City of Beverly Hills

Health and Safety Commission
Regular Meeting

February 28, 2011
4:00 PM
City Hall Room 280-A
455 N. Rexford Drive

Enhancing the Health and Safety of Our Community
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AGENDA

HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
February 28, 2011
4:00 p.m.

A. ROLL CALL

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. COMMISSION MINUTES
   • Consideration of minutes of January 24, 2011.

D. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE
   At this time, 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.

E. REPORT FROM THE CHAIRPERSON
   • Mayor's Cabinet Meeting – February 9, 2011.
   • Other items of interest.

F. DIRECTOR’S REPORT
   • Report from Myra Lurie, Beverly Hills School District Board Member
   • Information Only:
     a) BHUSD FAC Meeting Minutes – December 15, 2010
     b) BHUSD FAC Meeting Minutes – January 13, 2011
     c) BHUSD FAC Meeting Minutes – January 27, 2011
     d) CPR Newsletter - February 2011
     e) Commission Calendar
   • Other Items

G. NEW BUSINESS
1. Update of Services for LA County West Vector & Vector-Borne Disease Control District – Bill DiSalvo, Trustee for the City of Beverly Hills
2. Facilities Advisory Committee Liaison Appointment
3. Neighborhood Watch Block Party Discussion
4. Health and Safety Awards
5. AM Radio
6. LA Marathon Planning – March 20, 2011

H. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS
   Commissioners' brief responses to public comments, questions for clarification, brief announcements, request for information, and brief reports on activities.

I. ADJOURNMENT
The meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m.

A. ROLL CALL
Commissioners Present: Aronberg, Millan, Kopeikin, Setian, Chair Landau, Vice Chair Judelson
Commissioners Absent: Seidel
Staff: P. Mottice Muller, K. Ryan

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Millan.

C. COMMISSION MINUTES
MOVED by Aronberg, SECONDED by Judelson to approve the minutes of the meeting on December 13, 2010 (6/0)
Ayes: Aronberg, Millan, Kopeikin, Setian, Landau, Judelson
Noes: None
Absent: Seidel
CARRIED.

D. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE
None.

E. REPORT FROM THE CHAIRPERSON
MAYOR'S CABINET MEETING – JANUARY 12, 2011
Chair Landau attended the Mayor's Cabinet Meeting on January 11th.
He reported to the Commission on the various items from other Commissions.

Other items of interest – none.

F. DIRECTOR'S REPORT
REPORT FROM MYRA LURIE, BEVERLY HILLS SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER
Ms. Lurie was unable to attend the meeting due to a scheduling conflict. Director Mottice Muller read the following report on behalf of Ms. Lurie:

- BHUSD conducted crisis intervention training for all administrators, counseling and psychologist staff
- The Board of Education is presently considering measures to upgrade security for Beverly Hills High School including a proposal for a temporary perimeter fence. A long discussion on the matter was had at the January 11, 2011 Board Meeting. Lt. Joe Chirillo of the BHPD provided support and input. Further discussion will take place at tonight's meeting (Jan 24, 2011).
• Will pass on the public information regarding flu, bedbugs, and carbon monoxide poisoning.

INFORMATION ONLY: No Comment
a) First Flu-Related Deaths of 2010-2011 Flu Season
b) Defective Furnaces May Cause Carbon Monoxide Poisoning in Your Home
c) Bedbugs are Back with a Vengeance
d) BHUSD FAC Meeting Minutes November 17, 2010
e) BH Weekly Article - Neighborhood Watch Brings New Approach to Safety
f) BH Courier Articles – Maple Counseling Center Faces Hard Times and Local Hero Saves BH Apartment from Fire
g) BH Courier Article – Edison Power Failures Hurts Local Businesses
h) Commission Calendar

OTHER ITEMS
Commissioners viewed a brief video created by the Los Angeles County Medical Association to raise awareness about air pollution caused by diesel fuel. Vice Chair Judelson appears in the video. Director Mottice Muller handed out a news article from Yahoo News regarding a possible winter “superstorm” in California. Preparedness efforts for the storm were discussed.

G. NEW BUSINESS
1. HEALTH AND SAFETY AWARDS UPDATE
Chair Landau has notified the winner of the individual Health and Safety award, and the winners of the group award will be notified shortly. The Executive Board will be asked to accept the award for the Every 15 Minutes program. Commissioners agreed that the award winners will be recognized at a City Council meeting in April or May. The Commission requests that the City’s Cable division develop a video highlighting the award winners as well as bringing attention to the Health and Safety Awards. The individual winner and the Board of the Every 15 Minutes program will be provided with a commemorative plaque.

2. NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETINGS
The Commission requested that the Commission discuss the Neighborhood Watch Meeting to be held on February 12th. Director Mottice Muller discussed logistics of the upcoming meeting. The Commission requested a flyer be developed to hand out at the meeting. After a discussion, the Commission decided the flyer would have information on the following four topics: carbon monoxide, survey the scene, drop/cover/hold, and texting while driving. Officer Chase will give a presentation at the January 25th City Council Study Session to showcase the upcoming Neighborhood Watch Meeting.

3. CURRENT WORK PLAN ITEMS 2011
Office of Emergency Management Intern Peter Ruscitti reminded Commissioners that there are two Work Plan items for this year that staff is seeking direction on: outreach campaign and speaker’s bureau.
Commissioners agreed that the currently planned outreach to be done through the Neighborhood Watch Program and the development of the Commission’s message flyer will be sufficient to complete this work plan item for the current year.
Commissioners agreed that no further action is needed in establishing a speaker’s bureau. Commissioners are available to speak if requested and the power point presentations used in the 2009 Neighborhood Watch Program can be updated and used. All agreed to participate in outreach to encourage stakeholders to participate in the Community Emergency Management Summit for Beverly Hills Stakeholders, which is a work plan item for next year. The Commission may draw from the topics discussed at the Summit to create a speaker’s bureau if warranted.

