CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
MINUTES - STUDY SESSION
June 17, 2014
Council Chambers
2:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Bosse
Vice Mayor Gold
Councilmember Brien
Councilmember Mirisch
Councilmember Krasne
Jeff Kolin, City Manager
David Snow, Assistant City Attorney
Ralph Mundell, Fire Chief
Susan Healy Keene, Director of Community Development
Aaron Kunz, Deputy Director of Transportation
Shan Davis, Police Lieutenant
Gregg Mader, Police Sgt.
Byron Pope, City Clerk
Cheryl Friedling, Deputy City Manager for Public Affairs
Lincoln Hoshino, Police Lieutenant
Gisele Grable, Community Services Administrator

Mayor Bosse announced that the Study Session will end today at 5pm so Council can go into Closed Session.

Councilmember Krasne announced that the next phase of the Healthy City program is being kicked off with the first Lunch and Learn event featuring Dr. Debra R. Judelson, a Beverly Hills cardiologist and renowned woman's health advocate, who will speak about heart health on Thursday, June 26th in the City Hall Municipal Gallery from 12 to 1pm.

A - DIRECTION

1. Trousdale Area Traffic Safety Recommendations

Presents long, medium and short term recommendations for improving traffic safety and controlling heavy hauling deliveries in Trousdale area.

Community Development Director Susan Healy Keene provided background information on the events that have happened since the item was first presented to Council on May 20, 2014. She noted that the meeting today will focus on immediate issues of truck safety and heavy hauling which is currently suspended. She introduced Steve Brown, Principal from Fehr and Peers, who discussed the Trousdale Area Traffic Safety study goals, limitations, problems targeted, results and recommendations.

Council Liaisons Vice Mayor Gold and Councilmember Brien provided their comments.

Deputy Director of Transportation Aaron Kunz presented the Liaison recommendations. Councilmember Brien provided more information and clarified some of the recommendations. He noted that the goal is risk mitigation until a permanent plan is in place. He brought up the issue of inspection for catering trucks and tour vans, and suggested that TCOs remain in place until a plan is created and implemented.

Fire Chief Ralph Mundell answered Council questions. Council discussed the recommendations that are currently being implemented and the ones to be implemented during the next phase.

Speaking:

1. Frieda Berlin
2. Shahram Melamed
3. Justin Greenberg

Council addressed truck haul route options. Sgt. Gregg Mader identified the routes recommended by the Police Department. City Manager Kolin spoke about the timeline going forward. Council Liaisons will continue to meet on the items that need to be

Vice Mayor Gold and Councilmember Brien clarified what the terms "days" and "stop order" mean.

2. Ad Hoc Commission Structure Review Recommendations

Item First Agendized May 13, 2014

This report transmits the formal recommendation from the Commission Structure Ad Hoc Committee, which includes proposed changes relating to Commissioner terms, selection and removal process, Commission charges and size.

Item not discussed

3. Ad Hoc Committee Recommendation for FY 2014/2015 Legal Notices and Advertising

Requests City Council concurrence to award bid and implement contract(s) for local adjudicated newspapers eligible to publish legal notices and advertisements for Fiscal Year 2014/2015.

City Clerk Byron Pope presented the recommendations from the Ad Hoc Committee composed of Councilmembers Mirisch and Krasne.

Speaking:

1. Josh Gross, Beverly Hills Weekly
2. Marcia Hobbs, Beverly Hills Courier

Councilmembers Mirisch and Krasne clarified their recommendations. Council discussed the audit requirement and circulation for each newspaper. Assistant City Attorney David Snow responded to Council questions regarding the audit.

Council agreed to a 63%/37% split, award the bid to the Beverly Hills Courier and contract with the Beverly Hills Weekly, and tabled the decision on the audit requirement.

4. **Recommendation from the Legislative Committee to Oppose Assembly Bills 2145**
This item conveys the recommendation of the City Council Legislative Committee to oppose AB 2145 (regarding local choice and the provision of electricity) and requests full City Council agreement to oppose the legislation.

Deputy City Manager Cheryl Friedling provided a brief background on the item, noting that the Legislative Committee composed of Councilmembers Brien and Mirisch recommend opposing AB2145.

Councilmembers Mirisch and Brien provided more information on the item. Councilmember Brien suggested that City Manager Kolin look at forming a community choice aggregation in the City.

Council supported the Legislative Committee's recommendation to oppose the bill.

5. **Community Services Department Scholarship Program**
This item is a follow up to the City Council Study Session discussion on April 22, 2014 regarding the Recreation Division scholarship program for after school care.

Item not discussed.

6. **Request by Councilmembers Brien and Krasne to Consider Limiting Tour Bus Activity on Rodeo Drive Between Wilshire Boulevard and North Santa Monica Boulevard**
Item First Agendized May 6, 2014
Provides a follow-up to the City Council discussion on February 4, 2014 regarding tour bus activity.

Item not discussed.

7. **Request by Councilmember Krasne for Discussion of Developing Local Regulations for Use of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles**
Item First Agendized May 6, 2014
Councilmember Krasne is asking the City Council to consider introducing a local privacy protections ordinance for use of drones over the City when they are not within the FAA regulations.

Lt. Lincoln Hoshino provided information on drones, and the current laws and local municipal ordinances governing ownership and use of drones. He showed a video on the use of a drone in Beverly Hills.

Councilmembers Krasne and Mirisch expressed concerns regarding privacy. Councilmembers Mirisch and Brien expressed concern on the use by Police and Fire Departments for surveillance purposes, and suggested that use be regulated.

Council agreed with Councilmember Brien's suggestion on imposing a moratorium on the use of drones until the process is worked out. Council directed staff to work with the City Attorney in crafting a moratorium policy and bring back for discussion at a future Council meeting.

8. Video Service Providers

Provides an overview of current and potential residential video services providers including Time Warner Cable and AT&T.

Item not discussed.

9. Gran Fondo Italia Bike Event in Beverly Hills Proposal for Saturday-Sunday, September 27-28, 2014

Seeks City Council direction regarding proposal for bike event and Bike Expo on the weekend of September 27-28, 2014.

Community Services Administrator Gisele Grable provided details regarding the bike event, noting that the request is for a two-year period. She passed a handout map showing the bike route.

Council Liaisons Mayor Bosse and Councilmember Krasne provided more information. Councilmember Mirisch suggested checking that the 2015 date does not conflict with the Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur holidays.

Council supported the Liaisons' recommendation.

10. Request by Councilmember Mirisch to Have the City of Beverly Hills Formally Endorse the 'Alternate 20' Proposal from the US Army Corps of Engineers to Restore the Los Angeles River

Councilmember Mirisch is asking the City Council to formally endorse this project including LA City's efforts in securing federal grants.

Councilmember Mirisch provided more details on his request and the project. Council supported his request to formally endorse the project.

B - ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO CONSIDER (TIME PERMITTING)

No items at this time.

C - INFORMATION

11. Joint Powers Agreement Between the City of Beverly Hills and the Beverly Hills Unified School District - Annual Report

As outlined in Section 7 of the Joint Powers Agreement, at the conclusion of the fiscal year, a report to the City Manager and the District Superintendent on each party's compliance with this Agreement.

Item not discussed.

12. Legislative Committee Regular Meeting Minutes
Provides the minutes of the Legislative Committee's meeting on April 29, 2014.

Item not discussed.

The Study Session recessed at 5:37pm 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 7:00pm.

PASSED, Approved and Adopted
this 24th day of June, 2014

BYRON POPE, City Clerk

LILI BOSSE, MAYOR

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