



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

## **HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING**

### **MINUTES**

Monday, February 26, 2018  
4:00 p.m.

#### **OPEN MEETING**

Date/Time: January 22, 2018 / 4:07 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, Maricella Marroquin, 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 no public comment.

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda was approved with an amendment to move Item 7 up to be heard second and Item 4 to be heard before Item 3.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

- Consideration of minutes from the Health and Safety Commission Special meeting on January 22, 2018.

Motion: MOVED by Vice Chair Ross, SECONDED by Commissioner Nazarian to approve the minutes with corrections (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, was present along with Laura Chism, Director of Special Education Services, and Chris Hertz, Director of Student Services. Ms. Chism informed the Commission on the types of sexual harassment training BHUSD teachers, administrators, and students receive. Ms. Hacker discussed vaping and student health. Mrs. Hertz informed the Commission that BHUSD has received a grant to be used for messaging students about the health risks of vaping and offering students cessation help. Chair Demeter proposed that the Health and Safety Commission work together with the school board and school district on hosting an educational outreach workshop for parents regarding vaping. The Commissioners agreed. Mr. Hertz added that DART Day is scheduled and will take place on April 2, 2018. Ms. Hacker asked for suggestions on areas to provide information.
- Beverly Hills Police Department – Sergeant Sean Smollen, BHPD, was not present and there was no report.

**CONTINUED BUSINESS**

**1. Health and Safety Recognition Program – Red Cross**

The American Red Cross was honored as the recipient of the Health and Safety Recognition Program to help usher in March as American Red Cross month. The American Red Cross Los Angeles Region has also appointed a Community Ambassador for Beverly Hills. Present to receive the award were Julie Thomas, Executive Director, Scott Underwood, Deputy Regional Disaster Officer, and Wil Master, Community Ambassador Beverly Hills.

**2. Disaster Preparedness**

Meena Janmohamed, Management Analyst, provided the Commission with winter storm preparedness tips and information. Up to 10 sandbags are available to each resident during storms. These can be picked up at the City's Public Works facility located at 342 Foothill Road. Residents were reminded to sign up for emergency notifications at [www.beverlyhills.org/emergencynotification](http://www.beverlyhills.org/emergencynotification) and by texting BEVHILLS or BEVHILLSPD to 888-777.

**3. Smoke-Free Multi-Unit Housing Ordinance**

Logan Phillippo, Senior Management Analyst, provided a brief update on implementation of the new regulations. Mr. Phillippo stated that although the ordinance was adopted in October 2017, that key provisions took effect on January 1, 2018. Mr. Phillippo provided information on the City's outreach campaign to inform residents of the regulations, which included press releases, mailers, handouts, newspaper advertisements, and an informational video.

This item was heard fifth.

#### **4. Flavored Tobacco Products**

Logan Phillippo, Senior Management Analyst, provided background information on City tobacco policies, provided a synopsis of the Commission's previous discussion regarding flavored tobacco products, and presented a draft ordinance that could restrict the sale of flavored tobacco products in the Beverly Hills. Staff presented three (3) policy questions for the Commission's consideration:

Does the Commission support the draft ordinance as presented?

What implementation timeframe does the Commission support?

Does the Commission support recommending City Council adoption of the draft ordinance?

11 speakers were heard and one (1) letter was read as part of public comment on the agenda item. 10 speakers were in support of the proposed policy to restrict the sale of flavored tobacco products. One (1) speaker was opposed. The letter read as part of public comment additionally opposed restrictions. The following speakers were present: eight (8) students from the Beverly Hills High School Medical Academy, one (1) representative from the National Association of Tobacco Outlets, one (1) resident, and one (1) representative from the American Lung Association.

The Commission deliberated and unanimously supported the draft ordinance with a modifications to the definition of "tobacco product", a three (3) month implementation timeframe which would begin after the 31-day ordinance adoption period, and unanimously recommended City Council Adoption of the modified draft ordinance.

#### **5. Smoking Cessation Update**

Logan Phillippo, Senior Management Analyst, provided an update to the Commission. In September 2017, City Council directed staff to research smoking cessation program opportunities through Community Assistance Grant Funds (CAGF). Mr. Phillippo indicated that staff had solicited several organizations to submit CAGF applications and that the City had received two applications: one for in-person cessation counseling and one for online services.

This item was heard sixth.

#### **6. Liaison Meeting**

Chair Demeter gave a brief update on the Health and Safety Commission Liaison meeting, which took place on Monday, January 29, 2018 at 3pm. Items discussed included the 2017 accomplishments and the 2018 work plan.

This item was heard seventh.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **7. CPR Update**

Les Bronte provided an update to the Commission about the activities by BH CPR. This past year, 7,000 individuals have been trained by 44 volunteer instructors based on guidelines set forth by the American Heart Association. BH CPR works towards keeping our community educated and Disaster Ready.

This item was heard second.

## PROJECT UPDATES

- None

## COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

- Chair's Report
- Mayor's Cabinet Meeting on 2/12/18  
Chair Demeter gave a brief overview of the meeting where she informed the Cabinet of an update to the American Lung Association's Beverly Hills City rating has improved to an "A."
- Other items  
Commissioner Ross mentioned the City of Montclair's recent ban of texting while walking across the street. Pamela Mottice-Muller stated that staff had reached out to the City of Montclair. According to their staff, the City of Montclair evaluated the ordinance in the context of state law and determined to move forward anyways. Staff will continue to study. Commissioner Lurie requested more information be brought to the Commission about gun safety. Commissioner Lurie reminded the community about the Music Mends Minds program, which takes place every Tuesday from 1:30pm-3:00pm at Roxbury Park. Music Mends Minds provides music therapy for those suffering from cognitive decline.

## COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

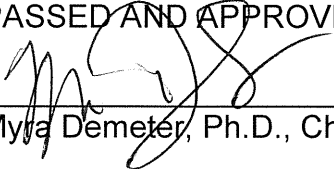
- Director's report
- Upcoming events
- Information only items
  - a) Commission Calendar
  - b) 1/29/18 City of Beverly Hills Press Release: Beverly Hills Given 'A' Grade from American Lung Association
  - c) American Lung Association Policy Grades in California – Beverly Hills Results
  - d) Tobacco-Free Laws Affecting California Schools
  - e) SF Schools Seek to Extinguish E-Cigarette Use on Campuses (article)
  - f) Assembly Bill No. 9, Chapter 5
  - g) 2/1/2018 BHPD Chief Sandra Spagnoli's Letter to the Community
  - h) This New App Is Like Yelp for Noise at Restaurants (article)
  - i) BHUSD Superintendent Michael Bregy's email to Chair Demeter
  - j) BHUSD Board Policy on Sexual Harassment BP5145.7
  - k) Stanford Medicine JUUL 101 PowerPoint
  - l) 2018 LA Marathon Route Map for Sunday, March 18, 2018
  - m) CA Department of Public Health News Release

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Date / Time: February 26, 2018 / 6:59 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 19<sup>TH</sup> DAY of MARCH, 2018

  
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Myra Demeter, Ph.D., Chair