4. CRISIS RESPONSE TEAM SERVICES
Anne Kellog, David Singer, Bonnie Cacavas and Michelle Upchurch from The Chiron Center Crisis Response Team presented to the Commission on their program. This program was originally part of the Maple Counseling Center, but was eliminated due to budget cuts.
The representatives of the Crisis Response Team briefly described the services provided by the organization, emphasizing that the services are exactly the same as they were when they were part of the Maple Counseling Center and that no other agency is providing this service.
Commissioners commended the Crisis Response Team for continuing this important service to crisis victims and their families. The team will be seeking funding from the City grant program.

H. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS
None.

I. ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business, Chair Landau, with the consent of the Commission, adjourned the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

PASSED, Approved and Adopted
This ______ of ____________, 2011

__________________________________________
Peter Landau, Chair
The regular meeting of the Facilities Advisory Committee (FAC) was scheduled on Wednesday, December 15, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. at the District Office, Board Room pursuant to written notice as provided by law.

**Present □** Committee Members:  
Ben Alexander  
Patricia Garcia  
Ed Brown  
Nooshin Meshkaty  
Josh Dubin  

**Absent □**  
Damien Bean  
Frannie Rennie  
Marc Saleh  
Marilyn Gallup  
Ron Stone  
Tina Wiener  
Colleen Sternshein

**District:**  
Nelson Cayabyab — Chief Facilities Officer  
LaTanya Kirk — Interim Facilities Consultant  
Matt Conrad — Administrative Assistant  
Dick Douglas — Superintendent  
Dr. Alex Cherniss — Assistant Superintendent  

**Also in Attendance:**  
Julio Palacio — Bernards

Minutes prepared by: Barbara Beach, Administrative Assistant  
Planning & Facilities Department

**Meeting Minutes**

**FAC Members:** Please be advised that you have two business days to respond with comment or changes to the meeting minutes or they will be viewed as correct.

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at approximately 4:00 PM.

**Approval of the Agenda**

The agenda passed unanimously.

**Approval of November 15, 2010 Minutes**
PRESENTATION REGARDING MODERIZATION:

Five top architectural firms (in no particular order):
- LPA
- DRL Group WWCOT
- HMC Architects
- WLC Architects
- MVE Institutional

Nelson Cayabyab from District and Julio Palacio of Bernards will meet with these firms and request RFP for a conception design on Horace Mann school to be presented to the FAC. Horace Mann is the first school and among the items architectural firms will be asked to consider when approaching phasing:
- Interim housing – up to 23 “footprint-wise”
- Rotunda removal
- Replacement of 4-story building
- Middle school building – replace or modernize
- Central plan
- Boiler
- Open courtyard
- Auditorium – tech issues and access
- Administration – tech issues and access
- Pre-school proposal which have the following issues to consider:
  - 4 classrooms
  - Playground
  - Drop-off/pick-up
  - Access

Discussion ensued regarding:
- Middle school:
  - If demolished:
    - move students to other schools?
      - If so, where?
      - Can other school handle?
    - Interim housing?
- Move all K-5/K-6 into interim housing?
- Parking – where in plan
- Westside easements with Edison that run under playground
- Master Plan to look at Big Picture
Nelson gave further overview of modernization program:
- Introduced Patrick Cisneros hired as a permanent employee and is the District Project Manager for the modernization program. Patrick gave brief explanation of his responsibilities:
  o Oversee site construction
  o Work with architects
  o Ensure consistency in building standards, i.e., fire, phones, restrooms, science labs, etc.
- There will be a permanent District administrative assistant hired and will replace Matt Conrad who is presently a temp
- Facilities and Planning now has its own IT System under the Bernard umbrella:
  o Prolog will manage modernization budget
  o District IT does not have capabilities
  o PlanWell – blueprint storage which will be able to scan and store existing as-builts as well as architect can reference and any/all new blueprints will be stored.

Julio Palacio of Bernards presented explanation of modernization program:
- Horace Mann first
  o Do not have a complete set of as-built plans
  o Architectural firm chosen will work with District to gather as-builts via 3D scan and reprographic company to store
- RFP to be released next week
- Start gathering as-builds now
- Program validation
- Brief outline regarding RFP
  o Ask different options as stated above
- Testing
- Final construction budget
  o NOTE: currently have some reports but not complete and thorough picture; will use existing reports and add-to.
- Final construction review
- Go to DSA for approval – could take 90-150 days for approval.
  o DSA approves once and looks for specific items:
    - Fire, life and safety
    - Access
    - Structural
- Out to bid
- Construction begins

Discussion ensued regarding:
- 38 uncertified projects District-wide
- DSA will not approve before all are certified
- 10-12, out of the 38, at Horace Mann; are presently being looked at to complete
- Working to be out of DSA by early summer 2012
• Possibilities of moving students
• Asking architectural firms to give more than one concept
• RFP will have concept guidelines and boundaries

Nelson explained:
• Security and access major considerations for all sites
  o Specialists from City of BH will be working with architects
• For Horace Mann, 4 major considerations:
  o Big modernization
  o Interim housing
  o Ceiling in auditorium
  o Closing certified projects
• RFP for Master Plan concentrates primarily on BHHS and District offices.
  o Horace Mann first, then Hawthorne, El Rodeo, Beverly Vista
  o $69M bond funds available until 2012
• RFP for Master Plan to be in my 12/20/10 and all encouraged to volunteer in process
• RFP Master Plan presentations to be on 1/7/11; again all encouraged to participate
• Special FAC Meeting 1/13/2011 from 3:00-6:00 PM for presentation by top 5 architectural firms
• Board is looking to FAC to review top 5 architectural firms and make strong recommendation

NOTE: Quality of Master Plan architects was very impressive and meeting was well-run and professional.
Special notation: Josh Dubin sat-in on MP architectural process and has been a great participant.

