

CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

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

HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

Monday, June 25, 2018 4:00 p.m.

OPEN MEETING

Date/Time: May 21, 2018 / 4:05 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Lurie, Schwartz and Nazarian, Vice Chair Ross,

Chair Demeter

Commissioners Absent:

None

Staff Present:

Pamela Mottice Muller, Garin Hussenjian

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

David Gingold spoke about the disabled rights of the community and would like the Commission to provide support to the disabled community. He passed out the Fehr & Peers Memorandum on the Third Street Crosswalk Evaluation and A Guide to Disability Rights Laws.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

With the concurrence of the Commission, the agenda was approved with modification.

CONSENT CALENDAR

 Consideration of minutes from the Health and Safety Commission Regular meeting on May 21, 2018.

Motion:

MOVED by Commissioners Lurie, SECONDED by Vice Chair Ross to approve the

minutes (5-0).

AYES:

Commissioners Lurie, Schwartz and Nazarian, Vice Chair Ross, Chair Demeter

NOES:

None

REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES

 Beverly Hills School District – Isabel Hacker, Board Member, shared information with the Commission about the following topics, vaping workshops in the middle schools, the Raptor security check-in program at Beverly Vista and the recent oil well community outreach meeting. Vice Chair Ross thanked Chris Hertz for his work with organizing vaping workshops, but mentioned that there was low attendance at a recent vaping workshop presented by LA County in Beverly Hills. Ms. Hacker stated that BHUSD will work on event timing and outreach so future events would be more well attended. Commissioner Lurie asked if BHUSD is considering a position on motorized scooters. The Board has not yet taken a stance, but they will be looking into it.

• Beverly Hills Police Department – Sergeant Olson shared with the Commission that on Tuesday, July 7, would be the next Coffee with Cops and on Tuesday, August 7 will be National Night Out on Rexford across the Fire Station #1. Commissioner Nazarian, inquired about the legality of drones and if people can stand in the middle of streets to take photos. Sergeant Olson stated that drones are legal but cannot fly over private property or film private property. He added that taking photos in the middle of the street is not allowed. Commissioner Lurie asked about cars with loud exhaust systems and how sound violations are handled. Sergeant Olson explained that sound violators receive tickets if their exhaust has been modified form the original factory specifications.

David Gingold made public comment regarding the safety of street crossing.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

1. Health and Safety Recognition Program - Stop the Bleed Program

The Health and Safety Recognition Program continues to honor those individuals, businesses, or groups who have demonstrated leadership in the field of health and safety issues or contributed to the mission of the Health and Safety Commission.

Vice Chair Gary Ross nominated the Stop the Bleed program. Mayor Julian Gold joined the Commission in honoring the Stop the Bleed program and commended the program's mission to educate and train residents as first responders. Honorees included Brett Dodd from Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, Les Bronte from BH CPR, Fire Department Chief Gregory Barton and EMS Administrator Sean Stokes from Beverly Hills Fire Department.

This item was heard before the Reports from Agencies Section.

2. Cannabis News Updates

A brief video was shown of a news report on the medical dangers of marijuana edibles. The Commission stated interest to hear more about marijuana edibles and have an expert present on this item at a future Commission meeting.

David Gingold made public comment to reiterate, from an earlier comment made at a prior meeting, that cannabis does not "do anything" for him.

3. Smoking Update

Chair Demeter announced the grant award and thanked Logan Phillippo, Senior Management Analyst, for his work on the grant submission. The Commission was awarded \$305,810 of Proposition 56 Grant Funding. This two-year grant is part of \$37.5 million in funding which will be distributed to 71 agencies throughout the state for training programs, signage, youth outreach, tobacco retail license inspections and other activities.

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Logan Phillippo shared some updates on how the grant funding may be used, including; education, social media outreach, a comprehensive signage program and the hiring of a dedicated ambassador to the business district. Chair Demeter encourages dialog on this topic between the BHUSD liaison and our City staff. Commissioner Lurie wants to emphasize the no smoking buffer zones around dining areas and consider multi-language or graphic signs for non-English speaking visitors.

David Gingold made public comment regarding the importance of crosswalk safety.

4. Disaster Preparedness

Each month, the Health and Safety Commission will hear topics related to Emergency Management and Disaster Preparedness. Noah Silver, Emergency Management Intern, gave a presentation about how to prepare in case of a power outage. This includes keeping an outage supply kit, creating a food contingency plan, and stockpilling essential items such as lanterns, flashlights, batteries, and portable cell phone chargers. Chair Demeter suggested that residents visit the Office of Emergency Management website for helpful tips and preparedness checklists:

http://www.beverlyhills.org/living/emergencymanagement/emergencypreparedness/.

NEW BUSINESS

5. National Night Out

Pamela Mottice Muller, Director of Office of Resilience, and Garin Hussenjian, Public Information Coordinator, presented material and information about the National Night Out pamphlets, flyers and promotional items to be at the Commission table during the event. The Commissioners made suggestions about keeping the postcard the same for this year and supplementing information about vaping and smoking.

6. 2018 Conflict of Interest Code

Chair Demeter presented the 2018 Conflict of Interest Code for review. The Commissioners had no comment.

Public Input: David Gingold addressed the Commission regarding conflict of interest, but

Chair Demeter stated the comment was not relevant to the nature of this

item.

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Nazarian, SECONDED by Commissioner

Schwartz to adopt the 2017 Conflict of Interest Code, Exhibits A and B for the Health and Safety Commission of the City of Beverly Hills as presented

(5-0).

AYES: Commissioners Lurie, Schwartz and Nazarian, Vice Chair Ross, Chair

Demeter

NOES: None

CARRIED

PROJECT UPDATES

None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

Chair's report

Chair Demeter noted her appreciation at this halfway point of her term and added that the Commission, as a recommender of policy, has made great strides. Chair Demeter participated in a panel at UCLA, in conjunction with the American Lung Association, about smoking ordinance processes. Chair Demeter also noted that the City uses electric leaf blowers and inquired whether or not there a mandate for others in the City to use electric blowers. Staff will look into this.

Commissioner items

Commissioner Lurie reminded the community about the Music Mends Minds program, which is free, open to the public and especially helpful to those with cognitive decline. The program takes place every Tuesday at 1:30pm at the Roxbury Park Community Center.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

- Director's report No Items
- Upcoming events

Pamela Mottice Muller, Director of Office of Resilience, suggesting that at future Commission meetings, the Commissioners give a summary on the informational only at the end of the Commission packets. This way, the public can be made aware of what those articles.

- Information only items
 - a) Commission Calendar
 - b) More CA Counties Join Suit Against Opioid Manufacturers
 - c) County of San Mateo Board of Supervisors Bans Flavored Tobacco Sales
 - d) County of Los Angeles Public Health Update Opioid Addiction
 - e) County of Los Angeles Public Health Update West Nile Virus
 - f) San Francisco Voters Uphold Ban on Flavored Vaping Products
 - g) US Department of Homeland Security Press Release
 - h) Concerts on Canon flyer

ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time:

May 21, 2018 / 5:48 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 24th of SEPTEMBER, 2018

Myra Demeter, Ph.D., Chair