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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

ICO on LA River

Councilman Ed Reyes initiated an ICO on 32 miles of the LA River, extending 300 feet on each side of the river in the West Valley, 500 feet in Sherman Oaks and Studio City, to 1000 feet in the Central City. The ICO would have precluded any project which had not already secured permits for the next year with a 1-year extension or until plans for the LA River are established. There was also an urgency clause, and there was no notice of the action until the February Thursday Planning Commission hearing was agendized on the prior Monday morning.

Major opposition was mounted by Studio City, which was severely impacted, in some areas on both sides of Ventura Blvd, already controlled by the Ventura Blvd Specific Plan. The ICO was tabled by the Commission, and Reyes was told to rewrite the legislation to provide more transparency and reasoning if he wishes to bring it back.

This is an example of how one community, when united, can affect the process. At our March meeting, I would like to discuss just how our communities have and can do just that, even when under severe time constraints. So come prepared with your stories - whether victories or disasters - and lets discuss winning strategies.

Inappropriate Business in our Communities

Is fighting night clubs on our main thoroughfares or in our communities an appropriate action? Cahuenga Pass and Studio City are both struggling to regulate hours and uses in businesses which already have police records for gunfire and physical assaults, as well as arrests. As a result we have been accused of racism. and "white picket fence" attitudes. If t

The mission of the Hillside Federation shall be:

To protect the property and the quality of life of residents of the Santa Monica Mountains and other hillside areas of Los Angeles and its environs, and to encourage and promote those policies and programs which will best preserve the natural topography and wildlife of the mountains and hillsides for the benefit of all the people of Los Angeles.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, MARCH 1, 2006 - 8:00pm

TREE PEOPLE

**Corner Mulholland Drive &
Coldwater Canyon
Studio City**

AGENDA

- * Introduction of Members and Guests
- * Minutes of February Meeting to be Approved
- * Presentation - Kelly Hayes-Raitt, Political Consultant running for Fran Pavley's seat - issues: Preserve Homeowners' rights to sue for shoddy construction
- * Reports - Developments - Slope Density Mountaingate, Mayor's Budget Meeting with NCs
- * Reports: President
Chairman
Vice Presidents
Treasurer
- * Old and New Business

the Police Commission issues permits to these operations, what are our options? We'll try to answer those issues on March 1.

Call me on (818) 761-4065 with your ideas for the meeting, or with your concerns.

POLLY WARD, President

**LETTER SENT TO COUNCILMAN GREIG
SMITH FEBRUARY 18, 2006**

Dear Councilman Smith:

Your Consultant, Chip Clements, spent an hour with us at our February meeting, presenting your RENEW LA Resources Management Plan, and answering questions, to a very interested and involved audience.

Not only did the members of the Federation plan to take this information back to their homeowners associations, but they unani-

mously adopted a motion to support your RENEW LA plan in any way possible.

Please call on us in the future if we can be of help or support for this well-thought-out blueprint for the City of Los Angeles

Sincerely,

Polly Ward, President

NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS FOR THE NEXT YEAR

Chairman of the Board	Steve Twining
President	Polly Ward
1st Vice President	Joan Luchs
2nd Vice President	Paula Fern
Executive Secretary	Marilyn Stefano
Recording Secretary	
Secretary Pro Tem	Liz Tigar
Treasurer	Fritz Zeiser

The Federation still needs a volunteer for the Recording Secretary position, We are hoping that someone will volunteer for a one-year term.

POLLY WARD

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH TIPS

> From: LAPD - Date: Tue, 21 Feb 2006,10:48:10 --FYI
Loc 200 N Glenroy Ave

Summary: On 02/19/06, at 2045 hours, the victim returned to his SFR, heard noises inside, observed the suspects flee from the residence. It was found that suspects gained entry into the residence by smashing the glass on a rear door and then removed jewelry.