BUDGET OVERVIEW PRESENTATION FROM DISTRICT:

Dr. Alex Cherniss presented budget overview with 3-page summary:
• Existing budget $53 million; sent to Board and Board has approved:
  o Income $53.6M
  o Expenses $52.7M
  o Bond rating approved – NOTE: recognition of Dr. Cherniss’ help with this
  o Nothing budgeted that Board has not approved

Nelson explained:
• 3 programs that need to merge; Prolog, Excel and PeopleSoft.
• Presently there is an Excel spreadsheet being built
  o multiple categories
  o flexible at the present time and will then merge
  o multiple categories can be built and presented to both the FAC and COC as we go along
NOTE: District uses LACOE which is historically one-month behind in payments. Facilities working towards better/closer “real time” payments.
- Further, when contracts are approved
  - budget sheet and summary per site
  - show of what spent so far
  - means to track and keep payment on-time
  - architectural firm and District to confirm

NOTE: there will be confirmation of work done prior to payment being made and both architectural firm and District to confirm going rates correct prior to payment.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- Middle school at Horace Mann; make just K5/K6 permanently
- Pre-school
  - Birth date cutoff
  - State requirements

NOTE: Ron Stone made recommendation regarding Committee student member:
- 2nd semester junior/1st semester senior
- 2 years architectural background
- ASB experience is desired but not requirement

Josh Dubin will stay on Committee through end-of-January and may become advisor to new student member.

Ron Stone sending recommendation to Board regarding no current members phasing-out of Committee until the end of January 2011.

Meeting adjourned at 5:59 PM
BEVERLY HILLS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
FACILITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING # 28 January 13, 2011

The special meeting of the Facilities Advisory Committee (FAC) was scheduled on Thursday, January 13, 2011, 2:30 p.m. at the Jon Cherney Lecture Hall at the Science and Tech Center located on the Beverly Hills High School Campus pursuant to written notice as provided by law.

PRESENT ☒

Committee Members:
☒ Ben Alexander
☒ Patricia Garcia
☒ Colleen Sternshein
☒ Nooshin Meshkaty
☒ Josh Dubin

ABSENT ☐

☒ Damien Bean
☒ Frannie Rennie
☒ Marc Saleh
☒ Marilyn Gallup
☒ Joel Pressman

Ed Brown
☒ Ron Stone
☒ Tina Wiener

District:
☒ Nelson Cayabyab – Chief Facilities Officer
☒ LaTanya Kirk – Interim Facilities Consultant
☒ Patrick Cisneros – District Project Manager
☒ Barbara Beach – Administrative Assistant
☒ Steve Kessler – Principle, Horace Mann School

Also in Attendance:
Julio Palacio - Bernards

Minutes prepared by: Barbara Beach, Administrative Assistant
Facilities & Planning Department

Meeting Minutes

FAC Members: Please be advised that you have two business days to respond with comment or changes to the meeting minutes or they will be viewed as correct.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at approximately 2:35 PM.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda passed unanimously.
PRESENTATION TO THE COMMITTEE:

Nelson and Julio advised:
- Top 5 architect firms will each give a Concept RFQ Presentation;
  - 20 minutes each presentation
  - 10 minutes after for Questions and Answers.
- The RFQ are for Horace Mann only
- Board is looking for the FAC to make their selection after the presentations for:
  - Best architect firm for Horace Mann and which architect firm would be suit each of the remaining schools:
    - Hawthorne
    - Beverly Vista
    - El Rodeo
    - Alternate architect
- Questions to be kept to general scope of work rather than site specific
- Presentations: concept designs not firm
- Presentation boundary: up to and not to exceed $39 million

PRESENTATION ORDER:
- WLC Architects
- MVE Institutional
- LPA
- HMC Architects
- DLR Group WWCOT

Discussion ensued after presentations with regard to:
- Time for selection process to be at the end of January 2011
- Board looking for FAC to make a solid recommendation
- Bothersome issues:
  - Food in the courtyard
  - Volume, or lack of, play areas
  - Safety
  - Path of travel
  - Series of courtyards
  - Mix with retail
- Architect firms web sites
- Explanation of "force rank" voting
- How cost of first presentation came in much lower than others
- Whether to have top architect firms:
  - give additional RFQ presentations for each site
  - how much to pay
- Which architect firms would be best suited for which sites
Vote to select architect firm for Horace Mann remodel occurred with the following outcome (in order of preference):

1. WLC
2. HMC
3. LPA
4. DLR
5. MVE

Julio advised
- Bernards Estimating Depart is evaluating actual cost of remodel to Horace Mann
- All architect firms are giving cost breakdowns

Nelson advised:
- Horace Mann – will be remodeled
- Hawthorne – involves modernization
- El Rodeo – will be remodeled
- Beverly Vista – involves modernization
- Alternate architect – work on modernization
- Same firms will compete for each project
- If negotiations for first project, Horace Mann, are not successfully met then District will move to architect firm chosen to be in second place and so on.
- There will be a separate RFQ for Beverly Hills High School

The breakdowns for which architect firm the FAC will make recommendations to the Board for each project are as follows:
- WLC for Horace Mann remodel
- DLR for Hawthorne modernization
- El Rodeo remodel is to be another RFP with WLC, HMC and LPA

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:
- Fencing at Beverly Hills High School

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:17 PM
The special meeting of the Facilities Advisory Committee (FAC) was scheduled on Thursday, January 27, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. at District Office Board Room, 255 South Lasky Dr., Beverly Hills, CA pursuant to written notice as provided by law.

