

# **General Board Meeting Minutes**

# Wednesday December 18, 2019 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

**American Jewish University** 

# 15600 Mulholland Drive, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Room 223 Bel Air 90077

**Present: 19** (Quorum 15)

2019/2020 Stakeholder Groups / Representatives	Present	Not Present
Bel Air Crest Master Homeowner Association		•
Irene Sandler	X	
Bel Air District	•	
Mark Goodman, M.D.		X
Gail Sroloff	X	
Bel Air Glen District		
Larry Leisten		X
Bel Air Hills Association (BAHA)		
Robin Greenberg, President	X	
Wendy Morris	X	
Bel Air Ridge HOA		
André Stojka	X	
Benedict Canyon Association (BCA)		
Robert (Bob) Schlesinger	X	
Donald Loze	X	
Nickie Miner, Vice President		X
Mindy Rothstein Mann	X	

2019/2020 Stakeholder Groups / Representatives	Present	Not Present
Casiano Estates Association		
Robert Garfield, DDS		X
Commercial or Office Enterprise Districts (Alternate Re	ob Farber as of 08/	(04/19)
Rob Farber, Alternate for Jacqueline Le Kennedy	X	
<b>Custodians of Open Space</b>		·
Travis Longcore, Ph.D.	X	
Faith-Based Organizations		
Jackie DeFede		X
Franklin-Coldwater District		
Maureen Smith		X
K-6 Private Schools		<u>'</u>
Teresa Lee		X
7-12 Private Schools		
Jon Wimbish	X	
Public Educational Institutions (K-12)	1	
Kristie Holmes	X	
Holmby Hills Association	1	1
Jason Spradlin		X
Laurel Canyon Association (LCA) (Anne Alexander, Kri.	s Le Fan, Alternate	s as of 06/19/2019)
Jamie Hall		X
Stephanie Savage, PLUC Vice Chair	X	
Cathy Wayne	X	
Heather Roy	X	
Members-at-Large	•	•
Chuck Maginnis		X
Marcia Hobbs	X	

2019/2020 Stakeholder Groups / Representatives	<u>Present</u>	Not Present
Shawn Bayliss	X	
Member-at-Large / Youth Seat		
Philip Enderwood		X
North of Sunset District (Patricia Murphy & Stella Grey,	Alternates as of 06/1	9/2019)
Patricia Murphy, Alternate for Ellen Evans	X	
Yves Mieszala		X
Residents of Beverly Glen (RoBG)		
Robert A. Ringler	X	
Dan Palmer		X
Total:	19	13

- 1. Call to Order Robin Greenberg called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.
- 2. Roll Call (quorum 15) Robert Ringler called the roll with 17 present initially and 19 present by 7:16pm.
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. <u>Motion</u>: Approval of December 18, 2019 AGENDA (per Bylaws, Article VIII, Section 2) <u>Moved</u> by Cathy; <u>Seconded</u> by André; <u>17/0/0</u>; <u>approved</u>.
- Motion: Approval of November 20, 2019 Meeting MINUTES (Attachment A)
   Moved by Cathy; Seconded by Marcia. 1) Cathy Wayne: Philip is no longer Treasurer or on the Executive Committee. He is no longer Budget & Finance Chair. 2) Dr. Mark Goodman sent corrected wording on his report on Bel Air Association's EP Committee efforts; 18/0/0 approved as corrected.
- 6. **Public Comment**: Gila Ghodsian came to follow up on a prior land use discussion with Bob Schlesinger.
- 7. President's Report Robin Greenberg
- 8. Representatives of Elected Officials & Agencies:
  - Janet Turner, Field Supervisor for Congressman Ted W. Lieu, CA 33:
  - Janet thanked us for sending Jackie to Ted Lieu's WLA VA Neighbors Community Roundtable. She added some very intelligent questions and their DC office is working with the VA in getting answers.
  - The National Defense Authorization Act was passed by House & Senate; expects it will be signed. The Congressman put in an amendment to allow the Armory to be turned into a full-year housing shelter; LA County will build it. It's owned by Federal land.
  - House passed anti-Robo-call bill by vote of 417-3, bipartisan, to implement a nation-wide caller authentication system to allow consumers to block spam calls at no extra charge.
  - Representative Lieu introduced a bill to study possibility of expanding the Santa Monica Recreation area to go from Venice to Torrance.
  - The Congressman co-sponsored three bills to help educate and protect children from vaping.
  - He co-sponsored two bills to help with the overall homelessness problem, from vets to chronic homeless.
  - H.R.4305 <u>Puppies Assisting Wounded Service members for Veterans Therapy Act</u>: Pilot program on dog-training for therapy for vets, especially those vets with PTSD. Most of the time you have to travel far. This expands the program.
  - Congressman Ted Lieu is doing well, recovering nicely.

