

CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

**CITY HALL ROOM 280-A
455 N. Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210**

SYNOPSIS

TRAFFIC & PARKING COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING

January 10, 2013

9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL – 9:00 AM*

PRESENT: FRIEDMAN, STEINBERG, LEVINE, LICHT, GRUSHCOW
ABSENT:

STUDY SESSION

1. POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Sergeant Mader gave an informational update.

2. COMMISSION CHAIR REPORT

Mayor's Cabinet Meeting – January 8, 2013 and February 12, 2013

Chair STEINBERG provided an informational update.

3. PANHANDLING INITIATIVE REPORT

Wendy Hughes, Special Assistant to the City Manager, and Julie Kahn, Human Services Outreach Manager, gave an informational update.

4. TRAFFIC ENGINEERING QUARTERLY REPORT

Bijan Vaziri, Traffic Engineer, provided an informational update.

5. 2013 WORK PLAN

The Commission discussed staff's proposed Traffic & Parking Commission 2013 Work Plan developed to meet priorities established by the City Council.

6. STATUS REPORT

- a. **Permit Parking on 300 block of South Swall**
- b. **UCLA Internship Program Results Follow-up**

c. Correspondence

d. Traffic and Parking Commission Project Matrix

Staff provided informational updates.

ORAL COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Resident Susan Mishler apprised the Commission about the Red Curb situation at the corner of Maple Drive (west side) and Olympic Boulevard.

Resident Andrea Grossman updated the Commission on her efforts to obtain a petition to modify the permit parking request on the 300 block of South Swall Drive.

COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS (ORAL)

Commissioner STEINBERG inquired about an update of the Red Light Camera sequencing. Staff will follow-up.

Commissioner LEVINE commented on a Beverly Hills Weekly article regarding parking operations.

Vice Chair LICHT commented about a pending Assembly bill that would prevent cities from charging vehicles parked at broken meters.

Chair GRUSHCOW read a portion of the California Vehicle Code defining how a bicyclist is identified and, in part, bicycles are not allowed to park in parking structures. Mr. Lynn will research the implications of the California Vehicle section pertaining to bicycle parking in structures.

ACTION ITEMS

1. BICYCLE RACK DESIGN

Transportation Planner Martha Eros and Art Director Aram Chobanian presented the Commission with drawings that displayed bicycle rack options. The designs are based upon the stainless steel Post-and-Loop style approved by the City Council at the November 13, 2012 meeting.

Staff presented two options:

Option 1: A center face plate shaped like a shield with an outline of the shield with the letters "BH" in the upper left-hand corner, and a bicycle rider symbol in the center.

Option 2: Graphic plate insert with a triangular shape with a bike rider symbol in the center and "BH" underneath.

The Commission also added a third option for consideration:

Option 3: Graphic plate insert with the same triangular shape as option 2, with the Beverly Hills shield and "BH" in the center of the shield, and a bike rider symbol under the shield.

Commissioner FRIEDMAN prefers Option 1, then Option 3
Commissioner STEINBERG prefers Option 3, then Option 1
Commissioner LEVINE prefers Option 1, then Option 3
Vice Chair LICHT prefers Option 1, then Option 3
Chair GRUSHCOW prefers Option 2, then Option 3

2. CONSIDERATION OF THE DECEMBER 6, 2012 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Motion by LICHT, seconded by STEINBERG

5/0 To approve the December 6, 2012 minutes

AYES: FRIEDMAN, STEINBERG, LEVINE, LICHT, GRUSHCOW
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT: 12:02 PM*

***TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE**

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455 N. Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210**

SYNOPSIS

TRAFFIC & PARKING REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING

February 7, 2013

9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL – 9:00 AM*

PRESENT: FRIEDMAN, STEINBERG, LEVINE, LICHT
ABSENT: GRUSHCOW

STUDY SESSION

1. POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Lieutenant Songer of the California Highway Patrol presented the BHPD (Captain Lee) with the California Law Enforcement Challenge Award.

Lt. Shan Davis provided an informational update.

2. COMMISSION CHAIR REPORT

Mayor's Cabinet Meeting – December 11, 2012

Chair STEINBERG provided Minutes of the meeting.

3. PARKING SERVICES QUARTERLY REPORT

Russell Platamone, Parking Services Manager, provided an informational update.

4. 2013 Work Plan

Aaron Kunz, Deputy Director of Transportation, provided an informational update.

5. STATUS REPORT

a. Correspondence

b. Traffic and Parking Commission Project Matrix

Staff provided informational updates.

COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS (ORAL)

No comments presented.

ORAL COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Dave Sheldon discussed his Disabled Placard abuse experiences in the City.

ACTION ITEMS

1. CONSIDERATION OF STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO MODIFY PREFERENTIAL PARKING ZONE "K" ON THE 300 BLOCK OF SOUTH SWALL DRIVE TO INCLUDE THE WEST SIDE OF THE BLOCK WITH A REGULATION OF "ONE-HOUR PARKING, 9 A.M. TO 6 P.M., MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY, PERMIT 'K' EXEMPT"

- Responds to resident-initiated petition to establish a regulation of "No Parking, 9 A.M. to 6 P.M., Monday through Saturday, Permit 'K' Exempt"

Commissioner LEVINE recused himself as his residence is within the 500 feet of the 300 block of South Swall Drive.

Martha Eros, Transportation Planner, provided an overview of the staff report.

Lead Petitioner, Andrea Grossman, supported staff's recommendation.

JoAnn Willette supported staff's recommendation.

Alex Tofer opposed staff's recommendation.

Greg Weisstein opposed staff's recommendation.

Joseph Lavi opposed staff's recommendation.

David Lavi opposed staff's recommendation.

Arie Ebrahimian opposed staff's recommendation.

Emanuel Gottlieb opposed staff's recommendation.

Motion by FRIEDMAN, seconded by STEINBERG

3/0 To approve staff's recommendation to modify preferential parking zone "K" on the 300 block of South Swall Drive to include the west side of the block with a regulation of "One-Hour Parking, 9 A.M. to 6 P.M., Monday through Saturday, Permit 'K' Exempt".

AYES: FRIEDMAN, STEINBERG, LICHT
NOES: None
ABSENT: GRUSHCOW
ABSTAIN: None
RECUSED: LEVINE
CARRIED

2. CONSIDERATION OF THE JANUARY 10, 2013 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Motion by FRIEDMAN, seconded by STEINBERG

4/0 To approve the January 10, 2013 special meeting minutes.