PRESENT ☑  ABSENT ☐
Committee Members:
☐ Ben Alexander  ☑ Damien Bean  ☑ Ed Brown
☑ Patricia Garcia  ☑ Frannie Rennie  ☑ Ron Stone
☑ Colleen Sternshein  ☑ Marc Saleh  ☑ Tina Wiener
☑ Nooshin Meshkaty  ☐ Marilyn Gallup
☑ Sara Newman  ☑ Joel Pressman

District:
☑ Nelson Cayabyab – Chief Facilities Officer
☑ Patrick Cisneros – District Project Manager
☑ LaTanya Kirk – Interim Facilities Consultant
☑ Barbara Beach – Administrative Assistant

Also in Attendance:
Julio Palacio – Bernards

Minutes prepared by: Barbara Beach, Administrative Assistant
Facilities & Planning Department

MEETING MINUTES

FAC Members: Please be advised that you have two business days to respond with comment or changes to the meeting minutes or they will be viewed as correct.

CHAIRPERSON:
Ben Alexander has given his resignation as a COC member effective immediately.

CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order at approximately 4:03 PM.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
The agenda passed unanimously.
PUBLIC OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS COMMITTEE:
None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
1. November 17, 2010 Minutes
2. December 15, 2010 Minutes
3. January 13, 2011 Minutes

All Minutes approved unanimously with the exception Ed Brown, Damien Bean and Sara Newman abstaining.

BEVERLY HILLS HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS CENTER AND POOL:
Nelson Cayabyab explained one of the Board Members indicated revisiting the modernization of the Sports Center and Pool, including the locker room area, all located on the Beverly Hills High School Campus. The impression is the two structures are being kept for certain and the Master Plan will not impact those structures. Opened for discussion with the following outcome:

The FAC voted unanimously for the Committee Chair to present to the Board, on behalf of the Committee, the following recommendation:

Modernization of all major projects including the Sports Center and Pool be incorporated within the Master Plan for the most efficient use of funds

FOUR K8 SITES, BEGINNING WITH HORACE MANN:
Question came up regarding middle schools and if it is appropriate to go ahead with the modernization of the K8 schools. Nelson and Julio stated there is a lot preparation to be done prior to actual construction being started. By the time the District is ready to bring in the architects, the Master Planner is ready. Because of the Bond Sale Schedule only 2 sites at a time will have on-going construction and the District has time for all the preparations before that period begins.

Question was asked regarding the cost differences in the architects' RFQs and Julio advised Bernards Estimating Department had done their own independent estimate. Nelson presented three of the Bernards' estimates on Horace Mann modernization with a comparison with three of the architectural firms' estimates (WLC, HMC and LPA). Nelson explained all the firms were given a guideline of approximately $39 million and none of the figures are set-in-stone and there will be a negotiation phase with architects as they are selected per sites. Once the Board approves the architect for the site the first thing done is negotiations with the architectural firm. Julio explained once an agreement/contract has been signed with an architectural firm and if at some point work stops and does not continue the firm is paid to their level of effort. Nelson further explained there will be mile steps during the modernization process, per site and the architects will be paid accordingly. There will be a check-and-balance in place; also the tighter the plan is the less likelihood there will be to have multiple change orders.
Nelson explained all of these architects are fully capable of handling these modernizations and he would not recommend WLC to bid on El Rodeo if the Committee would like them to bid on the high school. And there will be a specific RFQ for the high school at a later date.

Architects order of ranking after the RFQs presentation:
- WLC for Horace Mann
- HMC for El Rodeo **
- DLR/WWCOT for Hawthorne
- LPA for Beverly Vista

** with HMC giving 2 or 3 different designs for El Rodeo. Julio explained that is perfectly fine for the District to ask for multiple designs schemes and that each design should come with a cost estimate.

Nelson advised the Master Plan takes the lead and after three or four months into the Master Plan then bring in the architect. Selecting the architects is a getting-ready-to-go process and when we're ready we know where we're going. The Master Plan is owned by the District.

The FAC voted unanimously for the Committee Chair to present to the Board, on behalf of the Committee, the following recommendation:

WLC to be selected as the architectural firm for Horace Mann modernization; DLR/WWCOT architectural firm be selected for Hawthorne, which will be the second school to have work; HMC architectural firm to be selected for El Rodeo; and LPA architectural firm to be selected for Beverly Vista with the caveat to, at a later date, if the District is exceptionally pleased with one or more of the architectural firm’s work to make a recommendation to select that firm to be used at another location.

MEPC/CEQA INTERVIEWS:
Nelson explained there are interviews for the MEPC (Mechanical, Electrical, and Plumbing Construction) on Monday, January 31 and CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) interviews on February 7 and encouraged participation by everyone. Julio stated this can be very technical in nature but it is fine for anyone participating to not be an expert as Julio has specifically requested the firms to be able to present in lay terms. Nelson explained the process and matrix that was created to narrow the field to the firms that will be presenting.

