



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
455 N. Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210
City Hall Council Chambers

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING SYNOPSIS**

June 2, 2016
8:00 a.m.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date/Time: June 2, 2016 / 08:02 am

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Felsenthal, Pressman, Shalowitz, Vice Chair Wolfe, Chair Aronberg

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: Mark Cuneo, Vince Damasse, Erick Lee, Chad Lynn, Logan Phillippo, Trish Rhay, Caitlin Sims, Michelle Tse, Audrey Wright

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

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Speakers: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

By Order of the Chair, the agenda was approved as presented.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Consideration of May 12, 2016, Public Works Commission regular meeting minutes.
MOTION by Commissioner Pressman, SECONDED by Commissioner Felsenthal to approve as presented. Absent objection by the Commission, the Minutes are approved by order of the Chair. CARRIED 5/0

REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES

Operations Reports from City Departments, Consultants and Outside Agencies

- **Metropolitan Water District (MWD) Director**

Dr. Wunderlich and Water Resources Manager Vince Damasse provided an update. 'Table A' water refers to several agencies agreeing to pay for the State Water Project on a long-term basis; each contractor is given a certain amount theoretically available for distribution. The State sets a yearly 'Table A' entitlement.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

2. **Capital Assets – Water Capital Improvement Projects**

Assistant Director of Public Works Services Trish Rhay and City Engineer Mr. Cuneo provided an update and PowerPoint presentation.

a. **Water Treatment Plant** – The Plant is 90% complete and is scheduled to be finished by mid-June when it will be started then turned over to Operations staff. The City needs approval from the Department of Drinking Water (DDW) in order to use local water.

b. **Shallow Groundwater Wells** – Wells are near complete. Electrical work is being completed by the City. Water gathered during the testing phase will be used for City vehicle operations.

c. **Greystone Reservoir Rehabilitation** – Major concrete repairs on the west basin are complete; coating and valve work remain. Staff anticipates work will be completed in June.

3. **Santa Monica Boulevard Update**

Mr. Cuneo provided an update and PowerPoint presentation. This project concerns the deteriorating roadway and is intended to reconstruct; widen; replace curb, gutter and sidewalks; upgrade access ramps; relocate and upgrade traffic signals; install LED street lights and bio-swales; and construct landscaping and potholing for underground utilities.

(Out of Order)

6. **Update on Cabrillo Reservoir Project**

Mr. Cuneo provided an update and PowerPoint presentation. The contract for reservoir lining was awarded by City Council on May 17, 2016. Construction to begin at the end of July/beginning of August with an estimated four month work period.

(Return to Order)

4. **Update on Water Conservation Policies and Programs**

Water Conservation Administrator Debby Figoni and Planning & Research Analyst Michelle Tse provided an update and PowerPoint presentation. On May 18, 2016, the State Water Resources Control Board ("Board") released its regulations, extending the emergency water conservation regulations through January 2017. The Board adopted a statewide water conservation approach that replaces the prior percentage reduction-based standard with a

locally determined target to be established by the City, to be based on three year drought conditions. The City's Self-Certification Target is due to MWD on June 22, 2016; if not submitted the City defaults to the existing 32%.

Motion: MOVED by Vice Chair Wolfe, SECONDED by Commissioner Pressman that the Commission recommends that City Council suspend the penalty surcharge currently in place and within three months develop another fine/fee program to replace the penalty surcharge as a long-term water use efficiency enforcement process and to meet the City's Self Certification Target.

AYES: Commissioners Felsenthal, Pressman, Shalowitz, Vice Chair Wolfe, Chair Aronberg

NOES: None

CARRIED

5. Update on the Water Supply Service Charge

Ms. Rhay and Mr. Damasse provided an update. Feedback from the Public Works Commission Liaison Committee indicates the Committee would be supportive of the fee but would like additional background and foundation information on assumptions that were used to know that the basis is on firm ground. Options were vetted in the Water Enterprise Plan (WEP); the fee was chosen as it could be implemented in the short term with the ability to adjust if assumptions change.

NEW BUSINESS

7. Introduction of Water Department Organizational and Operational Study

Consultant Gary Goelitz from Matrix provided an update on City Council's request that staff perform an audit prior to returning with a new water rate proposal. Matrix is a firm of analysts able to assess an organization's efficiency and effectiveness and understands the mechanics and data in managing a water utility. Matrix will use benchmarking in its study and return with information in 60-90 days. If the Commission is interested in a one on one meeting with Mr. Goelitz, it can be arranged.