AYES: FRIEDMAN, STEINBERG, LEVINE, LICHT
NOES: None
ABSENT: GRUSHCOW
ABSTAIN: None
CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT: 11:15 AM*

***TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE**



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
455. N. Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, California 90210

PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS
February 14, 2013
1:30 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date / Time: February 14, 2013 / 1:35 pm

INTRODUCTION AND SWEARING IN OF NEW COMMISSIONER

New Commissioner Alan Block was sworn in by City Clerk Byron Pope.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Block, Fisher, Yukelson, Vice Chair Rosenstein,
Chair Corman

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: Jonathan Lait, Ryan Gohlich, Georgana Millican, Peter Noonan,
Timothea Tway, Christian Vasquez, Karen Myron (Community
Development Department); David Snow (City Attorney's Office)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Motion by order of the Chair to approve the agenda.

Action: **The agenda was approved as presented.**

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Speakers: None.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Minutes from the Planning Commission Meetings on December 20, 2012 and January 10, 2013.

Motion: Motion by Vice Chair Rosenstein; second by Chair Corman to approve the
minutes (4-0-1, Block Abstained).

Action: **The minutes were approved as presented.**

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

2. 904 HARTFORD WAY

Hillside R-1 Permit and Tree Removal Permit

Request for a Hillside R-1 Permit and Tree Removal Permit to allow an accessory structure to be located within 100 feet of a front property line, construction of a six-foot tall retaining wall within a street side setback, and removal of two protected trees in conjunction with the construction of the accessory structure on the property located at 904 Hartford Way. (Associate Planner Georgana Millican)

Planner: Georgana Millican, Associate Planner
Applicant: Peter Shirley
Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by Commissioner Yukelson, second by Vice Chair Rosenstein to continue the item to the March 14, 2013 Planning Commission Meeting. (5-0)

Action: The project was returned for restudy.

3. Resolution Adopting Rules of Procedure

Adopt Rules of Procedure consistent with other Community Development Commissions. (Planning Intern Christian Vasquez)

Motion: Motion by Vice Chair Rosenstein, second by Commissioner Block to approve the resolution. (5-0)

Action: The resolution was approved.

4. Housing Element Implementation: 1) State Density Bonus Program – Establish a List of Preferred Incentives, 2) Reduce Minimum Floor Area for Affordable Housing

Discuss possible changes to the City's Density Bonus Program to include a list of development incentives for affordable housing projects, and consider reducing the minimum floor area requirement for affordable housing units. (Assistant Planner Timmi Tway / Senior Planner Peter Noonan.

Action: Direction was given to study implementation of a list of incentives in the City's Density Bonus Program, but not to include any changes in zoning height in the study. Direction was also given to study reducing the minimum unit floor area for both affordable housing units and for multi-family housing units in general.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

R-1 Development Standards (Chair Corman)

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

None.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

View Restoration Ordinance to re-appear at City Council Meeting on February 19, 2013.
(Assistant Director of Community Development Jonathan Lait)

5. Active Cast List

Action: Received and filed.

6. 2013 Meeting Schedule Calendar

Action: No action was taken on this item.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Date / Time: February 14, 2013 / 3:10 pm



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
City Hall Room –280-A
455 N. Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210
SYNOPSIS

PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

February 14, 2013
8:30 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 8:35 a.m.

A. ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Foldvary, Shooshani, Weinglass, Shalowitz and Pressman
Commissioners Absent: None.
Staff: D. Gustavson, C. Theisen, D. Cartagena, C. Di Renzo, C. Burnley, L. Enriquez, A. Eason, J. Harris, R. Acaba
Guests: Mr. Wilmer, Ms. Boston

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Weinglass.

C. COMMISSION MINUTES

Approval of Minutes for the Regular meetings of November 8, 2012, December 13, 2012 and January 10, 2013.

D. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Resident made a complaint regarding the condition of the alley behind her home on the 1000 block of North Roxbury Drive. Staff stated that there is a maintenance schedule for the collection of green waste and cleaning of the alleys but that the challenge staff is facing is illegal dumping. Staff is looking into ways to educate gardeners on the proper disposal of yard waste.

E. REPORT FROM THE CHAIRPERSON

Mayor's Cabinet Meeting – Chair Pressman gave an update from the Mayor's Cabinet meeting.

F. CONTINUED AND NEW BUSINESS

City Solar Panels – Mr. Alan Schneider, Director of Project Administration gave the Commission an update on city solar panels.

"Positive Change Not Spare Change" – Ms. Wendy Hughes, Special Assistant to the City Manager and Mr. James Latta, Human Services Administrator, gave the Commission a presentation on a public awareness program they are spearheading regarding panhandling.

Discussion of Team Beverly Hills Event – Chair Pressman and Commissioner Foldvary stated they both attended the Team Beverly Hills event and felt it was well attended and well staffed.

Discussion of January 10 field trip to the Santa Monica Urban Runoff Recycling Facility – The Commission provided their thoughts about the field trip at which point Chair Pressman invited Mr. Di Renzo to provide an update on the status of implementation of the recently adopted NPDES permit. Mr. DiRenzo summarized the activities conducted by the LA Permit Group to

develop EWMP (Enhanced Watershed Management Plans) to comply with permit requirements. Mr. DiRenzo will update the Commission as work plans develop further.

Capital Improvement Program Projects under Public Works Management – Staff gave an update on the following City's Capital Improvement Program Projects the Commissioners were interested and involved in:

- Water Main Replacement CIP
- Sewer Project
- Reservoir Replacement CIP
- Street Pavement Master Project.

Outstanding Action Items from Previous Meetings

Staff provided an update on status of outstanding action items from previous meetings.

Update on News Rack Ordinance by the City Attorney's Office – Ms. Enriquez, Assistant City Attorney, spoke to the Commission on the issue of news racks. Vice Chair Shalowitz gave the background on how this particular issue arose. Mr. Gustavson added the exact location was on Little Santa Monica east of the Rodeo Drive right-of-way and that this particular news rack has since been moved to a different location. Ms. Enriquez stated the City is not planning on updating the current news rack ordinance as the ordinance was already amended in 2004/5.

COMMENTS BY COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Weinglass asked staff to look into an invitation he received to come to Burbank to exam some self-sustaining energy programs that Burbank has instituted.

G. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Foldvary, with the consent of the Commission, adjourned the meeting at 10:44 a.m.



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
455. N. Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, California 90210

**ARCHITECTURAL COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS
February 20, 2013
1:00 PM**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date / Time: February 20, 2013 / 1:00 PM

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Peteris, Gardner-Apatow, Bernstein, Vice Chair Blakeley, Chair Rubins

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: Cindy Gordon, Reina Kapadia, Karen Myron, Jonathan Lait
(Community Development Department)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Motion by Commissioner Peteris; Second by Commissioner Bernstein to approve the agenda (5-0).

Action: **The agenda was approved as amended.**

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Speakers: None.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Minutes from the Architectural Commission Meeting on January 16, 2013.

Motion: Motion by Commissioner Peteris; Second by Commissioner Bernstein to approve the minutes (5-0).

Action: **The minutes were approved as presented.**

CONSENT ITEMS

2. **CHRISTOLFE**
9501 Brighton Way

Request for approval of a previously approved façade remodel and a sign accommodation for multiple business identification signs. (PL1231920)

Planner: Cindy Gordon, Assistant Planner
Applicant: Walter Price
Public Input: None.