DESIGN FOR HORACE MANN:
Discussion regarding should Horace Mann be left as a K8 school or should the FAC, as a Committee, address the issue of changing demographics and the possibility of looking at Horace Mann as something different.
The FAC voted unanimously for the Committee Chair to present to the Board, on behalf of the Committee, the following recommendation:

Within the Master Plan process to formally address issues of demographics, site operations, site configuration and educational programming costs and to generate a Master District-wide Plan including flexibility for the future and to consider within that process the possible reconfiguration of K8 school sites.

**FENCING AT Beverly Hills HIGH SCHOOL:**
Nelson explained the Board approved temporary fencing to go into process with security included and it will be coming out of the Maintenance or General Fund. Discussion followed the following outcome:

The FAC voted and passed, with the exception of Damien Bean and Ed Brown abstaining, for the Committee Chair to present to the Board, on behalf of the Committee, the following recommendation:

Any fencing across the front of the school should only be considered as part of a carefully researched, comprehensive plan including pedestrian and vehicle access, with a traffic study, security staffing and video monitoring as well as any other technology available to be incorporated.

**COMMITTEE COMMENTS:**
Ron Stone introduced Sara Newman as the new student committee member.

The student committee member’s term will be for one year and begin at the beginning of the second semester and continue until the end of the first semester of the following year. The student committee member should have at least two years of architecture education and ideally will be a junior.

Meetings are the 4th Thursday of every month.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**
None at this time.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:03 PM.
February 2011

Beverly Hills CPR Newsletter

Greetings!

The Beverly Hills CPR Program began in 1977 when volunteers organized to raise funds and coordinate instructors to train members of the community in CPR. A volunteer board, Friends of Beverly Hills CPR, continues to provide direction, plan programs, and raise funds to support our efforts.

Beverly Hills CPR is dedicated to reducing preventable deaths from heart disease, the number one cause of death in the United States. We train as many people as possible in the lifesaving techniques of CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) as well as the use of AED's (automated external defibrillators), first aid and the Heimlich Maneuver. We use volunteers to teach American Heart Association courses for the community as well as healthcare professionals.

As of September 1, 2010, we have trained 87,000 people in these life saving techniques. Whether you just need to brush up on your skills or have never been trained in CPR before, be sure to check out our February class schedule and register for a class so that you can be counted as one of the 87,000 people trained within Beverly Hills this year.

Sincerely,

Les Bronte
Administrative Coordinator
Beverly Hills CPR

Beverly Hills CPR Contact
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Check us out on Facebook!

Beverly Hills CPR is a non-profit organization that relies on donations from the community to keep the program running. Through your generous donation you are helping to save a life.

To make a donation you can reach us at the contact information provided above.

Beverly Hills CPR February Class Schedule

BLS for Healthcare Providers
02/09/2011 @ 6:30pm
02/19/2011 @ 9:30am
02/22/2011 @ 6:30pm

Heartsaver CPR/AED
02/09/2011 @ 6:30pm
02/19/2011 @ 9:30am
02/22/2011 @ 6:30pm

Heartsaver First Aid
02/19/2011 @ 1:00pm

Friends & Family CPR
02/16/2011 @ 5:30pm

Friends & Family Infant CPR
02/16/2011 @ 7:00pm

Pet CPR
Call for Schedule

Please be advised that we also offer all of our classes
As I venture into the heart of our fair city to put my finger on the pulse of some of the people and places that make Beverly Hills tick, I discover a lifeline that has received a resuscitation of its own—Beverly Hills CPR.

Established in 1977, Beverly Hills CPR strives to certify residents and city employees in cardiopulmonary resuscitation. The program faced termination a few years ago when the city made cuts to the police and fire departments to make up for a projected shortfall in the 2009-2010 budget. Enter former Mayor Les Bronte and the Friends of Beverly Hills CPR volunteer board, which provides direction, plans events and raises funds to support BHCPRT.

"Although always dedicated to maintaining fire safety and prevention, it was necessary over the last couple of years to look for alternative ways to keep this community outreach program alive," said Bronte, who serves as the program's administrative coordinator. "I went to the former city manager, and the mayor, and proposed that we maintain the program, having the city
rent us the facility and equipment, and give us a grant with which to instruct and certify various groups in the city."

Bronte said the groups being trained include the police and fire departments, City Hall staff, administrative staff at city schools, and district teachers and students.

Beverly Hills High School health teacher Colleen Lynch began collaborating with Beverly Hills CPR last semester.

"CPR and first aid were added to the health education state standards. I wanted to incorporate it into our curriculum with student certification," Lynch said. "I contacted BHCPR and that's when I was introduced to Les Bronte, which has been wonderful. Our goal is to get every student at Beverly Hills High School CPR and first aid certified through health education."

Thanks to Lynch, Bronte and Beverly Hills CPR, my son was taught these lifesaving skills. He reported back to me favorably, as did Lynch.

"The students learned a new skill and they are certified for two years," she said. "Many of my students were very excited and enthusiastic about getting their certification. In fact, I had a student tell me he saved a life over winter break."

Bronte says his long-term goal is to address all forms of safety and security in Beverly Hills. He hopes to conduct CPR training at local religious institutions, hotels, department stores, businesses and even people's homes.

"We are equipped to teach in private homes for groups of eight or more," Bronte said. "And in the spring, we hope to be adding pet CPR to our offerings."

This heart to heart with Bronte reminds me of how fortunate we are to live in Beverly Hills. We can't take for granted that our kids come home from school CPR trained, or that Beverly Hills CPR is donating automated external defibrillators to our schools and traveling athletic teams. It's wonderful that these luxuries seem "normal" to us, but I encourage each of you to visit the program's website and find a way to give back.

