



**Regular Meeting of the Board AGENDA**  
**Wednesday, January 25, 2017 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm**  
**American Jewish University**

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

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The public is welcome to speak. The meeting is being audiotaped. We request that any person wishing to speak, please fill out a Speaker Card, with or without your contact information, and agenda item #, and submit it to the presiding officer of the Council. These are a public record. A separate card should be filled out for each item on the Agenda. Comments on items not up for consideration on the Agenda will be heard during Public Comment. Public Comment is limited to 3 minutes per speaker unless waived by presiding officer. Please refrain from speaking unless and until the presiding officer calls your name to speak.

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Approval of January 25, 2017 Agenda** (per Bylaws, Article VIII, Section 2, p.20)
5. **Approval of December 21, 2016 Minutes (Attachment A)** Copy was circulated with agenda.
6. **Public Comment:** BABCNC welcomes public comment on any topic not on the adopted agenda. Each speaker will be limited to 3 minutes; comments limited to 15 minutes unless decided otherwise by Chair.

**Reports of Officers & Representatives:**

7. **President's Report** – Robin Greenberg
  - a. **Update from the President:** Please return name card to Cathy if you leave meeting early.
  - b. **Board Member Trainings:** See <https://empowerla.org/babcnc/> for expiration dates on ethics. Some of you are due February & March 2017; [www.empowerla.org/self-serve](http://www.empowerla.org/self-serve) for trainings.
  - c. **Mayor Garcetti's "Welcome Home Project/The Big Move In."** Please bring a household item for homeless families settling into new homes. (Pick up every 3 months FS#37)
  - d. **Homeless Count January 24, 25 and 26:** <https://www.lamayor.org/greater-los-angeles-homeless-count> <http://www.theycountwillyou.org/> (WLA is January 25<sup>th</sup>)
  - e. **Report on "Clean Streets" Awards Ceremony of Saturday January 14, 2017**
  - f. **Introduction of and Presentation by New Webmaster, Rob Adams of Web Corner**
  - g. **Report Back On Council File 15-1022-S2 Regarding Online Voting Pilot For Neighborhood Council Elections: (Discussion, Possible Motion & CIS)**

**Motion:** To approve proposed changes to NC Bylaws & Election procedures Citywide for 2018 Election, including but not limited to online voting; reducing minimum voting age; restricting number of different types of ballots. (**Letter from Grayce: Attachment F + links below**)  
**For complete Council File & 78-page Report, see the following links:**  
<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=15-1022-S2>  
[http://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2015/15-1022-s2\\_rpt\\_DONE\\_01-18-2017.pdf](http://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2015/15-1022-s2_rpt_DONE_01-18-2017.pdf)

h. **Updates on Recent Hearings on Citywide Land Use Issues (Updates & Discussion)**

**Wed. Jan. 18, 2017 Special PLUM Meeting @ City Hall** (Robin, Bob, Stephanie, Don & Dan)

1) **BMO/BHO** See Council File:

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=14-0656> (Includes CISs by BABCNC)

See Link to updated BMO-BHO Ordinance signed by Vince Bertoni on 01/18/2017:

[http://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2014/14-0656\\_misc\\_01-18-2017.pdf](http://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2014/14-0656_misc_01-18-2017.pdf)

2) **R1 Variations** See Council File:

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=16-1460> (PLUM Committee continued item to City Attorney to draft an ordinance.)

3) **Hillside Construction Restrictions (HCR)** Council File: (*Motion below on agenda*)

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=16-1472-S1> (PLUM Committee continued item to City Attorney to draft an ordinance.)

**Friday Jan. 20, 2017 10:00 a.m. Meeting at City Hall RE: Protected Tree Code Amendment**

i. **Representatives of Elected Officials and Agencies** (Update, Discussion & Possible Action)

i. Gurmet Khara, Field Deputy for CD-5 CM Paul Koretz

**Commendations:** 1) Principal Teer for Wonderland School achieving Blue Ribbon Status; and, 2) Tony Tucci & Alison Simard for their ongoing work with Citizens of Los Angeles Wildlife (CLAW)]

- ii. Catherine Landers Field Deputy for CD-4 CM David Ryu
- iii. Faisal Alserri, Senior Planning Deputy for CD-5 CM Paul Koretz
- iv. Julia Duncan, Senior Planning Deputy for CD-4 CM David Ryu
- v. Janet Turner, Representative for 33<sup>rd</sup> District Congressman
- vi. Chris Ragsdale, Senior Lead Officer, LAPD, WLA Station
- vii. Brian Gallagher from the Department of Transportation

