Beverly Hills City Council Liaison / Property Owners Task Force Committee will conduct a Special Meeting, at the following time and place, and will address the agenda listed below:

CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
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Beverly Hills, CA 90210

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Thursday, January 28, 2021
4:00 PM

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AGENDA

1. Public Comment
   a. Members of the public will be given the opportunity to directly address the Committee on any item listed on the agenda.

2. Welcome & Introductions

3. Purpose of the Property Owners Task Force

4. Continued Discussion - Potential Areas of Focus for the Task Force
   a. COVID-19 Recovery - What Types of Businesses Should the City Seek to Attract and Retain and How?
   b. Discussion of OpenBH and Future of the Program
   c. Commercial Tenant Eviction Moratorium and Urgency Ordinance
   d. Medical Use Ordinance
   e. Metro Subway – Future Planning and Development

5. Adjournment

Huma Ahmed
City Clerk

Posted: January 22, 2021

A DETAILED LIAISON AGENDA PACKET IS AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW AT www.beverlyhills.org

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Item 4
The City of Beverly Hills' OpenBH program allows businesses (when also permitted by State and LA County Public Health Orders) to temporarily open up their services to adjacent areas such as parking lots, parking meters, in front of neighboring vacant storefronts, and the public right of way (sidewalks) through a Special Event Permit. OpenBH permits are issued for an initial 30 day period and can be renewed without cost every 30 days under the current COVID-19 Urgency Ordinance.

One of the discussion items that arose at the first meeting of the Beverly Hills Property Owners Task Force was potential extension of the City’s OpenBH program. Although there are no plans to end the program, there has been interest expressed in officially extending the program as a way to continue to enliven the City’s business districts and to give businesses some assurance about the investment of their time and money in outdoor seating or services.
To date, over 100 businesses have received an OpenBH permit including restaurants, salons, retail and faith based organizations. The Chamber recently conducted an online poll of Beverly Hills restaurants about their participation interest in the OpenBH program and received 25 responses from local restaurants. Of the respondents, 92 percent were enrolled in the OpenBH program.

Of the 23 respondents who responded to a question about the value of the program to their business, 19 rated the program as an 8, 9 or 10 (on a scale of 1 to 10 with 10 being excellent) in terms of value to the restaurant and 23 out 24 who responded to a question about the value of the program to the community rated the program as a 9 or 10 out of 10. 21 out of 25 responding restaurants wanted to see the OpenBH program extended indefinitely.