## - Senior Lead Officer, Chris Ragsdale, West Los Angeles Police Station

- Chris related news that there has been a huge vandalism spree across the City and other jurisdictions including but not limited to Pico-Robertson, Beverlywood, Brentwood and Westwood, Calabasas (and last night, schools on Mulholland). Last week, in the Pico-Robertson area, they had a series of vehicles marked with the numbers 999 and 666, up and down different streets. Similarly, West Hollywood had about 10 incidents and over the weekend, Westwood Hills and Holmby Hills, and areas around here were struck. A parking lot off the freeway as well as some walls were tagged. Calabasas had 45 cars vandalized with similar markings all cars parked on the street for the most part. In Calabasas, 15 were brand new cars on a new car lot. They have surveillance video and some good leads. Some neighborhoods had block LPRs (License Plate Recognition) which captured license plates. He noted that LAPD Major Crimes is taking the investigation for our lion's share of the crimes, and they'll be working with Sheriffs handling West Hollywood and Calabasas. The Valley was also hit. From video, in the majority of cases, the individuals are not exiting cars; just driving up the street, reaching out, spray-painting, and in Calabasas, tires were punctured without exiting the car.
- Shawn asked, and Chris noted that there's a silver sedan with one individual but it's not known if it's multiple individuals. Shawn and Marcia noted incidents on Stone Canyon, and that there were two individuals parked.
- Chris noted that we're going to end the year with a greater than 10% reduction in all Part 1 crimes, serious crimes. Essentially we are down in every category except for thefts. The lions share are from Westwood Village and Westwood areas. Thefts are the only crime they're seeing an increase in this year. If you are in Westwood, especially, be aware and keep your belongings safe and secure from personal thefts, e.g., laptops, iPads, cell phones, etc., at coffee shops and restaurants.
- He acknowledged a concern on Moraga and Sepulveda: A car was impounded a week ago related to that issue and this afternoon a second car was impounded. Both cars are now off the street. That individual connected to those cars used to live in that area. He has befriended some local businesses over the years, and may still be anchored in the area. They'll continue to monitor this. If his conduct escalates, threatening to himself or injury to others, it's a 911 call. Chris said to continue to call them as necessary. The individual has a history of acting out or being aggressive or confrontational; though he has never crossed the line; he walks right up to it but will never cross it; but if his behavior demonstrates that he is a danger to others or himself, a threat, just dial 911 and they will put out an assessment. Shawn expressed appreciation of Chris for "bird-dogging that situation for the last few weeks," and noted that he has gotten a ton of complaints from a couple of scared businesses, including a woman, and noted that the fellow tossed a lot of trash from the 2<sup>nd</sup> car onto the street.
- Robin read from an email that several schools, institutions and synagogues on Mulholland Drive were vandalized. Some graffiti may have contained anti-Semitic sentiments. Chris believes this may be connected to these other vandalisms that he spoke of; one of the schools on Mulholland had similar markings. Chris noted that the word "pay" shows up a lot on cars and maybe on the schools.
- Marcia asked about number of officers & cars to address Westwood. Chris noted that there has been no improvements in the number of cars; numbers depend on formulas. He noted that typically there are seven basic cars that encompass West LA, as well as their mid-watches, several cars on each watch. WLA has been working hard to change this, we have disproportionately fewer officers deployed than other divisions.
- Captain Victor Davalos has been promoted to Commander; it is his last month. He's going to Central Bureau.
- Captain Jonathan Tom will be new Commanding Officer at WLA Police Station.
- Patrol Captain, Randall Goddard, will remain at this time.
- Irene asked if they reach out to private security companies to which Chris noted that they look at security companies on patrol, as a lot of them, especially in Bel Air, have dedicated patrol forces, "force multipliers." They will share valuable information with them as well as the neighboring jurisdictions, e.g., UCLA Police, State Parks, MRCA, Federal, etc. They work with those agencies, many of whom come to their weekly crime meetings and participate in that process, where those agencies also share information with the WLA LAPD.
- Chris further noted that Councilmembers Koretz & Bonin have been trying to address this lack of police on the Westside. An outside consultant canvased the area with officers and was told his area alone needs to be broken down to three separate basic cars. He noted that the officers burn out quickly; they cover a wide area and may spend up to an hour getting from one place to the next. Marcia asked further regarding numbers of officers, to which Robert Ringler noted that until someone looks at the issue of "formula" that Chris

