



Mayor's Cabinet Meeting

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Monday, May 9, 2022
5:00 PM

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MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

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1. Welcome

- Mayor Lili Bosse called the meeting to order.

2. Public Comment

- None

3. Resolution of the Beverly Hills City Council / Mayor's Cabinet continuing to authorize public meetings to be held via teleconferencing pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e) and making findings and determination regarding the same.

- Mayor Lili Bosse read the resolution pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(3) into record; A motion was made and seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

4. Report from Commission Chairperson

- **Architectural Commission – James Matson**
 - Façade modification – IWC Schaffhausen 268 N. Rodeo Drive
 - Signage – BD&J 9701 Wilshire Boulevard
 - Signage Revision – Ermenegildo Zegna 337 N. Rodeo Drive

- **Arts and Culture Commission – Deborah Frank**

- The Fine Art Priority Exercise will be conducted where each member of the Commission will submit their chosen artwork to be voted on for recommendation to the City Council for acquisition by the City.
- The Commission proposed a new interactive digital exhibit at Almont and 9000 Wilshire that features a digital component of an LCD screen system with digital art changing throughout the course of the day and night. This will provide an “augmented reality” element via an Instagram filter to engage the public to interact with the artwork from their own mobile devices.
- The Beverly Hills ArtWalk was sold out and had an attendance of 40 people. www.beverlyhills.org/artwalk.
- There was a great turnout at Greystone Mansion for *The Gatsby Redux*, in partnership with Mixed eMotion Theatrix (Janet Roston) on April 27 -29.
- Approval was granted to acknowledge the Courtright family with a recognition plaque for their donation of the Millard Sheets mosaic tile art piece by the library.
- The 28th annual production of *Music In The Mansion* will be presented on Sunday, May 15 from 2:00 to 5:00pm at Greystone Mansion, which has been postponed for two years due to COVID-19.
- The 49th Annual Beverly Gardens Artshow will be held on May 21 – 22.
- Arts and Culture on-line workshops will continue through May 28. www.beverlyhills.org/bhrec

- **Charitable Solicitations Commission – Jodi K. Galen**

- The Commission has reviewed 34 financial statements and issued 57 permits.
- The Ad Hoc Committee will be presenting their CAGF applications decisions and presentations to them at their next meeting to be held on Monday, May 16.

- **Cultural Heritage Commission – Craig Corman**

- Three businesses were selected for the Golden Shield Award recognition program at the Commission’s April meeting. These are Micki Fine’s Pharmacy, the original Bistro Restaurant and Wil Wrights Ice Cream Parlor.
- The Commission has initiated designation of landmark proceedings for the John Lautner designed office building at the southeast corner of Little Santa Monica and Charleville Boulevard.

- **Design Review Commission – Sandy Pressman**

- The Design Review Commission met on May 5th where they reviewed and approved with conditions facade changes at 206 Maple Drive and 164 Carson Road.
- The Commission received an overview from Solid Waste Manager, James Burnley on the Organics Recycling Program.

- **Health & Safety Commission – Dr. Kirk Chang**

- The Commission received updates from priority agencies:
 - The Health & Safety Commission met on April 25.
 - The Commission received a report on Police Department activities from Geovanni Trejo, who spoke on the launch of the Citizens Academy program, community outreach events and the Police Officer recruitment process, which resulted in five new hires.
 - The Health and Safety Recognition Program recognized Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Susan Belgrade, Senior Director of Multipurpose and Senior Centers, Jewish Family Services Los Angeles.
 - CEO of the Organization for Social Media Safety, Marc Berkman, gave an overview on how to make social media safe for everyone. www.ofsms.org.
 - The Commission heard a presentation from Fire Captain, Michael Cherry, about the Beverly Hills Fire Department Peer Support Program. He shared statistics on the increased risk of mental health issues for firefighters and other first responders.

- **Human Relations Commission – Rhoda J. Sharp**

- The Commission unanimously approved a motion to recommend that City Council send a letter of support to the Governor urging him to include funding for Assemblymember Richard Bloom's AB 1126, the Commission on the State of Hate, which he authored in 2021.
- The FY 2022-23 Community Assistance Grant Fund's recommendations will go before the Commission's City Council Liaisons and then to the full Council. This funding supports essential services that helps our most vulnerable community members.
- As the month of May is recognized as Mental Health Awareness Month, we are reminded that anyone can access mental health support by calling the 24/7 Department of Mental Health Hotline at (800) 854-7771 or by texting LA to 741741. Los Angeles Community partners provide access to resources and opportunities for connection through art

installations, cultural experiences and other community engagement projects. www.whywerise.la

- **Planning Commission – Myra Demeter attending for Andy Licht**

- At their last meeting on April 14th, the Commission approved a request to allow an existing accessory structure at 510 N. Hillcrest.
- Approved an outdoor dining permit and for extended hours at Phil's Coffee (formerly Coffee Bean) 233 S. Beverly Drive.
- April 28th meeting directed staff to prepare a resolution memorializing the Commissioner's findings regarding the requested entitlement for Harkham Hillel Hebrew Academy.
- They approved a request for a vesting tentative tract map and associated plan review for One Beverly Hills.
- At the next meeting on Thursday May 12th, they will review the operations of Spring Place.
- They will review a request for a CUP development plan review and extended hours permit associated with the restaurant at the Avalon Hotel on Olympic.
- They will review the capital improvement program for consistency with the general plan for the entire City of Beverly Hills.
- Will conduct a study session reviewing the City's In Lieu Parking Program.