For the full article; click here.

February Heart Month: Keep it healthy

February is a month dedicated to the heart - in more ways than one. This is the time to celebrate love and give your sweetheart a valentine. This is also the month to wear red and call attention to prevention of the No. 1 killer of
During February, the American Heart Association asks people to "Go Red for Women" by wearing something red or a special pin to raise awareness of heart disease. The campaign is a call for women to take charge of their heart health.

"The campaign's aim is to empower women to take charge of their heart health, make it a top priority and live a stronger, longer life," says LSU AgCenter nutritionist Beth Reames.

Cardiovascular diseases claim more women's lives than the next seven causes of death combined. "That's about 500,000 lives a year," Reames says. American Heart Association data reveal that:

- Heart disease and stroke are the No. 1 and No. 3 killers of American women over age 25.
- Heart attack, stroke and other cardiovascular diseases kill more than 500,000 women each year - about one death a minute.
- 1 in 29 women dies of breast cancer. About 1 in 2.4 women dies of heart disease, stroke and other cardiovascular diseases.
- 1 in 5 women has some form of cardiovascular disease.
- 63 percent of women who die unexpectedly of heart disease have no previous symptoms.
- Black and Hispanic women have higher risk factors than white women of comparable socioeconomic status.

For the complete article, click here.

Les Bronte
Administrative Coordinator
Beverly Hills CPR
# HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMISSION CALENDAR

**Updated: 2/16/11**

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TO: Health and Safety Commission
FROM: Pamela Mottice Muller, Director
DATE: February 28, 2011
SUBJECT: Update from Los Angeles County West Vector & Vector-Borne Disease control District

ATTACHMENTS:
1. Letter from DiSalvo
2. Map of LA County West Vector control District
3. Beverly Hills Service Requests

Attached is a letter from S.W. "Bill" DiSalvo, Trustee for the City of Beverly Hills Los Angeles County West Vector & Vector-Borne Disease Control District providing an update of services and services provided by the Control District City of Beverly Hills.

Board of Trustees, Bill DiSalvo will be here to answer any questions. Mr. DiSalvo is appointed by the City Council to serve as the City representative.

Vector Control proves an important service to the community.
February 3, 2011

Honorable Jimmy Deishad
Mayor, City of Beverly Hills
455 N. Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210

Dear Mayor Deishad,

This letter is to bring you up to date with the activities of the Los Angeles County West Vector & Vector-Borne Disease Control District (District).

The District was formed in 1944, services over 4,100,000 people, and consists of 23 cities and unincorporated territories in the County of Los Angeles. The District is the second largest vector and vector-borne disease control district by population in the state of California.

The District includes the cities of Agoura Hills, Beverly Hills, Calabasas, Culver City, El Segundo, Hawthorne, Hermosa Beach, Hidden Hills, Inglewood, Lawndale, Lomita, the westerly portion of Los Angeles City, Malibu, Manhattan Beach, Palos Verdes Estates, Rancho Palos Verdes, Redondo Beach, Rolling Hills, Rolling Hills Estates, Santa Monica, Torrance, West Hollywood, Westlake Village, and unincorporated territories in the County of Los Angeles.

The California Health & Safety Codes define a "vector" as any animal or insect capable of transmitting the causative agent of human disease or capable of producing human discomfort or injury.

The District maintains an aggressive control and surveillance program to suppress and monitor existing mosquito-borne illnesses such as the West Nile virus, St. Louis Encephalitis, Western Equine Encephalitis, Lyme disease (ticks), Africanized honeybees, Red Imported Fire Ants (RIFA), biting blackflies, biting midges, and others.

Surveillance includes field monitoring, laboratory testing, and research studies. Control methods include a wide variety of programs. Among them are public education, the elimination of standing water, the use of a variety of environmentally safe insecticides and biological controls, and the use of mosquito fish.
Please let me know if there are any items you or the city council wish to be acted upon. I will be happy to attend to them immediately. I have included a "Biting & Stinging Insects" pamphlet for easy reference. These pamphlets are available through the District at no change. You can also refer citizens to the District's web site at www.lawestvector.org for additional information, telephone numbers, services, and downloadable on-line pamphlets.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

S.W. "Bill" DiSalvo
Trustee for the City of Beverly Hills
Los Angeles County West Vector & Vector-Borne Disease Control District
Beverly Hills.

Mosquito Service Requests: 0

Bee Service Requests: 16

1) 07/21/10 – 456 Smithwood Drive – “Bees are located in the rear unit at the top of the stair case attached to the roof overhang.”
Resolution – Treated and removed a beehive from the backyard awning.

2) 07/27/10 – 321 N. Palm Drive – “Bees are upstairs swarming in the hallway.”
Resolution – Found several Mud Dauber nests at the site. Treated, bagged and removed them.

3) 07/27/10 – 241 S. Moreno Drive – “Bee Swarm on the track; Fire Department was called and area has been taped off.”
Resolution – Used the district Bee Vacuum and removed the swarm.

4) 07/27/10 – 608 N. Linden Drive – “Bee activity on the side of the home, no known locations of hive or swarms.”
Resolution – Found a bee hive inside a cinder block wall; treated and attempted sealing entry points.

5) 07/29/10 – 315 N. Doheny Drive – “Bee swarm inside a backyard tree, twelve feet high”
Resolution – Used the district Bee Vacuum and removed the swarm.