mentioned and "puts a hole in it," 64-1/2 square miles for the amount of officers we have is not adequate; a lot of people for a long period of time have been working this issue... the pressure has not let up. Chris confirmed that this has been one of the missions of our two most recent captains. Robert concluded that it is a Catch 22: The criteria they use is the amount of crime; usually serious crime, where they put bodies to mitigate and control, and we don't have that kind of serious crime as in other parts. He noted also that to travel as much as they have to do in the traffic we have is not in the formula and needs to be put into the formula (for how many officers).

- Robin and the board wished Chris happy holidays and thanked him for protecting us.
- Chris related that issues come up; to feel free to reach out to him; email and phone numbers are on the table.
- Semee Park, BABCNC's Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate from DONE: Semee wished the board happy holidays. Robin and the Board thanked her for all she has done for us.
- 9. Vice President's Report Nickie Miner No report (Absent)
- 10. Secretary's Report Robert Ringler No report
- 11. Treasurer's Report Jacqueline Le Kennedy (Absent; having a final) (Update, Discussion & Action) a. Update/Report from Treasurer
  - b. <u>Motion</u> To approve November 2019 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) (Attachment B)
    <u>Moved</u> by Robert; <u>Seconded</u> by Rob Farber; <u>15 yes</u>; <u>0 no</u>; <u>4 abstentions</u>: Irene, Mindy, Jon & Patricia; <u>passed</u>

## **Reports of Committees** (Updates, Discussion & Possible Action)

- 12. Executive Committee Greenberg, Chair + N. Miner, Vice President, R. Ringler, Secretary, J. Kennedy, Treasurer, Jamie Hall, Board Member; Committee Chairs: L. Leisten, R. Schlesinger & S. Savage, C. Maginnis, E. Evans, I. Sandler & M. Hobbs
  - **a.** Update by Chair On December 6, 2019, the Executive Committee met @ the Bel Air Assn. office with Robin, Nickie, Bob, Chuck, Ellen & Marcia present. No quorum.
  - Robin thanked the Bel Air Association for allowing us to use their room for our meeting. Robin reported on the following items discussed at the committee:
  - 1) CD4 & CD5 need to know locations of missing signs (e.g., No Parking, Red Flag Day, No Smoking). Individuals, communities, HOAs to communicate to CD4 & CD5, who will help replace.
  - Irene asked that we write a letter requesting LAFD help with this.
  - Board discussed maps of red flag streets, including one made by Philip, and one Shawn has from 2012. Shawn noted that it doesn't matter where you put them on the street when there is "no parking anytime" on red flag streets; others say you need to have a street address to replace the signs. Maps will be sent to Cathy who will distribute to board for comparison.
  - 2) Ellen will prepare a survey RE: phone/internet service in stakeholder areas.
  - 3) Executive Committee discussed need to address lack of quorums (not discussed this evening.)
  - 4) HOAs to assign Alternates during annual meetings:
  - Robin asked HOA reps who do not have one to get an alternate to stand in for them when absent.
  - Robin passed around holiday cards for signature, the last sent to councilmembers; these for staff.
  - 5) Draft Ordinance on Proposed "Vacation Rentals" Ordinance, Case No. CPC-2019-7045-CA
  - Robin noted that this goes before City Planning Commission Thursday, December 19, 2019 8:30 am and invited board members to go downtown to speak on vacation rentals (use of non-primary residences as short-term rentals.) (An email was sent to BABCNC@empowerla.org 11/22.)
  - Robin asked Travis for his opinion. He related that these are private hotels that aren't regulated like hotels. They undercut the hotel industry which has regulations to meet in terms of cleanliness, sanitation, privacy and public safety. They undermine safety of our neighborhoods and undermine the zoning of people who live in residential neighborhoods who decided to live there and not in commercial neighborhoods, to have a parade of people who are strangers come in and out of their streets on a daily basis. Long-term rentals are legal; these are not. This is changing the rules after the fact for a disruptive technology that never asked permission to do what was illegal at the start.

