

Hillside Federation Meeting

January 18, 2022 Via Video Conference Draft Minutes

- 1. **Call to Order** by President Charley Mims at 7:05 pm.
 - Land Use and Development Senator Henry Stern. henry.stern@sen.ca.gov

Jeremy Wolf in Senator Stern's office Jeremy.wolf@sen.ca.gov

Senator Henry Stern, candidate for Supervisor, is trying to stop new development in high fire severity zones; he tried to stop SB 9 and 10; he is trying to get a hearing on SB 55 and is trying to change the nature of homes in high fire severity zones by implementing home hardening.

Senator Stern mentioned that we can take a lot of land out of development. He is working with Rep. Adam Schiff to get federal funds to purchase key parcels. The goal is to bring \$1B to preserve open space before the Olympics.

Jamie Hall suggested that the government mandate updating the Housing Element every 20 years.

 Getting to Know Candidates: Rob Wilcox - Candidate, LA City Controller robforcontroller.com

Rob Wilcox feels the tough issues are homelessness and public safety (crime). He served as Deputy Controller under Laura Chick.

CD 5 Update - Daniel Skolnick

Daniel Skolnick stated that they are working on the Ridgeline Ordinance and the Wildlife Ordinance. On Wednesday, January 19th Paul Koretz's motion on party houses will be heard in City Council; the permit would be suspended immediately for criminal activity. Ellen Evans mentioned that on February 1 SB 10 will be heard by PLUM.

CD 4 Update - Mehmet Berker

The Bureau of Street Services will be resurfacing Mulholland to Wrightwood in March and fixing white wood railings down to Cahuenga.

DWP will replace the main line at Barham.

2. **Approval of minutes:** Robin Greenberg moved, Don Andres seconded. Motion to approve carried.

3. Officers' Reports

President's Report - Charley Mims

COVID tests are now available from the postal service: <u>USPS.com/covidtest</u>

Treasurer's Report - Don Andres

Motion to adopt the year end report for 2021 (1) Don (2) Wendy Morris. Motion passed.

Motion to approve the proposed 2022 budget as presented (1) Don (2) Wendy Morris. Motion passed.

Saturday, April 30, 2022 is our 70th anniversary party in the afternoon at TreePeople.

4. Old Business

Mount St. Mary's University Project - Wendy-Sue Rosen

The City Planning Commission approved the entire project without considering public comments; next we are expecting a staff report.

Curtis School - Mark Stratton

No change.

Mirman School Project - Mark Stratton

The Mirman School Project is about to go before Planning February 9 and get approval for an expansion. They are not adding a high school but are still planning to add 100 students.

We are opposed to expansion projects until there is a traffic plan for the area; they can do "emergency" work without permits from with the city.

Mulholland Design Review Board Memorandum Update - Don Andres

There will be a hearing June 29th; our attorney's opening brief is due at the end of April. Alan Kishbaugh said that the MDRB case load has slowed to a crawl; one application at every meeting.

SB 9 and 10 Update - Jamie Hall

Other jurisdictions are working hard to put together ordinances; LA is not. The City of LA motion by Martinez is sitting there.

The Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy adopted a Natural Resource Protection Plan for lands identified for conservation. Paul Edelman spoke to the city saying SB 9 cannot be in a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone.

1501 Marlay Drive - Ellen Evans

The appeal of the ZA's bad decision is January 22nd; Jamie Hall has been hired.

5. New Business

• Sunswept Place - Diane Nicole Zogran

12544 - 12582 Ventura Boulevard, Studio City. The Austin Family purchased the property for a strip mall. The project would remove 55 black walnut trees, 53 toyon, and 4 Coast live oaks protected by city ordinance. They got construction shut down because no permits had been issued. Diane is demanding a full EIR.

MOTION: We ask for an EIR (1) Wendy-Sue Rosen (2) Don Andres. Motion adopted

1800, 1806, 1812 and 1818 Crisler Way - Jamie Hall

Jamie is asking the Federation to oppose a 4-home project in Kirkwood Bowl. Grandview Drive is a substandard street, sometimes only 14' feet wide. Crisler Way is a paper street. They will build 4 houses along 4 lots; need a ZAD for this; don't have a continuous paved road. They got a waiver so they don't have to put in the required turn around for fire trucks.

MOTION: Oppose 1800, 1806, 1812, 1818 Crisler Way on the grounds that the MND is inadequate and the required findings cannot be made. (1) Jamie (2) Ellen Evans. Motion passed.

2261 Bowmont - Robert Schlesinger, Amy Adelson amyadelson1@aol.com

The owner is proposing to add a second story doubling the size of the home on a substandard street with one lane going in and out. They are concerned about the cumulative impact because there are 2 additional projects planned at 2350 Bowmont and 2320 Bowmont.

6. **Adjournment** at 8:52 pm.

Next meeting February 15, 2022.

7. Attendees

Members

Don Andres, Franklin/Hollywood West Residents Association

Jacqueline Bacal, Bundy Canyon Association

Lois Becker, Canyon Back Alliance

Joan Cashel, Upper Nichols Canyon Neighborhood Association

William Clements, Beachwood Canyon Neighborhood Association

Tom Davila, Outpost Estates Homeowners

Joann R. Deutch, Studio City Residents Association

Marian Dodge, Los Feliz Improvement Association

Stephen Drimmer, Mountaingate

Ellen Evans, Doheny/Sunset Plaza Neighborhood Association

David Garfinkle, Tarzana Property Owners

Robin Greenberg, Bel-Air Hills Association

Jamie Hall, Laurel Canyon Association

Gerry Hans, The Oaks Homeowners

Steven Kates, Cahuenga Pass Property Owners Association

Stephen Krawchuk, Argyle Civic Association

Julie Kremkus, Nichols Canyon Neighborhood Association

Mark Levin, Save Our Canyon

Maureen Levinson, Bel-Air Association

Carolyn LoBuglio, Brentwood Hills Home Owners Association

Richard Loyd, Hollywood Heights

Krista Michaels, Cahuenga Pass Property Owners Association

Stef Michaels, Bundy Canyon Association

Charley Mims, Franklin Hills Residents Association

Wendy Morris, Bel-Air Hills Association

Steven Pomerantz, Doheny/Sunset Plaza Neighborhood Association

Kathy Richards, The Oaks Homeowners

Wendy-Sue Rosen, Brentwood Residents Coalition

Robert Schlesinger, Benedict Canyon Association

George Skarpelos, Hollywood Dell Civic Association

Mark Stratton, Bel Air Skycrest Property Owners Association

Jeff Swofford, Hollywoodland Homeowners

Steve Twining, Bel-Air Hills Association

Suellen Wagner, Save Coldwater Canyon!

Guests

Amy Adelson, Bowmont-Hazen Neighborhood Association

Patricia Bell Hearst, Chair Emeritus

Mehmet Berker, Council District 4 - Field Representative

Barry Blumberg, Bowmont-Hazen Neighborhood Association

Susie Herrera, CA Senator Stern's Office

Alan Kishbaugh, Chair Emeritus

Daniel Skolnick, Council District 5

Adele Slaughter, Sunshine Hill Residents Association

Henry Stern, CA Senator

Rob Wilcox, LA City Controller, Candidate

Jeremy Wolff, CA Senator Stern's Office

Diana Nicole Zogran, Sunshine Hills Residents Association

Robin Greenberg Recording Secretary