6) 08/02/10 – 442 N. Roxbury Drive (Fire Department Referral) – “Bee hive has fallen from tree.”
Resolution – Used the Bee Vacuum to remove a swarm from the exterior foundation wall of 442 N. Roxbury Drive; over the sidewalk.

7) 08/06/10 – 605 N. Linden Drive – “Swarms of bees in the back of property in the carport. Does not know of any source locations.”
Resolution – Found a bee hive inside a stucco wall; treated the hive and attempted sealing multiple entry points.

8) 08/06/10 – 109 N. Palm Drive – “Caller was stung last week, wants a technician to assess the property.”
Resolution – Found several wasp nests at the site; treated, bagged and removed them.

9) 08/10/10 – 623 N. Alpine Drive – “Bees are inside a hole in the tree near ground level.”
Resolution – Treated the hive and applied sealant to the tree hole.

10) 08/10/10 – 9885 Carmelita Avenue – “Bees are inside a meter box in the alley behind home.”

Resolution – Treated the hive, bagged and removed.

11) 08/11/10 – 623 N. Alpine Drive (second call) – “A swarm of bees are now in the tree branches.”

Resolution – Treated the swarm and removed from the tree.

12) 08/13/10 – 120 S. Doheny Drive – “Bees are swarming the tree at front of address.”

Resolution – Treated the swarm, bagged and removed.

13) 08/13/10 – 221 N. Almont Drive – “Two honeycombs on the side of garage.”

Resolution – Multiple wasp nests on the garage; treated, bagged and removed.

14) 08/16/10 – 609 N. Roxbury Drive (Fire Department Referral) – “Bees are inside a city tree in front of address.”

Resolution – Found a swarm of bees in the tree; used the Bee Vacuum and removed the swarm.

15) 08/20/10 – 1103 Benedict Canyon Drive – “Bees are in the side yard on the fence.”

Resolution - Found a swarm of bees on the fence; used the Bee Vacuum and removed the swarm.

16) 08/20/10 – 503 N. Sierra Drive – “Lots of bee activity in the backyard. Thinks the bees are coming from the ground but not sure. Son was stung.”

Resolution – Inspected their yard and found foraging bees, no hive or swarm.
Beverly Hills.

Mosquito Service Requests: 0

Bee Service Requests: 7

1) 09/21/10 – 139 N. Wetherly Drive – “Bees are inside a tree in the backyard of caller’s property. Also a lot of bees throughout the yard.”
Resolution – Inspected the backyard trees, searched the yard, and found no bee activity of any kind.

2) 09/30/10 – 800 Cord Circle – “Bees activity around flood lights in the patio overhang.”
Resolution – This was a simple paper wasp nest; treated, bagged and removed.

3) 10/01/10 – 605 N. Whittier Drive (El Rodeo School) – “There are wasp nests along the second and third floor hallway attached to a pole.”
Resolution – Physically removed nests from portions of building and sealed a wasp nest inside of a basketball pole.

4) 10/13/10 – 304 S. Crescent Drive – “Wasps nesting under the window in the backyard.”
Resolution – Several mud dauber nests were involved; treated, bagged and removed.

5) 10/14/10 – 360 N. Crescent Drive – “Bees are in a tree next to the alley and across from 348. N. Rexford Drive.”
Resolution – Found a swarm of bees in the tree and used the district bee vacuum to remove the swarm.

6) 10/15/10 – 220 S. Linden Drive – “Large swarm of bees attached to chimney on side of house.”
Resolution – Bees are going into a hole in the foundation wall. Informed caller of this structural bee situation and advised consultation with a P.C.O.

7) 10/19/10 – 9667 Wilshire Blvd – “Lots of bee activity on the side of the building; not sure where bees are originating from.”
Resolution – Bees are going into a hole in the foundation wall. Informed caller of this structural bee situation and advised consultation with a P.C.O.
Commissioner Seidel has been serving as the City's representative/liaison on the school district's Facility Advisory Committee (FAC). Serving on the committee since it began, Commissioner Seidel attends meetings and forwards minutes to the Office of Emergency Management. Commissioner Seidel is requesting a replacement as he is no longer available to serve in this role.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Health and Safety Commission

FROM: Pamela Mottice Muller, Office of Emergency Management

DATE: February 28, 2011

SUBJECT: Neighborhood Watch Meetings

Officer Chase and Sgt. Foxen cannot attend the meeting but wish to thank the Commission for its help on making the event on February 12th successful. The Commission is asked to provide input on the following topics:

- what went well?
- what needs improvements?
- other suggestions?
- re-naming of event. Some suggestions:
  - Neighborhood Watch Community Exchange
  - Neighborhood Watch Community Get-Together
- value of the grilled cheese truck, should we have again?
- should you add healthy food?
- appropriate booths, handouts, signage, etc.?
- additions next time?
- next meetings: Saturday April 9, Sunday June 5, Tuesday August 2

The Police Department has funding to advertise the next events and the Office of Emergency Management has some funding to support a few additional costs. Officer Chase has locations identified for the above dates.
The Commission will select a City Council meeting to present the Health and Safety Awards at a later time, as one of the recipients will be out of town during the April 5th meeting. At this time, there are no City Council meetings scheduled after April 5th due to the upcoming change in City Council.

The City's cable division will develop a video honoring the awardees and explaining the awards. This video will be aired the night of the City Council meeting and played on the City's cable station.

