# Hillside Federation October 3, 2018 Minutes

#### I. Call to Order

President Charley Mims called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm. Members and guests introduced themselves.

#### Guest: Erin Schneider - Supervisor Sheila Kuehl's office

The County has allocated \$2.5 million for Bridge Housing at the Veterans Administration with 100 beds in industrial tents. The County has established a Center for Strategic Partnerships to bring non-profits, the philanthropic community, and local government together to create meaningful change. The Federal Transit Administration approved Metro's request to be reimbursed for early work for Phase 3 of the Purple Line Extension Project between Century City and the Westwood/VA Hospital. The feds will reimburse the local expenditures under a forthcoming full-funding grant agreement (FFGA).

Young adults aged 16-24, who are current or former foster children, can participate in the RightWay Foundation program for employment and life readiness. Operation Emancipation includes workforce development, mental health services, financial literacy, case management, supportive services, housing services, and alumni events.

# Guest: Cindy Villegas - Assemblymember Adrin Nazarian's office

Cindy announced Women's Self Defense Workshops and the Assemblymember's bill AB 2863 regarding prescription overpayments.

#### II. Approval of minutes

The September minutes were approved as corrected.

## III. Officers' Reports

A. President's Report – Charley Mims

## B. Treasurer's Report – Don Andres

All Federation expenses are paid. We have 40 paid members this year.

The Holiday Party is December 13, \$60 per ticket. We have a new PayPal option available this year for those who would like to pay online. Several elected officials have already notified us that they will be attending. [See flyer, last page.]

## **IV. Old Business**

## A. Hollywood Center Project (Millennium)

Hollywood Center, the new version of the Millennium Project is back on the table. We need to keep an eye on it and be active in paying attention to this one. The Environmental Impact Report scoping comment period ends October 4.

## B. Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) – Charley Mims

The Planning Department has finally presented a draft which is going to the City Planning Commission tomorrow (Oct. 4, 2018). One proposal would ban ADUs in the hillside areas. Several conditions or options have been added to the proposal, and the Federation still has many issues.

# C. Mission Canyon Park – Mark Stratton

In February the Federation voted to support a Comprehensive Traffic Study on the Mulholland Institutional Corridor and that no new projects be approved in this area until this traffic study is completed. The traffic analysis for the proposed Mission Canyon Park was inadequate and failed to address how neighbors would be impacted. Mark requested a full EIR and the comprehensive traffic study.

*MOTION*: Mark Stratton moved to support the development of Mission Canyon Park subject to a full Environmental Impact Report being completed. The motion passed.

#### D. Bellagio Rd. Tree removal – Linda Whitford

After four months of continuances, the first Board of Public Works hearing took place October 3, 2018. Lois Becker and Mark Stratton represented the Federation and read the recent Federation letter as Public Comment. Dr Akif Eskalen, PSHB expert from UC Davis, attended at the Federation's invitation. Since the Bel-Air Country Club had already removed the protected trees without a permit, the Board of Public Works president referred the matter to the Bureau of Street Services for 90 days to review a possible penalty. It will return to the Board on January 9, where additional mitigations will be considered. The Board president told Linda and Jamie Hall the Board is open to receiving suggestions on further mitigation requirements.

#### V. New Business

## VI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Benson, Recording Secretary

#### **Members in Attendance:**

Bel-Air Assn Linda Whitford Bel Air Hills Assn **Steve Twining** Robin Greenberg Bel Air Knolls POA Georgia Alkov Bel Air Skycrest POA Mark Stratton Benedict Cyn Assn Nickie Miner Brentwood Hills HOA Mike Leslie Canyon Back Alliance Lois Becker Doheny-Sunset Plaza Ellen Evans Franklin/Hlywd Bl West Don Andres Yvonne Hessler Franklin Hills Res Assn **Charley Mims** Hollywood Dell Assn Mary Ledding Laurel Cyn Assn Jamie Hall Cathy Wayne Res of Beverly Glen Stephen Benson

Save Coldwater Cyn Heidi Mackay

Suellen Wagner

Sherman Oaks HA

Studio City Res Assn

Upper Nichols Cyn

Jay Weitzler

Claudia Freedle

Joan Cashel

# **GUESTS:**

AD 46 Nazarian Cindy Villegas
Sup. Sheila Kuehl Erin Schneider
Chair Emeritus Patricia Bell Hearst

BABCNC Irene Sandler