

Building A Better Community



Ad-Hoc Committee on Environmental Issues for the BABCNC – Agenda

Monday February 17, 2020 3:30pm to 4:30pm

Location: Bel Air Association Office 100 Bel Air Road, LA 90077

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- 1. Call to Order and Welcome to the Group
- 2. Roll Call of Ad-Hoc Environmental Issues Committee Mindy Rothstein Mann, Chair + Jamie Hall, Stephanie Savage, Maureen Smith, Ellen Evans, Wendy Morris, André Stojka & Robin Greenberg.]
- 3. Introduction of any non-committee member attendees
- 4. Approval of February 17, 2020 (per Bylaws, Article VIII, Section 2)
- 5. Approval of October 18, 2019 Minutes (Attachment)
- 6. Public Comments on non-agendized items within the purview of this committee

Updates/Status of Old Business

- 7. Retaining Walls Jamie, were you able to work on writing the motion to amend the existing ordinance?
- 8. Ellen were you able to write something on gas blowers to place on your website? If not, is there any material you need to get the word out?
- 9. Stephanie were you able to get started on putting together an environmental check list for everyone on the Planning and Land Use Committee?

New Business - Discussion & Possible Motions to Recommend to the BABCNC Board:

 10. <u>Discussion & Possible Motion</u> about the mountain lion that was recently killed in the Santa Monica Mountains because it attacked someone's livestock. Recommend that we write a Community Impact Statement letter to support of the resolution written by Councilmember Paul Koretz.
 See the article in the L A Times

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https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2020-02-12/los-angeles-leaders-want-to-end-killing-nuisancemountain-lions

<u>See the Council File</u>: State Law Amendment / End Issuance of Depredation Permits for Mountain Lions / Establishment of Indemnity Fund / Individuals Affected by Animal Loss to Mountain Lions https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=20-0002-S20 <u>See Paul Koretz' Resolution</u>: http://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2020/20-0002-S20 *(There are no CISs in the council file thus far.)*

11. Update/Possible Motion on "Wildlife Corridor Ordinance" & "Wildlife Pilot Study" – Mindy Mann

- Per CD5's Andy Shrader, we can write a letter to Planning Director, Vince Bertoni and Mayor Garcetti to not wait for more development to close off access for our wildlife.

Per Tony Tucci of CLAW, the city is crafting the ordinance already. There is a time frame on it. It is documented under the "Wildlife Pilot Study," which is the work-product of what will be the ordinance. It is in a writing phase and will go into a scoping phase. It is on the Planning Department's website.
Stakeholders will need to talk about what we like or don't like about the ordinance.

Original City Council File on Wildlife Corridors:

https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=14-0518 Original Resolution by Paul Koretz: http://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2014/14-0518_mot_04-23-14.pdf BABCNC CIS from 2014: http://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2014/14-0518_cis_7-28-14.pdf About the Wildlife Pilot Study:

https://planning.lacity.org/odocument/d1552e61-18c3-44be-9f8e-b9c967246cbb/StudyBoards.pdf

12. Presentation on Process of Donations to the Laurel Canyon Trust – Jamie Hall

- 13. **Discussion Regarding Possible Beautification:** Garett Carlson, longtime BCA resident and landscape architect has planted a portion of upper Benedict where trees were removed. Discuss possible public locations in the BABCNC territory that are eyesores that would be prime areas to be re-landscaped.
- 14. Good of the Order
- 15. Adjournment

Next Committee Meeting Date TBD

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