



Building A Better Community

**MINUTES**

**Wednesday April 24, 2019 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm**

**Meet & Greet 7:00pm-8:00pm to Meet Election & Selection Candidates**

**General Board Meeting 8:00-9:00pm**

**[American Jewish University](#)**

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

**Present: 26** (Quorum 15)

<b><u>2018/2019 Stakeholder Groups / Representatives</u></b>	<b><u>Present</u></b>	<b><u>Not Present</u></b>
<b>Bel Air Crest Master Homeowner Association</b>		
<i>Irene Sandler, Traffic Committee Chair</i>		<b>X</b>
<b>Bel Air District</b>		
<i>Maureen Levinson</i>	<b>X</b>	
<i>Leslie Weisberg</i>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Bel Air Glen District</b>		
<i>Larry Leisten, Bylaws &amp; Elections Chair</i>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Bel Air Hills Association (BAHA) [Formerly RVA]</b>		
<i>Robin Greenberg, President</i>	<b>X</b>	
<i>Michael Kemp</i>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Bel Air Ridge HOA</b>		
<i>André Stojka</i>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Benedict Canyon Association (BCA Alternate: Matt Post)</b>		
<i>Robert (Bob) Schlesinger, PLU Committee Chair</i>	<b>X</b>	
<i>Don Loze</i>	<b>X</b>	
<i>Nickie Miner, Vice President</i>	<b>X</b>	
<i>Mindy Rothstein Mann</i>	<b>X</b>	

<i>2018/2019 Stakeholder Groups / Representatives</i>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Not Present</b>
<b>Casiano Estates Association</b>		
<i>Sam Sanandaji, DPM</i>		<b>X</b>
<b>Commercial or Office Enterprise Districts</b>		
<i>Jacqueline Le Kennedy, Treasurer</i>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Custodians of Open Space</b>		
<i>Travis Longcore, Ph.D.</i>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Faith-Based Organizations</b>		
<i>Maureen Smith</i>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Franklin-Coldwater District</b>		
<i>Jeremy Summer</i>		<b>X</b>
<b>K-6 Private Schools</b>		
<i>Vacant</i>		
<b>7-12 Private Schools</b>		
<i>Jon Wimbish</i>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Public Educational Institutions (K-12)</b>		
<i>Kathy Copcutt</i>		<b>X</b>
<b>Holmby Hills Association</b>		
<i>Jason Spradlin</i>		<b>X</b>
<b>Laurel Canyon Association</b> ( <i>Tony Tucci resigned 02-27-2019; now is LCA Alternate</i> )		
<i>Jamie Hall</i>	<b>X</b>	
<i>Stephanie Savage</i>	<b>X</b>	
<i>Cathy Wayne</i>	<b>X</b>	
<i>Heather Roy</i>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Members-at-Large</b>		
<i>Dan Love</i>	<b>X</b>	
<i>Chuck Maginnis, EP Chair</i>	<b>X</b>	

<u>2018/2019 Stakeholder Groups / Representatives</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
<i>Pamela Pierson, M.D.</i>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Member-at-Large / Youth Seat</b>		
<i>Robinson (Rob) Farber</i>	<b>X</b>	
<b>North of Sunset District</b>		
<i>Luis Pardo</i>	<b>X</b>	
<i>Ellen Evans</i>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Residents of Beverly Glen</b>		
<i>Robert A. Ringler, Secretary</i>	<b>X</b>	
<i>Dan Palmer</i>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Total:</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>5 absent &amp; 1 vacancy</b>

- 1. Call to Order:** Following the Meet & Greet that began at 7:00 pm, wherein elections & selections candidates introduced themselves, Robin Greenberg, called the meeting to order at 7:56 pm.
- 2. Roll Call (quorum 15)** The roll was called by Robert Ringler, at which time 25 board members were present. At 8:06 pm 26 board members were present, five (5) absent, with one (1) vacancy.
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 4. Approval of April 24, 2019 Agenda** (per Bylaws, Article VIII, Section 2)  
**Moved** by Cathy Wayne; **seconded** by André Stojka; **25 yes; 0 no; 0 abstentions: approved.**
- 5. Approval of March 27, 2019 Meeting Minutes** (Attachment A)  
**Moved** by Robert; **seconded** by Rob. Ellen noted that under #19, where it says, Jamie Hall noted ..., it should say “neighborhood associations.” **24 yes; 0 no; 1 abstention: Ellen; approved with correction.**
- 6. Public Comment:**  
**Adam Fannon, General Manager and CEO of Bel Air Country Club.** Mr. Fannon related that previously, he has worked closely with the BAHA & BAA on getting the proper landscaping done for the new fence at the club. He now comes ahead of a project they are planning for a new clubhouse at the Bel Air Country Club, which has been around since 1925; they have approximately 800 members. The clubhouse has had multiple additions. They now plan to take down a 56,000 square foot building and build a new 60,000 square foot clubhouse. He explained that they do not anticipate any additional usage of the club or additional amenities. They plan to create the existing clubhouse to be more efficient, environmentally friendly, much safer, and he hopes nicer looking. He came to give a face to the BACC, someone we all can call and talk to if there are any issues whatsoever. They have 140 acres. All construction & workers will be onsite. They anticipate keeping all grading to a bare minimum and on property; no plans for a haul route. They have applied for plan approval with the City; meeting is scheduled for next May.  
**Matt Klink, with “No on EE”:** Matt came to raise awareness of this 16-cent per square foot property tax on the upcoming special June 4, 2019 ballot. He opines that Measure EE proposes what would be the largest single property tax of its kind that will go into effect, notes that it requires a 2/3rds vote and will impact all property owners in the LAUSD service area. He says that the “Yes” side will say money goes to kids and classroom; however, money goes into the General Fund of the School District.  
- He noted that on the night that the school board passed this resolution to put the parcel tax on the ballot, the board specifically removed language from the measure that would have prohibited moneys

raised through the tax from going to retiree pension benefits and healthcare costs. “We know that over the next 10-15 years, that (*retiree pension benefits and healthcare costs*) will consume a greater and greater percentage of the school district’s budget; money will not go to the classroom; more troubling they do not have oversight included in the measure.

