



*Building A Better Community*

**Special General Board Meeting MINUTES**  
**Thursday, September 28, 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

**Present: 21**

**Minimum Quorum: 15**

<u>2017/2018 Stakeholder Groups / Representatives</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
<b>Bel Air Crest Master Homeowner Association</b>		
<i>Irene Sandler</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, Rules &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 (Alternate Desiree Lapin)</b>		
<i>André Stojka</i>	<b>X</b>	
<b>Benedict Canyon Association (Alternate David Scott Kaden)</b>		
<i>Robert (Bob) Schlesinger, PLUC Chair</i>	<b>X</b>	
<i>Don Loze</i>	<b>X</b>	
<i>Nickie Miner, Vice President</i>	<b>X</b>	
<i>Matthew (Matt) Post</i>		<b>X</b>
<b>Casiano Estates Association</b>		
<i>Gary Plotkin</i>		<b>X</b>

<u>2017/2018 Stakeholder Groups / Representatives</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Not Present</u>
<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>		
<b>VACANT SEAT</b>		
<b>Franklin-Coldwater District</b>		
<i>Maureen Smith (Appointed 06/28/17)</i>	<b>X</b>	
<b>K-6 Private Schools</b>		
<i>John Amato (Appointed 09/28/17)</i>	<b>X</b>	
<b>7-12 Private Schools</b>		
<i>Jon Wimbish (Appointed 09/28/17)</i>	<b>X</b>	
<b>K-12 Public Schools</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>Heather Roy/Alt (Appointed 09/28/17) for Jamie Hall*</i>	<b>X</b>	*
<i>Stephanie Savage</i>	<b>X</b>	
<i>Cathy Wayne</i>	<b>X</b>	
<i>Tony Tucci</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>	
<i>Pamela Pierson, M.D. (Appointed 07/26/17)</i>		<b>X</b>

<i>2017/2018 Stakeholder Groups / Representatives</i>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Not Present</b>
<b>Member-at-Large / Youth Seat</b>		
<i>Robinson (Rob) Farber (Appointed 06/28/17)</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>21</b>	<b>10</b>

- 1. Call to Order** Robin Greenberg, President, called the meeting to order at 7:07pm.
- 2. Roll Call:** Robert Ringler, Secretary, called the roll with 18 present, and 21 by 8:00pm. Appointments included: John Amato for the Private Schools K-6 seat and Jon Wimbish for the Private Schools 7-12 seat; as well as Heather Roy & Valerie O'Brien as Alternates for Laurel Canyon Association (LCA). Heather Roy sat in for Jamie Hall this evening.
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 4. Approval of September 27, 2017 Agenda** (per Bylaws, Article VIII, Section 2) **Moved** by Robert; **seconded** by Robert S. **17 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstentions; Approved.**
- 5. Approval of July 26, 2017 Minutes (Attachment A)** Copy was circulated with agenda. **Moved** by Cathy W. **seconded** by Mike Kemp. **17 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstentions; Approved.**
- 6. Public Comment** (on any topic not on adopted agenda, within the Board's jurisdiction):  
**Patrice Noteware:** Ms. Noteware expressed concern about blight on Sepulveda, south of Getty Center to Church Lane, at Bel Terrace, and at the Moraga off ramp; noted that weeds & grasses are increasing in height from 3' to 5-10.' Irene Sandler reported having been to a meeting called by CD11, with no one from CD5, and with entities including Cal-Trans, with goal of cleanup & beautification along Sepulveda. She asked that they at least address Moraga. She asked if Bel Air Association could write a letter.

**Steve Twining:** Steve gave update from WRAC's land use committee that meets at WLA City Hall and asked that our PLUC consider some recommended motions including that Planning Commissioners have 5-year terms; that Council members shall invite NC reps to all meetings with developers, and noted the need to list all campaign contributions from developers, employees and spouses. **Steve** also commented on need to further discuss homelessness, noting suggestion by Sheila Kuehl that the unused courthouse in WLA be converted for the homeless.

**Patricia Bell Hearst:** Ms. Bell Hearst spoke on the proposed Berggruen Institute project on the west side of the 405, which will include numerous facilities, parking and heli-pads; will involve events, security issues, traffic, air quality, methane, ridgeline destruction, among others. Community leaders have met at the Skirball in May and August, and MRCA has met about this. She noted that Wendy-Sue Rosen will speak on this at BABCNC and that "City Hall knows that we are not happy." Patricia reported that the project will involve zone change from residential to educational. **Patricia** also commented on issue about losing CEQA and suggested Robert Silverstein come speak on this. [Nickie arrived at 7:23 pm.]

