Air Crest Clubhouse Robin noted that Irene sent her an email which she forwarded to the board regarding public comment period on SCAG. The email states that the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) is circulating a Notice of Preparation (NOP) to notify interested parties that SCAG, as the lead agency, plans to prepare a Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for Connect SoCal - 2020–2045 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy. The NOP begins a 30-day public comment period from January 23, 2019 to February 22, 2019 to seek input from interested parties on the scope and content of the Connect SoCal PEIR.

Pamela related that for the major thrust of the meeting we had a representative from BIRD Scooter, with a good presentation.

b. Next Meeting: TBD

18. Ad-Hoc Committee on Environmental Issues (Update, Discussion & Possible Action)

[*Greenberg, Mann, Hall, Schlesinger, Savage, Wayne, Miner, Evans, Smith & Patricia Bell Hearst.*]

a. Update/Report by Chair: Robin related as to the Ben Allen TownHall, that we can do an environmental display for anyone on this committee to prepare.

19. Updates from BABCNC Representatives on Your Associations, Districts & Other Seats

20. Budget Representative Report – Ellen Evans & Jacqueline Le Kennedy

21. Reports of BABCNC Liaisons (Updates & Discussion)

- a. Animal Services Liaison – Travis Longcore None
- b. Department of Public Works & Film Liaison – Dan Love Stepped out
- d. Homelessness Liaison – Leslie Weisberg – Absent
- e. Purposeful Aging Liaison – Jacqueline Le Kennedy – **No report**

New Business / Motions & Resolutions

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

Motion: Review and clarify appointments for board member liaisons with City Departments, as per November & December meetings, and next step going forward:

- Leslie Weisberg to be liaison for the DWP
- Ellen Evans & Mindy Mann for the Bureau of Street Services
- Cathy Wayne, Irene Sandler & Ellen Evans for LA Department of Transportation, RE: Traffic/Parking
- Stephanie Savage for Bureau of Engineering

- Ellen said she will write something up about the processes.

**23. Hollywood Community Plan Update (Discussion, Motion & CIS) Evans & Hall (Attachment J)
Public comment period ends January 31st.**

Motion: To approve letter prepared by Evans & Hall for submission as a CIS to the City Council File

Moved by Ellen; **seconded** by Robert S.; with modifications by Mindy Mann; **16 yes; 0 no; 5 abstentions:** Mike, Travis, Maureen Levinson. Pamela and Dan Love. **Passed** (Sent To: Linda Lou, cc: Frank Bush, Emma Howard, David Ryu, Nicholas Greif, Robin, Nickie, Ellen and Jamie.)

24. Westside Regional Alliance of Councils

a. Update, Discussion & Possible Motion – WRAC Reps Robert Schlesinger / Nickie Miner

WRAC sent this motion, SB-50 (Wiener) to their councils to bring back next month for a vote:

PROPOSED WRAC LUPC MOTION OPPOSING SB 50 DRAFT 4 [WIENER]

(Approved unanimously at their land use committee meeting on 01-06-2019)

Whereas California neighborhoods depend upon high quality, citizen driven, local community planning for justice and equity and balanced development, and

Whereas State Senate Bill 50 [Scott Wiener] weaponizes state government code to eviscerate local planning statewide and thereby increases financialization of land use; intensifies inequality; encourages predatory speculative activity; and masks massive wealth transfer by shifting property ownership opportunities away from small owners to corporate investors, and

Whereas the City Charter-mandated Neighborhood Council system of Los Angeles, and the Community Councils of the City of Los Angeles, represent grass roots democracy, and

Whereas California State Senate Bill 50 [Scott Wiener] establishes “one size fits all” development criteria-- based on changeable municipal structures such as bus stops and employment locations--to be determined, without democratic due process or public scrutiny, by the Department of Housing and Community Development and the Office of Planning and Research, and

Whereas the lack of analysis of infrastructure and other costs associated with this pen stroke planning creates grave uncertainty that any local agency would be able to “levy enough service charges, fees or assessments sufficient to pay for the program or level of service mandated by this act within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code”, and given the aforementioned lack of fiscal analysis, Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution “No reimbursement” clause is wrongfully applied to this legislation,

Whereas reform is needed for the present state legislative system which allows sweeping, ideological blunt instrument legislation such as SB 50 to be introduced without extensive vetting in local public hearings prior to consideration in the State Legislature, and

Whereas this wholesale removal of all land use authority to the State clearly abolishes all meaningful local input into land use planning and therefore constitutes an attack upon local democracy, upon neighborhoods, and upon the Neighborhood Councils and Community Councils in the City of Los Angeles,

Therefore, Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council opposes SB 50 and urges our City Councilmembers to introduce a resolution in Council forthwith, opposing SB50. See more info attached to this meeting date on the website” <http://westsidecouncils.com/meeting/wrac-meeting20190116/>

- Robin noted that Scott Weiner from No. Cal. had SB 827 & 828 and has brought this back in SB 50.

Moved by Robert; **seconded** by André; Discussion was held, noting that in addition to the proposal for transit rich housing, which involves allowing building apartment buildings in single family residential districts, it involves removing local jurisdiction of local planning to a state level. **20 yes; 0 no; 1 abstention**; Michael Kemp; **approved**. Patricia recommends we send a letter to Ben Allen RE: SB 50.

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

During the course of the meeting, Robin related that Barbara Yaroslavsky passed; her favorite charity was the Saban Community Clinic. Luis noted that he is on the board of the Saban Clinic and acknowledged her great contributions. Robin passed a card for Zev around and Patricia said she would give Zev's address to Cathy.

Robin encourages us to attend this meeting once a month and those who have been absent need to come at least once a quarter. If you are not attending at least that, we have a right to write you a letter, to ask you not to continue same. We will write letters on this. Larry: Given that the elections and selections are coming up, those who occupy seats that have not been regularly attending, this gives the opposing candidates fodder to take over these seats.

New representative of the Mayor, Ami Fields Meyer (replacing Daniel Tamm), who contacted us and wants to get to know us. Robin & Nickie met him this week. His office is where our office is at the Westside Municipal Building. He wants to have more to do with us and will try to help us in any way possible.

Heather Roy introduced Ann Alexander from LCA.

Robin acknowledged Monica Weil, whom we all served with here on the BABCNC board member and long-time resident of the Wonderland Park Neighborhood died peacefully January 4, 2019. We remember her with fondness. Chuck noted that Monica used to attend EP meetings and offered prayers for Monica. Robin added that our thoughts with those here with family members who are ill.

26. Adjournment

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 27, 2018 7:00pm @ AJU #223