- He noted that just yesterday, after the School District Board heard the “No” side say that they have no oversight, that they passed oversight. Matt noted that they the Yes on EE campaign will attempt to say that the measure has a legitimate oversight function; however, that oversight is not included in the text of the ballot measure itself and is therefore subject to the political will of the school board and can be changed at any time.

- He added that the Oversight Committee meets once a year. He noted that the school district has many problems, and that less than half of the students are eligible to qualify for the UC or Cal State University system. “This is a property tax measure that is specifically designed to hammer homeowners, commercial properties and industrial properties and the Teacher’s Union set it up because it lays the groundwork for a split role property tax reform, which will appear on the ballot in November 2020.” He urges that we Vote “No” on EE. Website: <https://www.votenoonee.com/>

- 7. President’s Report – Robin Greenberg** Robin noted that she and Cathy attended the EmpowerLA Awards ceremony where she accepted the Award for the Neighborhood Council in Region 11. [Pamela arrived at 8:06 pm for a total of 26 present.]

**Representatives of Elected Officials and Agencies** (Written reports in lieu of shortened meeting)

- i. Erin Schneider, Field Rep. for County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl: (Attachment B)**
  - ii. CD5 Representative, Jarrett Thompson** – SoCal Gas will start pipeline replacement on Sepulveda in June. He stated that work will be done between 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM, but SoCalGas is applying to work overnight as well in order to finish the project a few months ahead of schedule.
  - iii. SLO Ralph Sanchez** returned to duties after medical leave and will come speak soon. See flyer “LAPD Celebrates 150 Years Open House” Hollywood Police Station Sat 04/27/2019 12-3:00pm
- 8. Vice President’s Report – Nickie Miner** expressed pride & gratitude to Robin that we won the award.
- 9. Secretary’s Report – Robert Ringler** reported that the Residents of Beverly Glen has their annual fair is on the same day as the June 2 election. He gave special thanks to Dan Palmer who chaired his own Evacuation Committee before this meeting at the Les & Dorothy Community Center.
- 10. Treasurer’s Report – Jacqueline Le Kennedy (Update, Discussion & Action)**
- a. Update/Report from Treasurer:** Update on election budget
  - b. Motion:** To approve March 2019 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) (Attachment C) **Moved** by Jacqueline; **seconded** by Robert; **22 yes; 0 no; 3 abstentions:** Larry & Rob F. & Pamela; **1 ineligible:** Dan Love; **approved.**
  - c. Funding Deadlines** as we approach the end of the Fiscal Year:
    - o May 20, 2019 - Final date to submit an event approval packet.
    - o June 1, 2019 - Final date to submit a check payment request.
    - o June 20, 2019 - Final date for any bank card transactions.

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

- 11. Joint 2019 Elections Ad-Hoc Committee (made up of Elections & Outreach Committee members)**
- Elections Committee Members:** *Leisten, Chair + Kennedy, Greenberg, Smith & Evans*
- Outreach Committee Members:** *Greenberg, Chair + Miner, Smith, Sandler, Stojka & M. Post*
- a. Update/Report by Chairs:** Larry noted that we met our first milestone with this evening’s meet and greet and that we have at least three competitive races. He related that Ellen has been doing the election outreach and website; she has updated the inner boundaries of the residential districts, e.g., Bel Air, North of Sunset; she defined for the City what streets and address ranges are included, and she found some glitches, which we got through to the City Clerk to make sure they have the most accurate

information. Next big event is the Selection at the May 22<sup>nd</sup> board meeting. Larry related to see the current address ranges, go to the back of the most recent bylaws distributed a few weeks ago, and noted that the changes Ellen caught are not going to be updated at this point. Robin thanked Ellen for all the hours she has spent on the elections outreach work.

**12. Outreach Committee – Greenberg, Chair + Miner, Smith, Sandler, Stojka & M. Post**

a. Update/Report by Chair: Robin noted that the last thing we worked on was the event for Ben Allen.

**13. Budget & Finance Committee – Kennedy, Chair + Hall, Greenberg, Farber, Wayne**

a. Update/Report by Chair: Jacqueline noted that next month, we'll talk about what the remaining funds.