8. **Vice President's Report** – Nickie Miner

9. **Secretary's Report** – Robert Ringle

10. **Treasurer's Report** (Discussion, Update & Action) – Lonnie Mayfield

- a. Update from Treasurer
- b. Consideration of December 2016 Monthly Expenditure Report & Statement (**Attachment B**)

11. **Reports of BABCNC Representatives (Updates & Discussion)**

- a. North of Sunset District – Luis Pardo & Guest Speaker: Stella Jeong
- b. Custodians of Open Space - Travis Longcore
  - i. Update / Report

## 12. Liaison Updates

- a. Animal Services Liaison– Gary Plotkin & Travis Longcore
- b. Department of Public Works – Dan Love
- c. Film Liaison – Dan Love – Town Hall at City Hall January 26, 2017 @ 6 pm
- d. Homelessness – Leslie Weisberg (formerly was Jacqueline Le Kennedy)
- e. Purposeful Aging – Jacqueline Le Kennedy: Town Hall at City Hall January 31, 2017 @ 6pm

## 13. Budget Advocate Report & Report on Civic U – Jacqueline Le Kennedy

### Reports of Committees

## 14. Public Safety/Disaster Preparedness Committee (Update) – Chuck Maginnis, Chair

- a. Update by Chair – Outreach with Survey Monkey
- b. **Next EP Meeting: February 15<sup>th</sup>** (Generally meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday every other month)

## 15. Bylaws, Rules & Elections Committee – Larry Leisten, Chair (Update & Discussion)

- a. Update / Report by Chair
- b. Review of Bylaws

## 16. Planning & Land Use Committee – Update on 01/10/2016 Meeting - Bob Schlesinger, Chair

**a. Although there was no quorum at the PLU Committee meeting of January 10<sup>th</sup>, the following two projects are brought to the full board for update, discussion and action:**

**i. 2570 Benedict Canyon Dr. ZA-2016-4657-ZAA-ZAD ENV-2016-4658-CE 12/06/16 BCA SFD, w/attached 2 car garage (1 covered, 2 uncovered). Lot 50,817. Multiple ret walls: #1, 2A & 2A, 2B,3 on new plot plan. Also construction of additional walls and fences and solar panels per attached Addendum ‘A’.** App/Owner: Elizabeth Cooper [ekcooper@earthlink.net](mailto:ekcooper@earthlink.net) 310.276.1241  
Agent/Rep: Karen Zindler-Shuler Spock, Bardwell Case & Associates, Architects;  
[Karen@bardwellcase.com](mailto:Karen@bardwellcase.com) 818.784.5355

**Background:** Ms. Karen Zindler-Shuler Spock, Architect, and homeowner, Ms. Elizabeth Cooper, presented to the PLU Committee. Ms. Spock related that they are requesting a variance needed to build additional retaining walls. The existing site has three (3) existing low retaining walls (behind pool, in front of house, along street frontage and driveway). The applicant looked into connecting the proposed low retaining walls yet LADBS required separation. The owners had the option to tear down existing walls to make one wall yet they felt that was excessive. Their three (3) proposed retaining walls are for required toe of slope walls for house addition, clear space needed to back out of new garage and low retaining walls for soccer field to replace (e) tennis courts. All proposed walls vary in height and were said to not exceed 6’high. All walls to be planted, per owner. Owner has signatures of approval from all five (5) abutting neighbors for proposed walls. No protected trees are being removed. Questions were asked and answered. No official vote from the PLUC was taken due to lack of quorum. The presenters were invited to the full board, as their request was felt to be very simple, though the situation was unusual.

**ii. 9366 Flicker Way 90069 ZA-2016-3349-ZV 90069 ENV-2014-419-MND-REV1 Rec’d 9/15 NPH 1/17/17 Lot area 68,628.9 SFD Zone Variance to allow the construction, use & maintenance of an additional kitchen within a Single Family Home. One personal kitchen 665 sf and one guest kitchen 190 sf in size. Covenants, affidavits or easements YES. Property in the Hollywood Community – CD4 zoned RE11-1 Very low residential. Permit history: was an existing SFD permitted in late 40’s/early 50’s, 86 building permits added over 17 years. New permit for construction of a new SFD (or 2) has been approved and currently under construction. 3 story sfd w/ attached 5 car garage/pool/spa deck/ attached 5’1” wide x 285 ft long trellis. Set of Plans.** Owner: Bruno & Kyara Mascolo Family Trust, Kyara Mascolo [kyaramakeup@icloud.com](mailto:kyaramakeup@icloud.com) 424.324.7511 Rep: Tony Russo [tony@crestrealestate.com](mailto:tony@crestrealestate.com) 408.655.0998 Staff: Nuri Cho 213-978-1177

[nuri.cho@lacity.org](mailto:nuri.cho@lacity.org) (Notes from 12/13 meeting: COVENANT: NO LOT SPLIT, NO PARTIES 12/13) Hearing January 17<sup>th</sup>, following our PLUC meeting.)

