



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
455 N. Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210
4th Floor Conference Room A

Beverly Hills City Council Liaison / Legislative / Lobby Committee

SPECIAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Monday, April 23, 2018
5:00 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date / Time: April 23, 2018 / 5:01 PM

IN ATTENDANCE: Vice Mayor John Mirisch, Councilmember Les Friedman, Assistant City Manager George Chavez, City Attorney Larry Weiner, Police Chief Sandra Spagnoli, Assistant Chief Marc Coopwood, Assistant Director Community Development City Planner Ryan Gohlich, Senior Management Analyst Cindy Owens, and Al Ramirez (public). On the phone were Jamie Jones (Federal Lobbyist – David Turch & Associates), Andrew Antwih (State Lobbyist – Shaw/Yoder/Antwih, Inc.), and Melissa Immel (State Lobbyist – Shaw/Yoder/Antwih, Inc.)

- 1) Public Comment
Speakers: None
- 2) United States Senate Bill 446 – Constitutional Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act of 2017
 -) Presentation by Jamie Jones
 -) Chief Spagnoli had concerns with the bill as some states have less stringent standards than California for issuing a concealed carry permit
 -) Liaisons recommended a letter of opposition for this legislation
- 3) United States Senate Bill 2095 – The Assault Weapons Ban of 2017
 -) Presentation by Jamie Jones
 -) Liaisons recommended a letter of support for this legislation
- 4) Assembly Bill 1771 – Regional Housing Needs Assessment
 -) Presentation by Andrew Antwih
 -) Vice Mayor Mirisch had concerns with the legislation and recommended a letter of support if amended to allow cities where it is too expensive to develop in their own city limits to be able to build in neighboring cities with that city's consent and that Beverly Hills would receive the RHNA credit. He further stated that affordable housing should have a more of regional approach than a per city approach.
 -) Councilmember Friedman agreed
- 5) State Senate Bill 1441, As Amended, Stern. Animal Cruelty: Declawing
 -) Liaisons support

6) Proposed State Legislation : Reasonable Force

- J Presentation by Andrew Antwih
- J Chief Coopwood stated that P.C. 834 and P.C. 835 outline reasonable force in a clear manor
- J Chief Spagnoli stated that Graham vs. Connor, a supreme court case, also described reasonable force
- J Chief Coopwood stated he has a meeting with Assemblywoman Weaver to provide her with more facts and will describe a more tailored approach regarding reasonable force
- J Liaisons agree to stay neutral on the bill. Request that the state lobbyist watch its development as it is amended.

7) Anti-Semitism Definition

- J Presentation by Cindy Owens
- J Chief Spagnoli stated that unlike the State of Florida, where Bal Harbor and Miami-Dade County are located, California actually has language in the penal code for prosecuting hate crimes based on religion.
- J Vice Mayor Mirisch requested staff check with ADL
- J Councilmember Friedman requested staff check with the research center at the Holocaust Museum on Pico
- J No direction given at this time to define Anti-Semitism as there are still concerns that the City would have to continually add definitions for what a hate crime is and that there is already a Penal Code in place that law enforcement agencies can use for prosecution when a hate crime is committed.

8) Federal Update

- J Presentation by Jamie Jones who provided an overview of the federal budget, the farm bill, and helicopter noise relief program. He also provided information that the efforts to privatize the FAA have been abandoned.

9) State Update

- J Presentation by Andrew Antwih who provided information on legislative activity in Sacramento
- J Vice Mayor Mirisch requested Andrew attend the hearing on SB 828 to voice the City's opposition.

10) Adjourn

ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time: April 23, 2018 / 6:10 p.m.