**14. Emergency Preparedness Committee – Maginnis, Chair + Smith, Sandler, Palmer, Kennedy, Farber, Savage, Levinson, M. Schlenker, Ron Cornell, Hildreth Simmons, Danielle Cohen & Seema Hassan]**

a. Update/Report by Chair: (03/20 EP Committee meeting report was given at the March 27<sup>th</sup> meeting)

**- Motion:** That Maureen Levinson become a member of the EP Committee. **Moved** by Chuck; **seconded** by Travis. **Passed**

- Chuck noted that Stephanie Savage will be stepping down at this time from the EP Committee. He expressed gratitude to her for her participation and let her know that she is welcome to come back at any time. Chuck noted that for the next meeting we will have Ben Park back, who helped initiate RYLAN. Michael Schlenker & Ron Cornell will discuss overlay maps that Maureen Levinson will help with.

b. **Next EP Meeting: May 15<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm @ Bel Air Ridge Clubhouse @ 2760 Claray**

**15. Planning & Land Use Committee –Schlesinger, Chair / Savage, Vice Chair + Greenberg, Miner, Kemp, Hall, Loze, Spradlin, Levinson, Weisberg + Steve Twining, Yves Mieszala & Stella Grey**

a. **Update/Report by Chair: PLU Committee met on April 9, 2019 and heard two projects:**

b. **454 (444) Cuesta Way:**

**Motion:** To **continue** subject to the signing of the letter between the Bel Air Association and the representatives of Crest Real Estate; and if the ZA does continue it we'll have an opportunity to write a letter. **Moved** by Bob; **seconded** by Stella; **10/0/0 1 recused** Jamie **passed**.

- Jamie recused himself. Bob noted that this has been withdrawn. Jamie returned to the room, at which point Bob reiterated to all, as to Cuesta, that per Shawn Bayliss who got a call from Tony Russo, this has been withdrawn. They were going to have a hearing before this meeting; would have been within the window to write a letter, however, to do so is not necessary at this point.

c. **1376 Angelo Drive:**

**Motion:** To **continue** this and to see the documentation referred to regarding easements and continuing communicating with the neighbors. **Moved** by Robin; **seconded** by Yves; further discussion was held. Robin called the question: **10/0/0; passed**.

- Bob noted that the presenters for Angelo Drive have been before us twice and have not yet brought all the documentation. He doesn't see the point of them returning to us unless they provide the documentation that we asked for at the last meeting. He will tell Judith Cukier.

**Motion:** To continue both Cuesta Way and Angelo Drive: **Moved** by committee **26/0/0; passed**. As to Angelo, Don Loze suggested, giving them notice that if they don't give us the required information that we will write our own opinion.

d. **Non-project/development items were voted on and/or discussed:**

i. **The Protected Tree Removal Notifications: (Discussion & Possible Action)**

**Motion:** The PLU Committee shall develop a protocol to ask applicants to come to the PLU meeting to present their tree removal project, to explain what alternatives they looked at and why planning should grant them the permit. The PLUC will vote on the project and provide a letter. If they get a board public hearing before the PLU meeting we would reach out to Kevin James to ask them to extend, and ask the city to defer making a decision until they come to the PLU Committee meeting. Even if applicants do not come, we would have a hearing and take a vote. This would go to the Board of

Public Works, Urban Forestry Division. The neighbors would be encouraged to attend the meeting. PLU Committee additionally supports the need for more notice to the neighbors. (Head of Bureau of Street Services said they are working on giving more notice.) Moved by Robin; seconded by Yves; 10/1/1: Don; passed.  
Moved by André; seconded by Jamie; 26 yes; 0 no; 0 abstentions; approved.

- ii. **1090 Acanto Protected Tree Removal Application (Discussion & Motion) Levinson**  
Per Tree Removal Request Notification from Urban Forestry & per request of stakeholders, this was discussed but not properly agendaized at PLUC. It is now brought to the full board as there is a 30-day window from the date of notification for three or more trees and the window is expiring tonight. The developer has submitted an application for removal of three Coast Live Oaks from his property at 1090 Acanto Place. **Possible Motion** To support position letter prepared by PLU Committee to be sent to the Board of Public Works, CD5 with form. **(Permit Request Attachment D) (Letter Attachment E)** - Maureen noted that of the seven (7) notices received from Urban Forestry, this is the only one we could respond to in a timely manner; also, the adjacent property owners came to us in March to express their concern about this piece of property and the Bel Air Association was well aware of the issues surrounding it. She noted that we have prepared a letter that would be an appropriate response; she hopes we can pass this so we can send it tonight or by tomorrow. **Motion:** To approve the letter that is presented as Attachment "E", moved by Maureen; seconded by Larry; 26 yes; 0 no; 0 abstentions; approved.

- iii. **HCR Additions (Koretz/Ryu) (Discussion & Motion) Council File 16-1472-S6**  
**Motion:** To support proposed new HCR additions signed by CM Koretz & Ryu on April 2, 2019 in Council File #16-1472-S6, (see attachment or link for full motion) which concludes "that the Council instruct the Planning Department, with the assistance of the Department of Building and Safety, Bureau of Engineering, and the Department of Transportation, and in consultation with the City Attorney, and any other relevant City department, to prepare and present an Ordinance that incorporates the following amendments discussed above to the Bel Air-Beverly Crest Hillside Construction Regulation Supplemental Use District, relative to: (1) notification to hillside residents for both haul route and demolition permit activity; (2) ensure that Neighborhood Councils have the opportunity to provide comment on haul routes; (3) ensure that graded and hauling activity is not taking place in advance of a project being approved; and, (4) earmark a funding source that will be used to make repairs and improvements to the hillside street infrastructure com: the cumulative wear and tear that results from large construction-related vehicles." Link to full motion:  
[http://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2016/16-1472-s6\\_mot\\_04-02-2019.pdf](http://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2016/16-1472-s6_mot_04-02-2019.pdf)  
Council File #16-1472-S6  
<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=16-1472-S6>  
**Motion:** To write a letter to the Council District asking for an addendum to the already approved document to include (5) In addition; to put a cap on cumulative slope banding not to exceed 45 feet. By admission of the Planning Department, this was left out of the 2011 & 2016 HCR and what is commonly known as "The Water Fall Effect" Moved by Leslie; seconded by Nickie. 11/0/0; passed.  
Moved by Committee/ Leslie; 26 yes; 0 no; 0 abstentions; approved.