FEDERATION'S WEBSITE UP AND RUNNING

The Federation's new website is
www.hillsidecanyon.org

Please take a look at it, and if there's something else you'd like to see on it, or if you want to send in an article to the Newsletter, we'd love to hear from you. Call Steve Twining at (310) 472-6091 to give your suggestions.

NEWSLETTER

Editor/Publisher **MARILYN STEFANO**

HEY! Is anyone reading this beside Claire Carafello & Alan Fine? What's happening? 'Sup? What's going on in your neighborhoods? I feel like the mother whose children don't call anymore - isn't anyone interested in spreading the word about great (or awful) news in their neighborhoods? We want a Newsletter that keeps us informed about what's happening (let's have some fun stuff, too). Please PLEASE send us stuff - we appreciate being in the know.- or now - or no? Articles might be subject to some editing for grammar or syntax, if needed - NOT for content - though I doubt it will happen!

For APRIL send by MARCH 25th
Fax a hard copy 2 weeks before the next meeting to

**310-275-8765 ; OR email at
marijoe90210@sbcglobal.net**

----- End of Forwarded Message

After receiving this message, it seemed like a good idea to post this timely article

Suspicious Activity:

A stranger entering your neighbor's house when it's unoccupied

Anyone removing car accessories, license plates or gasoline

Anyone peering into parked cars or houses
Apparent business transactions conducted from a vehicle

Anyone loitering around schools, parks, secluded areas or on the street

Any vehicle moving slowly and without lights or one following an apparently aimless course

Vehicles containing one or more persons parked at unusual hours

Vehicles being loaded with valuables in front of unoccupied houses

The sound of breaking glass or loud explosive noises
Persons being forced into vehicles

Information most often needed by the Police

What happened?
When? Where? Is anyone injured?
Vehicle license number & description

Direction of flight
Description of persons including clothing

Your home is better protected if

- All exterior doors are solid core doors with deadbolt locks
- Doors are always locked
- Locks are changed after moving into a new residence
- Your home address is visible
- Exterior doors are hinged from within
- There are good lights in areas which otherwise might conceal prowlers.
- Shrubbery close to your building is trimmed to prevent a break-in from going unnoticed

BEL AIR BEVERLY CREST NC OFFICE

Chairman STEVE TWINING, also President of the above Neighborhood Council, advises that If you are interested in attending any Neighborhood Council meetings, please contact STEVE TWINING at the Council office: 310-479-6247, Fax: 310-479-0458, 1525 S. Sepulveda Blvd., #5. The office is open Mon. & Wed., 9am-6pm, and Fri. 9am-1pm.

REMINDERS: ISSUES & PETITIONS

Federation meetings are scheduled to start at 8:00 pm, and end at 10:00pm and, in order to end on time, an **OUTLINE OF ISSUES & PETITIONS** to be brought before the Board should be mailed to : Pres. POLLY WARD at P.O.Box 1041, Studio City, CA 91614 or faxed to: (818) 761-4065, or e-mailed to: polward@aol.com, 48 hours before the scheduled meeting.

MOTIONS to be made at the meeting should be thought out beforehand, and put into writing so that they are clear and concise. **EACH SPEAKER** will be allowed 5 minutes to make his/her presentation, so that meetings can be kept on time.

MULHOLLAND SCENIC PARKWAY DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

MARVIN BRAUDE SAN FERNANDO
CONSTITUENTS SERVICE CENTER
6262 Van Nuys Blvd., Van Nuys
Date: the 1st & 3rd Thursdays of the month
Time: 6:30pm

DUES NOTICE FOR 2006

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR THE YEAR 2006, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$150.00, ARE DUE JANUARY 1, 2006.

You may bring a check to the March meeting, or mail it to:

The Hillside Federation
Fritz Zeiser, Treasurer
2337 Roscomare Rd., PMB 2-228
Los Angeles, CA 90077

An invoice was mailed to each Association after our December meeting. Please make sure the correct person to receive the invoice is on the Federation mailing list.