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Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council Monthly Board Meeting (Virtual)

Wednesday October 28, 2020 7:00 PM

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1. **Call to Order & Roll Call** (Quorum 15) – Robin Greenberg
2. **Motion:** Approval of September 23, 2020 Meeting Minutes (**Attachment A**)
3. **Public Comments:** BABCNC welcomes comment on any topic not on adopted agenda, within the Board's jurisdiction. Each speaker will be limited to one minute unless waived by President.
4. **Special Presentation on Measure HH from Mountains Recreation & Conservation Authority:** Guest Speakers Deputy Executive Officer & Ranger, Walt Young, Chief of Operations & Ranger, James Latham and/or Chief of Natural Resources and Planning, Paul Edelman (**15 minutes**)
5. **Representatives of Elected Officials & City Agencies:** Please place your reports in the Chat
6. **Reports of Officers**
 - a) President – Robin Greenberg
 - b) Vice President of Operations – Ellen Evans
 - c) Vice President of Legislative Affairs – Jamie Hall
 - d) Secretary – Robert Ringler
 - e) Treasurer – Jacqueline Le Kennedy (**Update, Discussion & Possible Action**)
 - i. **Motion:** Approval of September 2020 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) (**Attachment B**)
 - f) Assistant Treasurer – Nickie Miner

Reports of Standing Committees (Discussion, Possible Action, Letter &/or CIS Submission)

7. **Executive Committee** -- Robin Greenberg, Chair
 - a) **Update/Report by Chair:** The Executive Committee had its regular monthly meeting on Zoom on Wednesday October 8th and a Special meeting on Zoom on October 22, 2020 regarding PLU item under #9.b.

8. **Bylaws, Rules & Elections Committee** – Larry Leisten, Chair
- a) **Update/Report by Chair:** *Discussed at the Executive Committee Meeting on October 8th:*
 - b) **NC Election Worksheet Due November 13th (Attachment C)**
Discussion & Possible Motion: That the BABCNC Board choose a primary and alternate location for mail-in-ballot drop box and times.
 - c) **Important NC Election Information: (Attachment D)**
 - Candidate Filing Period Begins: Saturday February 6, 2021
 - Region 11 – BABCNC Election Date: Tuesday June 8, 2021
9. **Planning & Land Use Committee** –Robert (Bob) Schlesinger, Chair & Stephanie Savage, Vice Chair
- a) **Update/Report by Chair(s):**
 - b) **On Monday October 26, 2020, the PLU Committee held a Special Meeting on Zoom regarding an appeal of 10701 Bellagio Road & 627 Carcassonne Road; DIR-2020-4145-BSA; DBS-200035-DCP & DBS-200037.**
 - i. **Discussion, Update & Possible Motion:** BABCNC Executive Committee voted on 10-22-2020 to withdraw a letter of appeal dated 10-07-2020 sent by BABCNC PLU Chair to the ZA for a hearing appeal held on 10-08-2020, and referred this to the PLU Committee. The PLU Committee voted unanimously on 10-26-2020 to withdraw the letter, as **moved** by Leslie and **seconded** by Jason. (**Attachment N**)
 - ii. **Update:** Motion to consider taking a position on the appeal regarding 10701 Bellagio Road & 627 Carcassonne Road; DIR-2020-4145-BSA; DBS-200035-DCP & DBS-200037: **Continued until further information provided.**
 - c) **On Tuesday October 13, 2020, the PLU Committee met on Zoom, and the following actions were recommended to the BABCNC board:**

- i. **Discussion & Possible Motions for Community Impact Statement on Council File #20-1101 Hillside Construction Regulation (HCR) Supplemental Use District (SUD) / Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones (VHFSZ) / Council District 4 Hillside / Citywide / Ordinance Amendment**
<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=cfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=20-1101>
Full Motion: https://clkrep.lacity.org/online/docs/2020/20-1101_mot_09-01-2020.pdf (**Attachment E**)

