



MINUTES

Virtual Ad Hoc Home Sharing and Party House Ordinances Committee Meeting Wednesday, September 2, 2020 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

- 1. Call to Order/Roll:** Ellen Evans, Co-Chair, called the meeting to order at 12:02 pm
9 Present: Ellen Evans, Robin Greenberg, Samantha Cannon, Stella Grey, Maureen Levinson, Darby Manning, James Murray, Stephanie Savage. Robert Schlesinger was present although unable to be heard until 12:27.
1 Absent: Marlena Doktorczyk-Donahue
Nickie Miner was in attendance and she will be added to the committee at the upcoming BABCNC meeting.
- 2. Motion:** Approve September 2, 2020 Agenda
Moved: Robin; **seconded:** Maureen 8/0/0
- 3. Motion:** Approve August 13, 2020 Minutes
Moved: Robin; **seconded:** Maureen 8/0/0
- 4. Public Comments** on non-agendized items within the jurisdiction of these committees
Ellen Evans commented on the launch of the API.
- 5. Discussion and possible motion:** Plan Zoom Town Hall with Bob Duenas and Phyllis Nathanson. Create list of possible panelists from other departments.
Discussion was limited due to lack of a confirmed date for the event. A list of panelists was created.
- 6. Discussion and possible motion:** Reports from committee members on investigations and enforcement activities in their area.
Motion: To develop a handbook for dealing with party houses that we post on Nextdoor, on our web page, and mail to our mailing list.
Moved: Ellen; **seconded:** Robin 9/0/0
Maureen Levinson commented on a problem house on 2484 Roscomare and noted that sometimes people get filming permits to allow them to have a party. LAPD ticketed but then the residents removed the notice and more parties transpired. This is a location that was denied a homesharing permit.
Bobby Kwan commented on a problem house in Laurel Canyon.
Ellen Evans commented further on the intended operation of the API, the fine structure of the party house ordinance, the fine structure of the home sharing ordinance and the safer LA notices.
Robert Schlesinger commented on the shooting incident at the party on San Ysidro and the scale of the response.
Stella Grey suggested residents of areas with party houses do regular rounds of party locations early in the evening to be able to determine where parties are going to be that night.
Robin Greenberg suggested that we try to get on lists to be informed about/invited to parties.
Stephanie Savage suggested that we all get on Snapchat with fake names.
Nickie Miner commented that people often don't call the police because they are being polite and are trying to be good neighbors. They should call the police.
Samantha Cannon pointed out that one can use the assessor's website to determine whether homes are primary residences.

7. **Discussion and possible motion:** Communication with the City regarding urgency of enforcement need regarding party houses.

Motion: To write a letter to Director of Planning, Vince Bertoni, Mayor Eric Garcetti, Police Chief Michael Moore and City Attorney Mike Feuer regarding the adverse impacts we are having due to party houses and expressing the urgent need for a solution.

Moved: Ellen; **seconded:** Robin 9/0/0

Robert Schlesinger pointed out that ABC may have authority to assist with enforcement. He agreed to research that and present it to the committee. Nickie Miner will help.

Rocky Barber made a comment about a party house in Bel Air. He hopes that we can get party houses shut down.

Darby Manning detailed how to be persistent in efforts to shut down party houses.

Nickie Miner suggested getting liens put on the houses that are operating illegally.

James Murray spoke about how commercial events required the fire department clearance of the venue and a liquor license and questions why commercial events in the hills aren't required to do the same. It was suggested that somebody call the fire department to discuss.

Stephanie Savage wonders whether there is a way to figure out what insurance carriers are covering these houses because they are probably getting coverage for owner occupation and not for the activities that are going on. Stephanie will research if there is a potential for adverse consequences related to insurance that can provide leverage for shutting these houses down. Samantha and Stella will assist.

8. **Adjournment: Robin** moved for adjournment at 1:20 pm.

Next Meeting Date: Sept 17 at noon