



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
Room 280A
455 North Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210

HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING

MINUTES

Monday, March 19, 2018
2:30 p.m.

OPEN MEETING

Date/Time: March 19, 2018 / 2:31 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Schwartz, Lurie and Nazarian, Vice Chair Ross,
Chair Demeter
Staff Present: Pamela Mottice Muller, Logan Phillippo, Garin Hussenjian

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.

There was one speaker for public comment. Sheila Morovati spoke about the damage plastic straws cause to marine life and the environment. She showed a segment from the documentary *Straws* emphasizing her message.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- Consideration of minutes from the Health and Safety Commission Regular meeting on February 26, 2018.

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Schwartz, SECONDED by Commissioner Nazarian to approve the minutes (5-0).

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

NOES: None

CARRIED

REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES

- Beverly Hills School District – Isabel Hacker, Board Member
No report was made due to spring break recess.
- Beverly Hills Police Department – Lieutenant Elizabeth Albanese and Lieutenant David Hamel
Sergeant Sean Smollen attended in place of Lieutenant Albanese. Sergeant Smollen informed the Commission about “Call if you can, Text if you can’t.” Now, people can text to 911, if they cannot call 911. Texts have to be in plain English, no emojis or acronyms. Lieutenant David Hamel presented information about firearm safety including how to handle a gun, being trained on how to use a gun, having locked storage for guns, and teaching children not to touch guns. Lieutenant Hamel reviewed gun transporting requirements. During transport, guns must be unloaded, placed in a lock box in the trunk, and the bullets must be placed in a separate location from the weapon. The glove compartment is not considered an appropriate lock box.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

1. Health and Safety Recognition Program

The Health and Safety Recognition Program continues to honor those individuals, businesses, or groups who have demonstrated leadership in the field of health and safety issues or contributed to the mission of the Health and Safety Commission.

There was no honoree this month.

2. Disaster Preparedness

Pamela Mottice Muller, Director Office of Resilience, reminded people to turn off sprinklers in order to avoid overwatering during the upcoming rainstorm. Meena Janmohamed, Management Analyst, provided a brief presentation about sheltering during an emergency or disaster. If possible, the first suggestion is to shelter in place. Emergency sheltering locations within the City include all BHUSD schools and City parks. Stockpile of supplies are available at the parks. In case of an emergency or disaster, City staff will work in conjunction with the American Red Cross. Residents are reminded to stockpile supplies and to sign up for emergency notifications at www.beverlyhills.org/emergencynotification and by texting BEVHILLS or BEVHILLSPD to 888-777.

NEW BUSINESS

3. Update on Opioid Epidemic

Dr. Alan H. Kay, DDS, provided the Commission with an overview of the current opioid epidemic. Dr. Kaye presented statistics on opioid deaths, reviewed different types of opioids, and discussed how opioids affect the body. Dr. Kaye plans to share this presentation throughout BHUSD schools, in order to educate children and parents on the risks of opioid use.

- 4. Update on Upcoming CERT and Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART) Day**
Chief David Perusse of the Fire Department updated the Commission on CERT training, scheduled from April 11, 2018, to April 28, 2018, and DART Day, which will take place on April 2, 2018, for BHUSD staff. 16 Fire Department personnel will be on hand to train 390 BHUSD school staff on DART Day. Les Bronte, of BH CPR, joined Chief Perusse to give details about the “Stop the Bleed” program, which will be a part of the DART Day training.
- 5. Proposition 56 Grant Funding**
Logan Phillippo, Senior Management Analyst, informed the commission that City Staff are in the process of drafting an application for a California Department of Justice grant opportunity. Mr. Phillippo provided a brief overview of the eligibility requirements and indicated that applications were due on March 23, 2018. The Commission provided input and suggestions, which included outreach to youth.
- 6. Information Regarding the Health Risks Associated with Marijuana**
Logan Phillippo, Senior Management Analyst, provided a brief background on the topic, recited few highlights from the transmitted research documents, and provided information for a drug counseling hotline for parents. Commissioner Lurie noted that the director of the UCLA Cannabis Research Initiative has offered to present to the Commission on cannabis and health. The Commission agreed to agendize this presentation for a future Commission Meeting.

PROJECT UPDATES

- None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

- Chair’s Report
- Mayor’s Cabinet Meeting on 3/12/18
Chair Demeter informed the Mayor and the Mayor’s Cabinet about the Commission’s unanimous support of the proposed ordinance on banning the sale of flavored tobacco and menthol products within the City.
- Other items
Commissioner Nazarian asked the Commission to consider the topic of straws that was brought up at public comment earlier in the meeting. Chair Demeter suggested that the Public Works Commission look into the matter and asked staff to help connect the speaker with the Public Works Commission staff. Commissioner Schwarz also suggested that staff put the speaker in touch with the Chamber of Commerce regarding straw use in restatements within the City.

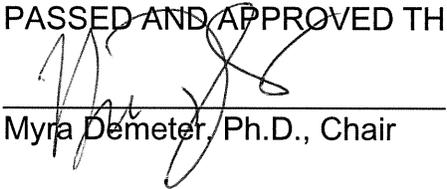
COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

- Director's report
Pamela Mottice Muller, Director Office of Resilience, reported that an update on the seismic retrofitting of soft structures might be brought to the Commission at the May meeting. Director Muller shared that the LA Marathon was completed successfully on Sunday, March 18 and the EOC was activated from 4:00am - 2:00pm. Director Mueller added that information about the oil well plugging will be brought to the Commission at the next meeting.
- Upcoming events
- Information only items
 - a) Commission Calendar
 - b) CERT flyer
 - c) Updated 2018 Health and Safety Recognition Program Schedule
 - d) Article: *E-Cigarettes: Where do we stand?*
 - e) State of California Department of Justice *Firearm Safety*
 - f) Article: *Teens inhale cancer-causing chemicals in e-cigarettes*
 - g) DART flyer – April 2, 2018
 - h) Annual Earth Day Celebration flyer – April 15, 2018

ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time: March 19, 2018 / 4:03 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 23rd DAY of APRIL, 2018



Myra Demeter, Ph.D., Chair