



## **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 #2)**

#### **SPECIAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**

Wednesday, January 26, 2022  
5:00 P.M.

#### **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

Date / Time: January 26, 2022 / 5:00 P.M.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Councilmember Julian Gold, MD, Councilmember Lester Friedman, Assistant City Manager Nancy Hunt- Coffey, Director of Public Works Shana Epstein, Director of Community Development Ryan Gohlich, City Planner Timmi Tway, Marketing and Economic Sustainability Manager Laura Biery, President and CEO of Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce Todd Johnson.

#### **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 #2**

- Presentation by City Planner Timmi Tway
  - Staff should develop permanent changes to open air dining regulations, outlining what's allowed, how much is allowed and what restrictions should apply.
  - Staff should consider recommendations for draft code language which address whether permanent open air dining should be

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- allowed to extend beyond a restaurants façade. Language should consider all points discussed pertaining to allowing the extension.
- Staff has been directed to develop regulations regarding whether minimum sidewalk clearance should be changed depending on factors like whether a restaurant is existing or new and whether a parklet is flanking the sidewalk on both sides.
- Other topics of discussion and consideration include whether there should be a ratio of open air dining to indoor dining and whether parking requirements for open air dining should change.
- Next steps:
  - Staff will draft code language memorializing direction.
  - Discuss fees and process at future meeting, consider starting discussion on safety requirements.

**4) Adjournment:**

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