

#### Agenda

Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council "Virtual" Regular Monthly Board Meeting Wednesday March 26, 2025, 7:00 P.M.

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IN CONFORMITY WITH THE OCTOBER 6, 2023 ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 411 (PORTANTINO) AND LA CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL ON NOVEMBER 1, 2023, THE BEL AIR-BEVERLY CREST NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED IN A VIRTUAL FORMAT.

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When prompted by the presiding officer to provide public input at the Neighborhood Council meeting the public will be requested to dial \*9 or use the Raise Hand option, to address the Board on any agenda item before the Board takes an action on an item. Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered.

Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board meeting. Public comment is limited to one minute per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

**SB 411 Updates:** In the event of a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting to members of the public using the call-in option or internet-based service option, or in the event of a disruption within the eligible legislative body's control that prevents members of the public from offering public comments using the call-in option or internet-based service option, the eligible legislative body shall take no further action on items appearing on the meeting agenda until public access to the meeting via the call-in option or internet-based service option is restored. Actions taken on agenda items during a disruption that

prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting may be challenged pursuant to Section 54960.1.

- (C) The eligible legislative body shall not require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the legislative body and offer comments in real time.
- (D) Notwithstanding Section 54953.3, an individual desiring to provide public comment through the use of an internet website, or other online platform, not under the control of the eligible legislative body, that requires registration to log in to a teleconference may be required to register as required by the third-party internet website or online platform to participate.
- (E) (i) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed.
  - (ii) An eligible legislative body that does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to subparagraph (D), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment.
  - (iii) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed general public comment period that does not correspond to a specific agenda item shall not close the public comment period or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), until the timed general public comment period has elapsed.

#### Call to Order, Flag Salute & Roll Call

# 1. Approval of the Agenda

## 2. Approval of the Minutes

Motion to approve February 26, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes (Attachment A)

## 3. Updates from Elected Officials and Agencies

#### 4. General Public Comment

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

## 5. President's Report

<u>Updates and possible discussion</u> regarding: (1) City-required training and eligibility to vote, (2) priorities in agenda setting, (3) City of Los Angeles Recreation and Parks "Park Needs Assessment" process, and (4) pending new "Zone Zero" regulations under consideration at the Board of Forestry and Fire Protection.

#### **New Business**

# 6. 1400 North Vista Moraga 90049 AA-2023-8121-PMLA ENV 2023 8122 CE

<u>Applicant:</u> Tony Natsis; <u>Representatives:</u> Benjamin Eshaghian and Tony Russo [Crest Real Estate]; <u>Assigned Staff</u>: Jackson Olson, Planning Assistant <u>jackson.olson@lacity.org</u>

<u>Proposed Project</u>: A Preliminary Parcel Map for the Subdivision of one 143,359 square foot lot into two new lots of 113,546 square feet and 29,812 square feet in the RE20-1-H-HCR Zone.

https://planning.lacity.gov/pdiscaseinfo/search/casenumber/AA-2023-8121-PMLA <- See Initial Submittal Docs)

https://planning.lacity.gov/pdiscaseinfo/search/casenumber/ENV-2023-8122-CE

<u>PLU Committee Motion</u>: The PLU Committee opposes the proposed subdivision because it concludes that the required findings for the proposed subdivision cannot be made for the following reasons: (1) the subdivision will increase residential density in a fire prone area and thereby exacerbate community fire danger, (2) the new parcel would be accessed by Linda Flora which has inadequate fire evacuation routes, and (3) evidence was presented that the Project Site provides significant wildlife habitat which would be impacted by future development.

As the project was scheduled to have a City Planning hearing the morning after the PLU meeting but before the full BABCNC Board has met, a letter was sent by the PLU Committee, stating the Committee's position for consideration and requesting that the record for the decision in this matter be extended 30 days after the hearing so that the Board can consider the item and its position be registered. (**Attachment B**) The letter was provided to the Deputy Advisory Agency prior to the start of the meeting Wednesday 03/12/2025 at 9:30 am.

## 7. Monthly Expenditure Report

Motion to approve February 2025 Monthly Expenditure Report (Attachment C)

#### 8. Zoom License

<u>Discussion and possible action</u> to approve up to \$200 to renew the BABCNC Zoom annual license for fiscal year 25/26.

# 9. Canva License

<u>Discussion and possible action</u> to approve up to \$130 to renew the BABCNC Canva Pro annual license for fiscal year 25/26.