Action: At the request of the applicant, this item was removed from the agenda. No action was taken on this item.

3. 9844 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD

Request for approval of new landscaping and paving for a parking lot. (PL1302039)

Planner: Reina Kapadia, Limited Term Planner
Applicant: Jeffrey Kalban
Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by Chair Rubins, Second by Commissioner Bernstein to approve the resolution (5-0).

Action: The resolution was approved.

4. WINE SHOP

122 South Beverly Drive

Request for approval of a façade modification and sign accommodation to allow signage to project above a canopy. (PL 1301918)

Planner: Cindy Gordon, Assistant Planner
Applicant: Hillstone Restaurant Group, Inc.
Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by Chair Rubins, second by Commissioner Bernstein to approve the resolution (5-0).

Action: The resolution was approved.

CONTINUED AND NEW BUSINESS

5. ADOPTION OF RULES OF PROCEDURE

Resolution of the Architectural Commission of the City of Beverly Hills Establishing Rules of Procedure for the Architectural Commission.

Motion: Motion by Chair Rubins; second by Commissioner Bernstein to approve the resolution.
Action: **The resolution was approved.**

6. NESPRESSO

320 North Beverly Drive

Request for approval of a façade remodel, sign accommodation for multiple business identification signs, and a construction barricade graphic (PL1231996).

(This project will be continued to the March 20, 2013 Architectural Commission Meeting.)

Action: **No action was taken on this item.**

NEW BUSINESS – PUBLIC HEARINGS

7. SAINT LAURENT

469 North Rodeo Drive

Request for approval of a façade modification and sign accommodation for multiple business identification signs (PL1301918).

Planner: Reina Kapadia, Limited Term Planner
Applicant: Kevin Lally
Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by Chair Rubins; seconded by Commissioner Bernstein to approve the resolution with conditions (5-0).

Action: **The project was approved with conditions.**

8. SOULCYCLE

9465 Wilshire Boulevard

Request for approval of a façade modification and sign accommodation for multiple business identification signage and for business identification signage facing an alley and private property (PL1301878).

Planner: Cindy Gordon, Assistant Planner
Applicant: SoulCycle
Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by Chair Rubins; seconded by Commissioner Bernstein to approve the resolution with conditions(5-0).

Action: **The resolution was approved with conditions.**

9. U.S. ALTERATION

8692 Wilshire Boulevard

Request for approval of a façade remodel, new landscaping, and business identification signage (PL1301914).

Planner: Cindy Gordon, Assistant Planner
Applicant: Gerald and Ilene Sraberg
Public Input: Steve Webb, Michael Holz

Motion: Motion by Chair Rubins, Second by Commissioner Bernstein to approve the resolution with conditions (5-0).

Action: **The resolution was approved with conditions.**

10. BREGUET

200 North Rodeo Drive

Request for approval of a façade modification, a building identification sign, and sign accommodation for multiple business identification signs and a projecting sign (PL1301946).

Planner: Cindy Gordon, Assistant Planner
Applicant: John Hays – Swatch Group US
Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by Chair Rubins, Second by Commissioner Gardner-Apatow to return the project for restudy and review by sign sub-committee (5-0),

Action: **The project was returned for restudy.**

11. CANON CLUB

342 North Canon Drive

Request for approval of a façade remodel, business identification signage, a sign accommodation to allow awning signage to be placed on multiple lines, and open air dining elements (PL1302003).

Planner: Reina Kapadia, Limited Term Planner
Applicant: Laura Schwartz – Four Point Design and Construction, Inc.
Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by Chair Rubins, Second by Commissioner Bernstein to approve the resolution.

Action: **The resolution was approved.**

12. 8801 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD

Request for approval of a sign program for a commercial building (PL1302140).

Planner: Reina Kapadia, Limited Term Planner
Applicant: Maksim Volovik – Gabbay Architects
Public Input: Hamid Gabbay

Motion: Motion by Chair Rubins, Second by Commissioner Bernstein to approve with resolution with conditions (5-0).

Action: **The resolution was approved with conditions.**

13. BULGARI

401 North Rodeo Drive

Request for approval of a sign accommodation to allow the installation of a mural on the façade of a building (PL1302314).

Planner: Reina Kapadia, Limited Term Planner
Applicant: Ashok Vanmali – Gruen Associates
Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by Chair Rubins, Second by Commissioner Gardner-Apatow to approve the resolution (4-1 Blakeley).

Action: **The resolution was approved.**

PROJECT REVIEW (taken out of order)

15. 8701 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD

Request for preliminary review of a proposed façade remodel of an existing three-story commercial office building (PL1301860).

Planner: Cindy Gordon, Assistant Planner
Applicant: John Simionian
Public Input: None.

Action: **No action was taken on this item.**

(return to order)

14. GUIDELINES FOR STAFF-LEVEL SIGN APPROVALS

This is a public hearing to receive comments on the establishment of guidelines for staff-level sign approvals.

Action: **The Commission directed staff to return to a future meeting with a resolution for adoption.**

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

None.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE URBAN DESIGNER

None.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Date / Time: February 20, 2013 / 5:58 PM



Council Chambers
455 N. Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210
SYNOPSIS

FINE ART COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
February 21, 2013
4:00 PM

The meeting was called to order at 4:08 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Friedman, Shepard, Potter, Pressman, Vice Chair Chalom, Chair Smooke

Absent: none

Staff: N. Hunt-Coffey, B. Meyerowitz, P. Acuna, G. Row, L. Foraker

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Brooke Kantor, former Fine Art Commissioner, and Lauri Furstenberg, of LAX Art presented to the Commission a potential loan of an installation by emerging artist Sam Falls. For the piece that is being presented to the Commission, Mr. Falls would create a site specific piece of minimalist sculpture, to be sited for November to coincide with his larger exhibition.

1. COMMISSION MINUTES

The Minutes of January 17th were approved as amended.

Chair Smooke reported on the Mayor's Cabinet Meeting for February.

2. REPORT BY FINE ART COMMISSION STAFF LIAISON (Nancy Hunt-Coffey, Brad Meyerowitz, Patty Acuna, Genevieve Row, Lois Foraker)

• **Information only**

- A. Fine Art Fund is reported at \$837,547.34
- B. Staff reminded the Commission about the Form 700 that must be filled out and submitted to City Clerk's office.
- C. Safety signage around the Plensa piece is being ordered.
- D. The Millard Sheets installation is to begin on February 25; this means the parking structure will be closed to the public for safety issues Monday – Fridays for approximately 6 weeks.
- E. City Staff met and chose the spot in the area designated by City Council as the approved spot for Joan Brown's *Center Obelisk*.
- F. The plaque for Tony Smith's *Playground* has been relocated and looks wonderful.

- G. The Plensa piece is installed and looks great. The Dedication ceremony was a smashing success. The light in the center malfunctioned and the vendor has begun the process of filing a claim to secure a replacement from the manufacturer.
- H. The Bvulgari dome project was pulled from the Council agenda because the agreement that the representatives returned to staff was the incorrect version.

- **Other Items**

CONTINUED AND NEW BUSINESS

3. PRESENTATION BY HUMAN SERVICES STAFF ON PANHANDLING

Wendy Hughes, Beverly Hills National Urban Fellow and Julie Kahn, Human Services Manager, presented the City's outreach program regarding panhandling, supporting the *Real Change, not Spare Change* approach to the disenfranchised.

4. DISCUSSION REGARDING ART WORK IN RELATION TO SPRINKLER SYSTEMS

Staff presented an overview of how to protect the City's art collection from damage due to exposure to water. Each piece of art will require a unique approach. Each Fine Art Commissioner is tasked to determine, in their opinion, what particular approach to take with each piece of art would be the preferred approach.

5. UPDATE ON *EGALMAH, THE GREAT PALACE* BY GUY DILL

The Public Works department has determined that it is possible to refurbish the reservoir with Guy Dill's sculpture in place. Risk Management determined the piece would fall into the category of an 'attractive nuisance' therefore recommending that it not be installed on Burton Way.

MOTION: Commissioner Potter moved that, following the opinion of Risk Management in defining Guy Dill's *Egalmah, The Great Palace* to be an attractive nuisance, the Fine Art Commission believes it should remain at the reservoir. Commissioner Shepard seconded the motion.

AYES: Commissioners Friedman, Pressman, Vice Chair Chalom, Chair Smooke

NOES: none

CARRIED: 6/0

6. CONSIDERATION OF FENCING AROUND KUSAMA'S HYMN OF LIFE

Staff presented a photo shopped version provided by Community Design Works of what it might look like if the plan to surround the Kusama piece with cable fencing was implemented. Many Commissioners reacted strongly and requested that for the March meeting, a photo shop version of the fencing solution the color of the post and cable be changed to black to see if the effect would be mitigated by the change in color.

Robbie Anderson, Chair of the R&P Commission, spoke to the Commission with regard to his reaction to the proposed solution. He doesn't like the solution at all. He requested that further solutions be researched

7. LANGUAGE FOR PLAQUE ON BENCH NEAR KUSAMA'S *HYMN OF LIFE*

Barbara Jacobson, former Commissioner, was instrumental in the acquisition of the Kusama piece for the City's Fine Art Collection.

MOTION: Commissioner Brenda Potter moved that the language, "In memory and appreciation of Fine Art Commissioner, Barbara Jacobson" be affixed to the bench which will be installed in Beverly Gardens Park, near the Kusama sculpture. Commissioner Friedman seconded the motion.

AYES: Commissioners Shepard, Pressman, Vice Chair Chalom, Chair Smooke.

NOES: none

CARRIED: 6/0

8. PROPOSAL TO RELOCATE ABAKANOVICZ'S *FIGURE ON A BENCH*

The Fine Art Commissioners discussed the idea of moving the sculpture from its present location to the block with the Kusama piece, *Erratic* and Plensa's *Endless V*. Most of the Commission felt that the Abakanovicz should remain where it is.

9. COMMISSION REORGANIZATION

Commissioner Shepard retired as of this evening's meeting. His contributions have been many and always valuable. He will be missed.

Chair Smooke received her commemorative gavel and transitioned from being Chair of the Fine Art Commission to being a Fine Art Commissioner.

Vice Chair Chalom transitioned into the Chair position for the year. Commissioner Pressman assumed the role of Vice Chair.

COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, with the consent of the Commission, Chair Smooke adjourned the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

**CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
SYNOPSIS**

February 21, 2013
455 N. Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210
City Hall, Council Chambers
9:30 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 9:32 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Pease, Linder, Ginsburg, Sherman

Commissioners Absent: Nazarian

Staff Present: Latta, Kahn, Kyriazi

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Tab 1. REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 17, 2013:

MOTION by Pease, SECONDED by Ginsburg to approve as presented (4/0)

AYES: Pease, Linder, Ginsburg, Sherman
NOES: None
ABSENT: Nazarian
ABSTAIN:
CARRIED

ORAL COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE

None.

CONTINUED AND NEW BUSINESS

Tab 2. COMMISSION REPORTS:

HRC REPRESENTATIVES

Dr. Brian Goldberg from the Beverly Hills Unified School District was not present.

Sergeant Max Subin, from the Beverly Hills Police Department provided an update on:

1. No hate crimes to report.

2. Interest has spiked in the Neighborhood Watch program and it's booked through March.
3. PD's social media handout was distributed.
4. The Homeless Count, that the bike patrol officers worked, was a good learning experience for all groups that participated.
5. Provided an update on homeless issues that affect parking structures and our faith based churches along Santa Monica Boulevard.

ADMINISTRATOR

Report from Human Services Administrator James R. Latta, L.C.S.W.

1. Embrace Civility statement is displayed on the back of the election ballot mailer.
2. Certificates were provided for those who volunteered in the Homeless Count.
3. The Homeless Count press release and stats were reviewed.
4. Updated the Commission on the Panhandling/Positive Change project.
5. February 28th the front entrance to the library's parking structure will be closed due to the Millard Sheets Mosaic Mural installation. Enter via Civic Center Drive.
6. Community Services will be showcased at the March 3rd Farmer's Market.
7. February 28th is the deadline for the non-profits to submit their applications for Community Assistance Grant Funding (CAGF).
8. March 10th Woofstock at Roxbury Park. Signup sheet for the HRC booth was distributed.
9. March 17th Los Angeles marathon runs through Beverly Hills.
10. March 27th City Council Reorganization being held at the Academy Theater. Leftover food will be taken to People Assisting the Homeless (PATH).
11. April 2nd Spring Celebration will be presented to City Council.

CHAIR

Chair Sherman provided highlights from the February 12th Mayor's Cabinet meeting.

Tab 3. PACE CAR AD HOC REPORT:

The findings of the ad hoc, Vice Chair Ginsburg and Commissioner Pease, were provided and discussed.

MOTION by Ginsburg, SECONDED by Pease: move that we adopt the name Beverly Hills Civil Streets, Civil Sidewalks, Civil City, for our campaign name.
(4/0)

AYES: Pease, Linder, Ginsburg, Sherman

NOES:

ABSENT: Nazarian

ABSTAIN: None

CARRIED

It was agreed to rotate the following slogans:

- Pace Yourself
- Right of Way or the Right Way?
- Embrace Civility moves from City Hall to City Streets
- If You Can Say It, You Can Do It (included as an addition to slogan)

A more updated graphic/logo was agreed upon.

The Pledge; one change: I will remember that good will and patience are antidotes to stress and frustration.