**Walt Young from the Mountains Recreation & Conservation Authority (MRCA)** gave update on the results of Measure A. He just returned from Puerto Rico where he was doing disaster-relief. He noted that on July 1, they started 7-night patrols on Mulholland and go 24 hours when red flag; currently anticipate 2-3-day red flag days between now and November; focusing on having cars out, and on red flag days, engines out on Mulholland. Asked who gives them authority, Walt noted they are California Peace Officers; authority extends for any park-type offense on their owned or managed property for park-related offenses or offenses that rise to level of serious property crime or threat to the public, under #836 of the Penal Code. They deal with quality of life issues; occasionally warrants. They link to the LAPD through radio; LAPD still retains municipal police function responsibility; they have a good relationship with them. **Walt can be reached at (310) 985-5231 / 24-hour Phone# (310) 456-7049.**

## **Reports of Officers**

### **7. President's Report – Robin Greenberg (Update, Discussion & Possible Action)**

- a. Update from the President
- b. **Motion:** To accept the appointment of John Amato for the K-6 Private Schools seat. **Moved** by Andre; **seconded** by Cathy W. **18 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstentions; Approved.**
- c. **Motion:** To accept the appointment of Jon Wimbish for the 7-12 Private Schools seat. **Moved** by Robert; **seconded** by Cathy W. **18 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstentions; Approved.**
- d. **Motion:** To accept the appointment of Valerie O'Brien for an Alternate LCA seat. **Moved** by Cathy W.; **seconded** by Robert R. **18 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstentions; Approved.**
- e. **Motion:** To accept the appointment of Heather Roy for an Alternate LCA seat. **Moved** by Cathy W.; **seconded** by Robert R. **18 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstentions; Approved.**
- f. **Motion:** To accept the appointment of Michael Schlenker as a non-board-member EP Committee member. [He has already been serving as EP Communications Subcommittee Chair, as per Chuck.] **Moved** by Cathy W.; **seconded** by Robert R. **18 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstentions; Approved.**
- g. **Discussion & Possible Motion:** That the City of Los Angeles Ethics Commission have at least one NC representative to sit on it as a member; letter to be sent to appropriate persons at DONE and City. **Moved** by Robert R.; **seconded** by Andre. **18 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstentions; Approved.**
- h. **Celebrations of BABCNC's 15-year Anniversary** (Announcements, Discussion & Action)
  - i. **Motion:** To approve the Outreach Committee's recommendation to have our October Board Meeting at the Mulholland Tennis Club Thursday 10/26 with a short meeting from 6:30-7:00pm & Anniversary Celebration with Guests 7:00-9:00pm (**Attachment B draft invite**) (*funding expenditure item #15.b.*) **Moved** by Robert R. **seconded** by Robert S. **19 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstentions; Approved.**
  - ii. **Save the Date: CD-5 Honors BABCNC @ City Hall on Tuesday October 3<sup>rd</sup> 10:00am** (9:15-9:45 nosh at CM Koretz's, Suite 440.) Robin noted that some of the original board members are here today, e.g., Steve Twining, Don Loze, Robert Ringler. Robin is trying to reach founding members for this.
  - iii. **Save the Date: November 7<sup>th</sup> 6:00pm Board of Neighborhood Commissioners Honor BABCNC**
- i. **Upcoming & Recent Hearings on Citywide Land Use Issues:**

**j. Representatives of Elected Officials & Government Agencies (Updates & Discussion)**

**Nikki Ezhari, Field Deputy for CD-4 Council Member, David Ryu:** Nikki related that the draft party-house ordinance is out; the Councilmembers' discretionary fund data is now online; LAPD & Department have updated certain speed zones; some up and some down to allow the LAPD to monitor with a speed gun. Robert Ringler related that the use of radar gives the officer a tool; we have a safe speed law in California; "it is a quality of life issue; you need the enforcement. The question is whether they have the resources."

**Jasmine Elbarbary, DONE Project Director:** Jasmine related that Semea is out this week. City Council has yet to decide on NC elections; if we want selections next year, we'll need to fill out proper form. They're still collecting demographic data from NCs; it is optional; she'll have to guess if not provided.

