

#### CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

City Hall Room 280-A 455 North Rexford Drive Beverly Hills, CA 90210

# HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

March 23, 2015 4:00 p.m.

## THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER

Date / Time: March 23, 2015 / 4:08 PM

**ROLL CALL** 

Commissioners Present: Chair Lurie, Vice Chair Schwartz, Demeter, Ross

Commissioners Absent: Nazarian.

Staff Present: P. Mottice Muller, A. Tarazon, K. Kearney

# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Honorable Lewis Hall.

## ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Action: There were no oral communications from the audience.

# **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

- Commission Calendar
- Mayor's Cabinet Meeting Notes February 25, 2015
- FYI Health and Safety Commission Recognition Program Article Beverly Hills Weekly 03/05/15
- FYI Earth Day Flyer April 19, 2015
- FYI Woofstock Event March 8, 2015

Action: Received and filed.

## **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Consideration of the Action Minutes of the meeting of February 23, 2015.

Motion: MOVED by Ross, SECONDED by Schwartz to approve the action minutes of the

February 23, 2015 Health and Safety Commission meeting.

Action: Approved (5/0).

## REPORT FROM THE CHAIRPERSON

Action: Beverly Hills Unified School District liaison Lewis Hall provided an update on health

and safety issues in schools, including an update on recent vaccination rates.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

## 1. HEALTH AND SAFETY RECOGNITION PROGRAM

The Health and Safety Recognition Program honors those individuals, businesses, or groups who have demonstrated leadership in the field of health and safety issues or made a contribution to the mission of the Health and Safety Commission. Commissioner Schwartz nominated Suzee, Debbie, and Marvin Markowitz of Factor's Famous Deli for their contribution to the *Every Fifteen Minutes Program* held on February 26, 2015. Commissioner Schwartz also thanked various local businesses for their donations to the event.

The *Every 15 Minutes* program is an educational experience that reminds of the dangers associated with driving while impaired and texting. The program is conducted for teenagers and families around the world.

#### 2. HEALTH RELATED VIDEOS

Lara Golnazarian of Freewaves, a non-profit organization based in Hollywood that creates health related videos for local residents, provided information on its ongoing non-profit projects. Freewaves videos created by local artists focusing on health issues such as smoking, nutrition, and mental health were presented to the commission. Commissioners gave feedback and asked for more information on the videos to be possibly be displayed throughout the city.

## 3. AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION PRESENTATION

Megan Miller, Senior Director of Business Development for the American Heart Association attended to provide information and seek support on their education and awareness programs and events in Los Angeles.

#### 4. IMMUNIZATIONS AND VACCINATIONS

Chair Lurie provided an update from the City's Legislative/Lobby Liaison Committee meeting. Mr. Kearney stated that a City letter of support for Senate Bill 277 will be drafted and presented to the Mayor for signing. The Commission reviewed and discussed the 2011 Health and Safety Commission's message and educational statement. The Commission drafted the following points for its outreach message:

- The scope of the Commission's outreach includes vaccinations for children, adolescents and adults.
- The Commission supports any efforts that would maximize the protection of the community through vaccinations.

- The Commission is committed to educating community members about the benefits of vaccinations and alerting them to the individual and global health consequences of preventable and dangerous diseases.
- Community members are encouraged to discuss vaccinations and re-vaccinations with their health care professionals.

In addition to the current handouts, Chair Lurie recommended adding a vaccine information sheet on meningitis.

## 5. E-PACKETS

Staff will provide follow-up information on the possibility of preparing and distributing the monthly Health and Safety Commission meeting packets electronically in lieu of hard copies. This item was tabled and moved to the April 27, 2015.

#### 6. STUDY OF THE HEALTH AND SAFETY ORDINANCE

The Commission will study and review the current Health and Safety Commission ordinance as requested to consider if it is reflective of the Commission's current role and responsibilities. This item was tabled and moved to the April 27, 2015.

## COMMUNICATION FROM THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Action: Pamela Mottice-Muller, Director Office of Emergency Management reported on the following items:

- Upcoming CERT Dates
  - April 2014 New community CERT class to be held.
  - To sign up for classes, call (310) 281-2754 or email <a href="mailto:CERT@beverlyhills.org">CERT@beverlyhills.org</a>
- Earth Day April 19, 2015
  - Commissioners were asked to volunteer and help with the Emergency Preparedness booth at Earth Day.
- Beverly Hills Older Adult Health & Safety Collaborative April 14, 2015
  - Commissioners were asked if they would like to attend the networking event that supports health, safety and independence of Beverly Hills' older adults.

## COMMUNICATION FROM COMMISSION

Action: Chair Lurie commented on the successful Woofstock event held at Roxbury Park on March 8, 2015.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Date / Time: March 23, 2015 / 6:02 PM

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 27<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2015.

Myra/B. Lurie, Chair