MINUTES OF THE BRENTWOOD COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

Brentwood Presbyterian Church

Wednesday, September 11, 2024

CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chairwoman Carolyn Jordan acted as the meeting Chair and called the meeting to order at approximately 5:35 p.m. and called the roll.

Council members present:

REPRESENTATIVES
Aronson, Michelle
Akov, Georgia
Branscombe, Daniel
Brown, Pamela
Cole, Lauren
Jordon, Carolyn
Klein, Ray
LoBuglio, Carolyn
Morgan, Kathy
Roll, Barbara
Shaloo, Andrea
Watts, Larry

ALTERNATES
Arbour, Elyse
Chapgier, Flo
Flannagan, Kathleen
Owens, Ayesha

*Note: Only those Representatives and Alternates who are present at the meeting will be listed; late arrivals are asked to announce themselves to the Board can recognize them and list them as present.

Approval of Minutes

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of the August 14, 2024 general meeting were approved.

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SLO Mathew Kirk Crime Report: The Chair next reviewed the report of SLO Mathew Kirk. She noted there were no residential burglaries reported in Brentwood, which is a significant improvement from the experience of recent months. The Chair also noted that LAPD has made arrests in the Valley of suspects who are also suspected of committing burglaries in Brentwood.

Mayor Karen Bass- Marian Ansley reported on the Para-Olympics which will be held for the first time in Los Angeles in 2028.

CD-11 Member Traci Park-Michael Amster reported that Member Park is supporting an expedited adoption of a camping ordinance based on the recent SCOTUS decision in the Grants Pass case. He is aware of the encampment at Wilshire and Westgate and wil follow through. San Vicente Blvd. will be closed on October 20 and November 17 for races. He also discussed the traffic problem at the on ramp to 405 at Skirball Center.

WRAC Motions. The Chair next called for a discussion of four WRAC motions.

1. Coordination between State and CD 11. Councilmember Park wrote to Gov. Newsom in August requesting that Caltrans coordinate with CD 11 when addressing encampments on state property located with the Cd-11 boundaries and has not received a response. Thereafter, following further discussion and upon a motion duly made and seconded it was,

   RESOLVED, the Brentwood Community Council ("BCC") strongly supports the letter dated August 5, 2024, from Councilwoman Traci Park to Governor Newsom and Caltrans, requesting that state authorities coordinate with CD 11 in addressing encampments on state property within the district, pursuant to the Governor's

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Executive Order # N-1-24. BCC further requests a prompt response, effective action and accountability by state authorities.

2. Coordination between State and CD-5. Request CD-5 to communicate with the governor and other state agencies concerning encampments on state property. Thereafter, following further discussion and upon a motion duly made and seconded it was,

   RESOLVED, the Brentwood Community Council ("BCC") requests that Councilwoman Katy Yaroslavksy promptly send a letter to Governor Newsom and Caltrans, similar to the letter of August 5, 2024, from Councilwoman Park to the Governor and Caltrans requesting that state authorities coordinate with CD 5 in addr concerning encampments on state property within the district, pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order # N-1-24. BCC further requests a prompt response, effective action and accountability by state authorities.

3. Affirmation of support for BCC letter to LA County The BCC recently wrote to the LA County Board of Supervisors concerning the county's role in addressing the issue of homelessness. Thereafter, following further discussion and upon a motion duly made and seconded it was,

   RESOLVED, the Brentwood Community Council ("BCC")strongly supports the Resolution approved by Brentwood Community Council on August 14, 2024, regarding the responses, actions and policies of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (BOS) with respect to addressing homelessness in Los Angeles. BCC further specifically supports the four requests to the BOS set forth in the Resolution.

4. Homeless Reporting Dashboard for City and the County of LA. Culver City has established a very clear, accessible central Homeless Dashboard. Neither the City

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nor the County have such a central Dashboard or any clear Dashboard or webpage similar to Culver City's. There are webpages on the LA CAO's and Controller's websites providing some homeless data, but these are not clear, not easily accessed nor understandable for the public, as is the Culver City Dashboard. Thereafter, following further discussion and upon a motion duly made and seconded it was,

RESOLVED, the Brentwood Community Council ("BCC") urges the City of Los Angeles and the County of Los Angeles to promptly establish a new central Homeless Reporting Dashboard on their respective websites, mirroring the Culver City Homeless Reporting Dashboard, that is clear, open, honest, transparent and easily accessible by the public. BCC further requests that Councilwoman Park and Supervisor Horvath take appropriate action to effectuate establishment of such a new central Homelessness Reporting Dashboard for the City of Los Angeles and for the County of Los Angeles.

BCC Committee Updates and Announcements

Land Use Committee.

Matu Steakhouse: The Chair announced the discussion concerning the CUB application are ongoing. The Chair also noted that the future of the Barry Building and former home of Dutton's Books on San Vicente Blvd. remains uncertain as it appears unlikely that the City will remove its designation as a historic -cultural monument.

Transportation. The chair recognized Transportation Representative Lauren Cole. Cole gave a brief update. LADOT may adjust the signal timing at Barrington/Chenault to reduce the back-up caused by the new signal. Efforts are continuing to have left-turn pockets installed at

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San Vicente and Darlington. Project funding is authorized by CD-11, but Urban Forestry has not signed-off due to possible impact the project would have upon coral trees in the median.

Chair & Member Announcements—Member Branscombe announced that BSA Troop 223 in the Pacific Palisades will be making its 1000th Eagle award under the leadership of Mike Lanning, scoutmaster of BSA Troop 223 since 1953, Scoutmaster Lanning was honored by the Pacific Palisades as Citizen of the Year in 2022 and Member Branscombe suggested BCC should also recognize his long years of service.

Adjournment.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Watts
Secretary

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