**8. Vice President's Report – Nickie Miner –** Nickie gave a shout out to Robin for her great energy.

**9. Secretary's Report – Robert Ringler –** Robert related that we have a new Commanding Officer at the WLA PD, Valencia Thomas. Captain Tina Nieto has a new job as a Police Chief in the Monterey peninsula.

[Dan Palmer arrived @ approximately 7:30 and Luis Pardo, 7:50.]

**10. Treasurer's Report (Update, Discussion & Action) – Jacqueline Le Kennedy**

a) Update/Report from Treasurer

**b) Motion: Approval of the July 2017 Monthly Expenditure Reports (Attachment C)**

**Moved** by Robert; **seconded** by Ellen; **21 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstentions; 10 absences:** Maureen L., Leslie, Larry, Matthew, Gary, Travis, Kathy C., Dan L., Pamela, Rob. **Approved.**

**c) Motion: Approval of the August 2017 Monthly Expenditure Reports (Attachment D)**

**Moved** by Robert; **seconded** by Ellen; **21 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstentions; 10 absences:** Maureen L., Leslie, Larry, Matthew, Gary, Travis, Kathy C., Dan L., Pamela, Rob. **Approved.**

**Reports of Committees**

**11. Bylaws, Rules & Elections Committee – Laurence Leisten, Chair – Not present**

a. Update/Report by Chair

**12. Emergency Preparedness Committee – Chuck Maginnis, Chair**

**a. Update/Report by Chair on the August 16th meeting:** Chuck related that they had a good turnout. Seema from North of Sunset came and he subsequently met with five members of her group to discuss emergency preparedness. Chuck noted that at the August 16<sup>th</sup> meeting, we had two presentations, one by Bill Grundfest on weed whacker related fires in the hillsides, which Bill had complained to the City about. Paul Koretz has submitted a motion to City Council on June 30th that was sent to Public Safety Committee and returned to Council where the Public Safety Report was adopted on 09/01/2017.

[http://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2009/09-1977-s2\\_mot\\_06-30-2017.pdf](http://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2009/09-1977-s2_mot_06-30-2017.pdf)

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=09-1977-S2>

**"Very High Fire Severity Zone / Brush Clearance Requirements / Fire Prevention Recommendations"**

Chuck also had special guest speaker, Glen Granholm, who spoke on safety-proofing houses, e.g., strapping movable objects, including but not limited to big screen televisions and refrigerators, among other things.

