

**Hillside Federation  
September 20, 2022  
via video conference  
Minutes**

**I. Call to Order**

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

Recreation and Parks Parcel Tax – Tori Kjer, Executive Director of LA Neighborhood Land Trust

Measure SP for Safe Parks in LA will be on the November 8<sup>th</sup> city ballot to provide funds to repair and upgrade local parks and maintain recreation programs. For the first 30 years the parcel tax will be \$0.8414 per sq. ft. Then the parcel tax goes down to \$0.222

Supervisor District 5 Update: Jason Maruca

LA County is the largest county in the nation with an operating budget of \$39 billion. The County handles public safety issues, social services, mental health. District 5 has over 2700 square miles and it comes into the Santa Monica Mountains, the Hollywood Hills. They will open a field office on Cahuenga Bl. Two priorities are to increase bed capacity and to change the state restrictions to care for the more vulnerable. The Care Court will allow for families and more stakeholders to be involved in the process.

CD 5 Update: Alison Simard

The Planning Department received over 1500 comments on the proposed Wildlife Ordinance. In October there will be a C.P.C. meeting after they receive the Staff Report from Planning. CD 5 is working closely with CD 4

Councilman Koretz attended a press conference in Benedict Canyon hosted by Save Our Canyon at which both candidates for CD 5 showed up. The motion by Paul Koretz to rescind a request for a General Plan Amendment was continued in PLUM by a vote of 4 to 0.

The SMMC as a trustee agency passed PLUM.

CD 4 Update: Mehmet Berker

They worked with HF and Curtis School to get a much better project. They got the two major HF issues removed from the project. Curtis will not flip the parking lot and athletic fields and the gym will be lower.

CD 4 will write a comment letter on the Zoo Vision Plan.

They have been working to improve transportation and safety issues in Griffith Park and reduce vehicle mile trips.

**II. Approval of Minutes**

The July minutes were approved as written.

**III. Officers' Reports**

A. President's Report: Charley Mims

John Given did a magnificent job of representing us; we won the writ on the Mulholland Outer Corridor.

B. Operations/ Treasurer Report: Don Andres

All 46 members are paid up

For the legal fund we raised \$20,000, but would prefer to have the funds on hand instead of having to raise them. The legal fees to oppose the MDRB Memorandum exceeded the funds raised.

#### IV. Old Business

A. Mulholland Design Review Board Memorandum: Don Andres  
(See Pres. Report)

B. 3003 Runyon Canyon Road: Don Andres

It went through the Mulholland Design Review Board with an elegant opposing speech by Alan Kishbaugh; however, the DRB approved it 3 to 2.

C. Safe Road and Wildlife Protection Act (AB 2344): Marian Dodge

The bill would require Caltrans to identify and prioritize wildlife crossings. Laura Friedman's bill went to the Governor.

SB 1425 Open Space Bill passed Senate and Assembly and went to the Governor to sign.

STAP Street and Transit Amenities Program - The City Council approved the bus shelter with digital advertising. Councilmembers get a cut of the revenue. CM Rodriguez was the only No vote.

IKE (interactive digital kiosk) Metro will put kiosks with advertising in the public right of way; communities don't get any input. Scenic corridors could get digital advertising.

According to the state road regulations it is illegal to build on a street less than 20' wide or on a dead end.

D. Zoo Vision Plan: Marian Dodge

See CD 4 report. No one except zoo docents liked the concept of Condor Canyon. Next step is the Bureau of Engineering which will respond to comments submitted.

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

It is still in litigation.

F. Curtis School Project: Wendy-Sue Rosen

The City Planning Commission approved the revised plan. We would like them not to construct on red flag days. Curtis has a fence in the public right of way without a permit.

G. Harvard Westlake River Park Project: Joann Deutch

The configuration of the parking garage would require the fire station to relocate. CM Raman is not taking a position until she sees what the MRCA's position is. They have a meeting with Raman on September 28 and asked the HF to support the meeting.

H. Mission Canyon Helispot Update: Mark Stratton

It is being constructed by the city fire department. 13' x 8' slabs of concrete will be put on top of the macadam so there will be little dust.

I. Hollywood Sign Lighting:

Jeff Swofford read a statement from Hollywoodland HOA explaining why they oppose nighttime lighting of the sign. When the sign is illuminated it increases tourist and hiker traffic throughout the neighborhood and increases fire risk and environmental risk.

#### V. New Business/ Announcements

#### VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Secretary,  
Robin Greenberg

**Members Present:**

Argyle Civic Assn	Stephen Krawchuk
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
	Thomas Howard
Brentwood Residents Coalition	Wendy-Sue Rosen
Cahuenga Pass POA	Steven Kates
	Krista Michaels
Canyon Back Alliance	Lois Becker
Doheny/Sunset Plaza NA	Ellen Evans
Franklin Hills Residents Assn.	Charley Mims
Franklin/Hollywood West Residents Assn.	Don Andres
Hollywoodland Homeowners	Jeff Swofford
LFIA (Los Feliz)	Marian Dodge
Mountaingate	Steve Drimmer
Mt. Washington Homeowners Alliance	Lee McLoed
Nichols Canyon NA	Julie Kremkus
Outpost NA	Andrea Falco
Oaks Homeowners	Linda Othenin-Girard
Studio City Residents Assn.	Joann Deutch
Upper Nichols Canyon	Joan Cashel

**Guests:**

Chair Emeritus	Alan Kishbaugh
Supervisor Dist. 5 rep.	Jason Maruca
CD 4 Field Rep	Mehmet Berker
CD 5 Communications Dir.	Ali Simard

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