# 10. Request for Stop Sign at Nicada and Mulholland

<u>Motion:</u> To request of the Los Angeles Department of Transportation and Council Districts 4 and 5 to investigate the feasibility of, and install, stop signs for traffic on Mullholland Drive to be placed at Nicada and Mulholland to address the safety issues evidenced by two recent motor vehicle accidents at this location. (Attachment D)

#### 11. Runyon Canyon Variance Appeal

**Motion:** To support the appeal of approvals, and oppose the construction of a second house at 3003 N. Runyon Canyon Road (in Runyon Canyon Park) that would involve 28 times the allowable grading, fail to meet State Minimum Fire Safe Regulations, and involve a 410-ft long 20-ft tall retaining wall to hold up 14,000 cubic yards of fill as described in Council File 24-1371.

**Background:** https://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2024/24-1371\_PC\_PM\_03-20-2025.pdf and https://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2024/24-1371\_misc\_03-21-25.pdf

## 12. Red Flag Day Staffing

**Motion:** To support the motion in Council File 25-0158 that would require certain City departments to develop plans for additional mandatory staffing levels on Red Flag days, report on options for pre-deployed resources in strategic very high-hazard severity zones as identified through historical data and fire modeling, and provide a cost estimate for enhanced deployment during Red Flag days.

#### **Council File:**

https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber =25-0158

# 13. WRAC Motion – Request to Address Wildfire Coastal Debris Catastrophe

**Motion:** *Whereas* the recent devastating wildfires have left the LA streets and landscape covered with a multitude of toxic chemicals, heavy metals, hazardous materials, ash and fire debris;

Whereas the recent heavy rainstorms have washed an enormous amount of this toxic material down to our coastline;

Whereas the EPA and FEMA, against strong public opposition, have chosen to use the beach lots along our coast as sorting sites;

Whereas our beaches are now covered with hazardous fire debris and black sludge; Whereas no significant water/beach testing information has been released to the public; Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council, a member of the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils, strongly urges that this environmental catastrophe be taken seriously, with an immediate plan to fund, test, share information, and protect our coastal environment and the millions of people who enjoy it, by City of Los Angeles, City of Santa Monica and Los Angeles County authorities with respective operational control of our beaches in the region, including Dockweiler State Beach, Venice Beach, Santa Monica Beach, Will Rogers State Beach and Topanga Beach.

Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council urges that one or more of our Councilmembers who represent WRAC member councils to bring a resolution in Council immediately 1) to address this catastrophe on all beaches over which the City has operational control, and 2) to request that the City of Santa Monica and Los Angeles County, respectively, take further, immediate action to address the catastrophe on all beaches over which they have operational control in the region."

**Background:** <a href="https://westsidecouncils.com/motion/request-to-address-wildfire-coastal-debris-catastrophe/">https://westsidecouncils.com/motion/request-to-address-wildfire-coastal-debris-catastrophe/</a>

# 14. WRAC Motion – Oppose SB 677 (Wiener)

**Motion:** Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council, a member of the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC), opposes SB 677 (Wiener), which mandates further streamlining and automatic approval of certain permits for increased housing development throughout the state, and places all areas within the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone (VHFHSZ), including all or parts of Pacific Palisades, Brentwood and Bel Air-Beverly Crest, at risk of public safety, by *failing to provide for an unconditional exemption for areas within the VHFHSZ*. We therefore request that our Councilmembers representing WRAC member councils bring a resolution in City Council forthwith to add opposition to SB 677 to the Council's state legislative priorities for 2025–26.

**Background:** https://westsidecouncils.com/motion/oppose-sb-677-wiener/

# 15. WRAC Motion (MTC) – CF 24-1151 / Allocation of Revenues from Bus Lane Violation Enforcement Pilot Program

Motion: Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council, a member of the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC), opposes the allocation of revenues from the Bus Lane Violation Enforcement Pilot Program to items that are not specifically related to public transit. We therefore oppose using these funds for "Transportation improvements and temporary staffing related to the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic games." A \$200 million federal grant is already in the works to help with the proposed use of public buses at the 2028 Games. Council Files: 24-1151 and 21-1224 (CFMS)."

**Background:** <a href="https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/BACKGROUND-BUS-LANE-VIOLATIONS-REVENUE.pdf">https://westsidecouncils.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/BACKGROUND-BUS-LANE-VIOLATIONS-REVENUE.pdf</a>

#### Good of the Order

Brief announcements from Board Members on items not on the agenda.

Adjourn to meeting  $\underline{April\ 23^{rd}}$  with a meet and greet (light dinner) at 6:30 p.m. and meeting starting  $\underline{7:00\ pm}$  at Coldwater Canyon Park (TreePeople Conference Center), at 12601 Mulholland Drive.

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