



**CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS**  
455 N. Rexford Drive  
Beverly Hills, CA 90210  
Room 280-A

**HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

November 23, 2015  
4:00 p.m.

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

Date/Time: November 23, 2015 / 04:11 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Ross, Nazarian, Demeter, Vice Chair Schwartz,  
Chair Lurie  
Commissioners Absent: None  
Staff Present: Pamela Mottice-Muller, Adrienne Tarazon

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

Members of the public may address the Commission regarding any items not on the Agenda that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. By State law, the Commission may not discuss or vote on items not on the Agenda.

Speakers: None.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

By Order of the Chair, the agenda was approved as amended.

Chair Lurie proposed that the Presentation on El Nino be moved to #2 and the Presentation on Mindful Awareness be moved to #3 on the agenda.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Consideration of October 26, 2015 Commission regular/special meeting minutes

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Ross, SECONDED by Commissioner Nazarian to adopt the minutes as presented/amended (5-0).

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

NOES: None

CARRIED

## **REPORTS FROM BEVERLY HILLS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Mr. Chris Hertz addressed the Commission on BHUSD issues, including the appointment of a new school board representative for the Commission for 2016. Mr. Hertz also gave an update on immunization exemptions. Mr. Hertz also addressed Commissioners' various questions about students traveling abroad for field trips, the safety of two towers at Hawthorne and El Rodeo schools, and other safety issues.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Health and Safety Recognition Program
2. Presentation on El Niño (taken out of order)
3. Presentation on Mindful Awareness (taken out of order)
4. Health and Safety Accomplishments 2015
5. Health and Safety Commission Work Plan and Area of Interest
6. 2016 Health and Safety Commission Meeting Dates

## **STAFF REPORTS**

- **Health and Safety Recognition Program**  
The Health and Safety Recognition Program will honor 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 Ross nominated Henry Steiman, Charles McCollum, and Kelly Hudson - all crossing guards who safeguard Beverly Hills schools. Henry Steiman presides over Hawthorne Elementary School, Charles McCollum at Beverly Vista Elementary School, and Kelly Hudson is District Supervisor of the Crossing Guard Company. They contribute to the health and safety of youth and families by showing up day in and day out, rain or shine to ensure children arrive into school safely.
- **Presentation on El Niño (taken out of order)**  
Director of Emergency Management Pamela Mottice-Muller provided information on El Niño and the City's planning efforts for the storm. Director Muller discussed the multi-department meetings to plan, mitigate, and develop response and recovery plans. Director Muller encouraged residents and business to prepare and take action for the storm season.
- **Presentation on Mindful Awareness (taken out of order)**  
Chair Lurie provided information on mindful awareness from UCLA Mindful Awareness Research Center.
- **Health and Safety Accomplishments 2015**  
The Commission was provided with a list of commission accomplishments for calendar year 2015. Director Muller commended the Commission for their work and numerous projects completed. The Commission reviewed the accomplishments with no additions or changes.

- **Health and Safety Commission Work Plan and Area of Interest**  
Director Muller stated she would meet with the incoming Chair and Vice Chair to discuss the work plan items and areas of focus in preparation for 2016. The Commission was asked to share ideas and issues to discuss with the incoming Chair to allow everyone an opportunity to be heard. Commissioners agreed to carry the item to the next meeting.
- **2016 Health and Safety Commission Meeting Dates**  
The Commission reviewed and approved the scheduled meeting dates for calendar year 2016.

## COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

Commissioner Demeter announced the Health and Safety Recognition honoree, 'Dancing through Parkinson's' program, formed a partnership with the Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts to provide programs for older adults.

Vice Chair Schwartz reported on the successful Business CERT event and thanked staff for their support. She also extended condolences to the victims and families of the recent terrorist attacks in Paris.

Chair Lurie suggested asking for a representative from Senator Ben Allen's office to attend a Commission meeting.

## COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

Director Muller thanked those that participated in the Business CERT course held on November 5, 2015. She reported that many different types of businesses attended the event, including hotels, medical centers, car dealerships, schools, financial institutions, and realty offices.

Director Muller also announced planning had begun for Community CERT classes to be held in February – March 2016.

Director Muller reminded the Commission about the Commission Workshop event for standardization of all Commissions to be held on December 5, 2015.

## ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time: November 23, 2015 / 06:02 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 14<sup>th</sup> DAY of DECEMBER, 2015

  
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Myra Lurie, Chair