- 13. Emergency Preparedness Committee Chuck Maginnis, Chair + D. Palmer, I. Sandler, R. Schlesinger, R. Greenberg, M. Smith, G. Sroloff, J. Kennedy, R. Farber, M. Levinson, M. Schlenker, R. Cornell, H. Simmons, D. Cohen & S. Hassan.
  - a. Update/Report by Chair: Meeting was held Nov. 13, 2019, 7:00pm @ Bel Air Ridge: Robin related that Chuck is not here tonight & thanked André for allowing us to use the room.
  - b. Next EP Meeting: January 15, 2020 @ 7:00pm @ Bel Air Ridge Clubhouse @ 2760 Claray
- 14. **Planning & Land Use Schlesinger, Chair,** Savage, Vice Chair + Greenberg, Miner, Loze, Hall, Spradlin, Mieszala, Wayne, Morris, Bayliss, Levinson, Weisberg & Grey
  - **a.** Update/Report by Chair The PLU Committee met Tuesday December 10, 2019 @ AJU The following projects were heard and recommendations made:

## **b. 830 N SARBONNE ROAD 90077** PS-1445

PROPOSED PRIVATE STREET TO SERVE THREE PROPERTIES WITH EXISTING ACCESS (ONE HAS ACCESS FROM THE PUBLIC STREET) WITH A SPECIAL REQUEST TO GATE ACCESS TO SUCH PRIVATE STREET PURSUANT TO LAMC SECTION 18.

Representative: Amy Studarus & Chris Parker Pacific Crest Consultants

**PLU Committee Motion**: To conditionally approve the request subject to the following conditions: That applicants meet with BAA to review the project, to have "no parking" signs at the turnaround or something that delineates "no parking" at the turnaround, as well as verification that there are no violations of CC&Rs Moved by Shawn; seconded by Maureen; 12/0/0; approved.

- Robert asked Shawn if they reached him yet, to which Shawn noted that they have not.
- Stephanie noted we cannot vote as they have not called Shawn. Bob will call. **NO ACTION**
- c. 2693 N CARMAR DR 90046 DIR-2019-6621-DRB-SPP-MSP, ENV-2019-6622-CE REMODEL AND ADDITION TO AN EXISTING SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING AND CARPORT EXTENSION PURSUANT TO LAMC SECTIONS 11.5.7 AND 16.50, PROJECT PERMIT COMPLIANCE WITH DESIGN REVIEW FOR THE REMODEL OF AN EXISTING 2,931 SQUARE-FOOT SINGLE STORY SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING, A 373 SQUARE FOOT ADDITION, AND THE EXTENSION OF AN EXISTING CARPORT INCREASING THE CARPORT SQUARE FOOTAGE TO 544 SQUARE FEET TO COVER TWO EXISTING PARKING SPACES. Applicant: BRANDON CREED [BRANDON DAVID CREED LIVING TRUST] Representative: Robert Thibodeau [Du Architects]

<u>PLU Committee Motion</u>: To approve the project <u>Moved</u> by Stephanie, <u>seconded</u> by Maureen; 12/0/0; approved.

- Robert related that 2693 North Carmar Drive had 100% approval from our Committee. They brought 11x17s for everything; we passed them and sent them a letter regarding that. Stephanie noted that the Board can vote on Carmar.

<u>Board Motion</u>: To approve the project <u>Moved</u> by Stephanie. She noted that they were prepared, had all information on required parking and small addition. She noted that they are doing a nice job; a sensitive remodel. <u>Seconded</u>. <u>18 yes; 0 no; 0 abstentions;</u> (Wendy stepped away.) <u>Passed</u>.

