



## **Mayor's Cabinet Meeting**

### **MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**

Monday, March 14, 2022  
5:00 PM

Pursuant to Executive Order N-25-20 members of the Beverly Hills City Council and staff may participate in this meeting via teleconference/video conference. In the interest of maintaining appropriate social distancing, members of the public can participate by listening to the meeting at: <https://beverlyhills-org.zoom.us/my/cabinet> Passcode: 90210 or by phone at 1-833-548-0282, Access Code: 757-376-845 and offer comment through email at: [mayorandcitycouncil@beverlyhills.org](mailto:mayorandcitycouncil@beverlyhills.org)

### **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

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#### **1. Welcome**

- Mayor Robert Wunderlich 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 authorize public meetings to be held via teleconferencing pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e) and making findings and determination regarding the same.**

- Mayor Robert Wunderlich read the resolution pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(3) into record; Planning Commissioner Andy Licht moved to pass the resolution, with Traffic & Parking Commission – Sharon Ignarro seconding the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

#### **4. Report from Commission Chairperson**

- **Planning Commission – Andy Licht (taken out of order)**
  - The Commission had discussions regarding the LVMH Cheval Blanc Hotel and a number of Rodeo stores having an issue with wanting to reverse the alley access to North instead of South and how cars enter and exit the porte cochere off of Little Santa Monica Blvd.

- An ADU (guesthouse) study session was held to discuss a clearer ordinance for the City.
- Another extension was issued for the Kate Mantilini Building at 9101 Wilshire; the goal is to start construction by January 2023.
- Chair Licht's term will end on June 30, 2022.
  
- **Architectural Commission – James Matson**
  - Façade modification and sign accommodation – Louis Vuitton 420 N. Rodeo Drive
  - Temporary mural installation “butterflies” Van Cleef and Arpels 300 N. Rodeo Drive
  - Sign accommodation – Coldwell Banker Realty 301 N. Canon Drive
  - Construction barricade – Saint Laurent 328 N. Rodeo Drive
    - Police Chief Stainbrook gave a presentation at the Commission meeting.
  
  - The Restaurant Subcommittee met and approved the following projects:
    - Mastro's Steakhouse – 246 N. Canon Drive (rooftop dining space) - Approved
    - Chotto Matte – 257 N. Canon Drive (rooftop dining space) - Design changes pending
  
- **Arts and Culture Commission – Deborah Frank**
  - Arts and Culture Commission in joint with Frieze had their inaugural Beverly Gardens tour and will continue through September on the first Sundays of the month.
  - William Wegman Art Installation at 9570 Wilshire Blvd from February 16 – March 30. Open from 5:30pm to midnight.
  - Community Services Department offers on-line Arts and Culture workshops. Spring registration starts March 14, classes through May 28.
  - Greystone Mansion – Chamber music to be performed on May 15 at 2:00pm.
  
- **Charitable Solicitations Commission – Jodi K. Galen**
  - Issued 17 new permits this month.
  - Reviewed and approved 10 financial statements of completed permits.
  
- **Cultural Heritage Commission – Craig Corman**
  - A report was not presented by the Cultural Heritage Commission

- **Design Review Commission – Sandy Pressman**

- The Design Review Commission did not meet during the month of February.

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

- The Commission received updates from priority agencies:
  - Beverly Hills Police Department.
  - Beverly Hills Fire Department.
  - The Health and Safety Recognition Program recognized Sunrise of Beverly Hills Executive Director, Jason Malone.
  - The Commission received an overview of the City of Beverly Hills Care Management Program.
  - Lieutenant Giovanni Trejo gave a presentation on drone technology.

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

- Chair Sharp reported on a very successful Kindness week for the City.
- She recited the Embracing Civility statement and stated how wonderful it was to have finally held five in-person events to the public after the two-year COVID hiatus. The hired ambassadors did an excellent job at the Beverly Gardens event.
- Anticipating LA County's 2020 Hate Crime Report from Marshall Wong, Senior Human Relations Consultant, Hate Crime Coordinator and Principal Author of the annual Hate Crime Report.
- March is recognized at National Women's History Month.
- The Community Assistance Grand Fund is currently underway and is reviewing applications and will bring recommendations to City Council in the upcoming weeks.

- **Public Works Commission – John Millan**

- The Foothill Water Treatment Plant has completed their 30-day continuous testing and is awaiting permit.
- The Plant's ribbon cutting event will be held on March 28.
- A review of Sweden's recycling practices was held.
- Businesses are responding well to the disposal waste ordinance.

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

- The Preschool program is continuing to operate in-person with COVID-19 testing required at all sites. The wearing of masks is no longer required but is encouraged.
- The Beverly Hills Active Adult Club (BHAAC) hosted a variety of events, i.e., bingo, The Tony M Show, Hosted Rox Reels and AARP Foundation's tax preparation assistance is offered through the Roxbury Park Community Center.
- Spring Adult soccer league was canceled due to lack of registered teams and could be offered again in the summer.
- Adult baseball returns to La Cienega Park on April 30 for a 10-week season.
- Youth sport leagues including Little League, AYSO and Basketball are all active and in season.
- The Library is now fully open with the family story time program, *Under The Sunny Skies*, continuing through the end of March.
- The Summer Reading Club will begin May 23. The theme is *Read Beyond The Beaten Path*
- Over 1,300 people visited the grounds of Greystone Mansion during February and over 25 non-commercial photo shoots took place.
- Coming programs at Greystone will be *The Gatsby Redux*, in partnership with Mixed eMotion Theatrix (Janet Roston) in late April and *Music In The Mansion* on May 15.
- The Farmers' Market has returned to full capacity and patrons are welcoming the return of live music, outdoor dining and the petting zoo.
- The Market will be closed on March 20 due to the Los Angeles Marathon route going through Beverly Hills.
- The Hamel Mini Park playground received a resurfacing of the rubberized pour-in-place material on February 28 and reopened on March 4.

- **Rent Stabilization Commission – Donna Tryfman**

- After many discussions, the Rent Stabilization Commission submitted a very long-anticipated habitability ordinance recommendation to the City Council.

- **Traffic & Parking Commission – Sharon Ignarro, MD**

- As part of the monthly educational speaker series, the Commission heard a presentation given by Culver City's Jane Chan on their plan to modify traffic lanes called "*Move Culver City*", where they combined the bus and bike lanes creating a more efficient flow of traffic.

- Several Community Development planning projects are underway, i.e., Beverly Hills Project's corridor through Merv Griffin Way, The National League of Cities' Safety First Challenge Initiative, the Minimum Grid and a bike lane on Doheny Drive between Burton and Wilshire, to be presented to City Council.
- A best practices report from Scandinavia was received about cycling in The Netherlands featuring their policies, sustainability goals, efforts to decrease greenhouse gases and assist with climate change.

## 5. Mayor's Report

- The Mayor highlighted the following items:
  - Next City Council meeting is March 15 and will be in-person, the Mayor provided an update on items that would be before Council.
  - New restaurant tent on Canon Drive
  - Doheny Drive bike lane
  - A new local shuttle
  - Council liaisons attending Affordable Housing Ad Hoc meeting
  - Eviction and rent increase moratorium
  - The search for the new Deputy Fire Chief
  - RFPs on a new Internal Auditor
  - Wellness Wednesday and Important Dates
    - March 16 – Fundraiser for Ukraine
    - March 20 – LA Marathon
    - March 28 – Ribbon Cutting for Water Treatment Plant
    - March 30 – Pickle Ball

## ADJOURNMENT

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