



## **Building A Better Community**

# Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council Monthly Regular Board Meeting (Virtual) Wednesday September 28, 2022, 7:00 P.M.

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## **AGENDA**

## Call to Order, Flag Salute & Roll Call

- 1. Approval of the Agenda
- 2. Approval of the Minutes

**Motion**: To approve the August 24<sup>th</sup> & July 20<sup>th</sup> Minutes (**Attachments A & B**)

3. General Public Comment

BABCNC welcomes comment from the public on any topic within the Board's jurisdiction but not on the adopted agenda.

4. Comments of Representatives of Elected Officials & City Agencies

Mehmet Berker, Council District 4 Jarrett Thompson, Council District 5 Rachel Sherrell, Supervisor Kuehl Janet Turner, Congressmember Lieu

## **Reports of Officers**

- **5. President** Travis Longcore
- **6. Vice President Operations** Robin Greenberg
- 7. Vice President Legislative Affairs Jamie Hall
- **8. Secretary** Nickie Miner
- 9. Treasurer Vadim Levotman (motions to be considered as one item unless requested otherwise)
  - i. Motion: To approve the July 2022 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) (Attachment C)
  - ii. Motion: To approve the August 2022 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) (Attachment D)
  - **iii. Motion:** To approve the updated USPS application for a post office box with name and email address changes (**Attachment E**)
  - iv. Motion: To approve updated Inventory Log (Attachment F)

### **Reports of Standing Committees**

## **Planning & Land Use**

Robert Schlesinger, Chair

#### 10. Report of the Planning & Land Use Committee

## 11. Two Connected Projects at 1804 and 1816 Rial Drive (postponed from August)

ZA-2021-10493-ZAD 1812-1824 RIAL DRIVE 90077

**Project Description:** Applicant is requesting a Zoning Administrator's Determination for relief from continuous pathway requirement in conjunction with the active construction of a new single-family dwelling (per LAMC Section 12.21C10(i)(3) and LAMC Section 12.24X28).

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See Link: 1816 Rial Ln

#### ZA-2021-10494-ZAD 1800-1810 RIAL DRIVE 9007

<u>Project Description</u>: Applicant is requesting a Zoning Administrator's Determination for relief from continuous pathway requirement in conjunction with the active construction of a new single-family dwelling (per LAMC Section 12.21C10(i)(3) and LAMC Section 12.24X28)

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**Applicant:** OKZA LLC, Viktor Nikravesh

**Representative:** Benjamin Eshaghian [Company: Crest Real Estate]

## 12. 9249 W ROBIN DR 90069 ZA-2022-2517-ZAA ENV-2022-2518-CE

Total Lot 26,164 sf. APN:5561-006-039

<u>Project Description</u>: (over ht wall) Construct wood fence with a height of 3'7" on top of existing retaining wall, new wall, pedestrian and vehicular gates with pilasters, for a max height of 9 feet. Max hedge fence height to be 14'

Entitlement Request: A Zoning Administrator Adjustment to permit: An over-in-height fence with a maximum height of 9 feet, including pilasters, and over-in-height hedge with a maximum height of 14 feet within the front and side yard setbacks in lieu of a height of 3.5 and 6 feet otherwise permitted by LAMC Sec. 12.21-C,1(g).

Attachments: Please See "Initial Submittal Documents" on upper right side of page at this link: https://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/caseid/MjU2NjI40

Owner/Applicant: Glen Rivers Co. Rep: Chris Parker & Dina Elkinawy **Discussion & Possible Motion:** Of note, following the presentation to the PLU Committee, the committee approved a motion to forward this project without recommendation to the Board on the condition that when it comes to the Board there will have been input from the local Neighborhood Association and information from the HOA that the board can consider, and that the submittal should include explicit discussion of the five findings necessary to allow a variance.

### **Bylaws, Rules & Elections Committee**

Cathy Wayne, Chair

13. Report of the Bylaws, Rules, and Elections Committee

## **Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness Committee**

Vadim Levotman, Chair; Nickie Miner, Vice Chair; Philip Enderwood, Deputy Chair

- 14. Report of the Emergency Preparedness Committee
- **15.** Alternate Representative to WRAC Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness Committee Motion: To appoint Maureen Levinson as the Alternate representative to the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness Committee.