- d. Next PLU Committee Meeting: Tuesday January 14, 2020 @ 7:00pm @ AJU "Boardroom."
- 15. **Bylaws, Standing Rules & Elections Committee Leisten, Chair** + C. Wayne, R. Schlesinger, J. Hall, M. Smith, E. Evans, R. Farber, R. Greenberg, S. Bayliss
  - a. Update/Report by Chair Larry is absent. Robin noted that we want you to start preparing standing rules from each committee. Please be prepared to hand Larry your thoughts on standing rules for your committee.
- 16. Outreach Committee Ellen Evans, Chair + R. Greenberg, N. Miner, M. Smith & A. Stojka
  - a. Update/Report by Chair Ellen is absent.

- 17. **Budget & Finance Committee Jacqueline Kennedy, Chair** + *Greenberg, Roy, Wayne, Holmes, Farber* a. Update/Report by Chair Jacqueline is absent.
- 18. **Traffic Committee Irene Sandler, Chair** + R. Greenberg, L. Leisten, M. Smith, A. Stojka, W. Morris, G. Sroloff, P. Enderwood, M. Levinson, L. Weisberg, P. Templeton, P. Murphy, J. Paige & P. Pierson a. Update/Report by Chair Irene had no report.
- 19. Public Works and Telecommunications Committee Marcia Wilson Hobbs, Chair + N. Miner, M. Mann, P. Enderwood, R. Farber [considers issues re: water, gas, electric and sewage lines, telecommunication infrastructure and public rights of way and easements.]
  - **a.** Update/Report by Chair Marcia had no report.
- 20. Ad-Hoc Committee on Environmental Issues Mindy Rothstein Mann, Chair + J. Hall, S. Savage, M. Smith, E. Evans, W. Morris, M. Levinson & A. Stojka
  - **a.** Update/Report by Chair Mindy related that she wasn't here last month but they met in October. She is hoping that we meet in the early January.
  - b. Per Mindy, André is on this committee and Maureen L. may not have time for this.
- 21. Ad Hoc Committee on Home Sharing & Party House Ordinance Enforcement Evans & Savage Co-Chairs + Samantha Cannon (Coldwater Canyon), Marlena Doktorczyk-Donahue (Residents of Beverly Glen), and Stella Grey, Darby Manning & James "Jim" Murray (North of Sunset)
  - a. Update/Report by Chair Per Stephanie, this committee has not met again.

## Old & New Business (Updates, Discussion & Possible Action with possible CIS and/or letters)

#### Appointments of Liaisons, Alliance & Other Representatives Following June Board Elections

#### 22. Appointments of DONE–Established Liaisons:

- a. Animal Services Travis Longcore
- b. Resiliency Jacqueline Le Kennedy
- c. Homelessness Patricia Murphy volunteered and was appointed this evening.
- d. Purposeful Aging –Patricia Murphy volunteered and was appointed this evening.
- e. DWP Stephen Twining volunteered via email and was appointed this evening.
- f. Public Works & Film Liaison: Nickie Miner was appointed on 08/04/2019.
- g. Budget Representative: Ellen Evans was appointed on 08/04/2019.
- h. Neighborhood Sustainability Alliance Liaison: Jacqueline Le Kennedy
- i. Legal (Vacant: None to date)
- j. Grievance Panel (Vacant: None to date)
- k. Emergency Preparedness (<u>Vacant</u>: None to date)
  [Irene asked and Cathy will ask DONE for a list of names of people with whom our liaisons will liaise.]
- 23. **Additional Liaison**: Plan Check Alliance (Vacant: *Previously Cathy Wayne & Nickie Miner*)

## 24. Appointments of BABCNC-Established City Department Liaisons - Ellen Evans - Absent & Deferred

- a. Bureau of Street Services (Currently Ellen Evans & Mindy Mann)
- b. LADOT, RE: Traffic/Parking (Currently Cathy Wayne, Irene Sandler & Ellen Evans)
- c. Code Enforcement & Bureau of Engineering (Currently Stephanie Savage)
- d. DWP Rep. Liaisons (Currently Mindy Rothstein Mann)
- 25. <u>Discussion & Possible Motion</u>: To provide a NC email address account for those past board members who continue on in a capacity such as a committee member or alternate, and if not a past board member, for existing alternates or committee members whose involvement in the NC affairs merit an email address, to be determined by the board on a case by case basis. <u>Moved</u> by Larry; <u>seconded</u> by Marcia; <u>5/0/0</u>; <u>passed</u>.
  - Cost for Google Apps is 6.00/month/per person.  $6.00 \times 12 = 72.00 / year$ .
  - We have 35 users @ 6.00/month x 12 = 2.520.

