

Hillside Federation
Tuesday, September 17, 2024
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Video Conference
Minutes

I. Call to Order-

President Charley Mims called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.

Candidate Adrin Nazarian - LA Council District 2

Adrin Nazarian served in the California State Assembly from 2012 to 2022. Council District 2 covers the Southeast Valley and includes Toluca Lake, Valley Village, Sun Valley, Van Nuys, North Hollywood, Studio City, Valley Glen.

President Charley Mims asked how Adrin will work with the Hillside Federation against the state takeover of local issues. Adrin answered that the land that he is working for does not have as many hillsides and that he will be providing housing along commercial corridors. States dictating to local jurisdictions doesn't make sense; you can't take away the right of local jurisdictions. Charley Mims asked if Adrin supports the Wildlife Ordinance and Adrin said yes, "I do appreciate what Paul Koretz has done." Charley Mims mentioned that city policies are starting to ignore Scenic Corridor requirements, such as the Mulholland Scenic Corridor. Adrin stated that "transportation and housing go hand in hand; we need to provide appropriate transportation, more bike lanes and pedestrian walkways."

Measure H – MRCA Paul Edelman - Natural Resources & Planning Division

James Latham - Ranger Division

Two funding measures will be on the November 5 ballot; Measures H and GG require 2/3 vote. Measure H covers Griffith Park to the 405 freeway. Measure GG covers Encino, Tarzana, Woodland Hills, Dirt Mulholland, Canyonback Trailhead. The measures will provide funds to pay for Ranger services, brush clearance and land acquisition.

James Latham handles enforcements and overlooks, red flag events, patrol, fire staff. They plan to install a fence at the the Universal Overlook.

Candidate Nathan Hochman - LA County District Attorney

The LA County District Attorney is a powerful position; it takes no orders from the Governor. Nathan Hochman has 34 years of criminal justice experience; Gascon has never prosecuted a single case. The LA City Attorney and the LA County District Attorney should be working together, but Gascon has not been a partner. Hochman would evaluate individual cases to determine if using sentencing enhancements would be appropriate. Crime is up double digits. He would put high bail on repeat offenders of crimes like home invasion robberies.

LA County 3rd District – Mandy Laflen not here

CD 4 Update - Mehmet Berker- Representative of Nithya Raman

The office is fully staffed, including field deputies for Sherman Oaks and Hollywood Hills: Taleen Keuroghlian - Sherman Oaks; J Anderson - Hollywood Hills, Sidney Liss - Doheny, Ricky Angel - Encino, Jennifer Hull - Los Feliz.

CF 24-0996 will remove barriers to LA Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) to improve efficiency. Many roadways have signs stating they have weight restrictions, but they are not listed in the ordinance. This needs to be clarified so they can enforce, especially for tour busses.

Wildfire Safety at Lycée International Saturday was successful.

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CD 5 Update - Haley Martinez not here

CD 11 Update - Michael Amster

Sanitation and DWP are making infrastructure improvements. Sunset and Paseo Miramar
Paseo Miramar: the developer was grading; the department said it was permitted; however it was not. Sewage leaks caused Will Rogers Beach to be shut down. Vehicle dwellings enforcement on PCH - Coastline to Porto Marina; 4 vehicles were impounded.

Traci Park and the Mayor visited Paris to observed how they implemented the Olympics.

AD 51, ASM Rick Zbur – Robbie Staenberg not here

II. Approval of Minutes - Robin Greenberg

The July Minutes were approved as written.

III. Officers' Reports

A. President's Report - Charley Mims

No report

B. Operations/Treasurer Report - Don Andres

We have 47 members and all members are paid. The Jerry Daniel water fountain is going out to bid. The Treasurer's Report was received and filed.

IV. Old Business

A. 3003 Runyon Canyon Road - Joan Cashel

On August 8 the South Valley Planning Commission approved the EIR and major zoning variances were passed by a vote of 5 to 0. Jamie Hall looked into an appeal. Paul Edelman and Don Andres will attend the neighborhood council meeting Wednesday, September 18. Does it go to the Planning Commission or City Council?

B. Dodger Stadium Gondola - Marian Dodge

The judge signed the judgment September 9. They denied our petition. John Given filed an appeal. Members are making general public comments at the State Parks Commission.

C. Harvard-Westlake River Park Project (Lawsuit) – Beth Dymond

A writ of mandate is proceeding. The opening brief was filed. The opposition brief is due September 19; hearing date is November 18. More information is at SaveLARiverOpen-Space.com.

V. New Business

A. Wendy offered to talk to City Attorney Hydee Feldstein Soto about the stalling of the Wildlife Ordinance.

B. Marian Dodge invited everyone to P-22 Day Saturday, October 19 in Griffith Park.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 pm.

Next meetings and planned topics:

October 15, 2024:

Candidate Laura Friedman - Congressional District 30

Candidate Nick Schultz - Assembly District 44

Candidate Jessica Caloza - Assembly District 52

November 19, 2024

December – No meeting

January 21, 2025

Insurance Brief Update – Rob Obedoza

Robin Greenberg
Recording Secretary

Hillside Federation Attendees - 17 September 2024

<u>Members</u>	31 Attendees	21 Member Associations
Linda	Rose	Bel Air Knolls Property Owners' Association
Mark	Stratton	Bel Air Skycrest Property Owners' Association
Robin	Greenberg	Bel-Air Hills Association
Nickie	Miner	Benedict Canyon Association
Robert	Schlesinger	Benedict Canyon Association
Carolyn	LoBuglio	Brentwood Hills Home Owners Association
Wendy-Sue	Rosen	Brentwood Residents Coalition

Steven	Kates	Cahuenga Pass Property Owners Association
Krista	Michaels	Cahuenga Pass Property Owners Association
Lois	Becker	Canyon Back Alliance
Ellen	Evans	Doheny/Sunset Plaza Neighborhood Association
Charley	Mims	Franklin Hills Residents Association
Don	Andres	Franklin/Hollywood West Residents Association
Malek	Adel	Hollywood Dell
Jason	Cottis	Hollywood Dell
Jeff	Swofford	Hollywoodland Homeowners
Jamie	Hall	Laurel Canyon Association
Marian	Dodge	Los Feliz Improvement Association
Stephen	Drimmer	Mountaingate
Joe	Custer	Mt. Olympus Property Owners
Linda	Othenin-Gi-	Oaks Neighborhood Association
Ben	Nunemaker	Outpost Neighborhood Association
Alan & Beth	Dymond	Studio City Residents Association
Joan	Cashel	Upper Nichols Canyon Neighborhood Association

Officials and Reps

Michael	Amster	CD11 - Field Representative
Mehmet	Berker	CD4 - Transportation, Public Space Deputy

Guests

Adrin	Nazarain	Candidate, LA City Council CD2
Nathan	Hochman	Candidate, LA County District Attorney
Dash	Stolarz	MRCA
James	Latham	MRCA - Ranger Division
Paul	Edelman	Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy