

**CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
MINUTES - STUDY SESSION
May 23, 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/Interim Director of Public Works
Gisele Grable, Community Services Administrator**

A - DIRECTION

1. Additional City Council Meeting Dates
Staff is asking for Council approval of needed additional meetings specifically for City Council workshop and upcoming labor negotiations.

Assistant City Manager Mahdi Aluzri explained the need for an additional Council meeting date for a workshop on Saturday, October 26, 2013 from 12:00 - 5:00 at Greystone Mansion.

Vice Mayor Bosse indicated that she has a conflict with the July 16 City Council meeting and Mayor Mirisch identified a conflict with the August 6 meeting. The August 6 Council meeting was moved to August 13 subject to Councilmembers Gold and Brien's schedule. The July 16 meeting will tentatively remain on the calendar.

Council directed the Clerk's office to resend the future City Council dates for review and confirmation.

2. Recreation and Parks Commission Interview Panel Report Transmits the appointment recommendation for the Recreation and Parks Commission.

Item discussed at the City Council Formal meeting.

3. Design Review Commission Reappointment Design Review Commissioner John Wyka's term is expiring on May 14, 2013. He has submitted a letter of interest to extend his term.

Item discussed at the City Council Formal meeting.

4. Public Works Commission Reappointments The term of Public Works Commissioner Barry D. Pressman MD, expired April 13, 2013. Public Works Commissioner Ron Shalowitz' term expires June 1, 2013. Each has submitted a letter of interest to extend his term.

Item discussed at the City Council Formal meeting.

5. Recreation and Parks Commission Reappointments The terms of Recreation and Parks Commissioners Howard Rosoff and Simone Friedman are both expiring on May 25, 2013. They have submitted letters of interest to extend their terms.

Item discussed at the City Council Formal meeting.

6. Community Charitable Foundation Reappointment Community Charitable Foundation Resident Director Kathleen Rothner's term is expiring on June 19, 2013. She has submitted a letter of interest to extend her term.

Item discussed at the City Council Formal meeting.

7. Update for the City Council on the Provision of an English as a Second Language Program Through the Recreation Division of the Community Services Department As was discussed at the May 7, 2013 meeting, the City Council is interested in offering English as a Second Language and citizenship courses through the Recreation division. This report provides staff recommendations on means and methods of implementing this new program.

Item discussed at the City Council Formal meeting.

B - ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO CONSIDER (Time Permitting)

8. Gran Fondo Giro D'Italia Beverly Hills Bike Ride Event
Seeks City Council direction regarding proposal for bike event and Bike Expo on Crescent Drive adjacent to City Hall on the weekend of November 2-3, 2013.

Community Services Administrator Gisele Grable reported on the revised proposal from Gran Fondo Giro D'Italia for a bike event. The proposal encompasses suggestions from the Special Events liaisons Councilmember Krasne and Vice Mayor Bosse.

The proposed event is scheduled for Saturday, November 2 and Sunday, November 3, 2013 for a Bike Expo with the Bike Ride taking place on Sunday, November 3. Both the Rodeo Drive Committee and the Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce expressed their support for the event. Beverly Hills Market, a merchant on Crescent Drive, expressed concern with the event due to the proposed street closure.

The liaisons expressed concern over the street closure on Crescent Drive and the City sponsoring the event.

Gran Fondo's Race Director Ryan Moore spoke on behalf of Gran Fondo regarding the duration of the race.

Council directed staff to return to the liaisons for further direction.

9. City Council Handbook for Emergency and Disasters Staff will provide a review of the City Council Handbook for Emergency and Disasters to assist the City Council in understanding the Emergency Operation Plan (EOP), to meet federal requirements and to ensure clarity of roles, authorities, and responsibilities.

Item not discussed.

C - INFORMATION

10. Rodeo Drive Concours d'Elegance Car Show Transmits information regarding the Concours d'Elegance Car Show on the 200-400 blocks of North Rodeo Drive on Sunday, June 16, 2013.

Item not discussed.

11. Elimination of Regular Shuttle Between Roxbury Community Center and La Cienega Community Center and the Library and Initiate Greater Usage of Dial-A-Ride Serve Provides an update for City Council on the usage of the shuttle that has been running between Roxbury Park and La Cienega Community Center and Library, specifically addressing the low usage and recommending the discontinuation of the regular service. In its place, staff recommends the use of the City's Dial-A-Ride service.

Item not discussed.

12. Resident Request to Plant a Tree at Greystone Park in Memory of Rudy Cole Resident initiated request to plant a tree on the grounds of Greystone Estate in memory of Rudy Cole. All costs associated with the planting and a small accompanying plaque would be covered through privately raised funds.

Item not discussed.

13. Confirming City Council Centennial Installation Date and Location Transmits information regarding the City Council installation for 2014.

Item not discussed.

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The Adjourned Study Session was continued to the City Council Formal meeting at 5:50 p.m.

PASSED, Approved and Adopted
this 4th day of June, 2013


BYRON POPE, City Clerk

JOHN A. MIRISCH, MAYOR

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