e. **Next PLU Committee Meeting: Tuesday May 14, 2019 7:00 pm @ AJU, Rm #223**

16. **Traffic Committee – Irene Sandler, Chair** + *Stojka, Pierson, Copcutt, Weisberg, Farber, Greenberg, Leisten, Patricia Templeton, Smith, Joyce Page*

a. **Update/Report by Chair:** Meeting was held at the Bel Air Crest Clubhouse Thursday April 11, 2019 with recommendations for board approval of the following three items:

**b. Motion: Appointment of new Committee Member Joyce Page from Roscomare Valley (BAHA) Moved by Committee ; seconded by Larry; Robin related that she attends all the meetings. Larry recognized that she attended all of the meetings that he attended and feels she would be an asset to the committee. 25 yes; 0 no; 1 abstention: Mindy; approved.**

**c. Motion: That the Bureau of Street Services look into the eradication of the raised pavement bumps that are in the street in front of the street trees at 2613 Roscomare and at the intersection of Hamner & Nalin, & on Nalin Drive, which the City is aware of, and which Bel Air Hills Assn. has been complaining about for numerous years as a safety hazard. Moved by Robin. Seconded by Larry; Irene suggested getting other problematic addresses from that association. 8/0/0. Passed.**

- Robin related that Linda Whitford gave public comment via email just prior to this evening's meeting, asking that this be postponed. She'd like to speak on this at the next Traffic Committee meeting.

**Motion: To defer to next month moved by Cathy Wayne; seconded by Larry. Discussion was held, in which Pamela Pierson clarified that at the meeting they discussed the way to manage the root growth that has created the bumps, rather to sacrifice the entire tree, the recommendation from the Traffic Committee was that the roots be manicured so... the road can be repaired, so that something much more conservative to that effect that has been researched by an arborist would be the better way to go.**

**26 yes; 1 no: Ellen Evans; 0 abstentions; the motion to defer passed.**

**d. Motion: That a letter be written to the Department of Planning regarding the lack of ticketing of enforcement of the construction vehicle traffic in Holmby Hills and elsewhere in BABCNC area. Moved by Robin Greenberg. Seconded by André Stojka. 8/0/0. Passed. Jason Spradlin volunteered to write the letter. (**Attachment F**) Robin related that Jason Spradlin attended the meeting, and as he lives in Holmby Hills, it was moved in committee and seconded by André.**

Robert Schlesinger would like this expanded beyond Holmby Hills, noting that we are all having a problem with this. There was discussion as to the comment in the motion as to "elsewhere in the BABCNC area" to which Robert Schlesinger requested that this include the words, within the NC territory, between the I-405 and Laurel Canyon Boulevard, and Mulholland and Sunset.

Robert Ringler clarified the different responsibilities of departments: The Department of Building & Safety does not ticket it only gives citations while the LA Dept. of Transportation (LADOT) Parking Enforcement, issues tickets. Maureen Levinson related that in Bel Air, they have noticed that construction vehicles or anybody dealing with construction seem to be exempt. They have had residents call and they get ticketed but the construction vehicles are left alone because they are related to a construction site; so, there's something here that we need to discuss. She noted that the Bel Air Association meets with the developers and tries to get them to park elsewhere and shuttle their people in, but they tend to not get ticketed by LADOT. Ellen Evans added that when the liaison program gets fleshed out it would be the job of the person who is the liaison with the Parking Office to make that happen and address that. She has had a lot of luck in her neighborhood just meeting with Parking Enforcement repeatedly; they come and ticket whether construction vehicles or not construction vehicles. She suggests that that would be another way to approach it.

Larry noted that the letter is specific as to the streets, though the motion says other areas (within the BABCNC); the motion is to authorize the sending this letter specific to Baroda Drive, Delfern Drive and Faring Road, and does not speak to any other streets in this area. Discussion was held as to adding other streets to the letter. Dan Palmer recommended a blanket policy to follow building permits perhaps, and initiate a tie-in between the Building Dept. & DOT. Maureen recommends Jason take LADOT on a field trip to this area, as it is very specific, and doesn't think they'll enforce it all over the neighborhood council. Pamela asked Bob if this isn't addressed in the PLU Committee presentations, where they'd acknowledge being financially responsible for violating staging plans. Bob noted that this is required but we cannot trust them, and it is in the Hillside Construction Ordinance that hasn't yet been passed.



Travis noted that on the one hand the specificity of a problem at any given time deserves attention: We are all here to help every neighborhood deal with these things. He has no problem calling out a set of streets but also thinks that's whack-a-mol and that we can direct this now to DOT, but being a chronic issue, it deserves a political intervention that involves our two councilmembers and we should have a dual track on most of these things, as we have, where we stand together as hillside neighborhoods on particular problems as they come up, but also try to solve them for everyone, in terms of policy.