MOTION by Ginsburg, SECONDED by Linder: move that we adopt the pledge as amended for this campaign. (4/0)

AYES: Pease, Linder, Ginsburg, Sherman

NOES:

ABSENT: Nazarian

ABSTAIN: None

CARRIED

A second Ad Hoc meeting was scheduled for February 26 at 2:30pm for mockup.

Tab 4. BEVERLY GARDENS RESTORATION PROJECT:

Steve Zoet, Director of Community Services, and business owner, Steve Gordon, provided an update on the Beverly Gardens Park Restoration project.

Tab 5. EMBRACE CIVILITY: BULLYING PREVENTION VIDEO COMPETITION:

Library Services Manager, Marilyn Taniguchi and Librarian Monica Zepeda, updated the Commission on the planned Filmmaking 101 classes being offered at the Library's Teen Zone, to promote interest in the Bullying Prevention Video Competition.

Jessica Emerson, Community Services Publicist, provided an update on the Bullying Prevention Video Competition.

Tab 6. ANNUAL STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS:

The yearly Statement of Economic Interest, Form 700, was distributed. The deadline to file with the City Clerk's office is April 2, 2013.

Tab 7. OVERVIEW OF CURRENT AND PENDING AGENDA ITEMS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION:

The Commission reviewed the work plan and agreed to:

- 1) March 10 Woofstock to promote Bullying Prevention Video.

- 2) April 2nd, Celebration of Spring planning – our own interpretation of what Spring is all about, was suggested, or how we celebrate Spring in Beverly Hills. Each Commissioner selects their own presentation.

CALENDAR FOR 2013 COMMISSION MEETING DATES:

Vice-Chair Ginsburg will be absent from the June meeting.

COMMENTS BY COMMISSIONERS INCLUDING TOPICS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS:

None

GOOD AND WELFARE:

Administrator Latta congratulated Commission Linder on being chosen for the California Parks and Recreation Society's Champion of the Community Award.

Commissioner Linder thanked Steve Zoet and his staff for their support and additionally thanked Tom Pease for his work in the Community Garden.

Chair Sherman informed the Commission that on March 4th there will be a seminar for parents and teens by Dr. Nanaz Pirnia, Ph.D., who is the representative of the Iranian American Parents Association, entitled One Life To Live, addressing addictions, bullying and violence. It will be held at the Four Seasons Hotel from 6pm – 9pm.

ADJOURN

Chair Sherman adjourned the meeting at 12:07 p.m.



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
455 North Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210

**HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS**

February 25, 2013
4:00 p.m.

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER

Date / Time: February 25, 2013 / 4:03 PM

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Judelson, Kopeikin, Lurie, Schwartz, Vice Chair Millan, and Chair Setian
Commissioners Absent: Landau.
Staff Present: P. Mottice Muller, A. Tarazon, M. Subin, and M. Millan.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Schwartz.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Consideration of the Action Minutes of the meeting of January 28, 2013.

Motion: MOVED by Judelson, SECONDED by Lurie.
Action: Approved (6/0).

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Action: Naomi Fritz addressed the Commission to speak about the toxic dangers of fabric softener and dryer sheets. Ms. Fritz will have an information booth at Earth Day celebration to provide more materials.

REPORT FROM THE CHAIRPERSON

Action: Chair Setian reviewed the items which were discussed by other Commission Chairs at the February 12, 2013 Mayor's Cabinet Meeting.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Action: Mr. Lewis Hall, Beverly Hills School District Board Member, reported there were no action items to report on Beverly Hills Unified School District health, safety, and preparedness issues.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- Commission Calendar
- Invitation to La Cienega Park Event – February 26, 2013
- Woofstock Flyer and Fact Sheet – March 10, 2013
- Other Items

Action: Received and filed.

NEW BUSINESS

1. PRESENTATION REGARDING BROWN ACT

Assistant City Attorney Lolly Enriquez provided a presentation regarding the Brown Act public meeting rules.

2. ACTIVE SHOOTER TRAINING

City of Beverly Hills Police Sergeant Max Subin provided information on an upcoming active shooter response training session that would be available to the public and city employees. Businesses requesting training should contact the Police Department directly.

3. NIXLE ACCOUNT MANAGEMENT

Sergeant Max Subin announced the Police Department is using social media to provide updates to residents, especially Nixle. He will demonstrate signing up for a Nixle account at the next Health and Safety Commission meeting.

4. UPDATE ON THE BEVERLY HILLS CERT TRAINING PROGRAM

CERT program coordinator Mackenzie Millan provided an update on the reestablishment of the City of Beverly Hills Community Response Team (CERT) training. On March 2, 2013 23 residents will graduate from the 21 hour training class.

COMMUNICATION FROM COMMISSION

Action: Chair Setian presented the second Dangerstoppers program titled "Every 15 Minutes." The episode features details of the program held at Beverly Hills High School, which emphasizes the dangers and consequences of drinking and distracted driving.

Commissioner Kopeikin suggested changing the meeting date on Monday, March 25, 2013 to Monday, March 18, 2013 due to March 25.

Motion: MOVED by Millan, SECONDED by Kopeikin.

Action: Approved (6/0).

ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time: February 25, 2013 / 5:33 PM

The next Health and Safety Commission meeting will be held on Monday, March 18, 2013.



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Beverly Hills, California 90210

CULTURAL HERITAGE COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING SYNOPSIS
February 26, 2013
9:00 AM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date / Time: February 26, 2013 / 9:10 AM

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Pynoos (arrived @ 10:03am), Greer, Beck, Vice Chair Waldow, Chair Furie (arrived @ 9:50am)
Commissioners Absent: None
Staff Present: William Crouch, Cindy Gordon, Reina Kapadia, Karen Myron (Community Development Department)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Motion by order of the Vice Chair to approve the agenda.
Action: **The agenda was approved as presented.**

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Speakers: None.

BUS TOUR

1. The Commission conducted a bus tour, stopping to view several properties for consideration as potential City Landmarks. The tour included the following properties:

- 1174 N. Hillcrest Road
- 910 N. Bedford Drive
- City Hall, 455 N. Rexford Drive
- Union 76 Station, S. Santa Monica Boulevard and Crescent Drive (Absent – Commissioner Pynoos and Chair Furie)
- Litton – MCA Building, 360 N. Crescent Drive (Absent – Commissioner Pynoos and Chair Furie)
- Millard Sheets Murals, 9145 Wilshire Boulevard and 9425 Wilshire Boulevard (Absent – Commissioner Pynoos and Chair Furie)
- Church of the Good Shepherd, 505 N. Bedford Drive

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- Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, 505 N. Rodeo Drive
- All Saints Episcopal Church, 504 N. Camden Drive
- Temple Emmanuel Synagogue, 8844 Burton Way
- 801 N. Rodeo Drive
- 713 Alpine Drive
- 625 Arden Drive

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

- Request from Chair as future agenda item, to discuss recognition of businesses that have been in the City for many years.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE URBAN DESIGNER

