

SOUTH BRENTWOOD RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING

VIA ZOOM March 17, 2022 Chaired by Alisa Morgenthaler

Call to order: 7:07 pm

Members Present:

Alisa Morgenthaler, Elyse Arbour, Laurel Davidson, Pam Brown, Hannah Leib, Sheila Simmons, Judy Hulett, Toby Muresianu, Sue Hirsch, Adrienne Bacci, Marilyn Krell, Sir Power

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the Board Meeting on 2-17-2021; one correction was noted, i.e streets have been evaluated for bicycle lanes; Laurel made a motion to approve as corrected; Marilyn seconded the motion and it passed.

REPORTS:

AGM (Sheila)

- There will be no newsletter, flyers, or postcards
- There will be 2 banners and approximately 50 yard signs created
- AGM Meeting will run from 6:30 to 8 pm on ZOOM
- Next year we will revisit location options
- Matt Kirk and Ben Allen are scheduled to speak
- We intend to have the remaining 2 candidates for City Council District 11 speak with a Q&A
- Budget is approximately \$3800.00
- Increasing the ad rates to \$250.00 is being discussed
- Marilyn mentioned that the Brentwood Homeowners' Association meeting lasted for two hours and that their candidates forum consisted of 6 or 7 candidates for Council District 11. She also stated that it was a very professional presentation with a qualified Zoom consultant and professional moderator

Treasurer (Melissa)

- We currently have \$4496.84 in the bank.
- We are seeking another bank to avoid service charges.
- Our Zoom membership includes our AGM meeting, in that we pay \$50.00 upgrade charge for that one month in which we have the meeting.

Community Safety Report (Pam B)

- March 11 through 15, there were 2 burglaries, 2 thefts (bikes), and a storage unit break in
- On Thursday March 24, from 7 – 9 am, there is "Coffee with a Cop" event at 1663 Butler Avenue; there is an option to attend via Zoom like if you prefer not to attend in person

The Zoom information is as follows:

<https://lapd.zoom.us/j/208796708?pwd=RHdJL2tpb3NXaFpERHovS0l6>

Meeting ID: 208 796 9708

Passcode: 915421

- Alisa talked about the **Citizens' Community Academy**; It starts on March 29th and runs till June 7 (Tuesdays)
- We discussed crime issues in our neighborhood and solutions, including setting up neighborhood watch, setting up signs for same and a security system like ACS
- Judy mentioned the upcoming City Attorney election and suggested that we circulate information on candidate forums which are being held for the upcoming primary elections for local government positions
- The Memorandum of Understanding between SBRA and ACS which was entered into in 2017 was discussed. The terms of the Memorandum provided that ACS would add an additional patrol check for every additional home or building which subscribed to ACS starting with 20 homes. The agreement was not successful because there were not enough subscribers.

BCC Meeting (Alisa)

The following topics were discussed at the BCC meeting:

- Janet Turner reported that Lieu and Padilla had sponsored a bill "Housing for All" to benefit the housing of the homeless
- Lieu is accepting applications from non-profits and municipalities for funding a wide range of projects
- Garcetti signed the 32nd executive directive to strengthen language access
- Free tax preparation was discussed
- Garcetti signed the "reduced speed ordinance"
- The "Housing is Key" portal for rent relief is closing March 31
- Garcetti announced the completion of the Red Cloud Wind Project; the goal is for the City to achieve 90% clean energy by 2035 (no fossil fuel reliance)
- There was a March 10 meeting of the City Climate Emergency Mobilization Committee; they had a discussion on their greenhouse gas inventory project and discussions on energy, climate and buildings
- Noah Fleishman reported that signals were installed at the freeway ramp at Wilshire and the 405
- 4 to 6 bollards will be placed in front of San Vicente Foods
- The LAnow and Micro Metro on demand shared- ride shuttle services were discussed; they are now available for one to hail a ride through the LANOW smartphone app; the services will shuttle you to many different community points
- The homeless count was successful
- Fire Station 50 is initiating a pilot program which will provide a unit to respond to therapeutic health calls; this is designed to expand access to the most appropriate medical transport service and shift these calls away from the LAPD

- Motions were introduced in the City Council to prevent landlords from discriminating against low income tenants
- If you require information from the City of Los Angeles and don't know where to call, dial: 3-1-1 and City staff will help guide you to the correct city department or contact through the MYLA311 app from your mobile phone. Visit myla311.lacity.org to initiate service requests and more.
- Barbara Tenzer, Chair of the Land Use Committee, reported that Noah Fleishman will be putting on a seminar on March 22 on how to use the ZIMUS and Navigate LA websites
- BCC submitted a comment letter re proposal of Mike Bonin to allow homeless shelters to be constructed on properties in R3 and in more restrictive zones
- Homeless committee of WRAC is working on comment letter to Mike Bonin's proposal

NEW BUSINESS

- University Synagogue having a fundraising concert for the Ukraine on March 20 at 6 pm
- Hannah Leib reported on the *Earth day event* scheduled for 3:00 p.m. on April 22 at the Barrington Recreation Center; many are participating including Tree People, Archer School, Brentwood Library, Brentwood School, and BCC members; a flyer will be made by Dave at the Recreation Center and will be distributed