**b. Next EP Meeting: Wednesday October 18, 2017 7:00 pm Bel Air Ridge Clubhouse 2760 Claray**

**13. Planning & Land Use Committee (Updates, Discussion & Action) – Bob Schlesinger, Chair**

a. Update/Report by Chair

**b. Projects heard at the August 8, 2017 PLU Committee meeting:**

- i. **1660 SUNSET PLAZA ZA-2017-152-ZV-ZAD-ZAA ENV-2017-153-CE** No hearing date as of 4/22/17 Eng: Steven Pribyl; Rep: Will Nieves  
 - The PLU Committee recommended, by a vote of 9 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions, with 3 absences, that the BABCNC Board **APPROVE** the above project. - Stephanie gave update, asked about parking; they have a lot of parking on opposite side of the street; requests seemed reasonable. **Motion: To APPROVE Moved** by Cathy; **seconded; 20 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstentions; 11 absent; Approved.**
- ii. **1001 BEL AIR RD. ZA-2017-2250-ZAD-F ENV-2017-2251-EAF BAA 7/10 NPH ZA WLA Date?**  
 Owner: 1001 Skyview LLC; Manager: Albert Taban Agent: Crest Real Estate - The PLU Committee recommended, by a vote of 6 yes, 1 no Michael, 2 abstentions Maureen & Leslie, with 3 absences, that the BABCNC Board **DENY** the above application due to concerns including the amount of grading and need for an environmental study of the cumulative impact of all the construction going on, on one way in and one way out roads, and the basement which involves digging a lot of dirt with trucks in and out. - Bob gave update; 17,500 square feet overlay; anything larger requires EIR or MND; this has none. **Motion: To DENY Moved** by Nickie; **seconded** by Cathy W. **20 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstentions; 11 absent; Motion to deny passed.**
- iii. **761 (745) N BEL AIR RD. 11/30/16 BAA as of 5/15/17 No Hearing; Moved 6/17; still no hearing ENV-2016-4533-CE** App/Owner: David & Soheli Adelipur Rep: Nathan Friedman, FMG Architect: Hamid Gabbay, Gabbay & Assoc. - The PLU Committee recommended, by a vote of 8 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention Maureen, with 3 absences, that the BABCNC Board **DENY** the above request, based on two over-in-height retaining walls, excessive garage size in relation to the lot size, and having no information from them as to the views, and impacts on neighbors or on the property above them. - Stephanie related that they were invited twice, never showed; committee looked at project; there were enough questions to not accept it and voted to deny it. **Motion: To DENY Moved** by Nickie; **seconded** by Andre; **20 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstentions; 11 absent; Motion to deny passed.**
- iv. **8495 COLE CREST DR ☉ ZA-2017-9-ZAD ENV-2017-10-CE (8488-8490 W Grand View Dr.)**  
 Owner/App: Kah Bing Sheng & Anne J. Lo. Arch/Eng./CEQA Cons/Designer, Ron Levy, Studio by Design Agent/Rep: Nathan Freeman - The PLU Committee recommended, by a vote of 9 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions, with 3 absences, that the BABCNC Board **DENY** the above request based on need for a comprehensive CEQA review due to the nature of the withdrawn street which is also a single-lane street which accesses the subject property. The BOE has stated that the road would need to be widened from the subject property to the hillside boundary; therefore, cannot approve request to not widen street. - Stephanie gave update: She & Jamie met with applicant many times; noted this is a very difficult area; that owner chose Cole Crest, a fire road / single-lane road, and that improvement of the entire street is required, but won't know until they get applications in. She noted that he may come back and build off Grandview; and not safe to build on unsafe streets. **Motion: To DENY Moved** by Cathy W.; Jason **seconded; 20 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstentions; 11 Absent; Motion to deny passed.**  
 [Jacqueline arrived at 8:04 pm.]
- c. **Projects heard at the September 12, 2017 PLU Committee meeting:**
- v. **Update: 457 N CUESTA WAY, ZA-2017-1992-ZAD, ENV-2017-1993-EAF = Cx'd/sold/no action**
- vi. **9592 SHIRLEY LN DIR-2017-372-DRB-SPP-MSP CWC √Hrng Date 4/06/17 No Determ a/o 8/01/17 ENV-2017-373-EAF RE15-1H** Owner/App: Charles & Chrystelle Cohen. Stephen McKelvey (ARC PA, USA) - The PLU Committee recommended, by a vote of 9 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions, with 3 absences, that the BABCNC Board **APPROVE as presented with Conditions** of: 1) verification of road width on Shirley, 2) verification they have a fire hydrant within code (250 or 300 feet); and 3) verification on the retaining wall. **Motion: To deny moved** by Don; **seconded** by Nickie; **21 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstentions; 10 Absent; Motion to deny passed.**

vii. **8201 BELLGAVE PL ZA-2017-380-ZAD ENV-2017-381-CE** Owner: Tyrone McKillen, Moonraker Cap LLC. Rep: Tony/Crest R/E - The PLU Committee recommended, by a vote of 9 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions, that this be **CONTINUED to the NC (Board) meeting with the condition that we get the new updated plans.** - Tony Russo brought updated plans, noted only request is from continuous paved roadway code section; said there will only be 230 cy of export and that the team is cognizant of the HCR. **No ZA hearing date**; could be November or later. He'll send the grading approval letter when it is finalized. **Motion: To CONTINUE until we have more information; Moved** by Robert S.; **seconded** by Jason; **21 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstentions; 10 Absent; Passed.**

viii. **9137 CORDELL DR. ENV-2013-3949-MND-REC1 BBSC Hearing 2/14/2017 6/15/17 DSP CD4** Owner: Renzo Barazzuol (Cordell Holdings) Rep T. Dumary III & Tony Russo - **The PLU Committee recommended, by a vote of 8 yes, 1 no Michael Kemp, 0 abstentions, with 3 absences, that the BABCNC NOT SUPPORT this project based on the fact that we do not wish to add more export.** - Stephanie gave update: they voted to not support, wanted them to stay within their original amount of export. Tony related that this may be heard Tuesday; there is some conflicting information with Street Services. **Motion: To NOT support; Moved** by Cathy; **seconded** by Jason; **21 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstentions; 10 Absent; Motion to NOT support passed.**