PROJECT UPDATES & STATUS REPORTS

8. Solar Projects at City Facilities

Management Analyst Logan Phillippo and Deputy Director of Public Works Services Erick Lee provided an update and PowerPoint presentation on the City's Solar Energy portal. <http://datareadings.com/client/moduleSystem/Kiosk/site/bin/kiosk.cfm?k=L7TMUuVa>. A variety of information can be found. Large areas of solar panels are installed at the Civic Center, Police Department, Civic Center Parking Garage and the Library. The first year case study shows a savings of \$126k in the first year, \$135k in 2012 with an average of \$120k yearly. The intent is to be revenue neutral over the project's lifespan.

9. Specific Information and Department Updates

The Commission had no questions or comments on Updates provided.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

- Chair's Report – June 2nd is Women Against Gun Violence Day.
- Mayors Cabinet Meeting – Chair Aronberg attended the meeting of May 2, 2016; minutes are available online.
- Comments from Commissioners
 - Commissioner Felsenthal raised the following:
Close to \$10M is paid to the Hyperion Plant; why so much is being paid as he believed the cost to be roughly \$1.5M yearly.
 - Commissioner Pressman raised the following:
Elevators at Canon have been down a long time and there is no signage concerning the current status; signage is needed.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

- Director's Report – *None*
- Upcoming Events – *None*

Mr. Lynn commented that he spoke with Mr. Chavez concerning the Director of Public Works Services position. A company has been retained to recruit for the Assistant Director of Community Development and Director of Public Works Services positions.

Mr. Lee noted National Night Out will take place the first week of August with the Fire and Police Departments. Staff will provide information as it becomes available.

ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time: June 2, 2016 / 10:38 a.m.



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
455 N. Rexford Drive
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Room 280-A

FINE ART COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS
Thursday, June 16, 2016
4:00pm

OPEN MEETING

Date/Time: June 16, 2016 / 4:01pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Rubins, Smooke, Hiller, Vice Chair Kaye, Vahn
Commissioners Absent: Chair Potter
Staff Present: Brad Meyerowitz, Patty Acuña, Gisele Grable, Stephanie Harris,
Aida Thau, Nancy Hunt-Coffey, Dana Beesen, Byron Pope

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

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None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

With the concurrence of the Commission, the Chair may choose to amend the order of the items on the agenda.

By order of the Chair, the agenda was approved.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Consideration of Minutes of the regular meeting of May 19, 2016.

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Rubins, SECONDED by Commissioner Hiller to approve the minutes with changes (4-0).

AYES: Commissioners Rubins, Smooke, Hiller, Vice Chair Kaye,
NOES: None
ABSENT: Chair Potter
CARRIED

REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES

None

CONTINUED BUSINESS

2. Tom Friedman Proposed Acquisition

A Recreation & Parks Commission and Fine Art Commission Liaison meeting took place on June 8th to discuss the alternative locations that the Fine Art Commission had voted on, as possible installation sites for the Tom Friedman sculpture *Takeaway*.

Chair Bilak, Vice Chair Gersh, Vice Chair Kaye and Commissioner Smooke were the representatives for this meeting.

The Commissioners in attendance reported on the developments of this liaison meeting. The Liaison found it very difficult to reach agreement for the Beverly Dr. block location, by the Beverly Hills sign. Chair Bilak and Vice Chair Gersh had no issue and were in favor with the site by the Rodeo Dr. block in the Beverly Gardens Park.

This item will be brought before the Recreation and Parks Commission on July 28th.

3. Proposal for Loaned Art Work

Staff confirmed that this proposed loan will not incur any costs for the City. The Commission agreed to pursue the possible installation of the sculpture *Triple*. Staff asked the Commission to consider possible locations for installation.

NEW BUSINESS /PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

PROJECT UPDATES, STATUS REPORTS, STAFF REPORTS

4. Director's Report

- Information only items

A. Fine Art Fund report

Fine Art Fund reports were included in the packet.

B. Building project update

Staff reported on the list of possible upcoming Fine Art Obligation projects.

C. Establishment of new Ad Hoc Committee

The Commission will revise the Ad Hoc Committees next meeting when Commissioner Vahn joins at the dais.

D. Webpage submission form / Priority Exercise

The Commission agreed to postpone the Priority Exercise this year, to allow more time for submissions. The submission web page is currently active and Staff will do outreach efforts to promote this opportunity.

E. Kusama fencing and restoration.

The concrete footings were completed last week. The fence installation will start next Monday. If there are no setbacks the fence will be completed in about two weeks.

F. Update on William Kentridge *World on Hind Legs*.

This item will be in the consent calendar for next Tuesday's June 21st City Council session.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

5. Chair's Report

- #### A. Mayor's Cabinet Meeting

No updates

B. Ad Hoc Committees

The Commission proposed to create two more committees: one to coordinate outside speakers to update the commission on Fine Art topics, and another to engage BHUSD student art exhibits and programs.

