

Hillside Federation
September 17, 2019
Minutes

I. Call to Order

President Charley Mims called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm. Members and guests introduced themselves.

Guest: Walt Young, MRCA Deputy Executive Officer (MRCA phone: 310-456-7049)

1. Brush clearance has been done.
2. Homelessness has been combatted in the parkland fairly heavily
3. Arson Watch with Rangers and the Citizens Emergency Mobile Patrol (CEMP) volunteers have been added this year with the hope that they will be instrumental in helping keep the area safe. They assist with search and rescue and red flag days with the additional patrols in blue trucks.

Presentation: 3003 Runyon Canyon Rd. - Manny Valencia (property owner),
Nicole Kuklok-Waldman and Katherine Hennigan (CoLABorate [land use consultants])

The DEIR has been released and the comment period runs through October 7. Nicole described the proposed Runyon Canyon Park project, which would require numerous exemptions (variances) from the Mulholland Scenic Parkway Specific Plan. Including the basement, the house would be 13,000 square feet and requires cut and fill of 14,000 cubic yards of earth.

V. New Business (*taken out of order*)

A. 3003 Runyon Canyon – Joan Cashel

Runyon Canyon is in the backyard of many people in Nichols Canyon and the Park cannot speak for itself. Several previous proposals for this site inside Runyon Canyon Park have correctly been denied. This project is out of scale and does not comply with the Mulholland Scenic Parkway Specific Plan.

MOTION: Joan Cashel moved that the Hillside Federation support the motion submitted by HHWNC's PLUM and Parks and Open Space Committees opposing this project in any form as it is inappropriate for the site under the Mulholland Scenic Parkway Specific Plan and the Mulholland Design and Preservation Guidelines. The motion passed.

II. Approval of minutes

The July minutes were approved as written.

III. Officers' Reports

A. President's Report – Charley Mims

Recap of the newsletter and some other current events. PLUM is trying to make the Sign Ordinance (CF 11-1705) more favorable to the sign industry. Members are encouraged to write to their council members in support of the City Planning Commission's version B+.

Members are also encouraged to send messages to Gov. Newsom asking him to veto SB 330.

B. Treasurer's Report—Don Andres

The Holiday Party is confirmed for December 12 at the Mulholland Tennis Club.

IV. Old Business

A. AB 1788 rodenticide ban update – Marian Dodge

Assemblymember Richard Bloom has changed the bill from a 1-year bill to a 2-year bill so it can have a better chance to pass next year.

B. Protected Tree Ordinance update – Linda Whitford

Adding elderberry and toyon to the Protected Tree Ordinance will be voted on soon. Many folks went or provided comments supporting adding the trees; however the item was continued at the last minute. It will go to the Gang Reduction Committee and then to PLUM.

V. New Business *(continued)*

B. Mountaingate Open Space Maintenance Association membership

There was a discussion regarding what kind of organization Mountaingate Open Space Maintenance Association (MOSMA) actually is. The consensus of the attendees was that we needed more information about their organization prior to considering HF Membership.

Announcements

Stephen Benson announced he will be stepping down at the end of the year from his post as the HF rep for Residents of Beverly Glen and in turn will be stepping down as Secretary from HF, “Thank you to everyone for everything I have learned and for all the knowledge that has been shared with me throughout my time with the Hillside Federation.”

Heidi Mackay announced that the next meeting of the Burbank Airport task force is October 17.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:36 pm.

Next meeting October 15, 2019

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Benson
Secretary

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Bel-Air Assn	Linda Whitford
Bel Air Hills Assn	Robin Greenberg
SteveTwining	
Bel Air Skycrest POA	Mark Stratton
Benedict Canyon Assn	Nickie Miner
Brentwood Res Coal	Wendy-Sue Rosen
Canyon Back Alliance	Lois Becker
Doheny-Sunset Plaza NA	Ellen Evans
Franklin/Hlwd Bl W	Don Andres
	Yvonne Hessler
Franklin Hills Res Assn.	Charley Mims
Kagel Cyn Civic Assn.	Kit Paull
Laurel Canyon Assn.	Cathy Wayne
	Jamie Hall
LFIA (Los Feliz)	Dennis Chew
	Marian Dodge
	Amy Gustincic

Nichols Cyn NA	Julie Kremkus
Res of Bev Glen	Stephen Benson
Save Coldwater Canyon!	Heidi Mackay
Studio City Res Assn	Joann Deutch
Upper Nichols Cyn	Joan Cashel

GUESTS:

MRCA	Walt Young
Chair Emeritus	Patricia Bell Hearst
Nichols Cyn NA	Fabian Kremkus
3003 Runyon Cyn	Manny Valencia
CoLABorate	Nicole Kuklok-Waldman
	Katherine Hennigan