Consideration of a Motion introduced by Councilmember Ryu which concludes: I THEREFORE MOVE that the Planning Department prepare and present an amendment to the Hillside Construction Regulation Supplemental Use District that will standardize the definition and comprehensively map all recommended locations for the HCR SUD Citywide. I FURTHER MOVE that the Planning Department, prepare and present an amendment to the Hillside Construction Regulation Supplemental Use District to include the HCR overlay in all Council District 4 hillside which feature high concentrations of active construction, substandard streets, restricted ingress and egress, below average emergency response times, lack of pedestrian infrastructure and location in Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones; specifically including, but not limited to the communities of Bowmont Hazen, and Coldwater Canyon. I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council instruct the Planning Department to add the HCR SUD to all hillside and VHFSZ parcels to the map of proposed zoning changes as part of Hollywood Community Plan Update.
Motion: To write a CIS of support; **Moved** by Nickie; **seconded** by Jamie; **13/0/0; passed**

- ii. **Discussion & Possible Motion for Community Impact Statement on Council File # 20-1098 Baseline Hillside Ordinance (BHO)/Baseline Mansionization Ordinance (BMO) / Updates**
<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=cfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=20-1098>
Full Motion: https://clkrep.lacity.org/online/docs/2020/20-1098_mot_09-01-2020.pdf (**Attachment F**)

Consideration of a Motion introduced by Councilmember Ryu to update the Baseline Mansionization and Baseline Hillside Ordinances – “Banning Housing Loss Through Mansionization and Capping the Size of Single Family Homes”

The motion concludes: I THEREFORE MOVE that the Department of City Planning close the loophole allowing McMansions in multifamily zones and prepare an update to the BHO and BMO to apply the same restrictions applicable to homes in single family zones to all new and substantially remodeled single family residences in all multi-family zones, and ban construction of a new single family home where two or more units of housing were demolished at the site in the last 5 years. I FURTHER MOVE that the Department of City Planning update the

BHO and BMO to establish a maximum size for all new single family residences built in the City of Los Angeles. The Department shall report back with an analysis of current median sizes of single family housing types Citywide, and how the recommended maximum amount will further equity and environmental sustainability.

Motion: To write a CIS of support; **Moved** by Jamie; **seconded** by Bob; **13/0/0; passed**

- iii. **Discussion & Possible Motions for Community Impact Statement on Council File # 20-1175: Property Owners and Financial Institutions / Order to Abate Vacant Structure / Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) / Sections 91.8904 et seq / Written Notice**
<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=20-1175>
Full motion: https://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2020/20-1175_mot_09-15-2020.pdf (Attachment G)

Consideration of a Motion introduced by Councilmember Koretz asking for Enforcement of Ordinance. Motion concludes:

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Attorney, with the assistance of the Department of Building and Safety (LADBS), be REQUESTED to notify property owners AND financial institutions that carry a mortgage on the property via written correspondence when LADBS issues an Order to Abate Vacant Structure for violations of LAMC 91.8904 et seq, AND warn they could be subject to fines, criminal prosecution, and recovery of city abatements costs through a lien against the property, if corrective action is not taken prior to the compliance date on a LADBS Order. I FURTHER MOVE that the City Attorney and the Department of Building and Safety, be REQUESTED to report with recommendations and the necessary resources to begin issuing ACE citations for violations of LAMC 91.8904 et seq, that are not corrected prior to the Compliance Date on a LADBS Order.

Motion: To write a CIS of support; **Moved** by Jamie; **seconded** by Cathy; **13/0/0; passed.**

10. **Outreach Committee** – Ellen Evans, Chair
 - a) **Update/Report by Chair: The committee met on Zoom on Monday October 12, 2020.**
11. **Public Works and Telecommunications Committee** – Patricia Murphy, Chair
 - a) **Update/Report by Chair: The committee met on Zoom on Friday October 15, 2020.**
12. **Emergency Preparedness Committee** – Chuck Maginnis, Chair
13. **Traffic Committee** Irene Sandler, Chair
14. **Budget & Finance Committee** – Nickie Miner, Chair

