THE FEDERATION

OF HILLSIDE & CANYON ASSOCIATIONS, INC. **POST OFFICE BOX 1041** STUDIO CITY, CALIFORNIA 91614

JUNE 2006

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GENERAL MEETING OF June 7, 2006

The Board of Directors of the Federation of Hillside and Canyon Associations met on June 7, 2006 at the Osula School, Studio City (1st meeting at this location).

There being a quorum present, President **Polly Ward** called the meeting to order at 8:02 pm. 17 board members in attendance, 16 voters (Recording Secretary Frank Buchanan not a voting member due to La Tuna Canyon's President Linda Greco's participation)

There was no review of the May 2006 minutes due to the absence of Executive Secretary Marilyn Stefano and notice not given to Recording Secretary Frank Buchanan to provide copies.

Conrad Schoeffter (Hollywood Heights): New Hollywood upzoning Community Plan will potentially cause crippling traffic problems in nearby residential hillside communities in the form of "cut-through" traffic and shortcutters. Comments and discussion by Patricia Hearst, Steve Twining, Joan Luchs, Polly Ward, others. MOTION: That the Hillside Federation write a letter and support a motion that the Hollywood Community Plan deny upzoning on Franklin Ave between La Brea and Cahuenga, and on Hollywood Blvd. between Highland and the 101 freeway. Passed 16-0

William Eick, Esq., president of the Shadow Hills **Property Owners** Association, commented about the recent membership dues payment. MOTION by Joan Luchs: to accept the SHPOA into the Hillside Federation, passed 16-0.

Steve Twining: regarding Canyon: politicians and Bel

THE FEDERATION OF HILLSIDE AND Association are opposed to Hoag Canyon potential development.

> **Barbara Dohrman: Steven Weiss Temple** expansion, Mulholland adjacent. Hearing on June 5, 2006 that was not properly noticed to interested persons despite previous list signing. MOTION by Joan Luchs: That the Hillside Federation oppose the additional development that is being requested and protest the lack of notice to the community in preparing for this hearing and that the public be permitted to submit evidence as the school has been similarly permitted, passed 16-0.

> Polly Ward: Mountaingate trail issues: Canyonback Trail. Patricia Hearst made the point that trail destruction is not an adequate defense to fight the development; rather focus on methane presence of building on the landfill and other important facts. MOTION: To support the Canyonback Alliance to oppose the Canyonback Trail closure and oppose the Mountaingate Development Project as currently proposed, passed 16-0.

> Patricia Hearst: **Benefit Assessment** District issues include brush clearance, trail and foot bridge maintenance. Public hearing on July 12, 2006. Need for letter writing in preparation for hearing.

> Patricia Hearst: New Planning Department president meeting and problems in the past with the department, including open space and enforcement of Slope Density Ordinance. No decision or vote was made to link Neighborhood Councils, Hillside federation, and HOA's together to pressure changes in the Planning Department.

Carol Sidlow: Haul route issues in Laurel Canyon. Building & Safety denied request opposing haul routes. She comments that "there is no 'Safety' in 'Building & Safety'" Hoag because of the landslide hazards that exist Air in Laurel Canyon due to improper and unsu-

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pervised building practices. **MOTION:** regarding Haul Routes for excavations, the Hillside Federation moves to support the stakeholders and residents of Lookout Mountain in Laurel Canyon in appealing the decision rendered by the **Building & Safety Commission on Tuesday June** 6th that approved a haul route to excavate 5500 cubic yards from 8538, 8540, and 8550 Lookout Mountain. The Hillside Federation further moves to have this project thoroughly reviewed by all appropriate City agencies, passed 16-0 after comments by Guest Speaker from Laurel Canyon.

Steve Twining: discussed McMansionization and Tom La Bonge.

Joan Luchs: press conference, newspaper article. Comments by Niles Chapman.

Bill Eick: Slope Density Ordinance meeting recently, Whitebird's Canyon Hills project approval, 45 homes by right, but the Planning Department approved 221, ignoring the SDO. The SDO is being rewritten, but the process is slow.

Guest Speaker Dan White: City of Los Angeles: 5 forums on the future of the Southwest Museum. Autry Museum says it has no obligation to keep Southwest open past June 30 (closes July 1)

Meeting Adjourned 10:20 p.m.

FEDERATION OFFICERS PRESENT

President Polly Ward Chairman Steve Twining Treasurer Fritz Zeiser Vice President Joan Luchs Recording Secretary Frank Buchanan Chairman Emeritus Patricia Hearst

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