



Hillside Federation Meeting

February 15, 2022

Via Video Conference

Minutes

1. **Call to Order** by President Charley Mims at 7:04 pm.

A. **Getting to Know Candidates:**

1. West Hollywood Councilmember Lindsey Horvath – Candidate, LA County Supervisor for the 3rd District, replacing Sheila Kuehl.
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Lindsey opened with voicing her support for the Baseline Hillside Ordinance, protecting against emergencies in fire hazard zones, protecting the hillside such as Laurel Canyon against mudslides and promoting more open and green space.

2. Councilmember Kevin de Leon, Candidate for Mayor
Kevin has been on the LA City Council for one year and 2 months and has purchased 2 motels and has gotten all individuals except 2 housed in the homeless shelters in El Sereno.

President Charley Mims discussed with Kevin the importance of expanding the Wildlife Ordinance and supporting the protected status of the mountain lions.

B. **CD 5 Update** - Daniel Skolnick

CF 21-1470 On Thursday, February 17, 2022, in City Council a motion moved by Councilmembers Koretz and Raman, seconded by Councilmember Blumenfield that gives first right of refusal to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy to “Own a Piece of LA” on surplus properties. Jamie Hall related that through the use of ZIMAS, the entirety of the Santa Monica Mountains has been mapped for the SB 9 eligibility.

Jamie Hall also stated that roadway standards fell to a new low in 2021.

Wendy Rosen stated that the Ridgeline and Wildlife Ordinances have been combined to try to get them approved faster.

C. **CD 4 Update** - Mehmet Berker and Mashaël Majid

Council Districts 3, 4, 5 and 11 have been working together on a streamlined comprehensive Hillside agenda.

2. **Approval of minutes:** The January minutes were approved as written.

3. **Officers' Reports**

A. **President's Report** - Charley Mims

Charley Mims has nothing to report

B. **Treasurer's Report** - Don Andres

The Treasurer's Report was received and filed. We have 46 members.

The 70th anniversary party will be Saturday, May 7th 2022 at TreePeople from 3:00 to 7:00 pm.

4. **Old Business**

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

We are waiting for the staff report.

B. **Curtis School** - Mark Stratton

Mark Stratton discussed the impact 100 more students would have on the institutional corridor.

There will be a new MND on the Mission Canyon Park this Thursday February 17th 6:30-7:30 pm. We have until March 7th to submit comments.

C. **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.

D. **Mulholland Design Review Board Memorandum Update** - Don Andres

The hearing will be mid June; the attorneys have received the Administrative Record.

E. **SB 9 and 10 Update** - Jamie Hall

City Council file 21-1414. Paul Koretz spoke in support. The Planning Department must report back within 90 days re: SB 9 implementation memo. The City created SB 9 eligibility criteria that is located in ZIMAS under the planning and zoning tab; it appears to be incomplete. The fire mitigation measures are not clear.

The City of Woodside adopted an ordinance prohibiting SB 9 applications because they are mountain lion habitat.

5. **New Business**

A. **Los Angeles Zoo Vision Plan** - Marian Dodge

The new Los Angeles Zoo Vision Plan proposes a \$650 million expansion plan to develop 23 acres of native habitat, to increase attendance by 66.6% and to obtain 1.8 million to 3 million visitors per year. A 2000-car multilevel parking structure and three visitor centers with restaurants would be built.

MOTION - Wendy Rosen moved that the Federation support Alternative 1 which is environmentally superior and would preserve protected trees and habitat and not build a 60' canyon and funicular. The motion passed.

B. **Tree Questions for Mayoral Candidates** - Marian Dodge

Attached to the agenda will be addressed by the Executive Committee.

6. **Adjournment** at 9:10 pm.

President Charley Mims adjourned the meeting at 9:10 pm in memory of Richard Close, longtime leader of the Sherman Oaks Homeowner Association.

Next meeting February 15, 2022.

7. **Attendees**

Members

Don Andres, Franklin/Hollywood West Residents Association

Lois Becker, Canyon Back Alliance

William Clements, Beachwood Canyon Neighborhood Association

Joe Custer, Mt. Olympus Property Owners

Tom Davila, Outpost Estates Homeowners

Joann Deutch, Studio City Residents Association

Marian Dodge, Los Feliz Improvement Association

Stephen Drimmer, Mountaingate

Eric Edmunds, Brentwood Hills Home Owners Association

Ellen Evans, Doheny/Sunset Plaza Neighborhood Association

Robin Greenberg, Bel-Air Hills Association

Jamie Hall, Laurel Canyon Association

Yvonne Hessler, Franklin/Hollywood West Residents Association

Steven Kates, Cahuenga Pass Property Owners Association
Julie Kremkus, Nichols Canyon Neighborhood Association
Carolyn LoBuglio, Brentwood Hills Home Owners Association
Don Loze, Benedict Canyon Association
Krista Michaels, Cahuenga Pass Property Owners Association
Stef Michaels, Bundy Canyon Association
Charley Mims, Franklin Hills Residents Association
Nickie Miner, Benedict Canyon Association
Linda Othenin-Girard, The Oaks Homeowners
Linda Rose, Bel Air Knolls Property Owners
Wendy-Sue Rosen, Brentwood Residents Coalition
Robert Schlesinger, Benedict Canyon Association
Mark Stratton, Bel Air Skycrest Property Owners Association
Cathy Wayne, Laurel Canyon Association
Jay Weitzler, Sherman Oaks Homeowners Association

Guests

Mehmet Berker, Council District 4 - Field Representative
Kevin de Leon , Councilmember CD14, Candidate - LA Mayor
Lindsey Horvath, West Hollywood City Councilmember
Alan Kishbaugh, Chair Emeritus
Mashael Majid, Council District 4 - Planning
Michael Newhouse, Candidate, Council District 11
Sarah Palacios, Campaign Manager, Kevin deLeon
Daniel Skolnick, Council District 5
Tony Tucci, CLAW

Robin Greenberg
Recording Secretary