Reports by Chairs of Ad Hoc Committees

15. **Ad Hoc Committee on Home Sharing & Party House Ordinance Enforcement** – Savage & Evans, Co-Chairs
On Thursday October 15th the Committee met on Zoom; the following was recommended to the BABCNC board:
Discussion and Possible Motion: To approve the party house handbook with suggested revisions for presentation to the board. **Moved** by Robin; **seconded** by Nic; **9/0/0; passed.** (Attachment H)
16. **Ad-Hoc Committee on Environmental Issues** – Mindy Rothstein Mann, Chair
17. **Ad-Hoc Committee regarding Continuing Teleconference Meetings after Safer-At-Home Order** – Jamie Hall, Chair
New Business: (Discussion & Possible Action, Letter &/or CIS Submission)
18. **Presentation, Discussion and Possible Motion on Proposed BONC Digital Media Policy.** The proposed policy is attached along with a proposed response. (Attachments I & J) – Ellen Evans, BABCNC VP of Operations
19. **Toyon & Mexican Elderberry to the Protected Tree Ordinance** – Open Spaces Representative, Travis Longcore, Ph.D.
Discussion & Possible Motion and/or Amended CIS in response to the October 14, 2020 report from StreetsLA on the addition of Toyon and Mexican Elderberry to the Protected Tree Ordinance.
New StreetsLA Staff Report https://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2013/13-1339_rpt_BOSS_10-14-2020.pdf (Attachment K)
Council File #13-1339 <https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=13-1339>
Council File Title: Mexican Elderberry / Toyon / Adding to Protected Tree
20. **Measure HH:** To consider the new staff recommendation and take a formal position (Attachment L) – J. Hall / T. Longcore
21. **Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC) (Discussion & Possible Action, Letter or CIS Submission)**
 - a. **Update/Report by Representative:** WRAC recommends that the NCs support the following motions from their September and October meetings:

- i. **Gut & Amend Motion Discussion & Possible Motion:** Whereas the Sacramento Legislative process known as “gut and amend” eliminates transparency and public participation by misleading the intent and content of the bill being considered, the BABCNC recommends the following reform: Eliminate the “gut and amend” bill process and request the City of Los Angeles include in its Sacramento legislative priorities elimination of the “gut and amend” bill process.

- ii. **Motion:** To support Council File 20-1213 (Bonin and Koretz) with an amendment to include tsunami zones and those areas subject to certain sea-level rise, in addition to areas of high fire danger:
 - Whereas some of the hillside communities of the Pacific Palisades, Brentwood, Bel Air and the Hollywood Hills are located in very high fire hazard severity zones and because many of the streets in these hillside communities are substandard and because many of the most recent fires have started in these hillside communities, forcing evacuations in the early morning and late night hours, and whereas some coastal areas of CD 11 are tsunami zones and/or subject to sea level rise, therefore the Department of City Planning, with assistance from the Emergency Management Department, Los Angeles Department of Transportation, and the Los Angeles Fire Department, is directed to report back on the capacity, safety, and viability of existing and potential evacuation routes in Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones and tsunami zones and those areas subject to sea level rise and to identify the policies and development standards, including land use and building restrictions, necessary to support these evacuation routes. (**Attachment M**) Council File #: 20-1213
<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=20-1213>
https://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2020/20-1213_mot_09-22-2020.pdf

- iii. **Motion:** To support and include for official input to the Los Angeles Department of City Planning in reference to the WRAC Member Community Plan updates, a delay of 6 months due to COVID 19 and restrictions related to public access, meetings and participation and further request the following:
 - An appropriate assessment of how the COVID 19 and future pandemics will impact current and future mobility, housing, design, environmental and health and safety needs and concerns,
 - Current and future data projections relevant to the task of updating all WRAC member Community Plans,
 - Incorporation of an additional step in the Community Plan update timeline that allows for presentation of the staff draft plan and an associated public comment period, or a second and revised concept plan phase. Allocation of time for staff to review public comments and incorporate changes to reflect input prior to issuing any NOP for the start of the environmental review process. It is improper to issue an NOP and conduct a DEIR for a draft plan that the community has had neither the chance to see or review.
 - Thorough public outreach is a must and should include all stakeholders. The Planning Department has not allocated proper time or resources, and City Council must do so moving forward so that no stakeholders are left uninformed about the process.

22. Reports from BABCNC Representatives, Liaisons, Budget Advocate, Budget Representative

23. Good of the Order

24. Adjournment

Next Board Meeting Wednesday November 18th @ 7:00pm

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