Robert noted that Ellen had an answer to that; she was working through their liaison. He noted that each HOA can do it through liaisons. Travis thought Ellen was referring to liaisons between the NC and the DOT, and this would be the role. There would then be two things that we do: We can intervene on specific issues that are hot at a moment, but then we have a strategy, and that the strategy is that we get liaison with DOT, and make sure to bring the full weight of our concern on this one to the attention of the council offices, but that we want to have a liaison and set this up so we have somebody at DOT who works with us on these issues, so that we don't have to bring it to the whole board. The liaison, as a matter of course, can take these concerns; one day Laurel, another day Coldwater, etc. Ellen agreed.

Robin acknowledged all the discussion that and agrees with Travis that one of our constituents is having a problem and wrote a letter. She asked if there is support for the letter, and to modify it at a later time to include other streets.

**Motion:** To support and send Jason Spradlin's letter **moved** by Committee; **24 yes; 2 no:** Robert R. & Luis. Luis opined, "without education, we can't proceed." **0 abstentions: motion passed.**

Robert Ringler recommended that we invite the Captain at Exposition & Westwood LADOT Parking Enforcement as a guest speaker, in charge of ticketing in our area.

**e. Next Traffic Committee Meeting: TBD**

#### 17. **Ad-Hoc Committee on Environmental Issues (Update, Discussion & Possible Action)**

*Greenberg Chair + Mann, Hall, Schlesinger, Savage, Wayne, Miner, Evans, Smith*

a. Update/Report by Chair [Last meeting was held on March 7, 2019 at Bel Air Ridge; no quorum.]

b. Next Meeting: TBD

18. Updates from BABCNC Representatives on Your Associations, Districts & Other Seats – Deferred

19. Budget Representative Report – Ellen Evans & Jacqueline Le Kennedy – Deferred

20. Reports of BABCNC Liaisons (Updates & Discussion) – Deferred

#### **New Business / Motions & Resolutions (Discussion & Possible Motion)**

#### 21. **Government of Brunei / Punishment of Homosexual Sex, Adultery and Robbery / Condemnation of Adopted Laws / Extreme and Inhumane Penalties. CF #19-0002-S54**

**Motion:** To support Councilmember Paul Koretz's Resolution, which concludes:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles officially joins the boycott of the Beverly Hills Hotel and the Hotel Bel Air and shall refrain from conducting business with these two hotels including participating in any events or other business that requires City resources, and officially discourages all City employees and residents from staying at or attending any functions at either of these hotels unless and until the Government of Brunei repeals these cruel and inhumane laws. **(Attachment X)**

Full motion: [http://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2019/19-0002-s54\\_reso\\_04-02-2019.pdf](http://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2019/19-0002-s54_reso_04-02-2019.pdf)

- Robin related that she went to City Hall.

**Moved** by Chuck; **seconded** by Cathy. Discussion was held in which Nickie related that this comes up every five years and opined that the owner will not do what we want him to do, that the employees are happy but the boycott will eliminate the jobs for those employees. She continued that the Sultan of Brunei said five years ago that he will occupy the hotels himself, and instead of having employees, it



will still be the Sultan of Brunei and his country. She opposes this. Bob added that he could name another dozen companies and that to pick up one is not reasonable nor effective. Larry questioned why this motion is being pushed by the Mayor and councilmembers at this time. Ellen related that the law just went into effect on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Don noted that this has been a detriment to the BCA who has held their meetings there for 50 years, and to which the Councilmen do not come. He feels it is fair to say from his community that they would prefer to have the Councilmen come. Dan Love noted that the hotel is a good citizen; that this is a diversion. Larry related that we as individuals should have a right to use it or not, but questioned whether we as a NC have to weigh in on this. **12 yes; 8 no; 3 abstentions; motion passed.**

## **22. Metro's Sepulveda Transit Corridor Project:**

**Motion:** To support SOHA (Sherman Oaks Homeowners Association and SONC's Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council's position to strongly Support HRT1 & HRT2; and to strongly oppose HRT3 and MRT1. For SOHA & SONC's information sheets, provided to the Traffic Committee on 04/11/2019, "MRT2 An Affordable Alternative Valley-to-LAX Monorail Route Through the Sepulveda Pass" see (**Attachment G**) For Metro's Fact Sheet: <https://www.metro.net/projects/sepulvedacorridor/>

Jamie would like to study this as it is very important to us. Bob noted that the committee had Bob Anderson from the NC and SOHA, and that sometime this year, once that decision is made that will be it. Robin agreed to bring Bob Anderson here. Maureen Levinson was under the impression that they wanted the Metro to consider this plan as now they are not considering it, and to add this option to their other four scenarios. Cathy Wayne noted that this is a major issue affecting us and she would like a special meeting to just discuss this, and to have more than a 20-minute discussion. Pamela who heard the presentation noted that the proposal that is the most acceptable from the Sherman Oaks/Encino area is more desirable, from an engineering and financial point of view, to get the City Council people on both sides of the hill to look into it. Robin noted that we will have a presentation. **Continued**

## **23. Westside Regional Alliance of Councils – Robin Greenberg**

**a. Update/Report by WRAC Representative – Robin Greenberg: At their Wednesday April 17, 2019 meeting, WRAC passed and asked for NC support for the following motions & resolutions:**

