



**CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS**  
455 N. Rexford Drive  
Beverly Hills, CA 90210  
Room 280-A

**PLANNING COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

January 28, 2016  
1:30 PM

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

Date/Time: January 28, 2016 / 1:34 PM

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Gordon, Fisher, Corman, Vice Chair Shooshani,  
Chair Block  
Commissioners Absent: None  
Staff Present: Ryan Gohlich, Masa Alkire, Cynthia de la Torre, Karen Myron,  
Carol Lynch

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

Members of the public may address the Commission regarding any items not on the Agenda that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. By State law, the Commission may not discuss or vote on items not on the Agenda.

Speakers: None

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

By Order of the Chair, the agenda was approved as presented.

**BUS TOUR**

The Commission recessed at 1:37 pm to conduct a bus tour of the properties at 1023 Hillcrest Road and 1017 Hillcrest Road in consideration of a request for a View Restoration Permit. Upon conclusion of the bus tour, the Commission reconvened in Room 280-A at 2:56 pm.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**1. Consideration of Minutes**

Consideration of the January 14, 2016 Planning Commission regular meeting minutes

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Corman to adopt the Consent Calendar as presented (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Gordon, Fisher, Corman, Vice Chair Shooshani, Chair Block

NOES: None

CARRIED

## REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES

None

## CONTINUED BUSINESS

None

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

### 2. 1023 Hillcrest Road

#### View Restoration Permit

Request for a View Restoration Permit by the View Owner at 1023 Hillcrest Road for the trimming and continued maintenance of six trees located on a neighbor's property at 1017 Hillcrest Road (foliage owner) to a maximum height of 15'. Pursuant to the provisions set forth in the California Environmental Quality Act, the Planning Commission will also consider adoption of a Categorical Exemption for this project.

Planner: Cynthia de la Torre, Assistant Planner

Applicant: Branden and Rayni Williams

Public Input: Linda Briskman, Bess Hochman, Jeff Hyland, David Zohn, Shahram Melamed, Shayesteh & Cash Sakethoo, (foliage owners), Frieda Berlin

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Corman, SECONDED by Vice Chair Shooshani to continue the item to the February 10, 2016 Planning Commission meeting, and to direct staff to prepare an amended resolution memorializing the Commission's findings and conditions (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Gordon, Fisher, Corman, Vice Chair Shooshani, Chair Block

NOES: None

CARRIED

*The Commission took a recess at 4:38 pm.*

*The Commission reconvened at 4:59 pm.*

**3. Ordinance to prohibit medical marijuana cultivation in all zones in the city, including cultivation by qualified patients, primary caregivers and persons with identification cards, and prohibiting marijuana deliveries and mobile marijuana deliveries**

It is recommended that the Planning Commission consider the draft ordinance, and forward a recommendation to the City Council regarding the regulation regarding marijuana cultivation, marijuana deliveries and mobile marijuana dispensaries.

Planner: Ryan Gohlich, City Planner

Applicant: City Initiated Project

Public Input: None

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Corman, SECONDED by Vice Chair Shooshani to table the item based on the City Council's direction for the current Ordinance to remain unchanged (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Gordon, Fisher, Corman, Vice Chair Shooshani, Chair Block

NOES: None

CARRIED

**4. Historic Preservation Ordinance Amendments**

Consideration of amendments to the definition of "Landmark" set forth in Article 32 (Historic Preservation) of the Beverly Hills Zoning Code to clarify when interior spaces may be considered as part of landmark proceedings.

Planner: Ryan Gohlich, City Planner

Public Input: None

Motion: MOVED by Vice Chair Shooshani, SECONDED by Commissioner Corman to direct staff to incorporate the proposed amendments into a resolution and draft ordinance to be forwarded to the City Council for consideration, as amended (5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Gordon, Fisher, Corman, Vice Chair Shooshani, Chair Block

NOES: None

CARRIED

**STUDY SESSION**

No items

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION**

• **Committee Reports**

**Action: No Committee Reports**

## **COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF**

### **5. Upcoming Projects List**

**Action:** Received and filed.

### **6. Building Permit Activity Report – 12/1/15 thru 12/31/15**

**Action:** Received and filed.

### **7. 2016 Meeting Schedule**

**Action:** Received and filed.

- **City Planner Updates**

- City Planner Ryan Gohlich formally introduced new Principal Planner Masa Alkire
- The Zone Text Amendment related to the project at 310 North Crescent Drive is scheduled to be considered at the February 2, 2016 City Council meeting
- The Historic Preservation Ordinance amendments are scheduled to be considered at the February 16, 2016 City Council meeting

- **Communications from the Commission**

- Commissioner Gordon noted that today is the 102<sup>nd</sup> birthday of the City of Beverly Hills

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Date / Time: January 28, 2016 / 5:11 PM

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 25<sup>TH</sup> DAY of FEBRUARY, 2016

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Farshid Joe Shooshani, Acting Chair