- Example, five additional users would add \$360.00/year bringing annual cost to \$2,880.00.
- Discussion was held, including but not limited to:

This is not a good use of funds. Chairpersons are already responsible for sending notices to committee members, board members or not. Board members should be responsible for forwarding information to their alternates. Committee members and alternates who are not full board members can obtain dedicated addresses on their own. Committee chairs should determine if necessary for any individual to have a board-supported email. Travis clarified reasons for separate emails.

<u>Motion</u>: To add \$360/year to the budget to cover five additional people for Google. Robin called for a hand vote and the item <u>did not pass.</u>

- Travis recommended that Committee Chairs ask non-board member committee members to use a designated separate email address for Board business. [Committee chairs will recommend same to those non-board members.]
- 26. <u>Discussion & Possible Motion</u>: <u>Approve Office Inventory report</u> (Attachment C) <u>Moved</u> by Robert R.; <u>Seconded</u> by Robert S. <u>19/0/0</u>; <u>passed</u>
- **27.** <u>Discussion & Motion</u>: To approve purchase of a <u>retractable vertical BABCNC banner</u> estimated @ \$464.81; includes \$150 for rewind retractable graphic single-faced portrait layout; \$137.50 for hardware adjustable height x 36", Silver, and \$150 for art set up. Subtotal: \$437.50 plus tax \$27.31, total of \$464.81. (**Attachment D**) Outreach Chair, Ellen Evans, volunteered to work on design.

  Moved by Robert S. Seconded by Robert R. 19/0/0; passed
- 28. <u>Discussion & Motion</u>: To approve reordering 500 pens with <u>BABCNC logo</u> @ \$200.51 (\$170 for 500 pens, plus shipping \$13.08 & taxes \$17.43). [Last ordered in March 2018 @ 199.96.] (Attachment E) <u>Moved</u> by Robert R.; <u>Seconded</u> by Cathy W; <u>19/0/0</u>; <u>passed</u>
- 29. <u>Discussion & Possible Motion:</u> For BABCNC to co-sponsor a CD-4 Primary Candidate Debate sometime in mid-February. George, from Hollywood Hills United NC (HUNC), is gathering as many NCs as possible in the CD4 area to participate. Co-sponsors now include Hollywood Hills United NC (HUNC), Hollywood Hills West NC (HHWNC), Central Hollywood NC (CHNC), Greater Toluca Lake NC (GTLNC) Los Feliz NC, Greater Wilshire (GWNC). Exact date, time and location & cost to be determined. Agendize for January meeting.

   Robin related that she was contacted by Anastasia Mann, who is the Hollywood Hills West Chairwoman. Robin asked the board if interested in co-sponsoring this event in February, cost and location TBD. Hand vote taken which showed there is board interest. Robin will follow up on this.
- 30. Westside Regional Alliance of Councils Land Use & Planning Committee (LUPC) Representative Motion: To appoint at least one rep to WRAC-LUPC; meets 1st Sundays, 9-10:30 am @ 1645 Corinth.
  Robin noted that Past President of the BABCNC, Steve Twining, requested to be appointed to this position, as he continues to attend these meetings regularly.
- 31. **Reports & Updates from BABCNC Liaisons** None #31 & 32 deferred due to time restraints
- 32. Report & Update from Budget Rep, Ellen Evans & Budget Advocate Jacqueline Le Kennedy
- 33. **Good of the Order:** Robert Schlesinger noted that BCA has an annual meeting on 01/27/2020, at the Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church on the corner of Rodeo and Santa Monica Boulevard; welcome to attend. He will send out an invite through Cathy.