### **i. Blue Ribbon Panel on School Safety**

**Motion** To support the findings of the Blue Ribbon Panel on School Safety and urges LAUSD to adopt. **Attachment H**– Letter of Mike Feuer, LA City Attorney – See link for 47-page report. <https://www.lacityattorney.org/schoolsafety> **Postponed**

### **ii. Wildland-Urban Interface Proposed by Councilmember Bonin (Attachment I)**

**Motion** To support the findings of the Wildland-Urban Interface that concludes:

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) and Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) jointly assemble and lead a Wildland-Urban Interface Hazard Mitigation Task Force (Task Force), consisting of representatives from the Police Department, Emergency Management Department, Department of Transportation, Department of Recreation and Parks, Department of Animal Services, Information Technology Agency, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, Department of Building & Safety, Department of City Planning, Department of Water & Power, and any other internal and external partners deemed necessary, to discuss the issues described in the above-mentioned text, along with any related matters.

I FURTHER MOVE that the LAFD and CLA jointly convene an initial meeting of the Task Force, and provide a written -J report to the City Council outlining the scope of work and objectives going forward.

**CM Bonin's Full Motion:** [http://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2018/18-1120\\_mot\\_11-20-2018.pdf](http://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2018/18-1120_mot_11-20-2018.pdf)

**Moved** by Robert Ringler; **seconded** by Rob Farber. **Amendment:** Travis would like to amend the motion to include in our letter of recommendation, external partners that we think should be involved in those conversations. To balance the interests that we care deeply about, e.g., regarding oak trees, the

LAFD has in the past tried to cut all our oak trees from the curb to the sky, through every single side street and boulevard in our territory, which doesn't help with fire safety... He thinks that this particular configuration of city agencies is great but we should perhaps recommend that Tree People have a seat on there, because they have just been hosting a series of community meetings around fire-safe building, etc., and they have expertise there. We could also request that the MRCA or SMMC be part of this task force. Otherwise, we just get very insular city opinions that don't balance the resources that we care about, and, we can be really specific, e.g., street trees need to be in there, Urban Forestry, even within the city. **26 yes; 0 no; 0 abstentions: passed as amended.**

**b. WRAC LUC Sponsored Motions:**

**i. Resolution: Co-Living Developments**

**Motion:** To request that the City develop planning, zoning and leasing regulations for co-living developments, which are residential in nature but have aspects of hotels/ transient occupancy. Issues include: 1. Length of leases; 2. Parking for "units," which have larger bedroom counts; 3. Compliance with density bonus ordinances.

**- Mike Kemp recommended that this be referred this back to PLUC to review.**

**ii. Resolution: Tracking Density Bonus Housing Units Post-Entitlement Process for Compliance**

**Motion:** To request that the Housing and Community Investment Dept. fully comply with the regulations of the State and City affordable housing density bonuses ordinances (SB1818 and Prop. JJJ/TOC), per the concerns stated in the City Controller's audit report of Jan. 2017.

- This includes ensuring that developers properly register units and record covenants upon occupancy, properly publicize and qualify low-income tenants and audit their status every year, assign the correct restricted rent and review it every year, and conduct annual audits to ensure that the affordable units properly and legally serve the intended population of low income households of Los Angeles.

- HCID shall state how it will change its processes to ensure compliance.

- The job performance metric of the HCID General Manager shall reflect full compliance with the State and City's affordable housing density bonus programs, especially annual audits of tenants of those units  
**Ellen & Leslie recommend sending this back to PLUC to review.**

24. **Good of the Order** – Members of the Board may report on any item of interest to the Council

**May 5<sup>th</sup> Fire Station 71 Pancake breakfast:** Nickie noted that this is at Sunset and Beverly Glen; it is unique with special things, a wonderful event.

**May 11<sup>th</sup> Fire Service Day Fire Station 99 (and FSs all over the city.) Also 37**

- Larry would recommend not including the attachments in the email, half a dozen to a dozen. He finds that our not printing out the attachments is detrimental.

- Maureen Levinson related that this is her last meeting; she thanked the Board for serving.

- Chuck thanked everyone who is running again and suggested we take note of who stayed on.

- Stephanie made the point that contractors are allowed to park in front of your property frontage. You can update your signs.

- Bob noted that the next PLU meeting starts at 6:30 pm.

25. **Adjournment**

**Next Meeting:** BABCNC will hold "Selections" at the next meeting, Wednesday, May 22, 2019 7:00 pm followed by the regular full board meeting @ American Jewish University, Room #223

**BABCNC Election** Sunday June 2, 2019 at 12:00 Noon to 4:00 pm @ at Harvard-Westlake Middle School 700 North Faring Road. All board members are encouraged to attend, to greet people.

