

CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

455 North Rexford Drive Beverly Hills, CA 90210

HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

March 24, 2014 4:00 p.m.

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER

Date / Time:

March 24, 2014 / 4:07 PM

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present:

Chair Millan, Lurie, Schwartz, Demeter,

Commissioners Absent:

Kopeikin, Nazarian

Staff Present:

P. Mottice Muller, A. Tarazon, M. Aluzri, J. Latta, K. Pfalzgraf

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Schwartz.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Action:

None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- Commission Calendar
- Community: Pedestrian Safety Tips
- Community: 5 Simple Steps to Keeping your Smartphone and Data Safe
- Beverly Hills Utility Customers Targeted by Scam

Action:

Received and filed.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Consideration of the Action Minutes of the meeting of February 24, 2014.

Motion:

MOVED by Demeter, SECONDED by Schwartz to approve the action minutes of the

February 24, 2014 Health and Safety Commission meeting.

Action:

Approved 5/0 (Vice Chair Kopeikin and Commissioner Nazarian were absent).

REPORT FROM THE CHAIRPERSON

Action: Chair Millan reported on items discussed at the March 3, 2014 Mayor's Cabinet

meeting.

Lewis Hall reported on the schools' health and safety related issues.

NEW BUSINESS

1. INTRODUCTION OF DEPARTMENT LIAISONS

The Commission received information on the programs and goals of the Policy and Management department from Mahdi Aluzri, Assistant City Manager.

2. ADULT DAY CARE

Jim Latta, Human Services Administrator, provided information on the City's current Adult Day Health Centers: Robertson Adult Day Health Center, Sinai Adult Day Health Care, and Sunrise Adult Day Health Care at the request of Commissioner Lurie.

3. 2014 PESTICIDE USE PERMIT FROM CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PESTICIDE REGULATION

Ken Pfalzgraf, Parks and Urban Forest Manager provided his annual report on the 2014 Pesticide Use for the Community Services Department. The Commission asked him to return to a future meeting to discuss a more focused conversation of the continued use of certain pesticides in the City.

4. INFORMATION ON THE CITY EMERGENCY EVACUATION ASSISTANCE REGISTRY

Information on the Emergency Evacuation Assistance Registry information was provided to the Commission. The registry is voluntary where residents can give their information to the City so emergency personnel can plan for residents with access and functional needs in case of an evacuation. Registration forms can be mailed or returned to the Office of Emergency Management. Information regarding SNAP (Specific Needs Awareness Planning), LA County's voluntary disaster registry for persons needing additional assistance disaster is also available online at snap.lacounty.gov or dialing 211 (Los Angeles County). This program does not supersede people preparing themselves and does not guarantee special care during a disaster.

5. PROPOSED OUTREACH EFFORTS FOR E-CIGARETTE AND EXPANDED SMOKING REGULATIONS

The City Council approved the Health and Safety's recommendation to regulate ecigarettes similarly to tobacco products. The ordinances relating to e-cigarettes and to expand the smoking regulations go into effect on June 1, 2014. Outreach efforts include postcard mailers and information on the City's website to inform both businesses and residents on these regulations. Expanded smoking regulations would prohibit both ecigarettes and tobacco product use to include public plazas, private plazas (must designate smoking areas), farmers markets, outdoor public gathering events, special events and service lines. These institutions are in addition to all the places a person cannot currently smoke, including workplaces, outdoor dining, and parks. Information cards will be sent to the community and all information including signage will soon be on the City's website.

6. HEALTH AND SAFETY OUTREACH CARDS

The Commission provided input on the informational card to be given out at all community events. The Commission decided on four messages to include on the card for the year – hand washing, pedestrian safety, earthquake safety, and driving safety.

7. DANGERSTOPPERS

The current Dangerstoppers episodes filmed and posted to the City's website were presented to the Commission. Staff asked the Commission for additional ideas to include for the next four Dangerstoppers episodes. Commissioners decided on the following four ideas: fall prevention, pedestrian safety, stay active/stay healthy, cybersafety, and dog safety issues.

8. CERT UPDATE

Director Mottice-Muller provided information on the CERT refresher held on March 1, 2014 with 44 participants. The CERT class will be held on April 23, 2014 had 32 people registered and a business CERT class would be scheduled for the fall.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Action:

Pamela Mottice-Muller, Director Office of Emergency Management gave an update on the Los Angeles Marathon to be held on Sunday, March 9.

Director Muller also announced the Office of Emergency Management would have a booth at the City's Earth Day event at the Farmer's Market on Sunday, April 13, 2014.

COMMUNICATION FROM COMMISSION

Action:

Chair Millan reminded residents and the community to be informed and prepared in light of the recent earthquakes in Los Angeles County.

Commissioner Ross with the Commission's agreement requested information on the regulation and ownership of pit bulls or other "dangerous-breed" dogs.

ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time:

March, 2014 / 7:10 PM

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 24TH DAY OF MARCH, 2014.

Gail Milland Chair