ix. **Sidewalk Repair Program Environmental Impact Report Initial Study** (Discussion & Action)  
**Background:** Dr. Whitford reported that the City's Bureau of Engineering has begun the environmental review process for this Sidewalk Repair Program, and was accepting initial public comments on the scope of the EIR, which will shape the scope and content of the draft EIR by September 15. She reported that the City has claimed an exemption from the normal CEQA process requiring an EIR be completed prior to commencement of a project; and that instead, they will be conducting the EIR process while the Program is underway. Removal of healthy, mature street trees throughout Los Angeles is a part of this process, and, to date, about 200 such trees have been removed.  
**Review Process:** <http://sidewalks.lacity.org/environmental-review-process>.  
Per Ms. Gupta, Notice to Prepare an Environmental Impact Report has been given; the EIR is projected to go to the City Council at the end of next year. There is no Council File number (for a CIS at this time). During the Draft EIR phase, public meetings will be held as were done in August.  
**Motion:** To retroactively approve letter that was approved by the BABCNC PLU Committee, by a vote of 9/0/0, and sent by Robin Greenberg to Shilpa Gupta, Environmental Supervisor, Bureau of Engineering / Department of Public Works on 09/15/2017, comment deadline for the scoping process. (*Said letter was distributed at WRAC.*) **(Attachment "E") Moved** by Robert; **seconded** by Jason. **21 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstentions; 10 Absent; Passed.**

**14. Outreach Committee** (Update, Discussion & Action) – **Robin Greenberg, Chair**

a. Update/Report by Chair on meeting of Wednesday 09/13/2017 10:00am @ BAA 100 Bel Air Road.

b. **The Outreach Committee recommended that the Board approve the following:**

**Motion** To approve funding expenditure of \$1,573.21 for the room and food.**Food Breakdown:**

Crudite \$10.00/person 50 = \$500.00; Fruit \$7.00/person 50 = \$350.00; Coffee, Tea, Water \$2.50/person 50 = \$125.00; Cookies \$2.00/Person 50 = \$100.00. (See Attachment F = Invoice)

**Moved** by Robert; **seconded** by Jason. **20 Yes; 0 No; 1 Abstention** Irene; **10 Absent; Approved.**

c. **Community Alert System – Michael Schlenker, BABCNC EP Communications Chair**

**BABCNC Outreach Committee, on 09/13/2017 approved the following by 5/0/0:**

**Motion:** To have the procedure implemented for the EP Committee and the Board as a test; to have responses given to us in one to two months to see how we're doing; e.g., if we're getting spam, etc., and to have some guidelines, best practices, e.g., types of alerts that are acceptable. (**Attachment G**)

- Chuck spoke in Michael's absence. This is emergency notification with cell phone for texts and emails.

**Moved** by Chuck; **seconded** by Dan Palmer. **21 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstentions; 10 Absent; Approved.**



**d. Discussion & Possible Motion on proposal to rid our streets of blight – Matt Post**

Robin gave update on behalf of Matt who was absent; noting the importance of removing blight, which he'll speak on when he returns. There was discussion about getting a truck and picking it all up. Chuck recommending using the Survey Monkey again.

**e. Next Outreach Mtg.:** Date & Time TBD

**New Business / Motions & Resolutions (Discussion & Possible Action)**

**15. Hillside Federation Requested Updated CIS for Signs Ordinance**

As of May 2017, PLUM continued this. See BABCNC 2 CISs 06/30/2015 & 08/23/2016 in council file: <https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=11-1705>

[Ellen Evans left the room, recusing herself, when this item opened to the floor.]

**Motion:** The BABCNC supports the new sign ordinance version B+ as approved by the City Planning Commission on 10/22/2015 and urges the PLUM Committee and City Council to adopt that version of the ordinance that: a) Disapproves any AMNESTY for existing billboards that lack permits or have been altered in violation of their permits.

b) Disapproves “grandfathering” of any sign districts that weren’t approved or applied for in April 2009, when the CPC approved the initial version of the new sign ordinance.

c) Restricts any new off-site signs, including digital billboards, to sign districts in 22 areas zoned for high-intensity commercial use.

d) Requires existing billboards to be taken down before any new off-site signs can go up in sign districts. The takedown ratio of existing signs to new signs should be 5 removals to 1 new static sign for conventional and 10 takedowns to 1 for digital. Proximity of takedowns to new signs to be negotiated.

e) Sets administrative civil penalties for sign violators that will act as a real deterrent to illegal billboards and other signage. f) Prohibits off-site signage in city parks and recreation facilities.