#### **Outreach Committee**

André Stojka, Chair

- 16. Report of the Outreach Committee
- 17. CD5 Council Candidate Debate

**Discussion & Possible Motion** that the BABCNC sponsor and/or promote the virtual CD5 candidate debate organized by neighborhood councils between Katy Yaroslavsky and Sam Yebri who have agreed to a 90-minute debate on Monday October 10, 2022 at 7 p.m. The moderator will Patty Lombard from the Larchmont Buzz.

#### **Traffic Committee**

Irene Sandler, Chair

18. Report of the Traffic Committee

#### **Reports of Ad Hoc Committees**

Ad Hoc Committee on Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety Stella Grey, Chair

19. Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety

Ad Hoc Committee on Home Sharing & Party House Ordinances Ellen Evans, Chair

20. Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Home Sharing & Party House Ordinances

#### Ad Hoc Committee on the Environment

Mindy Mann, Chair

21. Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Environment

#### **Old Business**

## 22. Animal Treatment at City Shelters (continued from August)

**Motion:** To support Council person Koretz's motion of August 16, 2022 (CF 22-0943) in which it is moved that the City Council instruct the Department of Animal Services, the CAO, the SLA and any other relevant departments and stakeholders to determine the budgetary needs for the department to fully staff seven animal shelters and all programmatic and departmental administrative needs and report back to the City Council in 60 days with the information, including responses on the following issues:

- Determine the percentage of the City's annual General Fund expenditures necessary to accomplish full staffing and expanded shelter operational hours
- Explore additional funding options such as a parcel tax, sales tax or other means of augmenting General Fund monies to achieve these goals
- Options for utilizing general obligation bonds instead of general funds to improve DAS facilities built with G.O. Bonds, such as Proposition F funds used to construct the facilities in 2000
- Possibility of supplanting budgeted general fund monies for the DAS with funds received from a proposed parcel tax
- Eligible uses of funds (construction, capital improvement, ongoing staffing, administrative, etc.) pursuant to the various proposition types that the City Council could approve to be placed on a future ballot
- Structure of a possible oversight committee including proposed members and the level and nature of oversight

#### **New Business**

### 23. Funding of Spay/Neuter Ordinance / Volunteers at City Animal Shelters

**Discussion &Possible Motion:** BABCNC moves to augment budgeted General Funds to enforce the Spay Neuter Ordinance to eliminate barriers for volunteering and to provide higher welfare for animals.

## 24. Information Request Regarding Motion to Rescind Initiation of General Plan Amendment for The Retreat at Benedict Canyon

**Discussion and Possible Motion:** To request a rationale of the Planning and Land Use Committee for postponement of action on the motion by Councilmembers Koretz and Blumenfield to rescind initiation of a general plan amendment for The Retreat at Benedict Canyon.

## 25. Personal Delivery Devices (PDDs) / Local Operation / Public Right-of-Way / Retail and Meal Deliveries / Regulatory Framework 20-1328 (CFMS) (lacity.org)

**Discussion & Possible Motion:** To offer input on the proposed ordinance that would authorize the regulation of delivery "robots" and allow the Department of Transportation to establish rules for the operation of delivery robots as a "pilot program."

### 26. Open House Outreach & Anniversary Event

**Discussion & Possible Motion:** To establish a task force to organize an in-person event to both raise awareness of the upcoming election in 2023 and to celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of BABCNC.

#### 27. Civic U 1.0 Participant Appointment

**Discussion and Possible Motion:** To appoint up to seven board members to attend Civic U 1.0. Presented by the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment and the Office of Mayor Garcetti. Civic U 1.0 presented by Dr. Raphael J. Sonenshein, Ph.D. Executive Director, Pat Brown Institute for Public Affairs, California State University, Los Angeles. Dates are October 6th, October 13th and

October 27th. Appointed board members must attend all three sessions.

- Sessions will take place on the following Thursdays:
  - October 6, 2022 6:30pm: Power Structure at Los Angeles City Hall
  - October 13, 2022 6:30pm: The Guts of City Government: Equity in Resources and Services
  - October 27, 2022 6:30pm: Empowerment Toward Inclusion

[BABNC needs to submit board appointments to attend Civic U 1.0 by board action by the end of the month of September. Once received, appointees will receive a unique Zoom registration link.]

#### Good of the Order

Brief comments of Board Members on items not on the agenda.

#### Adjourn to October 26, 2022

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