- Developers Brochure Ad Hoc (Kaye, Rubins)
This committee revised the Developers Brochure earlier this year.
- Recreation and Parks Commission Liaisons (Potter, Kaye)
The main purpose of this committee is representation for Liaison meetings.
- Developer Owned Art (Hiller, Smooke)
This committee updated the inventory of all Developer Owned Art last spring.
- Web Submission for Priority Exercise (Hiller, Rubins)
Update on agenda item 4 of this meeting.

C. Other items brief announcements, request for information, and brief reports on activities.

The Commission discussed Yayoi Kusama's retrospective exhibit in Stockholm, some press articles, and feedback from a Commissioner's visiting Kusama's sculptures in Japan.

Staff updated the Commission in regards to the possibility of the art exhibition *Funny Zoo* coming to the City.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

- Upcoming events
None
- Commission calendar / scheduling
None
- Information only items
None
- Other Items
None

ROTATION OF FINE ART COMMISSION CHAIR / VICE CHAIR

Official rotation did not apply due to Chair Potter being absent.

RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING FINE ART COMMISSIONER AND CHAIR BRENDA R. POTTER

Chair Potter was absent. She will be recognized in a future meeting.

SWEARING IN OF COMMISSIONER STEPHANIE VAHN

Fine Art Commissioner Vahn was sworn in by Byron Pope, City Clerk.

ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time: June 16, 2016 / 4:49 pm



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

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City Council Chamber

**PLANNING COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING SYNOPSIS**

June 30, 2016
7:00 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date/Time: June 30, 2016 / 7:04 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Gordon, Fisher, Corman, Vice Chair Shooshani,
Chair Block

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: Ryan Gohlich, Masa Alkire, Karen Myron, Laurence Wiener

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

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Speakers: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

By Order of the Chair, the agenda was approved as presented.

CONSENT CALENDAR

No items

REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES

None

CONTINUED BUSINESS

No items

**PLANNING COMMISSION / BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENTS / PLANNING AGENCY
PUBLIC HEARINGS**

1. Hillside Development Standards Ordinance

Consider a resolution recommending to the City Council approval of an ordinance regulating landform alterations, expansions of the level pad areas of lots and development off the level pad of lots in the Hillside area of the City. Pursuant to the provisions set forth in the California Environmental Quality Act, the Commission will also consider adoption of a Categorical Exemption for the amendment.

Planner: Masa Alkire, Principal Planner
Applicant: City Initiated Project / Planning Commission Request
Public Input: Nataalia Rey, Dennis Roach, Kathy Moy, Ralph Herzig, Gordon Gibson (Gordon Gibson Construction), Steven Mermelstein, Brian Pinkett (Landry Design Group), Yishai Kohen, Todd Riley (Landry Design Group), Michael Delijani, Isaac Zaharoni, James Litz (Beverly Hills/Greater Los Angeles Association of Realtors), Joseph Tilem, Nick Lapin, Les Bronte, Julie Glucksman, Amy & Asif Satchh, Charles Black (Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce), Rande Gray, Brandon Williams, Stuart Liner, Peter Ostroff, Steve Webb, Larry Murphy, Barry Bernstein, Jason Somers (Crest Real Estate), Joan Benny, Melanie Staggs, Tom Staggs, Hamid Gabbay, Marianne Adriatico (Duane Morris LLP / 1129 Tower Road LLC), Debbie Weiss, Helen Abe, Raymond & Dina Levy, Jan Martin, Herb Reston, Jonathan Block, Sheri Bonstelle (Debbie Weiss), Tom Levyn, William Hefner, Bernardo Broas, Steven Weinglass (Municipal League of Beverly Hills), Patrick Perry (Loma Linda Trust), Lindsay Tabaian (Loma Linda Trust), Rod Nourafshan, Larry English, Marcia Hobbs (Beverly Hills Courier), Murray Fischer, Sherman Gardner.

The Commission took a recess at 8:59 pm.

The Commission reconvened at 9:14 pm.

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Corman, SECONDED by Vice Chair Shooshani to adopt the resolution as amended (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Gordon, Fisher, Corman, Vice Chair Shooshani, Chair Block

NOES: None

CARRIED

STUDY SESSION

No items

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

- Chair Block thanked Commissioner Corman for his seven years of service on the Planning Commission.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

- None

ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time: June 30, 2016 / 10:50 PM



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
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Room 280-A

**CHARITABLE SOLICITATIONS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS**

Wednesday, July 13, 2016
9:00AM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date/Time: July 13, 2016/9:03AM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Fischer, Safier, Kraushaar, Vice Chair
Schreiber, Chair Platt

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: L. Hoshino, C. Choi, E. Nica

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

None.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA - TAB 1

By Order of the Chair, the agenda was approved as amended. Parts of the Chair's Report preceded Communications from the Commission.