A plaque will be given to the recipient and the program.
TO: Health and Safety Commission
FROM: Pamela Mottice Muller, Office of Emergency Management
DATE: February 28, 2011
SUBJECT: AM Radio

Staff would like to obtain the Commissions support and input on the use of the City's AM Radio 1500 AM, its use day to day and during an emergency or disaster. Members of DCS have completed an initial coverage survey which. During the Commission meeting staff will provide the following information and will seek guidance on the following:

- History
- Past Usage
- Future Usage
- Improvements/Replacement
- Signage: old, new, locations
- Communication to the Public

Staff has plans to seek guidance and support from the Transportation and Parking Commission and the Technology Committee.

Commissioners are also asked to listen to the station before attending the meeting.

A fact sheet for AM 1500 Radio is attached for your information.
AM 1500 is the non-commercial automated traffic, parking and emergency information radio station for the City of Beverly Hills. Listeners will hear updates on traffic and street conditions, environmental issues, special events, and emergencies when they occur. The station operates 24-hours a day, 7-days a week. Each broadcast is limited up to 8 minutes in length but repeats continuously.

- **WHEN WAS AM 1500 LAUNCHED?** November, 1996.
- **HOW DOES AM 1500 WORK?** The radio station is PC based. Messages are recorded on the PC and grouped together and sent via telephone line to the transmitter. The transmitter receives the programming and sends it out over the airwaves. People with radios tuned to AM 1500 will hear the broadcast. During an emergency, messages can be posted via telephone directly to the radio play list.

![Diagram of AM 1500 operation]

- **CAN I LISTEN TO AM 1500 ANYWHERE IN MY CAR?** No. AM 1500 is designed to cover a 5-mile radius from the Beverly Hills City Hall. Listeners may have difficulty receiving the station within buildings. The optimum reception is from your car radio within the Beverly Hills city limits.
- **WHAT ARE THE GUIDELINES FOR USING?** FCC Rules & Regulations Section 90.242

  "The Travelers Information Stations shall transmit only non-commercial voice information pertaining to traffic and road conditions, traffic hazard and travel advisories, directions, availability of lodging, rest stops and service stations, and descriptions of local points of interest. It is not permissible to identify the commercial name of any business establishment whose service may be available within or outside the coverage area of a TIS. However, to facilitate announcements concerning departures/arrivals and parking areas at air, train, and bus terminals, the trade name identification of the carrier is permitted."

- **WHAT IS THE OFFICIAL CALL SIGN DESIGNATED BY THE FCC?** WPIE
INTRODUCTION
The Honda/LA Marathon event for 2011 is scheduled for Sunday, March 20, 2011. The following provides information on last year’s event, as well as this year’s upcoming event.

2010 Marathon Details
In 2010, the new Marathon course that traveled from downtown Los Angeles, through the Cities of West Hollywood, Beverly Hills to the ocean in Santa Monica, proved to be a popular attraction, in that for the first time in its history, the LA Marathon sold out its 25,000 registrations prior to the race date. Some of the key elements regarding the race through Beverly Hills included:

- **All** City permits and fees were paid by the LA Marathon (including personnel costs, equipment, signage, etc.).

- Hundreds of residents turned out along the route, as well as to assist at the water stations. Water Station # 16, lead by Recreation & Parks Commissioner Kathi Rothner, was comprised of a majority of Beverly Hills residents, school groups, and employees.

- Seven Beverly Hills hotels participated and were featured on the Marathon’s website.

- The City of Beverly Hills was provided the opportunity to test its new Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in real time (as well as helped to further strengthen/develop relationships with neighboring jurisdictions that can prove essential during any wide-scale emergency.

- LA Marathon statistics indicated that approximately 151 runners registered within the 90209 through 90213 zip codes.

- The City received local and international coverage, not only through the City’s own efforts (i.e. the City’s newsletters, cable coverage and website, as well as the Chamber
of Commerce's and Visitors Bureau's newsletters and websites; Conde Nast magazine, etc.), the Marathon's own media arrangements (KTLA live television coverage; NBC Universal sports live global webcast, and KLAC 570AM live radio coverage) also provided extensive coverage. In addition, the City was also featured in comments by the first place elite male runner, Kenyan Wesley Korir, whose initial response after winning the race included Beverly Hills being his favorite landmark along the course.

- City staff felt that the route through Beverly Hills worked well as a whole, and that although there are recommendations for modifications (i.e. move the #16 Water Station further west; move the block party to Rodeo Drive; and move #17 Water Station further west/south away from the Peninsula Hotel), it was felt that the course through Beverly Hills was manageable from a safety perspective. There was a strong recommendation to maintain the same route if possible, since both the public and staff are familiar with this current route, and staff can be proactive with issues that occurred last year (as much as possible).

- Although the "crossing points" were not accessible during the middle of the race, Police and Fire staff felt strongly that it is still a good idea for future races to identify for the community the key locations to cross/first streets to be opened, but that these locations will only allow access before and after a particular time frame, rather than intermittently (which was not feasible during the race due to safety concerns).

2011
The route including all intersections in Beverly Hills will be closed by 6:30 AM. The race begins at 6:55 AM, and the first runners will arrive in Beverly Hills by 7:40 AM. Streets will remain closed until 1:00 or 2:00 PM.

The EOC will be activated and staffed at Level II. DCS will be assisting in the EOC Radio Room and staffing barricades. The City disaster hotline may be opened.

The LA Marathon includes multiple departments including Community Services, Police, Fire, Public Works, Information Technology, and the Office of Emergency Management.

Health and Safety Commissioners are welcome to volunteer in the EOC, at the City's hotline or water distribution station #16.

Contact the Office of Emergency Management if you would like to volunteer at the EOC or City hotline. Other volunteer opportunities can be found by visiting www.lamarathon.com/event/volunteer.