None.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Date / Time: February 26, 2013 / 12:20 PM

**CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
City Hall Council Chambers
455 North Rexford Dr.
Beverly Hills, CA 90210
SYNOPSIS**

**RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, February 26, 2013
2:00 p.m.**

The meeting was called to order at 2:14 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Gersh, Friedman, Vice Chairperson Rosoff

Commissioners Absent: Chairperson Anderson (arrived late)

Staff Present: Zoet, Hunt-Coffey, Angel, Meyerowitz, Knebel.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Tab 1. Regular Meeting of Tuesday, January 22, 2013

MOVED by Gersh, SECONDED by Friedman to approve as presented. (3/0/1)

AYES: Gersh, Friedman, Rosoff

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: Anderson

ABSTAIN: NONE

CARRIED

ORAL COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Beverly Hills residents Kenny Zuckerman, Joe Mani and Michael Hoffman representing City Ducks Youth Football organization, addressed the Commission with a request for practice field space. The Commission requested the topic be placed on next meeting's agenda.

NEW BUSINESS/STAFF REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE

Tab 2. Public Art Updates

Assistant Director of Community Services Nancy Hunt-Coffey commented on the recent installation of the Plensa sculpture as well as other upcoming installations. In addition, possible fencing for the Kusama, Hymn of Life sculpture, was introduced.

Chairperson Anderson arrived at 2:36 p.m.

Tab 3. Update Regarding Dog Park

Community Services Director Steve Zoet updated the Commission regarding the off-leash dog discussion by City Council. Vice Mayor Mirisch and Councilmember Bosse have been appointed by the Mayor to discuss future ideas and options with staff, community members and commission liaisons.

An Ad Hoc Committee with Commissioners Gersh and Friedman will be initiated.

Tab 4. Form 700 Overview

Community Services Director Steve Zoet reviewed the process for the Form 700 Filing for the current year.

Tab 5. Capital Improvement Projects

Community Services Director Steve Zoet reviewed the following Capital Improvement Projects: Gateway Signage, La Cienega Park Outdoor Fitness Area, Hamel Mini Park Renovation, Greystone Public Restrooms, Roxbury Park Update and Beverly Gardens Restoration.

Tab 6. Director's Report

Community Services Director Steve Zoet and Staff updated the Commission on the following: CPRS Conference/Recognition of Human Relations Commissioner Barbara Linder, Commission Vacancy Update, Community Charitable Foundation, Los Angeles Marathon, Art Show Sponsorships, FOG Proclamation, Summer/Greystone Concert Series, Concours d'Elegance, Valentine's Dance/BHPD Dessert Reception, Little League, Farmers' Market Showcase. Event Calendar and Meeting Dates.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS/COMMENTS BY COMMISSIONERS INCLUDING TOPICS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

None.

Tab 7. Ad Hoc Chairperson Reports

- a. City Council Liaison/Mayor's Cabinet (Anderson/Rosoff) – Chairperson Anderson summarized the February Mayor's Cabinet Meeting.
- b. Beverly Canon Gardens (Block/Friedman) – No discussion.
- c. Farmers' Market (Anderson/Rosoff) – No discussion.
- d. Fine Arts (Gersh/Anderson) – No discussion.
- e. Gateway Signage Project (Block/Rosoff) – No discussion.
- f. Gifting Concept (Anderson/Rosoff) – No discussion.
- g. Greystone Park (Gersh/Anderson) – No discussion.

- h. Master Plan for La Cienega and Roxbury Parks (Block/Friedman) – No discussion.
- i. Seniors/Volunteers (Gersh/Friedman) – No discussion.
- j. Special Events/Concert Series (Gersh/Rosoff) – No discussion.
- k. Sports (Block/Friedman) – No discussion.
- l. Street Tree Master Plan (Block/Rosoff) – No discussion.
- m. Teens (Gersh/Friedman) – No Discussion.
- n. Beverly Gardens Restoration (Anderson/Rosoff) – No discussion.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:37 p.m.



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PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS
February 28, 2013
1:30 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date / Time: February 28, 2013 / 1:33 pm

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Block, Fisher, Yukelson, Vice Chair Rosenstein, Chair Corman
Commissioners Absent: None
Staff Present: Jonathan Lait, Ryan Gohlich, Georgana Millican, Karen Myron (Community Development Department); Diana Varat (City Attorney's Office)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Motion by order of the Chair to approve the agenda.
Action: **The agenda was approved as presented.**

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Minutes from the Planning Commission Meeting on December 20, 2012.
2. Minutes from the Planning Commission Meeting on February 14, 2013.

Motion: Motion by order of the chair to approve the minutes as presented (Block abstained).
Action: **The minutes were approved as presented.**

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Speakers: None.

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

3. 9882 SOUTH SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD

Peninsula Hotel

Request for an Extended Hours Permit and an amendment to a Conditional Use Permit to allow modifications to hotel operations. (Associate Planner Georgana Millican)

Planner: Georgana Millican, Associate Planner
Applicant: Mitchell J. Dawson
Public Input: Scott Redston, Daniel Prinz, Noah Furie.

Motion: Motion by Commissioner Yukelson, second by Commissioner Block to approve the resolution as amended (5-0).

Action: The resolution was approved as amended.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Speakers: None.

4. 9265-9269 BURTON WAY

23-Unit Condominium Building

Project preview for a 6-story 23-unit condominium building proposed under the City's Density Bonus ordinance. (Senior Planner Ryan Gohlich)

Planner: Ryan Gohlich, Senior Planner
Applicant: Empire at Burton Way, LLC;
Edward Levin, applicant representative

Action: No action was taken on this item.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

Vice Chair Rosenstein shared concerns from a resident regarding construction in the 300 block of South Elm Drive blocking traffic during morning drop-off time at Beverly Vista School.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

As City Council is on a brief hiatus, there are no projects currently scheduled for review; the Gateway Project is anticipated to return in April. (Assistant Director of Community Development Jonathan Lait)

5. Active Cast List

Action: Received and filed.

6. 2013 Meeting Schedule Calendar

Action: No action was taken on this item.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Date / Time: February 28, 2013 / 3:34 pm

CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

**CITY HALL ROOM 280-A
455 N. Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210**

SYNOPSIS

TRAFFIC & PARKING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

March 7, 2013

9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL – 9:00 AM*

PRESENT: FRIEDMAN, STEINBERG, LEVINE, LICHT, GRUSHCOW
ABSENT:

STUDY SESSION

1. POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Sergeant Lynch gave an informational update.

2. COMMISSION CHAIR REPORT

Mayor's Cabinet Meeting – January 8, 2013 and February 12, 2013

Chair GRUSHCOW apprised the Commission about the Mayor's Cabinet Meeting notes being available on the City website:

(<http://beverlyhills.org/citygovernment/mayorandcouncilmembers/mayorscabinetmeetings/>)

3. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT QUARTERLY REPORT

The Community Development Report has been postponed until April 4, 2013.

4. ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS

Jesse De Anda, EGovernment Manager, and Chad Lynn, Director of Parking Operations, provided informational updates.

5. 2013 WORK PLAN

Aaron Kunz, Deputy Director of Transportation, provided informational updates.

6. STATUS REPORT

- a. Upcoming Capital Improvement Projects & Transportation Improvements**
- b. Update on City Council bicycle rack decisions**
- c. Correspondence**
- d. Traffic and Parking Commission Project Matrix**

Bijan Vaziri, Senior Transport Engineer, and Martha Eros, Transportation Planner, provided informational updates.

COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS (ORAL)

Chair GRUSHCOW asked that staff add components of the 2013 Work Plan to the Traffic and Parking Commission Project Matrix for tracking purposes.

Vice Chair Licht apprised staff that the Ad-Hoc Committee is not included on the City's website.

Commissioner FRIEDMAN asked staff to research if any feedback was received by UCLA from the disabled community when they started charging parking for vehicles with disabled person's placards.

ORAL COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Mike Elliott spoke about his frustrations pertaining to fighting a parking ticket.

ACTION ITEMS

1. CONSIDERATION OF THE FEBRUARY 7, 2013 MEETING MINUTES

Motion by FRIEDMAN, seconded by STEINBERG

5/0 To approve the February 7, 2013 minutes

AYES: FRIEDMAN, STEINBERG, LEVINE, LICHT

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: GRUSHCOW

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT: 12:00 PM*

***TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE**



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
455. N. Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, California 90210

PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS
March 14, 2013
1:30 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date / Time: March 14, 2013 / 1:34 pm

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Block, Fisher, Yukelson, Vice Chair Rosenstein, Chair Corman

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: Jonathan Lait, Ryan Gohlich, Georgana Millican, Karen Myron (Community Development Department); David Snow (City Attorney's Office)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Motion by order of the Chair to approve the agenda.

Action: **The agenda was approved.**

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Minutes from the Planning Commission Meeting on February 28, 2013.

Motion: Motion by order of the chair to approve the minutes as presented.

Action: **The minutes were approved as presented.**

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Speakers: None.

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

2. **904 HARTFORD WAY (continued from the February 14, 2013 Planning Commission Meeting)**
Hillside R-1 Permit and Tree Removal Permit

Request for a Hillside R-1 Permit and Tree Removal Permit to allow an accessory structure to be located within 100 feet of a front property line, construction of a six-foot tall retaining wall within a street side setback, and removal of two protected trees in conjunction with the construction of the accessory structure on the property located at 904 Hartford Way. (Associate Planner Georgana Millican)

Planner: Georgana Millican, Associate Planner
Applicant: Peter Shirley
Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by Commissioner Block, second by Commissioner Yukelson to approve the resolution as amended (5-0).

Action: The resolution was approved as amended.

3. 9800 Wilshire Boulevard and 121 Spalding Drive

Zone Text Amendment and Development Plan Review

Request for a Zone Text Amendment to Beverly Hills Municipal Code Section 10-3-3107 regarding rooftop uses, and a request for a Development Plan Review to allow rooftop structures and uses on the buildings located at 9800 Wilshire Boulevard and 121 Spalding Drive. (Senior Planner Ryan Gohlich)

Planner: Ryan Gohlich, Senior Planner
Applicant: The Gores Group
Public Input: None.

Motion: Motion by Vice Chair Rosenstein, second by Chair Corman to adopt a resolution recommending that City Council adopt an ordinance amending the zoning code (5-0).

Action: The resolution was approved.

Motion: Motion by Vice Chair Rosenstein, second by Chair Corman to adopt a resolution authorizing a Development Plan Review permit for development of the project at 9800 Wilshire Boulevard/121 Spalding Drive, as amended (5-0).

Action: The resolution was approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ad Hoc Committee consisting of Vice Chair Rosenstein and Commissioner Yukelson was formed to meet with the members of the Cultural Heritage Commission to discuss possible changes to the City's Pilot Mills Act Program.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

Commissioner Yukelson briefed the Commission on a tour he took, along with Director of Parking Operations Chad Lynn and Deputy City Manager David Lightner, to inspect an automated parking garage in Santa Monica. The Commission expressed interest in learning more about this type of project, which will be agendized at a future Planning Commission Meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

The March 28 Planning Commission meeting will have a special start time of 3:00pm. In addition, the Infiniti project, which will be presented at this meeting, will be heard as an evening item at 7:00pm to allow more members of the public to attend the hearing. (Assistant Director of Community Development Jonathan Lait)

4. Active Case List

Action: Received and filed.

5. 2013 Meeting Schedule Calendar

Action: No action was taken on this item.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Date / Time: March 14, 2013 / 3:22 pm



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
455 North Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210

**HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING SYNOPSIS**

March 18, 2013
4:00 p.m.

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER

Date / Time: March 18, 2013 / 4:07 PM

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Landau, Judelson, Kopeikin, Lurie, Schwartz, Vice Chair Millan, and Chair Setian
Commissioners Absent: None.
Staff Present: P. Mottice Muller, A. Tarazon, G. Herrera, T. Kosterman, W. Hughes, M. Subin, and M. Millan.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Judelson.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Consideration of the Action Minutes of the meeting of February 25, 2013.

Motion: MOVED by Millan, SECONDED by Schwartz.
Action: Approved (7/0).

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Action: Commissioner Judelson introduced her sister to the Commission.

REPORT FROM THE CHAIRPERSON

Action: Commissioner Landau reviewed the items which were discussed by other Commission Chairs at the March 12, 2013 Mayor's Cabinet Meeting.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Action: Mr. Lewis Hall, Beverly Hills School District Board Member, reported there were no action items to report on Beverly Hills Unified School District health, safety, and preparedness issues.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- Commission Calendar
- Invitation to La Cienega Park Event – February 26, 2013
- Woolstock Flyer and Fact Sheet – March 10, 2013
- Other Items

Action: Received and filed.

NEW BUSINESS

1. WATER QUALITY UPDATE

Gehovanny Herrera, Water System Operations Supervisor of the Public Works Department provided an update on the recent letter and FAQ sheet on the City's water quality sent out to residents on March 11, 2013.

2. HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT STRATEGIC PLAN

Special Assistant to the City Manager Wendy Hughes gave a presentation on the City's Homeland Security and Disaster Strategic Plan approved by the City Council in February 2013.

3. NIXLE ACCOUNT MANAGEMENT

Sergeant Max Subin demonstrated activation and management of a Nixle account.

4. CERT UPDATE

CERT program coordinator Mackenzie Millan provided an update on the reestablishment of the City of Beverly Hills Community Response Team (CERT) training.

5. SENIOR DISASTER PREPAREDNESS PAMPHLETS

Director of Emergency Management Pamela Mottice provided information on a sample of disaster preparedness pamphlet especially designed for seniors in the community.

