



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
455 N. Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210
Conference Room 4A
Sunshine Task Force Committee

SPECIAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

June 18, 2018
4:00 PM

Meeting Called to Order

Date / Time: June 18, 2018 / 4:02 pm

In Attendance: Mayor Julian A. Gold, M.D., Councilmember Robert Wunderlich, Ed Brown, Linda Brown, Mark Elliot, Judie Fenton, Marcia Hobbs/The Beverly Hills Courier, Kory Klem, Myra Lurie, Steve Mayer, Susan Mishler, Stella Sarraf, Victoria Talbot/The Beverly Hills Courier, Thomas White, Debbie Weiss, Assistant City Manager George Chavez, Chief Information Officer David Schirmer, Assistant Director of Finance Tatiana Szerwinski, Budget & Revenue Officer Don Harrison, Community Outreach Manager Huma Ahmed, Assistant City Clerk Lourdes Sy-Rodriguez

1) Oral Communications

Members of the public will be given the opportunity to directly address the Committee on any item not listed on the agenda.

Debbie Weiss asked that the enforcement of lobbying violations item be agendaized for discussion at the next Sunshine Task Force meeting.

2) Open Gov/Open Data Initiative

Assistant Director of Finance Tatiana Szerwinski, Budget and Revenue Officer Don Harrison, and Chief Information Officer David Schirmer presented information regarding "OpenGov", a software of historical audited financial data from Fiscal Year 2008-2017 as well as "Financial Transparency", the City's financial transparency portal, which are in the City's website. They showed the various reports, and frequently asked questions and answers that can be found in the portals, and discussed the next steps that the City's Finance Office are working on which include data automation and tutorial projects as well as collaborating with the City's financial system Munis to capture the data.

Mark Elliot spoke about irregularities and missing data in the database, in particular business license information and information that was presented at a recent Traffic and Parking Commission meeting.

Mr. Schirmer, Ms. Szerwinski and Mr. Harrison addressed questions such as how far historical data can go back, if the software exists in real world, if the platform is supported, and if data can be pulled and placed in the City's website. There were also suggestions made on what topics or information can be included in the website.

Mr. Elliot also raised concerns on the unreliability of data supplied by the Community Development Code Enforcement Office especially pertaining to open/closed enforcement cases, landlord violations, and rent stabilization real-time data such as penalties paid and problems reported by renters.

It was suggested that information regarding animal statistics and police burglary calls be tracked and provided to residents as a safety alert. It was recommended that staff look at what neighboring cities have in their websites that can be included in the City's website. Mr. Schirmer reported that the City is now tapping users in the community to get involved in the development of the City's website. Mayor Gold encouraged members to explore things that can be added to the website.

Mr. Schirmer provided an update on the Fiber to the Premise and the CCTV camera projects.

3) Adjournment

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