



SANTA MONICA CANYON CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Board Minutes

February 21, 2016

Recorded by: Lori Todd

Attending: Melissa Campos, Deborah Castleman, A.C. Chaudhry, Wes Hough, Sharon Kilbride, Mark Landay, Emile Levisetti, Isabelle Mizrahi, Marise Relfe, Natalie Schaefer, Ron Staae, Lori Todd, Debbie Warfel, Cynthia Winter, George Wolfberg

Excused: Lisa Bittan, Carrie Frazier, Amy Hopper, Marilyn Wexler

Absent: Steve Boyers, Henry Lichstein, Julie Rasgon

Guests: Councilman Mike Bonin, Candidate for Council Robin Rudisill, Debbie Dyer-Harris, Cathy Russell, Joan Kramer, Sue Pascoe, Rachael Kuhnert, Sam Slavkin, Steven Slavkin. Av Posin, Greg Rishe, Jim Cohen, Mark Fishman, Joseph Climan, Brian Dolan, Cara Dolan, Caitlin Dolan, Colleen Wood, Joan Graves, Robert Wood, Josh Loeb, John Murphey, Arnie Chasen, Nancy Chasen, Allan Walker, Caprice Walker, Melanie Galuten, Christina Craig, Jordan Peikin, Melissa Peikin, Zeke Hindle, Ashley Anderson, Shirley Fischer, Constance Cherry, Trevor Grimm, Howard Weisberg, Nancy Kloppe, Suzanne Weisberg, Mary Beth Thomas, S. M. Cott, Nancy Cott, Fred Marcus, Judi Jensen, Carolyn Perry, Sharon Keith, Ruchira Garg, Rachel Galper, Elizabeth Zaillian Charlie Patton (did not attend)

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by President Emeritus George Wolfberg.

Minutes January 10, 2017:

Minutes from January 10 were deemed approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Ron Staae submitted report prior to meeting.

Checking	\$ 14,219.43
Savings	26,622.76
Total	<u>\$ 40,842.19</u>
Grove balance	<u>\$ 4,899.49</u>
Aircraft noise	<u>\$ 12,196.66</u>
Courtyard	<u>\$ 794.03</u>

Park Update — Not in attendance, no report.

Boca Tunnel Cleanup Report — Sharon Kilbride spoke about the flooding of the pedestrian tunnels during the recent rains, as well as the costs to clean them, a total of \$2,845.00 which cost SMCCA previously agreed to split with BOCA. The Board approved payment of \$1,422.50 for tunnel cleaning.

Annual Meeting. – George handed out a draft planning sheet for the SMCCA annual meeting which will take place on May 9, 2017. With Marilyn's approval, George appointed a three person nominating committee headed by Marise Relfe in including Steve Boyers and Sharon Kilbride to seek out board candidates. Meeting plans will be finalized at the next board meeting.

Committee Reports

- **Aircraft Noise Update** -- Debbie Warfel presented the following update. The No Significant Impact Report regarding new flight patterns in Los Angeles is now in District Court, where the judge has ordered the parties to enter into settlement discussions. If no settlement is achieved, the matter will be ordered into mediation by the judge. There appears to be a good chance that settlement will be achieved, and incorporate an agreement that the current Southern California Metroplex-generated flight paths would be restricted to flying further from the coast than has been tested recently, resulting in significantly more (and lower, noisier) flight activity over the Pacific Palisades area, and also not allowing the current practice of flights being allowed to "cut the corner" of the normal flight trajectories so that they too fly over the Pacific Palisades area. George Wolfberg commented that there has been a great outpouring of financial support from the community for the special attorney working on resolving this matter. The Board authorized its representatives to enter into an appropriate settlement to modify the new Metroflex flight patterns.
- **Charlie Patton , Lower Canyon Development Project** – Mr. Patton had requested the opportunity to address the SMCCA regarding his plans for possible development of certain lower canyon properties in the last blocks of Entrada Drive and West Channel Drive. Many neighbors attended tonight's meeting in hopes of having their questions answered about the rumored possibility of such development, but Mr. Patton failed to appear, citing his architect's lack of preparedness.

Presentations, CD-11 City Council Candidates Mike Bonin, Robin Rudisill

The two candidates were introduced by George Wolfberg, and agreed that Mike Bonin would speak first for ten minutes, followed by a ten minute question and answer period, after which Robin Rudisill would have the same opportunity to speak and to respond to questions.

Mike Bonin touched on various citywide efforts that he is currently engaged in, which include: the lack of police presence and response in neighborhood policing; Vision

Zero, an effort to reduce fatal traffic collisions to zero by 2025; Initiative HHH to address the court mandated requirement that housing for homeless citizens must be provided in LA County, which Bonin hopes will be supported by funding provided by Proposition H if passed (on the March ballot); and the Metroflex digitized traffic patterns currently being tested by the FAA as discussed above by Deborah Warfel, which have very noticeably and negatively impacted the noise levels of flights over the coastal neighborhoods.

Robin Rudisill then spoke, giving her background in land use matters, finance, emphasizing her interest in the protection of the California coast and in controlling development, as well as her banking background. She then addressed a variety of issues that she promised to address if elected, especially focusing on the integrity of people, processes and ethics. Specifically, she promised to meet with each community in CD-11 to create community plans incorporating their specific concerns such as traffic, schools, building restrictions, and crime. She posited that existing regulations should be followed strictly in order to achieve their purposes in these regards, citing LA housing shortages as an example where lack of evenhanded application of permitting requirements, coupled with lax oversight of the permit processes, leads to undesirable development. She spoke strongly in favor of Proposition S as a tool to slow development (including by means of a two year moratorium), and to recalibrate the permitting processes and decisions so that the existing regulations begin to be applied as stringently as intended when they were passed.

Adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Next meeting March 14, 2017