



**CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
March 18, 2008**

The Special Meeting of the City Council of Beverly Hills was held in the K.L. Peters Auditorium at Beverly Hills High School at 7:00 p.m.

EXCERPTS FROM "LES MISERABLES"
(BY THE BEVERLY HILLS HIGH SCHOOL PERFORMING ARTS STUDENTS AMELIA HARRIS, ANDREA NEVIL AND JAMES WILSON-LUBKIN)

PRESENTATION OF COLORS BY THE COLOR GUARD OF THE BEVERLY HILLS POLICE DEPARTMENT

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE NATIONAL ANTHEM (PERFORMED BY BHHS STUDENTS AMELIA HARRIS, ANDREA NEVIL & JAMES WILSON-LUBKIN)

INVOCATION BY RABBI LAURA GELLER

A. ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmember Krasne, Councilmember Briskman, Councilmember Fenton, Vice Mayor Brucker, and Mayor Delshad
Absent: None

B. MATTERS PRESENTED BY COUNCILMEMBERS

1. CITY COUNCIL REORGANIZATION, INCLUDING ELECTION AND INSTALLATION OF MAYOR AND VICE MAYOR.

Mayor Delshad recognized the dignitaries in the audience, including government officials, former Mayors, Commissioners and the media present.

A video highlighting Mayor Delshad's term as Mayor was shown.

Mayor Delshad expressed appreciation to staff, his family and friends for their

support during his term and listed the many accomplishments and plans underway to make Beverly Hills the smartest and safest green city in America.

Vice Mayor Brucker presented retiring Mayor Delshad with a plaque in appreciation of his outstanding leadership and dedicated public service to the community and a gift from the City Councilmembers.

Councilmembers Krasne, Fenton and Briskman and Vice Mayor Brucker made brief comments to outgoing Mayor Delshad regarding his term as Mayor.

Mayor Delshad announced nominations are in order for the Office of Mayor of the City of Beverly Hills.

MOVED by Councilmember Fenton, seconded by Councilmember Briskman to nominate Barry Brucker as Mayor of the City of Beverly Hills.

Present: Councilmember Krasne, Councilmember Fenton, Councilmember Briskman, Vice Mayor Brucker, and Mayor Delshad

Absent: None

Mayor Brucker's wife Sue and children Richard and Lauren were invited to come forward and the oath of office was administered to Mayor Brucker by Rabbi Laura Geller.

Former Mayor Delshad presented a resolution on behalf of Assemblyman Mike Feuer, a gavel and Mayoral Scroll to Mayor Brucker.

Mayor Brucker introduced his wife, Sue, his daughter Lauren, son Richard and his parents Rita and Charlie Brucker along with many other family members in attendance. The Mayor thanked his business associates and friends for their support. Mayor Brucker mentioned accomplishments the Council has achieved this past year and listed the major issues facing the community which include: communication, the General Plan, traffic, safety and technology, and economic viability. Mayor Brucker stated approval of the General Plan should be based on minimal impacts, responsible growth, economic sustainability, architectural excellence and integrity and stated he will ask the Council to add environmental sustainability to the list. The Mayor noted he has asked Councilmember Briskman to organize and chair a City-hosted Traffic Mitigation Symposium; Councilmember Delshad to continue spearheading our Technology Task Force and continue to support the newly formed Health and Safety Commission; Vice Mayor Fenton, working with Chief Financial Officer Dr. Scott Miller and City Treasurer Eliot Finkel, to develop long-term financial strategies that will ensure continued fiscal responsibility, and head the Roxbury and La Cienega Park Master Plan Restoration and Rebuilding program. Mayor Brucker reinforced the City's commitment to environmental responsibility by introducing his "GREEN"

(Green Renewable Energy Efficient Neighborhoods) platform of environmentally-sustainable practices and asked Councilmember Krasne to work with him in coordinating the education and dissemination of our Beverly Hills Green Team leadership initiatives. The Mayor thanked the employees of the City for their level of excellence, commitment and professionalism.

Mayor Brucker thanked his colleagues on the City Council for their vote of confidence and pledged to the community that he will keep the lines of communication open and the needs of the community first and foremost when making the critical decisions that affect their quality of life.

Mayor Brucker announced nominations are in order for the Office of Vice Mayor of the City of Beverly Hills.

MOVED by Councilmember Briskman, seconded by Councilmember Krasne to nominate Frank Fenton as Vice Mayor of the City of Beverly Hills.

Ayes: Councilmember Delshad, Councilmember Krasne, Councilmember Briskman, Councilmember Fenton, and Mayor Brucker

Noes: None

CARRIED

Mayor Brucker invited Judie, Gary and Jennifer Fenton to come forward and Honorable Steven Fenton administered the oath of office to Vice Mayor Frank Fenton.

Vice Mayor Fenton thanked his fellow Councilmembers and his family for sharing this moment with him. Mr. Fenton discussed the Center for the Performing Arts, thanked City staff and the community for their support.

The Council made brief comments regarding the leadership of the new Mayor and Vice Mayor.

Mayor Brucker recessed the meeting at 8:33 p.m. and invited guests to attend the reception in the foyer of the Auditorium.

C. ORAL COMMUNICATION

1. AUDIENCE COMMENTS. Any person wishing to address the City Council on any matter not on the agenda may do so at this time. However, the State open meetings law (Government Code Section 54950 et seq.) prohibits the City Council from providing a detailed response or acting upon any item not contained on the agenda posted 72 hours before a regular meeting and 24 hours before a special meeting. If you wish to address the City Council at

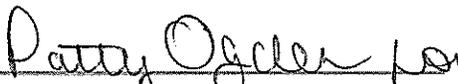
this time, please complete a speaker's card and give it to the City Clerk prior to the commencement of the meeting. Please use the microphone provided, clearly stating your name for the official record and courteously limiting your remarks to three (3) minutes so others may have the opportunity to speak as well.

1. John Mirisch - After reconvening the meeting, with all members present, Mayor Brucker called the speaker several times and no one stepped forward when the name was called so the Mayor adjourned the meeting.

D. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Brucker, with the consent of Council adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

PASSED, Approved and Accepted
this 1st day of April, 2008.


BYRON POPE, City Clerk

BARRY BRUCKER, MAYOR

This meeting was broadcast on live television, on City of Beverly Hills municipal government television access Channel BHN/10 Time Warner Cable.