**Please Note: The June Board Meeting is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday June 19, 2019 7:00 pm @ AJU in their "Small Berg Dining Room"**

## ELECTION CANDIDATES

### *At-Large Traditional Stakeholder (2 seats)*



**Patricia M. Murphy**

Dear neighbors, I am an immigrant. I am an American. I am a proud Californian, and I am your neighbor. I have worked most of my professional life in the health field, helping both seniors and the disabled to access support, care and housing. I have a master's degree in health policy and management from Los Angeles' own Mount Saint Mary's University. I've run residential communities, advocating for residents and families whilst balancing million-dollar budgets. I know local, state and federal policy. I know red tape and how to cut through it. These experiences have prepared me to run for a seat on the Bel Air Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council. I will make it my mission to consult, represent, inform and support the views of OUR local neighborhood community. With my skills, experience and energy I will fight for YOU, my neighbors and friends. I have a lot to give and we have a lot to protect. I am honored for this opportunity. Thank you.  
Patricia M. Murphy



**Marcia Wilson Hobbs**

Marcia Hobbs is President and Publisher of the BEVERLY HILLS COURIER. She is part of the Bel-Air Association Board of Directors. Marcia has served on many charity boards and currently serves on the Los Angeles Children's Hospital, the Children's Institute, St. John's Hospital, and President of the PetCare Foundation. She was the president of the Greater Los Angeles Zoo Association for ten years. She has been a member of the Bel-Air Garden Club for over 25 years. She has served over 15 years as president for the Los Angeles County High School for the Arts. She has lived in Bel-Air since she was born, raised her three sons in Bel-Air, and has seen too many changes.



**Maureen Smith**

I have lived in Bel Air for many years and have been a dedicated and reliable BABCNC board member since March 2015. Because of my BABCNC Board experience and my love of Bel Air, I want to continue serving on the Board as at-Large member. I have a JD and a CA Real Estate Broker's License, which help me understand issues we face. As a volunteer mediator in the LA City Attorney's Dispute Resolution Program, I learned how to navigate LA city departments that we interact with. I volunteer with the Southern California Family Mediators and serve as a volunteer facilitator for Days of Dialogue which helps communities facilitate communication with city organizations. My experience as a mediator has been invaluable as a Board member because I have the ability to understand both sides of important issues and analyze them. I am on the following committees: Ad Hoc Election, EP, Outreach, Environmental and Traffic. It is a privilege to serve on the Board. I would certainly appreciate your vote!

**Carolyn Duenas**

No statement at this time.



**Shawn Bayliss**

Hoping to bring my years of community and hillside experience to this wonderful Neighborhood Council in the hopes of making a positive difference.

**Marlena Donohue**

I have lived in Westwood since my undergraduate days at UCLA, an institution I respect, support and which conferred my BA with Honors. As a PhD candidate at USC, I rented in the BelAir/Glen area, happy to drive the distance to school because of my strong ties to the local community. When it came to buying my own home as a professional writer and college professor, I targeted this area and waited until there was a home specifically here. My children attended private and public schools here. I have taught at UCLA and Mt. Saint Mary's. This is to say that my commitment to the area runs very deep. But commitment is not enough to serve well. For thirty years I have worked as a college educator, scholar, and professional writer. In those capacities I learned, observed and communicated the importance of active community engagement. As the member of several Boards-- philanthropic and other -- I know the sort of attention that position will demand. I am not only ready, I welcome it.

*At-Large Community Interest Stakeholder (1 seat)*



**Chuck Maginnis**

Charles “Chuck” Maginnis has served on the BABCNC for the past 12 years with an 85% attendance record. He was appointed Public safety /Emergency Preparedness (EP) Committee Chair 7 years ago which now includes an LAFD ACS (HAM radio) team. Averaging 18 participants per meeting, agendas and minutes (with pictures) are available on our website: <https://www.babcnc.org/publicsafety-committee.php> Our Committee is regarded as a model group by many public servants and DONE, who is responsible for the City’s 93 Neighborhood Councils. Mr. Maginnis also maintains a 50+ resident EP list for his Bel Air Road neighborhood. He is a communication consultant for voice, data and networking with over 150 providers like AT&T, Frontier, TPx and Spectrum. Bill audits to reduce expenses, Hosted VOIP and cloud are specialties. He believes his experience, knowledge and relationships in communications and Neighborhood Council activities, will continue to be an asset to the community.

*At-Large Youth Representative (1 seat)*



**Philip Enderwood**

A Roscomare Valley native, Philip Enderwood is a lifelong resident of Bel Air and currently a student at Santa Monica College. Aside from his academic pursuits, Enderwood is a member of SMC's student government body, Associated Students. As an A.S. Representative, he actively promotes student assistance programs on-campus; additionally, Enderwood serves as a volunteer at the campus community garden and sits on one of the college's judicial affairs committees. If elected to the Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council, Enderwood would focus on: (i) increasing the community's awareness of the council, (ii) encouraging more youth involvement, (iii) building closer ties with residential developers to avoid code headaches, (iv) devising more efficient traffic solutions with city councilmember offices to help limit congestion, and (v) developing an open protocol for residents to share suspicious neighborhood activity with local security agencies.

*Non-Residential Group Representative - Public School (1 seat)*



**Kristie Holmes**

Since 2001, I've been a part of this neighborhood- living, working and raising kids here that attend Wonderland Elementary. As part of the National Deployment Mental Health Team for The Red Cross and United Nations Women USNC, I'd like to focus on local issues that impact my family daily.

*Non-Residential Group Representative – Commercial/Office Enterprise (1 seat)*



**Jacqueline L. Kennedy**

I am the current Commercial/Business Representative and have been this Neighborhood Council's Treasurer for the past 2 years. As a graduate of the LA Chamber of Commerce's Leadership LA Academy, Adjunct Law Professor, Lawyer, and Cybersecurity Professional, I understand the rising issues faced by Local Businesses and Residential Stakeholders. -----  
-I am also a City Commissioner, and volunteer for the VA, RedCross, Army Community Partners Board, and Community Police Advisory Board. I am a graduate of the US Army War College's National Security Seminar. My top areas of focus for the next term are: Resiliency, Safety, Emergency Preparedness, and AntiTerrorism. The World is changing rapidly. I would like to help keep our communities and local businesses informed, safe, and prepared for the next Cyber Attack, ActiveShooter, and/or Natural Disaster.