- **Public Works Commission – John Millan**

- The Water Treatment Plant was put into production on April 24th.
- The Earth Day booth at the Farmers' Market on April 24th put out over seven tons of compost and unloaded over 200 cars with paper to be shredded.
- Options for additional emergency water storage were reviewed by their reservoir management system.
- The Commission provided input on City Council priorities.
- The staff laid out the plans for the single use plasticware and styrofoam ban ordinance, which will be presented to the City Counsel in early 2023.

- **Recreation & Parks Commission – Amie Sherry**

Youth Programs

- The *Upstage* after school theater program concluded the spring session with performances on Wednesday, April 20 and Thursday, April 21. Students from the program performed *High School Musical* in the Horace Mann Elementary School Auditorium in front of 150 family and friends.
- Staff presented Zoos Fitness as a potential new vendor to bring adaptive and inclusive physical fitness opportunities for those with special needs to Beverly Hills. They hope to offer both group and specialty classes geared towards development in balance, coordination, strength and overall physical fitness.

Senior programs

- In collaboration with the Beverly Hills Active Adult Club (BHAAC), City staff and the BHAAC board are currently working hard on planning a BHAAC PROM (dance) on Monday, May 23rd from 1:00-3:00pm at the Roxbury Park Community Center.

Adult Programs

- Pickleball remains a popular activity with busy courts at both La Cienega Tennis Center and Roxbury Park, particularly during peak morning, evening, and weekend hours. Recent program updates included the replacement of nets at all pickleball courts, installation of etiquette signage, and elimination of drop-in play at Roxbury Park. The pickleball court locations at the La Cienega Tennis Center will soon be relocated to a 2nd floor court location, as part of a pilot program to assess ideal court locations for pickleball.

Adult Sports Leagues

- Adult Sports have fully returned for the City of Beverly Hills.
- Adult Basketball has returned to BHHS for the spring/summer season. The season started on April 25th.
- Adult Wood Bat Baseball started at La Cienega Park. We have six teams in the league this year.

Library Programs

- Jim J's Jukebox will present a **live performance** in the Library Auditorium May 25th at 7 pm.

- The Book Discussion Group sponsored by the Friends of the Library will return to two **in-person** sessions in the meeting room each month. One virtual session will continue to be offered.
- *Under Bright Skies, Family Storytime* on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings in the Civic Center Plaza continues through May 12th.
- Summer Reading Club begins May 23, 2022 and this year's theme is *Read Beyond the Beaten Path*. Terrific Tuesdays will return in July.

Greystone Mansion

- Starting May 1 the park returned to our pre-pandemic hours. The grounds are open daily, 10am-6pm.

Farmers Market

- On May 22nd, the Public Works Department will be hosting Public Works Day at the Beverly Hills Farmers' Market. Come by to meet the Beverly Hills Public Works team as they celebrate our "Healthy City" and show how your Public Works Department supports the quality of life in our community.
- Pie Bake A' La Beverly Hills & Piesta will be held on Sunday June 12th. They're currently recruiting contestants for the Pie Bake. Those interested in joining the Pie Bake competition please visit www.beverlyhills.org/farmersmarket or call 310-285-6830

- **Rent Stabilization Commission – Kathy Bronte for Donna Tryfman**
 - The Commission is having continued discussions surrounding rent increases and pass through changes as directed by the Council. Discussions are nuanced and respectful. They have very thoughtful people on the Commission concerned with fairness and they are cognizant of the emotions inherited in the discussions involving housing in the City.

- **Traffic & Parking Commission – Sharon Ignarro, MD**
 - As part of the monthly educational speaker series, the Commission heard a presentation given by Jim Shanman, Founder of the Non-Profit Walk and Rollers on bike safety and rules of the road.
 - The Commission is in the process of developing a traffic-calming toolbox and is conducting a study of other states on how they procure various traffic calming devices.
 - The staff looked at the six entry point intersection of Beverly, Canon and Lomitas (which is south of Sunset) for safety, efficiency and accessibility.
 - The Commission hosted a pit stop on “**Bike-to-Work**” day, Thursday, May 19th on North Santa Monica and Rodeo offering refreshments and giveaways to those riding their bike to work.
<https://beverlyhills.org/bikes>

5. Mayor's Report

- The Mayor highlighted the following items:
 - The first “**Business with Bosse**” event was held on April 25 at Tommy's Restaurant with 250 people in attendance. The next one will be at Chaumont Bakery on May 19 and then on May 23 at Alfred's Coffee.
 - City Hall's outer facade was illuminated in honor of Israeli Independence Day on May 5 and the City received an award by WIZO in honor of their support of Israel.
 - The first “**Live with Lili**” will take place tonight May 9 in the Municipal Gallery where the community will be given the opportunity to share their ideas, thoughts and suggestions in a town hall style format.
 - Police Service Day and Breakfast will be held this Sunday, May 15 at the Civic Center.
 - Rodeo Drive's Concours d'Elegance will be held on Father's Day Sunday, June 19.
 - There will be a City Council Meeting tomorrow, May 10.
 - Mayor Bosse will be reviewing the issuance of approval of the certificate of eligibility for the existing potential historic residence to 1001 N. Roxbury Drive.
 - The next Mayor's Cabinet Meeting will be held on June 13.

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