

Hillside Federation Monthly Meeting

April 20, 2021 7:03 pm Via video conference Minutes

I. Call to Order

President Charley Mims called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

Guest: Lance Oishi, Martin Schlageter, and Audrey Netsawang — Street and Transit Amenities Program (AKA: Digital ads on bus shelters & tracking)

Lance Oishi, Contract Administrator from Bureau of Street Services gave an update on <u>Sidewalk and Transit Amenities Program (STAP)</u>. The current program expires in Dec of 2021.

A big concern from the members is data security, placement of the displays and length of the contracts. Comments can be made at streetsla.org

II. Approval of minutes — Julie Kremkus

The March minutes were approved without corrections.

III. Officers' Reports

- A. <u>President's Report</u> Charley Mims
 - 1. Report from Nominating Committee: Wendy-Sue Rosen, chair with SueEllen Wager and Dennis Chew.
 - 1. Charley Mims President
 - 2. Marian Dodge Chairwoman
 - 3. Don Andres Treasurer
 - 4. Julie Kremkus Secretary
 - 5. Mark Stratton Vice President
 - 6. Jamie Hall Vice President

Motion: The report of the Nominating Committee was adopted and the Officers were elected.

- 2. Bundy Canyon Assn. is interested in becoming a member. They will join us at May's meeting.
- B. Treasurer's Report Don Andres
 - 1. There are 46 HF members for the 2020-2021 of which 42 are paid members.
 - 2. All funds for Stop the Hollywood Center have been distributed.
 - 3. There is \$5000 in the Jerry Daniels fund.

IV. Old Business

A. Roadway Regulations — Wendy-Sue Rosen

The Board of Forestry made a presentation about the roadway regulations. The March standards in fire areas were diminished from the February report.

IV. New Business

A. Weakening Mulholland Design Review Board Update — Marian Dodge
The Director of Planning sent a memorandum to the Mulholland Design Review Board
members of a change in procedures. Projects not visible from the road will no longer be
reviewed by the Board even though they are located in the corridor. The original plan,
developed in 1993, specifically established and inner and outer corridor. This eliminates
all Mulholland Design Review Board reviews of the outer corridor. Planning will now be
responsible.

Without review from the Mulholland Design Review Board on the outer corridor, Mulholland will not be protected. The Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy strongly opposes this change as it allows them and the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority to engage communities to preserve open space and wildlife connectivity and corridors.

The Hillside Federation, along with several other organizations, attempted to file an appeal online but they were rejected due to technicalities from the city. They were forced to do so in person with one day notice. To file an appeal, there is a 90 day statute of limitations that starts running from the act where they violated the law. According to LAMC sec 11.5.7, an applicant or any other person aggrieved by a director's decision, may appeal the decision to the area Planning Commission. It has to be filed within 15 days.

Further discussion continued on the timing of the appeal, notifications and input from city officials.

Motion: Charley Mims moved the HF board delegate to the executive committee, the authority to advocate to set aside the planning directors decision, to make changes to the outer corridor of the Mulholland Design Review Board. If necessary, take legal action to defend our rights to appeal the decision. Motion passed.

Announcements:

- 1. Don Andres announced Ron Galper, LA City Controller will be attending our next meeting. Don requested he swear us in.
- 2. Bob Schlesinger announced the planning department is releasing the Ridgeline Ordinance.
- Jeff Swofford announced there was a street takeover event on April 2 in Hollywoodland area that had 75-100 cars. LAPD responded with 4 cruisers and one air unit.
 There is a lot of safety concern around very high fire risk associated with the concentration of people.
- 4. Jamie Hall announced Laurel Canyon Land Trust received a \$1M Environmental Enhancement Mitigation Grant from the California Natural Resources Agency to acquire a nine acre parcel adjacent to the seventeen acre, Let's Buy a Mountain, parcel.
- 5. Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy created a map of the eastern Santa Monica Mountains (405 - Griffith Park). In May, the western side of the Santa Monica Mountains will be discussed at the Conservancy. Wendy-Sue requested the HF send a representative or write a letter supporting the adoption.

V. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 Next meeting: May 18, 2021 at 7:00 pm

Julie Kremkus - Secretary

Members

Argyle Civic Association	Stephen	Krawchuk
Bel Air Skycrest POA	Mark	Stratton
Bel-Air Association	Maureen	Levinson
Bel-Air Association	Linda	Whitford
Bel-Air Hills Association	Robin	Greenberg
Bel-Air Hills Association	Wendy	Morris
Bel-Air Hills Association	Steve	Twining
Benedict Canyon Association	Nickie	Miner
Benedict Canyon Association	Bob	Schlesinger
Brentwood Hills HOA	Carolyn	LoBuglio
Brentwood Residents Coalition	Wendy-Sue	Rosen
Cahuenga Pass POA	Steven	Kates
Cahuenga Pass POA	Krista	Michaels
Canyon Back Alliance	Lois	Becker
Doheny/Sunset Plaza NA	Ellen	Evans
Franklin Hills Residents Association	Charley	Mims
Franklin/Hollywood West Residents Assn	Don	Andres
Franklin/Hollywood West Residents Assn	Yvonne	Hessler
Hollywoodland Homeowners	Jeff	Swofford
Kagel Canyon Civic	Katharine (Kit)	Paull
Lake Hollywood Homeowners	Kristina	O'Neil
Laurel Canyon Association	Jamie	Hall
Laurel Canyon Association	Cathy	Wayne
Los Feliz Improvement Association	Dennis	Chew

Los Feliz Improvement Association	Marian	Dodge
Nichols Canyon NA	Julie	Kremkus
Pacific Palisades Residents Assn.	Wayne	Myers
Residents of Beverly Glen	Dan	Palmer
Save Coldwater Canyon!	Heidi	MacKay
Save Coldwater Canyon!	Suellen	Wagner
Sherman Oaks Homeowners Association	Jay	Weitzler
Studio City Residents Association	Joann R.	Deutch
The Oaks Homeowners	Bob	Young
Upper Nichols Canyon NA	Stacy	Sillins
<u>Guests</u>		
Chair Emeritus	Alan	Kishbauah

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