**Moved** by Tony; **seconded** by Andre; **14 Yes; 1 No; 5 Abstentions** Michael Kemp, John Amato, Stephanie Savage, Jacqueline Le Kennedy; Heather Roy and Robert Ringler; **1 recusal** Ellen Evans; **Motion passed.**

**New Motion:** To Table this with possibility of Barbara or someone from Hillside Federation coming to discuss it, and answer questions. **Moved** by Robert & **seconded** by Jason: **20 yes; 0 no; 0 abstentions; 1 recusal** Ellen; **Motion to Table Approved**

**16. Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC) – Robin Greenberg & Nickie Miner**

a. Update by BABCNC WRAC Representative

b. **WRAC asks that the BABCNC approve the following Motions:**

i. **Temporary Offsite Advertising Signs on Construction Sites:**

**Motion:** With regard to Council file CPC-2017-455-CA, WRAC & BABCNC believe no temporary offsite advertising signs should be allowed on construction fencing and that other regulations should be imposed including limiting paint color; openings provided every 50 linear ft. for police to peer in and deter crime; limiting signage to fences that face/front C zones; signs be allowed only on active construction sites (not on vacant sites that are being leased for car storage or construction staging for another site); maximum amount of signage limited to 6 sf of signage for every 50 ft.; and stringent graffiti cleanup. WRAC believes there is no public benefit to allow such signs all over the city when billboards are limited.

**Moved** by Stephanie; **seconded** by Andre; **19 Yes; 0 No; 1 Abstention** Mike Kemp; **1 recusal** Ellen Evans; **10 Absent. Approved.**



ii. **Permit Streamlining Act compliance with deadlines: Deferred**

**Motion:** The City shall take proactive, definitive measures to comply with State laws that establish time limits for entitlement approvals, including the Permit Streamlining Act, and shall advise Neighborhood and Community Councils of these time limits as they draw near. These measures shall include but not limited to:

1. Creation of a new tracking/tagging system with deadline alerts.
2. Align the date of the CEQA determination (whenever possible, with the entitlement determination).
3. Asking applicants to voluntarily extend any determinative timelines at time of application submittal.

iii. **Increased transparency into the relationship between LA DWP and the IBEW Deferred**

**Motion:** *Whereas* the DWP Board of Water and Power Commissions approved the new labor agreement between the Department of Water and Power and IBEW Local 18 at a Special Meeting on Tuesday, June 20, 2017; **Whereas the Notice of this Special Meeting was not given until Monday, June 19, 2017;**

*Whereas* the documentation concerning the new labor agreement was not placed on line until the day of the meeting; *Whereas* the City Council approved the new labor agreement on June 28, 2017;

*Whereas* DWP, the City Council, and the Mayor did not conduct any outreach to the Neighborhood Councils or the Ratepayers;

*Whereas* the lack of transparency erodes the trust of confidence of Ratepayers and Angelenos in the Department, the City Council, and the Mayor;

*Therefore*, the BABCNC joins with the Neighborhood Council DWP Advocacy Committee in condemning the lack of transparency by DWP, the City Council, and the Mayor;

*Therefore*, the BABCNC calls for a full presentation and discussion on the new labor agreement to the Neighborhood Councils and Ratepayers.

**17. Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Coalition (LANCC) – André Stojka**

- a. Update by BABCNC LANCC Representative – André related that there was no meeting in September.

**Reports of BABCNC Representatives / Liaisons (Updates & Discussion)**

**18. Updates from BABCNC Representatives on your Associations, Districts & Other Seats**

- Irene Sandler noted that per Animal Services, because there are too many pit bulls and non-adoptable dogs, now they don't want to put any information on the breed or backstory of dogs. People can't reach the shelters; lines are busy; it is unfriendly and an unappealing system.
- Robert Ringler & Dan Palmer noted that Residents of Beverly Glen (ROBG) is having their annual meeting 10/15 from 3-5; Homeowners will bring food; will start a fermentation event.
- LCA has general annual meeting October 12<sup>th</sup>, recruiting two seats.
- Ellen Evans related that they are having a gathering Sunday at 4:00 at Estrella Restaurant.
- Haul Route hearing October 3, #4, 5, 17 & 18. BBSC.
- Tony Tucci noted that October 22<sup>nd</sup> is P-22 day.