Irene mentioned that we have not heard from Metro about their plans that they said they were discussing. Cathy Palmer mentioned that she spoke to someone at Metro who said that they just obtained a feasibility study that will be looked at in the spring, and that they're looking for private partnerships; they are not ready to narrow down the options yet; it will be a long process.

André mentioned the proposal for a new toll road on the freeway that he and Robert believe will affect us. Wendy noted that we already paid for the road by our taxes. Irene asked if we shall bring a motion in January, to which Robin noted we have to listen to information about it, and to listen to both sides, and that we will see if someone would present this issue to us in January. Irene heard that this is from the 10 to the 101.

Mindy Mann brought up the <u>Wildlife Pilot Study Workshop</u> that she, Travis and Ellen attended. For those not able to attend, they have the presentation online and ask that you fill out the survey for feedback. Please see the presentation online. Go to the LA City Planning website, under Wildlife Pilot Study: <a href="https://planning.lacity.org/plans-policies/initiatives-policies/sustainability">https://planning.lacity.org/plans-policies/initiatives-policies/sustainability</a>
They are still taking feedback until the end of this year, and maybe longer.

Robin related that Assemblymember Richard Bloom was going to come tonight but had to do a symposium regarding the vandalism in Beverly Hills. She saw Ben Allen at an installation for the Board of Realtors. She related that a few of us attended the Hillside Federation Holiday party; they gave BABCNC & LCA awards for having very positive participation in Hillside Federation. She and Jamie accepted their respective awards. She noted that the Hillside Federation shares a lot of the same issues that we do about being in the hillsides.

Brief discussion was held on the use of our office space. Semee noted that to hold meetings there, we'd have to "make a finding." The Brown Act prohibits legislative bodies from meeting outside of its boundaries. We would have to make a finding, take a vote, and give justifications as to why we need to meet outside our boundaries. "Office" is a separate issue, where we can conduct business. Semee noted that possibly one on one meetings, so we don't have to call a public meeting or maybe an ad-hoc committee meeting. Robin and the Board gave Semee thanks for all she has done for us all year, and for her continued support.

Wendy Morris related that Ted Lieu's office has asked her to gather a representative sample of across-the-spectrum of his areas, south of Mulholland, to go in and educate his office staff on the jet noise problem from the Valley airports. She was going to contact a few of us. This will be in the first week of January. They want half a dozen people from Laurel Canyon all the way over, including the Palisades. If you know someone out there who is suffering from jet noise from Burbank and Van Nuys Airports, let her know. Wendy related how the planes come over the Santa Monica Mountains. Burbank flights turns west, Van Nuys east, and Mulholland is a freeway for the sky. Jets out of Burbank go to the ocean in North Santa Monica. She watched on real time online <a href="https://www.flightradar24.com">https://www.flightradar24.com</a> a jet coming into LAX that had to swerve into the mountains above Brentwood to avoid a jet coming from Burbank. She has recorded four near-misses. Neighbors on Roscomare are extremely affected by this. One housekeeper said that it is almost as noisy on Roscomare near Chalon as it is in Inglewood next to LAX.

Per Travis, to track these complaints, for \$5.00/month, go to <a href="www.airnoise.io">www.airnoise.io</a> which generates complaints. When you hear the noise, go into your account, hit "it's a commercial airline" and it finds the closest one. You can put it on your cell phone, and that will generate a complaint. She noted that the City filed suit against Burbank but not Van Nuys. Van Nuys does not have a voluntary night curfew. The FAA has outlawed mandatory night curfews, but you can have a voluntary night curfew like Burbank. Van Nuys is revisiting it. Wendy is awakened at least five times a night. She needs a couple of people from Laurel, Benedict, Beverly Glen, and farther west that know the problem and history who are bothered by it and want the opportunity to educate Ted Lieu's staff. Tell your friends to contact her.

34. **Adjournment:** Robin thanked Cathy Palmer for her service and everyone for all they've done all year, with wishes for a better next year. Meeting adjourned at 8:55pm.

<u>Next Board Meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday: January 22, 2020 @ 7:00 pm @ AJU #223</u> Special Guest Speaker for January meeting: <u>Bureau of Street Services' Adel Hagekhalil</u>

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