COMMUNICATION FROM COMMISSION

Action: Commissioner Landau provided an update on the City's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) activation for the Los Angeles Marathon held on March 17, 2013.

ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time: March 18, 2013 / 5:33 PM



Council Chambers
455 N. Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210
SYNOPSIS

FINE ART COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
March 21, 2013
4:00 PM

The meeting was called to order at 4:08 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Smooke, Friedman, Pressman, Vice Chair Pressman, Chair Chalom

Absent: Potter

Staff: N. Hunt-Coffey, B. Meyerowitz, P. Acuna, L. Foraker

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Cheryl Friedling, Deputy City Manager, presented the Commissioners with an overview of the vision of the Centennial Celebration's Public Art Committee. Nothing has been finalized, but Ms. Friedling suggested that the Fine Art Commission designate a representative to interface with the Committee in the development of the plans.

1. COMMISSION MINUTES

The Minutes of February 21st were approved as amended.

2. REPORT BY FINE ART COMMISSION STAFF LIAISON (Nancy Hunt-Coffey, Brad Meyerowitz, Patty Acuna, Lois Foraker)

• **Information only**

- A. Fine Art Fund is reported at \$869,722.12
- B. Staff presented a copy of the most recent Priority Exercise for the Commissioners to reacquaint themselves with the pieces presented in the past.
- C. Staff updated the Commission with regard to the safety signage that has been placed around the Plensa piece, Erratic, and the Kusama sculpture.
- D. The final estimate for the installation of the Obelisk has been presented, so the entire package has been sent to the City Attorney's Office. The City Attorney is in negotiation with Tishman/Speyer, developer of the former Hilton Headquarters, where the obelisk was installed for many years.
- E. Negotiations with representatives of the Louis Vuitton project are on hold.
- F. A bench has been identified as the one to be installed in Beverly Garden's Park, and will cost the Commission \$947.00. The Commissioners did not feel the cost of the bench should come out of the Fine Art Fund.

- G. Since several of the Commissioner's terms will end within 1 month of each other, Staff is proposing that the terms of Commissioners Smooke, Chalom, Pressman, and Potter be extended, to guarantee there is institutional knowledge present to deal with all the projects going on for the FAC.
- H. The City intern program has been maxed out for the year; we won't be able to secure one to work on Fine Art Commission projects until July 1st. Due to the pressing nature of the undocumented developer chosen art installations around the City, staff has found an art school in Beverly Hills that needs to secure volunteer opportunities for their students. Staff is pleased to report that an intern situation is developing.

- **Other Items**

None

CONTINUED AND NEW BUSINESS

3. PROPOSAL BY LAXART FOR ART INSTALLATION

Former Fine Art Commissioner Brooke Kantor and Lauri Firstenberg presented a potential loan/gift of a Sam Falls minimalist site specific sculpture to coincide with Mr. Fall's exhibit at LAX ART in November.

MOTION: Commissioner Smooke moved that, with gratitude for the generous offer made by LAX Art to gift or to loan a work by Sam Falls, and with regret due to risk management issues, we cannot accept this opportunity. Vice Chair Pressman seconded the motion.

AYES: Commissioner Friedman, Chair Chalom

NOES: none

ABSENT: Potter

CARRIED: 4/0

4. OPENING AND PROGRAMS FOR MILLARD SHEETS MURAL

It was decided that May 7th at 1:00 pm will be the time for the dedication ceremony. Staff asked for the preference of the Fine Art Commissioners as to where the plaque should go, on the side of the building, or on the knoll overlooking the piece? It was decided to research the cost, and have both sized plaques, the larger one on the side of the building and the smaller one on the knoll if feasible. Public Works intends to create an overlook on that pathway leading from the Library to the Police Department expressly for the purpose of enjoying the mosaic.

5. UPDATE ON FENCING AROUND KUSAMA'S *HYMM OF LIFE*

Staff presented the photo shop versions of what the fencing options offered at the February Fine Art Commission, but with the posts and the cable blackened out to lessen the intrusion on the artwork. Also presented were a couple of versions of a 4' deep hedge with a shorter fence around it. Robbie Anderson, Chair of the Recreation & Park Commission, also offered up his idea of a steel fence that arches out from the planter, with a solid bar, keeping people further away from the piece than would be allowed by a straight cable.

MOTION: Commissioner Smooke moved that Staff proceed to secure 3 bids to construct steel cable fencing around Kusama's Hymn of Life, 36" in height, with 5 levels of steel cable running horizontally secured by no more than 6 vertical posts; the project would include a gate at the back of the sculpture for access by the grounds crew. Commissioner Friedman seconded the motion.

AYES: Vice Chair Pressman, Chair Chalom

NOES: none

ABSENT: Commissioner Potter

CARRIED: 4/0

6. LIGHTING FOR ROXY PAINE

Staff met with a lighting designer and a contractor to examine the situation with lighting Erratic. He introduced the idea of installing 2 spot lights in the trees above to cast a soft wash of light around it. Commissioner Friedman asked about how effective this choice would be in that the tree spot originally focused on the Kusama was so weak. Mr. Steinitz, the lighting designer said there are two new products on the market that are exceptionally effective, and would work very well in this situation.

MOTION: Vice Chair Pressman moved to secure bids to run electric cables to install lights to illuminate the Roxy Paine's *Erratic*. Commissioner Friedman seconded the motion.

AYES: Commissioner Smooke, Chair Chalom

NOES: none

ABSENT: Commissioner Potter

CARRIED: 4/0

7. JUNE COMMISSION MEETING

The Commissioners chose to have a special meeting on Wednesday June 26th from 4pm to 6pm. to replace the Regular Meeting of June 20th that has been cancelled.

8. DISCUSSION OF BORDERS AROUND *ENDLESS V*, *ERRATIC*, AND *PLAYGROUND*

The Commissioners chose the option of surrounding the pieces with decomposed granite. Each work of art would have a border of approximately 12 inches surrounding on all sides that would be free from grass thereby removing the necessity of watering to keep the grass green. This proximity to water causes a great deal of damage to the artwork, over time.

9. CONSIDERATION OF COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Commissioners were asked to consider their current Committee assignments, with an eye to whether or not the Committee should be reinstated, phased out, and what efforts each Commissioner would like to take on for the upcoming year.

COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Pressman passed out a copy of one of the pages of the Municipal Code that, in outlining the activities of the Commissioners, referred to "Fine Art" only, rather than Public Art. This mirrors the changes in the Ordinance that the Commissioners have proposed.

Commissioner Smooke offered condolences for the Commission to Nancy Hunt-Coffey, Staff Liaison to the Fine Art Commission due to her mother's sudden death. Everyone was saddened and offered their condolences to Nancy and to her father in this time of loss.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, with the consent of the Commission, Chair Chalom adjourned the meeting at 6:15 p.m.