

**CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS  
MINUTES – STUDY SESSION  
October 6, 2015  
2:30 p.m.  
City Council Chamber**

PRESENT: Mayor Gold  
Vice Mayor Mirisch  
Councilmember Brien  
Councilmember Bosse  
Councilmember Krasne  
Mahdi Aluzri, Interim City Manager  
David Snow, Assistant City Attorney  
Byron Pope, City Clerk  
Gisele Grable, Community Services Administrator  
Trish Rhay, Assistant Director of Public Works Services/Infrastructure & Field Operations  
Michelle Tse, Senior Management Analyst  
Mark Cuneo, City Engineer  
Martha Eros, Transportation Planner  
Ryan Gohlich, Assistant Director of Community Development/City Planner

ABSENT: None

**A – DIRECTION**

**1. Design Review Commission Interview Panel Report**

Transmits the interview panel's appointment recommendation for the Design Review Commission.

City Clerk Byron Pope presented a staff report on the recommendation of the Design Review Commission (DRC) Interview Panel composed of Vice Mayor John Mirisch, Councilmember Nancy Krasne, DRC Chair Arline Pepp and DRC Vice Chair Ilene Nathan to appoint candidate Ilona Sherman.

Council approved the recommendation of the Panel. The item will be placed on the October 20, 2015 City Council Formal meeting for adoption.

**2. Horace Mann School Carnival on Saturday, October 31, 2015**

Transmits information regarding holding the Horace Mann School Carnival on Saturday, October 31, 2015 on the 100 block of South Hamel Drive. Event was originally scheduled for September 21, 2014 and was approved by Council at its September 2, 2014 Meeting (but ended up being postponed to 2015, which is the current request for a new date).

Community Services Administrator Gisele Grable presented information on the item and requested Council direction regarding Horace Mann School's PTA's requests to close the 100 block of South Hamel Drive and to cover fees for their annual School Carnival on Saturday, October 31, 2015. Ms. Grable noted that Peter Gabayan, Vice President of Fund Raising for Horace Mann was present to answer questions.

Vice Mayor Mirisch recused himself. Council approved the request.

**3. Update on Water Conservation Efforts, Water Enterprise Plan, and Capital Improvement Projects**

This report provides an update on the City's conservation efforts, Water Enterprise Plan implementation, and progress on various water-related capital projects.

Senior Management Analyst Michelle Tse highlighted staff efforts to develop tools and identify additional resources and strategies to further promote, educate, and enforce water conservation. Ms. Tse compared the City's month-to-month water use since the inception of Stage D in May 2015 to August 2015 against water usage from the same months in year 2013. She noted that the slight decrease in the reduction trend is comparable to other water providers and may be due to an increase in slightly warmer temperatures compared to 2013. Ms. Tse reviewed enforcement data then concluded with a review of the next water conservation effort steps. Ms. Tse also presented the Water Enterprise Plan. She provided an update on the various positions that are in the process of being filled and discussed a timeline for the Central Basin groundwater well development. City Engineer Mark Cuneo presented an update on the status of water-related Capital Improvement Projects. He provided a brief history, noted the scheduled completion date and disclosed the total cost/estimated cost of each.

Council expressed concerns about the decline in water reduction percentages and enforcement numbers. Assistant Director of Public Works Services/Infrastructure & Field Operations Trish Rhay provided a breakdown of water consumption by class (single-family, multi-family and commercial). Councilmembers Bosse and Brien suggested that staff target multi-family residences and commercial areas.

Council requested a monthly update on water-related issues and asked that staff look into monitoring water consumption to determine and address top abusers.

**4. Changes to the Municipal Code Regarding Outside Employment**

Per the Council direction, the municipal code will be amended to require all Department Heads, the City Manager and the Assistant and Deputy City Managers to obtain approval from the City Council prior to engaging in outside employment. A preliminary ordinance has been drafted for further input and discussion by the Council.

Assistant City Attorney David Snow provided an update on the item as requested by Council at the April 7, 2015 Study session. He reviewed the amendments and requested Council guidance on the ordinance.

Council approved to amend the code as proposed but to add the titles Police Chief and Fire Chief to the executive group. Council also asked that a conditional approval of outside employment with a waiting period be included.

**5. Bicycle Share Update**

Transmits City Council-Traffic & Parking Commission Liaison Committee recommendation for the Beverly Hills Bike Share equipment graphics and implementing the same fare structure as the City of Santa Monica.

Transportation Planner Martha Eros provided a brief background on the item and presented the City Council/Traffic & Parking Commission (TPC) Liaison Committee recommendations for Council consideration. She also provided a brief update on the Los Angeles County Metro Transportation Authority (MTA) bike share program.

Council approved the equipment graphics. Council also asked staff to look into a price structure for longer periods of Bike Share use, helmets that are convenient as well as inexpensive to purchase, and bike operability when out of time and/or out of range.

**6. Request by Councilmember Krasne to Discuss Proposed Changes to Municipal Code Provisions Regulating the Beverly Hills Women's Club Operations**

Councilmember Krasne is asking the City Council to consider changes to regulations that prohibit the use of the Women's Club for certain non-Women's Club events during the months of July and August.

Councilmember Krasne asked Council to consider supporting changes to the code that will be required in order to meet the Club's request for modifications to the regulations. Assistant Director of Community Development/City Planner Ryan Gohlich identified the changes to the code.

Council approved the recommendation and agreed to underwrite the associated fees. Council also asked staff to study the ordinance for additional changes based on the requests and needs of the Club and to ensure that outreach to surrounding neighbors is conducted.

**7. Request by Vice Mayor Mirisch to Evaluate the Use of Vehicle License Plates to Satisfy the Requirements for Residential Parking Permits**

This report conveys information related to the current Residential Parking Permit programs and the potential to use vehicle license plates as a permit credential.

Item not discussed.

**B – ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO CONSIDER (TIME PERMITTING)**

None

**C – INFORMATION**

**8. Regional Development Projects Report – City Council Quarterly Update**

City Council Quarterly Update Report on development projects in adjacent cities.

Item not discussed.

**9. Great Shakeout Drill and Exercise**

Provides information on the City's participation in the Great Shakeout to be held on October 15, 2015 at 10:15 a.m.

Item not discussed.

**10. The Maple Counseling Center - Use of Academy Theater**

Transmits information regarding the Maple Counseling Center's request to utilize one of the City's "free rentals" of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences Theater sometime in the Spring of 2016.

Item not discussed.

**11. Southeast in Motion Community Plan Update**

This item provides a summary of the first Southeast in Motion community meeting held on July 1, 2015.

Item not discussed.

**12. Overview of 2015 Rodeo Drive Holiday Décor and Lighting Ceremony**

This item provides a summary of the first Southeast in Motion community meeting held on July 1, 2015.

Item not discussed.

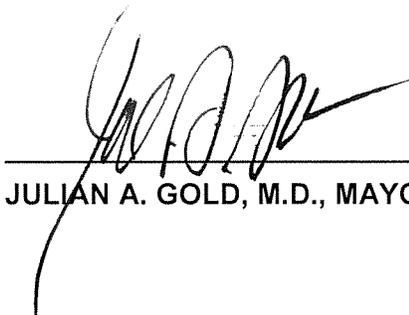
The Study Session recessed at 5:06 pm to the Closed Session to discuss items that are identified on the agenda that has been prepared for the meeting.

PASSED, Approved and Adopted  
this 20<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2015



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BYRON POPE, City Clerk



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JULIAN A. GOLD, M.D., MAYOR

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