CONSENT CALENDAR – TAB 2

- Consideration of Minutes of the regular meeting of June 8, 2016.

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Fischer, SECONDED by Commissioner Safier to adopt the minutes as amended (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Fischer, Safier, Kraushaar, Vice Chair Schreiber, Chair Platt

NOES: None

CARRIED

REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES

None.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

- City of Los Angeles Charitable Services Meeting
 - **Attachment:** List Exchange with Los Angeles and Beverly Hills – **TAB 3**

Chair Platt informed the Commission on the details and results of the meeting with the City of Los Angeles which took place on June 9th. A subcommittee was established to analyze these results, and will report at next meeting.

- Drafted letter for Event Coordinators and Hotels with Mailing List – **TAB 4**

Letter and mailing list to be amended and submitted to the Chair for approval.

ACTION ITEMS

- Due to the 15-day Filing Period, the Following Permit Requests were approved. Items are 501(c)(3) organizations – **TAB 5**

Motion: **MOVED** by Commissioner Fischer, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Safier to approve the permits as presented (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Fischer, Safier, Kraushaar, Vice Chair Schreiber, Chair Platt

NOES: None

CARRIED

STATUS REPORTS – TAB 6

Financial Statements (FS) of Completed Permits for Review

1. 2015-091 Children's Chain of Children's Hospital Los Angeles
2. 2015-094 Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
3. 2015-099 Heroes and Legends
4. 2015-108 Saint John's Health Center Foundation
5. 2015-114 The Museum of Contemporary Art
6. 2015-128 Healing Arts Reaching Kids
7. 2015-134 International Women's Media Foundation – *follow up to ensure compliance*
8. 2015-150 Pen Center USA
9. 2015-168 Children's Chain of Children's Hospital
10. 2015-169 Children's Chain of Children's Hospital
11. 2015-180 Planned Parenthood LA
12. 2015-188 Economic Development Corporation of LA County – *follow up to ensure compliance*
13. 2016-002 Sandpipers
14. 2016-007 Friends of Robinson Gardens
15. 2016-008 Looking Above and Beyond
16. 2016-014 Child Help
17. 2016-022 Venice Family Clinic – *follow up to ensure compliance*
18. 2016-026 The Colleagues
19. 2016-027 Children's Chain of Children's Hospital
20. 2016-030 Partners in Care Foundation
21. 2016-033 Junior League of Los Angeles – *follow up to ensure compliance*
22. 2016-042 Cedars Sinai Health Center – *follow up to ensure compliance*
23. 2016-043 Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America
24. 2016-044 Jewish Vocational Service – *follow up to ensure compliance*
25. 2016-046 Professional Dancers Society – *follow up to ensure compliance*
26. 2016-053 Jewish Family Service of Los Angeles
27. 2016-057 Mar Vista Family Center

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

- Chair's Report – *Taken Out of Order*

- Mayor's Cabinet Report

Chair Platt reviewed and discussed the Mayor's Cabinet Meeting Highlights, as well as the June 20th Mayor's Council Meeting.

- City of Beverly Hills Community Charitable Foundation

Chair Platt spoke of her recommendations to the Foundation regarding policy and charitable guidelines, as well as other items discussed by the Foundation.

- Comments from Commissioners

Vice Chair Schreiber advised the Commission about a solicitation he received from the Los Angeles County Police Canine Association.

- Other items brief announcements, request for information, and brief reports on activities.
None.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

- Lincoln's Report

Lt Hoshino informed the Commission as to the details of the June 8th meeting with the City's Prosecutor with regards to enforcement of non-compliant charitable solicitations. He also told the Commission of future community events being held by the Beverly Hills Police Department and the Beverly Hills Police Foundation.

- Reference Documents

- List of Organizations That Have Net Proceeds Less Than 50% of Total Receipts from Their Charitable Events – **TAB A**
- List of Organizations That Fail To File Financial Statement Within Three Months After The Permit Expiration Date – **TAB B**
- Organizations Publicizing Fundraising Events in Beverly Hills Without a Permit – **TAB C**
- 2015 Overdue Financial Statements - **TAB D**
- Financial Statement Log for 2015, numerical order – **TAB E**
- Financial Statement Log for 2015, alphabetical order – **TAB F**
- Financial Statement Log for 2016, numerical order – **TAB G**
- Financial Statement Log for 2016, alphabetical order – **TAB H**

ADJOURNMENT

Date/Time: July 13, 2016/10:49AM

*If there are any questions about this synopsis, please contact Emma Nica, Commission Secretary,
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