

SANTA MONICA CANYON CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Board Minutes

November 18, 2008

Recorded by: Marilyn Wexler

Attending: Jennifer Barker, Andrew Bergman, Bob Bronstein, Mike Deasy, Dawn Forrester, Judy Golden, Babs Lebowsky, Isabelle Mizrahi, John Murphy, Lani Pagano, Marilyn Wexler, Cynthia Winter, George Wolfberg

Excused: Jill Baldauf, Betty Bradshaw, Quentin Fleming, Joan Graves, Leslie Hope, Elizabeth Zaillian

Guests: Jessyca Avalos (Council field deputy), Callie Hurd (City of Santa Monica), Jeanne Chen, Bob Dolbinski, Dan Ginsberg, Jill Goldsmith, Ed Greenberg, Mark Haendel, Cynthia Kagan, Jerry Kagan, Jaimie Korody, David Lederer, Margaret Lederer, Judy McRae, Max Pross, Irene Stern, Doug Suisman

Meeting was called to order at 7:06 by George Wolfberg, President.

Introductions:

Minutes, October 14, 2008.

The minutes from October were approved.

Treasurer's report: (10/31/08)

 Savings
 \$ 7,841.37

 Checking
 2,263,91

 Certificate
 11,021.18

 T2
 \$21,126.46

Membership: There are currently 383 paid/voting members.

Annenberg Community Beach House at 415 Palisades Beach Road.

Callie Hurd, Open Space Manager. City of Santa Monica [BeachHouse@smgov.net], gave a slide presentation describing the Annenberg Community Beach House project. Opening date is set for April of 2009. This is a part of the State Park system and will therefore be open to anyone, by reservation or by ticket purchased at the door. Admission will be \$24 for a family or, \$10 per adult, \$5 per senior and \$4 per child. Parking will be \$6-10 with some short term parking spaces among the 277 spaces.

There will be 100 spaces for bicycles and a shuttle bus may be implemented. There will be volleyball and tennis courts and a long narrow pool. Also, gardens and guest houses will be constructed. Some parts of the park will not require admission payment. It will be open only during daylight hours and will include private event rental areas. The City's operations summary can be accessed via the link: http://www.smgov.net/beach house/BHopssumary1108.pdf

Old Business.

- Prop. K Project/Prop. 12. No new update.
- > California Incline Project. No new update. No start date yet.
- ➤ **Bluffs project.** Project is slated to start in January of 2009 and will take approximately 9 months.
- > Neighborhood Character Study. No new update, workshops are pending.
- Eucalyptus Forest plan preparation report. A meeting with the City to identify City participation is pending and should occur before December 6. George announced that the association will be implementing a PayPal payment system to receive donations for the project and eventually memberships, too.
- > Traffic Accident and Entrada and Kingman. Jessyca Avalos reported of the increased police presence on Entrada.
- > No Loitering signs for beach tunnels. Signs have been installed.
- ➤ **201 Entrada.** Jessyca reported that the City did follow up with inspection and the house height is [barely] within legal limit.
- > 375 East Rustic Road. Both Jeanne Chen and Bob Dolbinski who are the owners and architects of the prospective home and local neighbors were present for a 10-minute per group presentation regarding concerns of the neighbors. Many questions were asked about the specifics of the planned house and the issues raised by the neighbors represented by Jerry Kagan. The proposed house requires a Coastal Commission sign off and no zoning approvals are requested. The BOD took no action on the project..

Other Business.

- ➤ Temescal Canyon Low Flow Project. Jessyca gave a brief update and informed us that there would be a December 10th Department of Public Works briefing on the project at the old gymnasium in Pacific Palisades.
- Newsletter. A request was made for volunteer writers for the upcoming Newsletter.
- ➤ Future Meetings. It was agreed that the future meeting dates would be: December 16, January 20, 2009; February 17; March 17, April 21, May 19 (annual meeting) and June 16.

Adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Next meeting: Tuesday, December 16.