

THE FEDERATION

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Draft Minutes for the February, 2006 Board of Directors Meeting of the Federation of Hillside and Canyon Associations, Inc.

The Board of Directors of the Federation of Hillside and Canyon Associations met on **February 1, 2006** at the headquarters of the TreePeople, located at 12601 Mulholland Drive in Beverly Hills, California.

There being a quorum present, President Polly Ward called the meeting to order at 8:10 PM.

Minutes of the January 4, 2006 meeting were accepted with the correction indicating that Representative Dan Palmer was present.

GUEST PRESENTATION: Chip Clements of CLEMENTS Environmental was introduced and a synopsis of **Councilman Greig Smith's proposal for Resource Management** distributed.. Clements, co-author of the proposal, and consultant on conversion technology, stated that the Councilman has appointed an ad hoc committee as they get ready to implement this project. which has the Mayor's support.

The goal of zero waste as defined in Smith's plan is to reduce, reuse, recycle or convert the resources now going to disposal so as to achieve an overall diversion level of 90% or more by 2025. A move forward is the recent addition of 580,000 multiple residential units to the waste stream being collected. Because waste from blue and green trash containers is already diverted from the waste stream and recovered in useable or saleable products, present focus is on the waste in black containers with emphasis on resource recovery rather than waste disposal.

In addition to the technology described, Clements stressed the impor-

tance of education locally and on a national scale. Photographs of Conversion Technology plants in other countries were shown that give an idea of the space requirements.

The Federation will send a letter of support to Councilman Smith as will affiliated homeowner organizations.

Stephen Weiss Middle School relocation project. Focus is on the traffic study and a draft EIR provides traffic impact information.

FEDERATION MEETING HEADQUARTERS: Extensive construction at the **TreePeople site** makes it necessary for the Federation to find a new meeting location. Polly Ward was authorized to negotiate for space in Studio City or Sherman Oaks. Some suggestions were: Sportsman's Lodge, the Sunkist Blvd. on Riverside Drive and CBS. TreePeople welcome the Federation's return when construction is completed, possibly in November.

HILLSIDE PARKING ORDINANCE / RED FLAG DAY: Discussion of Ordinance and how to identify what streets within the City of Los Angeles are affected.

HILLSIDE SLOPE DENSITY ORDINANCE: At a meeting held January 24, 2006, the Planning and Land Use Management Committee considered a **Motion (Greuel-Weiss)** brought in Council requesting that City Planning be directed to report back to PLUM within 60 days with its recommendations for revision of the Slope Density Ordinance. The motion asks for a new ordinance amending the City's slope density regulations so as to reduce or eliminate the sizable range of lots permitted by current regulations.

GIGANTIC SCALE EXCAVATION - Jim Nelson (Laurel Canyon): 8130 KIRKWOOD: Grading permit, with no notice to the community, was issued for removal of 7000 cubic yards of dirt from this 6100 sq.ft.

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lot (50 x 120) which is essentially perpendicular. A major complaint, in addition to the lack of notice, is the disruption that will be caused by hauling out the graded material through the steep and narrow streets of the neighborhood. Attached, as part of these minutes is a plan "**Control of Large Scale Excavation**" that has been prepared as a guide for protection of the community in comparable projects. **Jim Nelson and Joan Luchs** will collaborate on a letter to City Council. Support from the Federation against this systematic destruction of the hillside is requested.

LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN ALLIANCE - Carole Sidlow

-This group is directly affected by the above project, and is requesting to join the Federation for mutual support in controlling this kind of development.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT - Steve Twining :

Discussion of **Rosenfeld/Garcetti motion** in City Council re support of a **State Initiative for "clean money"**.

Congress of Neighborhood Councils meeting next Saturday. 37% of the Councils now formed have joined the Congress.

West Los Angeles Police report series of burglaries in **Benedict Canyon** and are forming a task force to attack the problem.

NOMINATIONS: Polly Ward appointed a nominating committee and requested slate be presented at the March meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Liz Tigar, Secretary pro tem.

FEDERATION DIRECTORS PRESENT

Bel-Air Knolls	Barbara Dohrmann
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Benedict Canyon	Marilyn Stefano
CahuengaPassN A	Joan Luchs
Friends/Caballero	Patricia Bell Hearst
Hollywood Dell	Patti Negri
Hollywoodland	Cara Rule
Laurel Canyon	Jim Nelson
Montecito Heights	Dianne Ryan
Mount Washington	Ann Walnum
N.Bev.Dr/Franklin Cyn	Robert Levy
Residents/BevGlen	Dan Palmer
Roscomare Valley	Fritz Zeiser
Sherman Oaks	Niles D. Chapman
Studio City	Polly Ward
Upper Mandeville	Desmond McDonald

NON-VOTING MEMBERS & GUESTS

LaTunaCynComm	Frank Buchanan
Lookout Mtn.Alliance	Carol Sidlow
Roscomare Valley	Steve Twining
Clements Environmental	Chip Clements

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