**19. Liaison Updates**

- a. Animal Services Liaison– Gary Plotkin & Travis Longcore – **Absent – No report**
- b. Department of Public Works & Film Liaison – Dan Love – **Absent – No report**
- d. Homelessness Liaison – Leslie Weisberg – **Absent – No report**
- e. Purposeful Aging Liaison – Jacqueline Le Kennedy – **No report**

**20. Budget Advocate & Budget Representative Reports – Jacqueline Le Kennedy & André Stojka**

Jacqueline related that she has taken on two committees, Emergency Management and LAX.

**21. DWP Updates & Discussion**

- a. **Advocacy Committee & MOU Oversight Committee** – André Stojka & Don Loze
  - André related that there was a presentation about the Twin Tunnels Project, which involves two 40-

foot tunnels that will tunnel under delicate wetlands, and that after the presentation, one of the prime people supporting this pulled out. He noted that it is in great doubt. As regard the 40-foot tunnels, because of environmental issues, they would be limited to pump water to two months.

- Chuck commented that sometimes on Bel Air Road, the DWP does not have flagmen, which has resulted in near head-on collisions. He was told that they do not have enough money for flagmen.

b. **DWP Stone Canyon Ad Hoc Committee Report** – Greenberg & Weisberg – **No report**

[Ad-Hoc Committee Members: Robin Greenberg, Don Loze, André Stojka & Leslie Weisberg]

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.

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

- October 19<sup>th</sup> Supervisor Sheila Kuehl has an open house.

- Cathy Wayne suggested that we discuss 1) SB35, as heard from Plan Check in the prior month, that Sacramento is trying to take and will take all of PLU up north, which will result in our having no control over planning and land use; and, 2) Discuss and ask the Governor to veto what they've passed as to SB659 which removes our authority about cell facilities. She would like a letter about cell facilities. Cathy noted that we may have a loophole about trucks and the situation in the hills, as a health and safety issue needs to be addressed, where the trucks idle.

- Nickie noted that the CD5 Coalition meeting is coming up in Century City on 10/28.

- Bob reported that there was a light parade coming from vineyard; each pole with lights had a separate generator. Chris Ragsdale was there. CD5, Police and Matt got it shut down.

- Robin attended the Mayor's event on homelessness; Mayor & his wife spoke on goal for religious institutions to use their parking lots for homeless to have a place to sleep at night, in gated lots with portable showers. Don Loze noted that this is an admirable discussion from the Mayor; he heard Ron Galperin on public radio this morning; Don noted that there is city property going unused; proposed consideration, with Ron Galperin, for so much property going unused. Jacqueline responded that this is an excellent idea, but not all of those sites are developable.

- The Board welcomed John Amato back and to his new Board seat and welcomed Jon Wimbish to his new seat. The Board also welcomed Heather Roy, as LCA Alternate who stood in for Jamie tonight.

**23. Adjournment:** **Moved** by Robin; **seconded** by Robert R.; meeting adjourned at 9:11pm.

**Next Meeting: Mulholland Tennis Club, Thurs. October 26, 2017 6:30-7:00pm & 7-9: Celebration Holiday Schedule 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays: November 15<sup>th</sup> & December 20<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm @ AJU**

**Neighborhood Councils & Alliance Meetings**

**CD5 Coalition** – Nickie Miner

**Hillside Federation**: <http://www.hillsidefederation.org/> – Robin Greenberg

**1<sup>st</sup> Weds. 7:00 pm** @ Pinz Bowling Center 12655 Ventura Blvd.

**WRAC**: Westside Regional Alliance of Councils – Robin Greenberg

**3<sup>rd</sup> Weds. 8:30 am** @ Lenny's Deli 2379 Westwood Blvd. [www.westsidecouncils.com](http://www.westsidecouncils.com)

**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

**VANC**: Valley Alliance of Neighborhood Councils: <http://empowerla.org/vanc-2/>

**2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs. 6:30 pm** @ Sherman Oaks Hospital 4929 Van Nuys Bl., 1<sup>st</sup> Fl. Doctors' Conf. Rm. Sandler

**BONC**: Board of Neighborhood Commissioners <http://empowerla.org/commission/> See website

**Plan Check NCLA** <http://plancheckncla.com> **2<sup>nd</sup> Sat. 10am-1:00 pm** – Nickie Miner & Cathy Wayne

**NCSA**: Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance: [NCSA@empowerla.org](mailto:NCSA@empowerla.org) – Jacqueline Le Kennedy