

CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

455 North Rexford Drive Beverly Hills, CA 90210 Video Teleconference

The Beverly Hills City Council Liaison / OPEN BH CODE CHANGES AND FEES AD HOC (Meeting #3)

SPECIAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Wednesday, March 2, 2022 4:00 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date / Time: March 2, 2022 / 4:00 PM

IN ATTENDANCE: Councilmember Julian Gold, Councilmember Lester Freidman, Deputy City Manager Gabriella Yap, Director of Community Development Ryan Gohlich, Director of Public Works Shana Epstein, City Engineer Daren Grilley, Special Events and Filming Coordinator Magdalena Davis, City Planner Timothea Tway, Marketing and Economic Sustainability Manager Laura Biery, President and CEO Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce Todd Johnson, Economic Development Manager of Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce Greg Sefain.

1) Public Comment

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

None.

2) Resolution of the Beverly Hills City Council Liaison / Open BH Code Changes and Fees Ad Hoc Subcommittee authorizing public meetings to be held via teleconferencing pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e) and making findings and determination regarding the same.

New legislation (AB 361) was recently adopted allowing the Beverly Hills City Council Liaison / OpenBH Code Changes and Fees Ad Hoc Subcommittee to continue virtual meetings during the COVID-19 declared emergency subject to certain conditions and the proposed resolution implements the necessary requirements.

Motion by Councilmember Friedman, seconded by Councilmember Gold.

3) Open BH Conversion Code and Fee Structure Subcommittee Meeting #3

- Discussion lead by City Planner Timmi Tway
 - Staff working on draft language memorializing recommendations.
 - Current approval process and fee schedule reviewed for open air dining (OAD).

- Should changes be made to approval process?
 - Should "by- right" option be created?
 - Do any projects need Commission approval?
 - Should changes be made to noticing requirements?
- Should changes be made to approval process for parklets?
 - Recommendation from staff: require discretionary approval (review by Planning Division).
 - Would include noticing.
- Should changes be made to permit renewal and expiration regulations?
 - Recommendation from staff: consider extending initial five year periods for permits, or eliminate the renewal requirement.
 - If renewals are required, allow for more than one five year renewal.
- Should changes be made to fees?
 - Staff has no specific recommendations, requesting feedback.
 - Staff does recommend considering whether rental rate for parklets' public right of way use should be similar to existing fees.
- Planning team will continue reviewing options given above discussion and return with additional direction.

4) ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time: March 2, 2022 / 5:00 PM