*Public Residential Bel-Air Glen District Representative (1 seat)*



**Catie Lee Casazza**

As a lifelong Angeleno I chose to live in the Glen because there is no other neighborhood in Los Angeles like it. As a local small business owner, I know how important it is to have an advocate who will stand up for what is right and necessary. If elected, I promise to be a constant voice for the many residents of the Bel-Air Glen neighborhood and fight for what needs to be done to make and keep our neighborhood amazing.



***Public Residential Bel-Air District Representative (2 seats)***



**Mark P. Goodman**

Dr Goodman has lived in the area for 33 years. Finishing with Honors at UCLA, he organized a BasicEmergencyCare course and served on Ethics, PatientSafety, and Risk Management Committees. A Diplomat of the Board of Internal Medicine, he's practiced medicine for 22 years, teaching UCLA medical students as an Assistant Clinical Professor. Since 2016, he's Chaired the BelAirAssociation's Emergency Preparedness/Neighborhood Watch where he updated the BAA's communications during the Skirball Fire; works with the Council Office, LAPD and LAFD; organizes and leads BAA EmergencyPreparedness public meetings; integrated BAA's emergency preparedness with the Neighborhood Council's; and has helped in establishing an emergency communication network and evacuation grid with block by block team captains. LAFD CERT trained, he also completed the highest level of Community PoliceAcademy and serves on the Community Police AdvisoryBoard. With other philanthropy, he has Chaired LACMA's AmericanArtCouncil.



**Gail Sroloff**

Gail Sroloff is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill where she was an intercollegiate athlete and majored in Exercise Science. She is a founding faculty member of Milken Community High School and started and directed the Athletic and Physical Education Departments until her retirement eight years ago. Since her retirement, Gail has been active as a mentor in the Fulfillment Fund and as an ambassador for the non-profit Canine Companions for Independence. Gail has lived in Bel-Air with her husband Shelly for 11 years and has served on the BAA Board as Co-Chair of the membership Committee, Social Outreach, and part of the Emergency Preparedness Committee.



**Kris Bruce**

I have lived in the Bel-Air community for over 2-years now. I am eager to express new ideas and concerns to keep the community safe, secure and well managed. If elected I will do my very best to ensure a neutral position on every situation that impacts our neighborhood. there are no small voices in the community only small shoes and every neighborhood voice shall be heard.



**Rob Farber**

Dear Fellow Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council Stakeholders, I am writing to you to ask for your continued support as I am putting my name forward to serve as your Public Residential Bel-Air District Representative. In June 2017 I was unanimously selected by the Board to serve as your At-Large Youth Representative. Since then I have also volunteered to serve on the Emergency Preparedness, Budget and Finance, and Traffic Committees where it has been an honor to work on such crucial community issues as homelessness, resources for our local schools, fire/earthquake prevention and readiness, traffic congestion on our narrow canyon roads, and protecting our precious hillside environment and ecosystems. If you have any questions or comments about the Board or my service on it please feel free to contact me at [rfarber@babnc.org](mailto:rfarber@babnc.org). Thank you very much for your time and consideration. Sincerely, Rob Farber

***Public Residential North of Sunset District Representative (2 seats)***



**Yves Mieszala**

Resident of Bel Air and Sunset Strip since 1985. I love our neighborhoods and I am concerned about them. Active Real Estate agent and very well informed about any type of residential construction.



**Luis Pardo**

Together we can make our city a better place to live for everyone. I choose to think globally and act locally. Join us in our efforts to preserve our environment, improve our quality of life, and transform our planet



**Ellen Evans**

I am a founding member and President of the Doheny/Sunset Plaza Neighborhood Association which works to enhance quality of life in the North of Sunset area. In this role, I am in frequent communication with neighbors all over our area, so I know very well the problems we face. I am in favor of reasonable development and open space preservation. I will seek to enhance the city's enforcement capacity in all areas, including but certainly not limited to the enforcement of parking, traffic, noise and construction regulations. I have served on the Council for two years.

## CANDIDATES FOR SELECTED SEATS

### *Custodian of Open Space*



**Travis Longcore**

I have served for several years on BABCNC representing open space interests. I hope to continue to do so, in the interest of communicating the scientific basis for conservation actions and holding agencies and developers accountable for protecting the open spaces of this territory.

### *Private Schools (K-6)*



**Yon Jean "Teresa" Lee**

It would be a privilege to re-join the council as a representative for the Private K-6 Schools. I live in Bel Air, and I am currently a parent of two children attending local independent schools. I thank you for the opportunity to serve the community through the Bel Air Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council.

***Private Schools (7-12)***



**Jon Wimbish**

Having served on the BABCNC, I know the important work that the council is involved in. I commend its oversight of environmental and development concerns and emergency preparedness. As a representative of an independent school within the council's area, I know that Harvard-Westlake would like to be a partner in these endeavors.

***Faith-Based Institutions***



**Jackie Defede**

I am very excited about the opportunity to serve the council and to participate in all the good work done by its members. Not only on a personal level, but on a professional level as well, I hope that my participation aids and strengthens the relationship between the council and the Temple. I am happy to serve in whatever capacity and participate on any project the council members deem appropriate.