

Hillside Federation
Tuesday, July 19, 2022
via video conference
Minutes

I. Call to Order

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

Candidate Series: Erin Darling – Candidate, CD 11

Erin Darling’s main focus is housing, homelessness, climate change, and connectivity to the community. The Berggruen project is not in the right place. He is in favor of the Wildlife Ordinance and would support expanding it.

Wildlife Ordinance Update

President Charley Mims thanked the Hillside Federation Board Members who spoke at the CPC Wildlife Ordinance public hearing on July 13, as he did, with over 400 people present. Vice President Jamie Hall mentioned that we need to keep vigilant. Nickie Miner reiterated that we can’t be complacent. Wendy Rosen stated that the opposition used many repeated phrases that were singularly scripted. Vice President Jamie Hall offered to provide information about the Wildlife Ordinance to anyone who has questions. jhall@laurelcanyon.org

CD 5 Update: Dylan Sittig and Ali Simard were not present

CD 4 Update: Mehmet Berker

Zoo Vision Plan information: <https://www.lazoo.org/about/visionplaneir/> The zoo’s public comment period is open again and there will be a presentation by the City on Monday, August 15, 2022 at 6pm.

The 3003 Runyon Canyon Road proposed project will be before the Mulholland Design Review Board Meeting Wednesday, July 20, 2022 at 1:00 pm.

Wendy- Sue Rosen explained that state minimum fire safe regulations, Public Resource Code 4290, is existing law and extended to Local Responsibility Areas like the City of Los Angeles last year. The law requires 20-foot wide streets to be able to build a new house.

II. Approval of Minutes

The June minutes were approved as written.

III. Officers’ Reports

A. President’s Report – Charley Mims

(See Wildlife Ordinance update above.)

B. Operations/Treasurer Report – Don Andres

The Financial Report was received and filed.

IV. Old Business

A. 3003 Runyon Canyon Road - Don Andres

Mulholland Design Review Board will discuss the project Wednesday, July 20, 2022 at 1 pm.

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

They are in litigation with Mount St. Mary's.

C. Curtis/Mirman School Projects – Wendy- Sue Rosen

We are not supporting Curtis Proposed project and Curtis is coming before the CPC in late August. We supported Mirman's proposed project and Mirman is going ahead with its construction.

D. Mulholland Design Review Board Memorandum update – Don Andres

Rescheduled for August 12, 2022 at 9:30 for the hearing of our Writ of Mandate.

E. SB 9 and 10 Update – Jamie Hall

We need to talk to CD 5.

F. Harvard-Westlake River Park Project- Alan Dymond – no report

G. Mission Canyon Helispot – Mark Stratton

There are 3 helispots planned, and each pad will have its own water source for firefighting.

V. New Business

A. Hollywood Sign Lighting (RFA) - David Benz

There was a June 24, 25 lighting event; no one was notified and it was opposed by the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce. It was a promotion of BEN (Black Entertainment Network). Safety measures should have been taken; on the 2nd night, security failed. Sarajane Schwartz of Hollywoodland Homeowners stated they are opposed to lighting and advertising of the sign. Kristina O'Neil, President of Lake Hollywood Homeowners Association said the Mayor shut it down. Marian Dodge said the lighting presents increased fire danger and will attract tourist at night, increasing the traffic impact on the neighbors. Charley will seek more information.

B. Vision Plan Zoo (RFA) – Marian Dodge

The Zoo Plan released a new Alternative 1.5 Plan on July 14, 2022. They eliminated the Africa area, eliminated aerial tram, eliminated multi-level parking structure, eliminated the vineyard. They are keeping Condor Canyon, renamed Condor Corridor and will install solar panels where the parking structure was supposed to be. Charley Mims - we should recognize that the Zoo has mitigated many items in the original proposal. A public presentation will be given August 15, 2022 6:00pm. <https://eng.lacity.org//los-angeles-zoo-vision-plan> Public comment on Alt. 1.5 is due Monday, August 29, 2022. Focused Recirculated EIR comments can be sent to: Norman.Mundy@lacity.org Subject line: LA Zoo Vision Plan. Sarajane Schwartz of Hollywoodland Homeowners stated that renting the zoo out at night is not a good idea because it is detrimental to their animals. The Executive Committee will draft a response as comments are due before the Federation meets again.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 pm

Next meeting is September 20, 2022

Robin Greenberg, Secretary

Members Present:

Bel Air Knolls	Linda Rose
Bel-Air Hills Assn.	Robin Greenberg
	Steve Twining
Bel Air Skycrest POA	Mark Stratton
Benedict Canyon Assn.	Nickie Miner
	Robert Schlesinger
Brentwood Hills HOA	Carolyn LoBuglio
Brentwood Residents Coalition	Wendy-Sue Rosen
Cahuenga Pass POA	Steven Kates
	Krista Michaels
Canyon Back Alliance	Lois Becker
Doheny/Sunset Plaza NA	Ellen Evans
	Stella Grey
Franklin Hills Residents Assn.	Charley Mims
Franklin/Hollywood West Residents Assn.	Don Andres
Hollywoodland Homeowners	SaraJane Schwartz
Lake Hollywood Homeowners	David Benz
	Kristina O'Neil
Laurel Canyon Assn.	Jamie Hall
LFIA (Los Feliz)	Marian Dodge
Mountaingate	Steve Drimmer

Mt. Olympus Property Owners	Joe Custer
Mt. Washington Homeowners Alliance	Lee McLoed
Nichols Canyon NA	Julie Kremkus
Outpost NA	Tom Davila
Oaks Homeowners	Robert Young
Pacific Palisades Residents Assn.	Beth Holland-Garland
Studio City Residents Assn.	Joann Deutch

Guests:

Candidate for CD 11	Erin Darling
Candidate staff	Lucy Petrow
CD 4 Field Rep	Mehmet Berker
Chair Emeritus	Alan Kishbaugh