

**CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS**  
**ACTION MINUTES - INFORMAL MEETING**  
**April 11, 2013**  
**Council Chambers**  
**2:30 P.M.**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Mirisch  
Vice Mayor Bosse  
Councilmember Brien  
Councilmember Gold  
Councilmember Krasne  
Jeff Kolin, City Manager  
Larry Wiener, City Attorney  
Mahdi Aluzri, Assistant City Manager  
Lolly Enriquez, Assistant City Attorney  
Dave Snow, Assistant City Attorney  
Therese Kosterman, Public Information Manager  
Susan Healy Keene, Director of Community Development  
Jonathan Lait, Assistant Director of Community Development/City Planner  
Michele McGrath, Principal Planner  
Ryan Gohlich, Senior Planner  
Peter Noonan, Senior Planner  
David Gustavson, Director of Public Works & Transportation

**A - DIRECTION**

1. Employee Recognition: David D. Gustavson  
Recognition of retiring City employee, David Gustavson, who will retire on May 3, 2013 with 25 years of service to the City.

Mayor Mirisch recognized Director of Public Works and Transportation David Gustavson, who is retiring from City service on May 3, 2013 with 25 years of service. He enumerated Mr. Gustavson's numerous accomplishments during his tenure, thanked him for his years of service, and presented him with a Certificate of Commendation.

2. Confirming City Council Meeting Dates Through December 2013  
Staff has provided potential meeting dates for the City Council to confirm for the remainder of the calendar year.

Item discussed at the City Council Formal meeting.

3. Update to City Council on Status of the Roxbury Community Center Project, Including Program Relocation and Preparations for Construction  
Staff will give an overview of the efforts to relocate all of the staff and programs currently taking place at Roxbury Community Center. Additionally, staff will provide an update on preparations for construction activities at Roxbury.

Item discussed at the City Council Formal meeting.

4. Request to Host "Inside Beverly Hills", a Public Affairs Cable TV Show  
Publisher of Beverly Hills Weekly has asked to host the public affairs Cable TV Show produced by the City, titled "Inside Beverly Hills".

Public Information Manager Therese Kosterman provided information regarding the request from the Publisher of the Beverly Hills Weekly Josh Gross to host "*Inside Beverly Hills*", which is a public affairs cable TV show.

City Attorney Larry Wiener responded to a question regarding public access television and the City's ability to control the content of it.

City Manager Kolin answered questions pertaining to rental of the Cable TV studio and Public Access television.

Josh Gross, Publisher of the Beverly Hills Weekly, briefly spoke on the history of BHTV10 between the years of 1990-1994.

Mayor Mirisch directed staff to return to the Council for a discussion of various options for BHTV10 including bringing forward to a later City Council Study Session a proposal which would cover a broad base of topics including the Centennial as well as various interviewers from the community.

5. "Beverly Hills This Week" Status Report  
Request from Mayor Mirisch to provide an update on the status of the City's weekly news show "Inside Beverly Hills"

Public Information Manager Therese Kosterman provided an update on the status of the City's news program "Beverly Hills This Week". A video clip of the news program was played for the Council.

Council did not reach consensus to discontinue the program. However, Council directed staff to conduct a survey to assess how many people are watching the television show.

6. Request from Mayor Mirisch for a Bus Tour of the Southeast Area and Consideration of the Recommendations of the Southeast Area Task Force at 3:15 p.m.  
The City has arranged a shuttle bus leaving City Hall at Crescent Drive at 3:15 p.m. and returning to City Hall at approximately 4:15 p.m.

City Manager Kolin commented that the public is welcome to attend the tour.

City Attorney Wiener indicated that the meeting would resume after the tour.

Council participated in a trolley tour which stopped at 9000 Olympic Boulevard, 242-246 South Robertson, and 8425 Wilshire Boulevard and discussed possible development opportunities for each site.

7. Request by Mayor Mirisch for a Briefing of the Proposed Gateway Project and Site Visit to Gateway Properties (9900 Santa Monica Boulevard, 9848 Wilshire Boulevard and 9817 Wilshire Boulevard), and to the Kenquest Building (499 North Canon Drive) at 4:30 p.m.

The City has arranged for a site visit to the Gateway properties, meeting at 4:30 p.m. or soon thereafter, at the corner of Wilshire Boulevard and Santa Monica Boulevard adjacent to Starbucks Coffee. Following that site visit will be a brief site visit to the Kenquest Building. The City has arranged a shuttle bus to the sites leaving City Hall at 4:15 p.m., or soon thereafter, and returning to City Hall at the conclusion of the site visits.

Council participated in a site visit that the public was invited to attend to the Gateway Properties located at 9941 and 9949 Santa Monica Boulevard as well as the Kenquest Building located at 499 North Canon Drive. At each site, staff discussed the current project description with Council and members of the public that joined.

8. Request by Mayor Mirisch for City Council Review of the Planning Commission Decision Regarding 9031 Olympic Boulevard (Infiniti)  
The Planning Commission approved a Conditional Use Permit for vehicle services use on the site at its March 28, 2013 meeting. This is an opportunity for the City Council to discuss whether this project should be reviewed by the City Council at a future public hearing.

Item discussed at the City Council Formal meeting.

9. Crosswalk on Wilshire Boulevard between Clark and Swall Drives  
Presents plans to install a mid-block crosswalk to facilitate pedestrian activity with construction costs to be shared between the City and the Audi Auto Dealership.

Item not discussed.

B - ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO CONSIDER (Time Permitting)

10. Request by Councilmember Krasne for Review of Council Decision to Install Bollards on Crescent Drive in Front of City Hall  
This report provides project status for installation of retractable street bollards in Crescent Drive. Councilmember Krasne has requested discussion for further consideration concerning traffic circulation impacts and access to both businesses and residents during street closures, and the City Council's previous direction to approve the installation.

Item discussed at the City Council Formal meeting.

C - INFORMATION

11. Amanda Foundation Barkday on Sunday, June 23, 2013  
Transmits information regarding the Amanda Foundation's Bark Day - the 1st Annual Birthday Celebration for Rescue Dogs.

Item not discussed.

12. Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce's Annual Health, Fitness & Beauty Expo on Sunday, May 5, 2013  
Transmits information regarding the Chamber's 2013 Health, Fitness & Beauty Expo on Civic Center Drive in conjunction with the Farmers' Market.

Item not discussed.

The Study Session adjourned at 5:39 p.m. to the Closed Session to discuss items that are identified on the agenda that has been prepared for the meeting. The Closed Session adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

PASSED, Approved and Adopted  
this 7<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013

  
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BYRON ROPE, City Clerk

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JOHN A. MIRISCH, MAYOR

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