**Background:** Tony Russo returned to the PLUC on 01/10 with printouts with elevations of the house, accessory living quarters and calculations, as requested, including the site plan, hillside referral form, signed and notarized covenant agreement to not rent out to anybody like airbnb or others, and no subdivision; however the covenant runs with the life of the buildings only. There will be no hauling. Total square footage 14,700 flat pad. Variance request is for a second kitchen in one of the accessory living quarters, for family to have more privacy. Questions were asked and answered by the Committee. Steve recommended approving subject to the signing, however, no official vote from the PLUC was taken due to lack of quorum. Tony was invited to this meeting as his hearing of 01/17/2017 has passed and he reports being given only until 01/26/2017 for input to the ZA file.

**b. Re-Consideration & Re-hearing 50 Beverly Park Way, following this motion having failed at the 11/16/2016 Board Meeting (Update, Discussion & Action)**

[Explanation of requirements for reconsideration of a motion, per Bylaws can be seen at bottom of agenda. A letter of explanation has been provided and upon receipt of a majority vote, the Board may debate and vote on the underlying motion again.]

**i. Motion for Reconsideration:** To re-hear and vote on 50 Beverly Park Way

**50 Beverly Park Way, 90210 ZA-2016-2258-ZV-ZAD-F, ENV-2016-2259-CE-ZV-ZAD-F Lot: (33) 113,017.3, Project 26,444 sf. Over-height & multiple walls; multiple kitchens, over-height building. Over-in-height residence due to multiple light wells in basement; over-in-height fences/ walls in the required front yard. Two additional kitchens, multiple retaining walls. To allow a building height of 58' due to multiple light wells. The building has to be measured from the bottom of the lowest light well, which will add an additional 13'0" to the residence. The building height from grade will be 45' and 58' from the bottom of the light well. To allow 2 additional kitchens in a SFD in lieu of the one already by code (service & staff kitchens). 14' front gate, 10' wall, 6'8" pedestrian gate, (2) 3'x3' x 12 feet high pilasters w/3'6" lights on top and a rear yard wall up to 10' high in lieu of 3'6" allowed for a front yard and 6' allowed in the rear yard by code. Contact: Jaime Massey [jaimemassey@gmail.com](mailto:jaimemassey@gmail.com) 818-517-1842 Applicant: Armen Dolvantian (owner's rep)**

**Background:** When the BABCNC heard this at the 11/16/2016 Board meeting, it was noted that the PLU Committee recommended at its 11/08/2016 meeting, by a vote of 7 yes, 1 no from Don Loze, and 0 abstentions, that the BABCNC support this request. It was noted that this item had gone back and forth for a couple of months; the issue was a question of the light wells; Beverly Park had approved it and they had reviewed the information from their CC&Rs. Light wells were discussed. Following the presentation and discussion at the 11/16/2016 Board meeting, at which expediter, Jaime Massey, was not present to answer questions, the motion to support failed by a vote of 1 yes; 12 no; 9 abstentions.

**ii. Motion:** To approve the above project

**17. Outreach Committee (Update, Discussion & Possible Action) – Robin Greenberg, Chair & Members:**

Kathy Copcutt, Larry Leisten, Nickie Miner, Maureen Smith, Andre Stojka & Jacqueline Le Kennedy  
a. Update / Report by Chair – Robin awarded for Clean Streets

**18. DWP Update – André Stojka & Don Loze**

- a. Update & Discussion on meetings of Advocacy Committee & MOU Oversight Committee
- b. DWP Stone Canyon Ad Hoc Committee Report (Established September 28, 2016 to monitor work of the DWP & its contractors, to establish a liaison between the DWP and this NC Ad-Hoc Committee Members: Don Loze, Andre Stojka & Leslie Weisberg  
- February/March DWP will choose contractors and bring them back to the Board

- c. DWP Meetings: 1<sup>st</sup> Sat 8:45 am LADWP Cafeteria Level, 111 N. Hope St. 90012 (+Parking)  
MOU Oversight Committee meets even months; Advocacy Committee meets odd months.

