

Hillside Federation

May 17, 2022

Minutes

via video conference

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Charley Mims at 7:03 pm.

Guest Series: Getting to Know Candidates

Rick Caruso - Candidate, LA City Mayor.

He stated that “For change I’m the right candidate.” He served on the DWP Board for 13 years: “We have a lot of water that’s wasted; we need to use recycled water on landscaping.” On placing commercial properties in residential zoning, he stated “the hotel project is highly problematic.” “Our downtown convention space is archaic.” Asked if he would support the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy as a trustee agency, Caruso said he would. Asked if he would support permanent protected status for mountain lions; Caruso said he loves animals.

Assemblymember Laura Friedman - Candidate, AD 44

Friedman explained that she is currently in the 43rd district, but because of redistricting, is running for the 44th district, which is further into the San Fernando Valley. She will no longer represent Griffith Park. Friedman stated that we need to be careful where we develop housing in the hillsides. We need to upgrade fire codes. Friedman voted against SB 9, stating that we do need more housing but we need to be sensitive to the areas that don’t have adequate ingress and egress.

Email Laura at laura@votelaurafriedman.com

Sign up to host an event at www.votelaurafriedman.com

New AD 44 map: <https://www.votelaurafriedman.com/ad44>

All maps can be found at <https://www.wedrawthelinesca.org/finalmaps>

Greg Good - Candidate, Council District 11

Good was President of LA City Board of Public Works. For CD 5, he worked to secure funding for the Wildlife Corridor district. He helped establish City Plants. “Hyperion recycling plant will be working by 2035.” He would exempt VHFHSZ from SB 9. He would support habitat acquisition.

www.good4cd11.com

Wildlife Ordinance - Kat Superfisky, Conni Pallini, Lena Mik, Alex Linz

www.ourLA2040@lacity.org to submit comments to the draft Ordinance

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CD 5 update - Ali Simard

On August 20th, “Own a Piece of LA” draft ordinance is going to City Council. The Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy first right of refusal for properties in the hillsides will be renewed every 2 years

CD 4 update - Mehmet Berker

The Senior Meal Programs for those 60 and older will run through the end of June. Senior Emergency Meal Program: 213-202-5669 seniormealsprogram@lacity.org CA Climate Action Corps Fellow: <https://www.tfaforms.com/4922172> If you or someone you know does apply, please email Jeremy.tramer@lacity.org to let us know so we can flag the application.

II. Approval of Minutes:

The April minutes were approved as written.

III. Officers’ Reports

A. President’s Report- Charley Mims

Charley thanked the anniversary event planners, Don, Julie, and Robin.

B. Treasurer & Operations Report - Don Andres

Hillside Federation 70th Anniversary Report: 93 members and guests attended the very successful event. The paid tickets and donations offset the expense of the event. The remaining activity is to plant 8 trees in honor of our 8 HF Chair Emeriti.

The HF concluded its “Getting to Know Candidate Series” tonight having hosted 20 candidates for various positions during our monthly meetings during the last year.

The treasurer’s report was filed without objection.

IV. Old Business

A. Mount St. Mary’s University Report - Wendy-Sue Rosen

A lawsuit was filed yesterday.

B. Curtis School Project - Wendy-Sue Rosen

At the Design Review Board hearing the board voted unanimously to recommend denial of the project. We're waiting for the written decision and will forward it to you.

C. Mulholland Design Review Board Memorandum update - Don Andres

No new information. The hearing is scheduled for late June 2022.

D. SB 9 and 10 Update - Jamie Hall

No update

E. Harvard-Westlake River Park Project - Alan Dymond

Alan talked to Paul Edelman regarding support from the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy. They met with Councilmember Nithya Raman. Artificial turf is toxic.

F. 3003 Runyon Canyon Road - Don Andres, Joan Cashel

The Letter from the Hillside Federation opposing the project as proposed was submitted to the City. A small group met with CD 4 regarding the project.

V. New Business

None

VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 pm.

Next meeting June 21, 2022

Robin Greenberg

Recording Secretary

Members Present:

Bel-Air Hills Assn.

Robin Greenberg

Wendy Morris

Steve Twining

Bel Air Skycrest POA

Mark Stratton

Benedict Canyon Assn.

Don Loze

Nickie Miner

Robert Schlesinger

Brentwood Hills HOA	Thomas Howard
	Carolyn LoBuglio
Brentwood Residents Coalition	Wendy-Sue Rosen
Cahuenga Pass POA	Steven Kates
	Krista Michaels
Canyon Back Alliance	Lois Becker
Doheny/Sunset Plaza NA	Ellen Evans
	Stella Grey
Franklin Hills Residents Assn.	Charley Mims
Franklin/Hollywood West Residents Assn.	Don Andres
	Yvonne Hessler
Hollywood Heights	Doug Williams
Hollywoodland Homeowners	Jeff Swofford
Laurel Canyon Assn.	Rick Seireeni
	Jamie Hall
	Rose Hasnat
	Walter Perry
	Cathy Wayne
LFIA (Los Feliz)	Marian Dodge
Mt. Washington Homeowners Alliance	Lee McLoed
Nichols Canyon NA	Julie Kremkus
Outpost NA	Tom Davila
	Andrea Falco
Oaks Homeowners	Linda Othenin-Girard
Save Coldwater Canyon!	Suellen Wagner
Save Our Canyon	Volker Fleck
	Mark Levin
	Robert Mann
Studio City Residents Assn.	Joann Deutch
	Alan Dymond
	Barry Johnson

Upper Nichols Canyon NA

Joan Cashel

Guests:

Candidate for AD 44, AM AD 43

Laura Friedman

Candidate AD 44 staff

Blake Dellinger

AD 43 Staff

Seamus Garrity

Candidate AD 51

Greg Good

Candidate LA Mayor

Rick Caruso

CD 5 Planning

Dylan Sittig

CD 5 Environmental Deputy

Andy Shrader

CD 5 Communications Director

Ali Simard

CD 4 Field Rep

Mehmet Berker

Chair Emeritus

Alan Kishbaugh

Chair Emeritus guest

Stella Resnick

Planning - Wildlife Ordinance

Constanza Pallini-Tipton

Alex Linz

Lena Mik

Kat Superfisky

Bel Air/Beverly Crest NC

Stephanie Savage

Sunshine Hills Residents Assn.

Diana Nicole Zogran