**Motions and Resolutions (Update, Discussion & Possible Action with CISs where appropriate)**

**19. Proposed West Sherman Oaks Hills Traffic Neighborhood Management Plan**

See letters from Bel Air Ridge (**Attachment C**) & CM Paul Koretz (**Attachment C.i**)

**Motion:** Bel Air Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council opposes any and all restrictions proposed in Sherman Oaks between Valley Vista and Mulholland Drive until further studies by the Department of Transportation and other City agencies document and consider how to eliminate the impact on communities south of Mulholland. [To be sent by letter to CM David Ryu, CD4, and LADOT [brian.gallagher@lacity.org](mailto:brian.gallagher@lacity.org)]

**20. Measure “S” Neighborhood Integrity Initiative**

**Motion:** To support Measure “S” the Neighborhood Integrity Initiative

[http://www.mrca.ca.gov/pdf/attachment3937\\_Staff%20Report.pdf](http://www.mrca.ca.gov/pdf/attachment3937_Staff%20Report.pdf) (**Attachment D**)

[http://www.mrca.ca.gov/pdf/attachment3937\\_Resolution.pdf](http://www.mrca.ca.gov/pdf/attachment3937_Resolution.pdf) (**Attachment D.i.**) Link to

**Neighborhood Integrity Initiative** [http://www.mrca.ca.gov/pdf/attachment3937\\_Attachment.pdf](http://www.mrca.ca.gov/pdf/attachment3937_Attachment.pdf)

**21. Hillside Construction Restrictions (HCR) (Overlay)**

**Motion** To support Letter & Matrix submitted by Robin Greenberg to Council File, #16-1472-S1 regarding overlay for CIS submission (**Attachment E**)

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=16-1472-S1>

**22. Accessory Dwelling Units**

**Motion:** To oppose new ADU proposal put out by the City Planning Commission

For background, please see the Council File which indicates that on 12/27/15, documents were referred by the CPC to PLUM including Proposed Ordinance, Planning Recommendation Report, Findings including General Plan Charter Findings, Environmental Exemptions

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=16-1468>

**23. Updates on Neighboring NC & Alliance Meetings**

**WRAC:** Westside Regional Alliance of Councils: – Robin Greenberg & Nickie Miner  
3rd Weds. 8:30 am @ Lenny’s Deli 2379 Westwood Blvd. [www.westsidecouncils.com](http://www.westsidecouncils.com)  
(Meeting of 01/18/2017: No motions were approved at WRAC)

**Hillside Federation:** <http://www.hillsidefederation.org/> – Robin Greenberg & Jamie Hall  
1<sup>st</sup> Weds. 7:00 pm @ Pinz Bowling Center 12655 Ventura Blvd.

**Note:** Each HOA President has a name card and a place at the table: Matt BCA & Jamie LCA

**VANC:** Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils: <http://empowerla.org/vanc-2/>  
2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday 6:30 pm @ Sherman Oaks Hospital 4929 Van Nuys Bl., 1<sup>st</sup> Fl. Doctors' Conf. Rm.  
Validated parking in structure next door. [jbarad@roadrunner.com](mailto:jbarad@roadrunner.com) – Irene Sandler

**LANCC:** Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition: <http://www.lancc.org/>  
1<sup>st</sup> Saturday 10:00 am @ LADWP Headquarters Bldg., Caf Level, 111 N. Hope André Stojka

**BONC:** Board of Neighborhood Commissioners <http://empowerla.org/commission/> See website for upcoming meetings at locations including South LA, City Hall North Valley & Central



**Plan Check NCLA** <http://plancheckncla.com> Nickie Miner & Cathy Wayne  
2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday 10:30–12:00 pm Reseda NC Community Space 18118 Sherman Way Reseda

**NCSA:** Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance: [NCSA@empowerla.org](mailto:NCSA@empowerla.org) Jacqueline Kennedy  
2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday 1:00 pm Reseda NC Community Space 18118 Sherman Way Reseda 91335

**Neighborhood Council Emergency Preparedness Alliance** <http://empowerla.org/calendar/>  
4<sup>th</sup> Saturday 10:00 am – 12:00 pm; location TBD

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

25. **Adjourn**

26. **Next Meeting: Wednesday February 22, 2017 @ AJU (4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday)**

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