LADOT (Lauren)

- Talked about bike lanes and how LADOT will be revisiting as to when they will be repaved
- Talked about the pilot program in Santa Monica for "robots" delivery to homes and regulation and legality of same
- Talked about food truck parking issues; reporting issues on 311
- Stoplights will be activated at Chenault and Barrington, with a left turn pocket at the Coral Tree
- Talked about the San Vicente Improvement Project, including Measure M funding for curve cuts

Community Observation Team (Sir Powers)

- Discussed Neighborhood Watch Program where participants would share "ring" cameras to keep watch for "incidents" to observe and report
- Matt Kirk would assist with this program

Adrienne made a motion to adjourn; Sue Hirsch seconded the motion and the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT At 8:45 p.m.

Council District 11 Guide To Using MyLA311 For City Service Requests

Date: Wed, Mar 9, 2022

Prepared by: Noah Fleishman, Deputy District Director

Ways to submit a MyLA311 request

1. Online at www.lacity.org/myla311
2. Mobile phone application for [Apple](#) or [Android](#)
 - a. A YouTube video tutorial for using the MyLA311 phone app is available [HERE](#).
3. Call 311 when inside the City of Los Angeles or call 213-473-3231 from outside the City.

Available service requests

1. A searchable list of over 1,000 City services is available at <https://myla311.lacity.org/portal/faces/home/directory>

MyLA311 Frequently Asked Questions

1. To get answers to some frequently asked questions about MyLA311, visit <https://www.lacity.org/myla311/myla311-frequently-asked-questions>

Example

1. A step-by-step guide to submitting an online MyLA311 request for “Illegal Dumping” is available [HERE](#).

MOTION PLANNING & LAND USE MANAGEMENT

The Los Angeles homelessness crisis requires the City to be innovative and cut red tape wherever possible. The number of people sleeping on our streets every night far exceeds the beds we are able to offer. There are churches, synagogues, mosques, temples and other properties owned by non-profits that are eager to be part of the solution, but are barred based on the location of their property. We need to continue to work to make it as easy as possible for these charitable organizations to build and operate homeless shelters in the City.

On March 28, 2017, the Los Angeles City Council started this process by adopting Ordinance No. 184836 to amend Section 12.03, 12.80, and 12.81 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) to more quickly establish temporary homeless emergency shelters during a declared shelter crisis. In particular, LAMC Sec. 12.80 allows for temporary shelters for the homeless on City owned and leased properties in any zone as a matter of right. LAMC Sec. 12.81 allows for temporary shelters to be established and operated in the R3, RAS3, R4, RAS4, R5, C2, C4, C5, CM, M1, M2, and M3 zones, if the shelter is operated by a religious institution or a non-profit, charitable organization on property the organization owns or leases.

We need to go further. As a matter of practicality, many religious organizations and other charitable entities that could take advantage of this provision own and/or operate properties in R3 and more restrictive zones. Amending the process would serve the City's goal to produce additional, flexible interim housing solutions as part of a multipronged approach to addressing the housing crisis.

I THEREFORE MOVE that City Council instruct Los Angeles City Planning (LACP), with assistance from other relevant Departments, to report back in 45 days with options to amend Sections 12.03, 12.80, and 12.81 of the LAMC to allow "shelters for the homeless" and other forms of interim housing to be established and operated on properties located outside of R3, RAS3, R4, RAS4, R5, C2, C4, C5, CM, M1, M2, and M3 zones during a declared shelter crisis.

I FURTHER MOVE that City Council instruct LACP, with assistance from other relevant Departments, to report back in 45 days with options to amend Section 14.00 of the LAMC to streamline the administrative approval of "shelters for the homeless" as a public benefit project. The report shall consider expanding where shelters can operate as a matter of right, allowing for a broader array of innovative interim housing solutions by reducing or eliminating certain objective zoning requirements, revising existing performance standards to reflect current best practices, and explore additional strategies to facilitate the provision of interim housing.

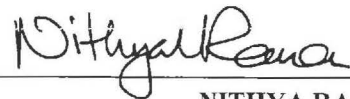
I FURTHER MOVE the City Council instruct LACP, with assistance from the City Attorney, to report back in 45 days with options that identify a streamlined processes to allow existing and new emergency / temporary shelters to extend their operation or be made permanent in order to provide greater certainty on potential future operation under the LAMC.

PRESENTED BY:



MIKE BONIN

Councilmember, 11th District



NITHYA RAMAN

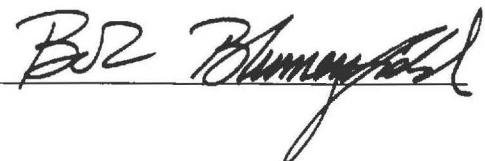
Councilmember, 4th District



MARQUEECE HARRIS-DAWSON

Councilmember, 8th District

SECONDDED BY:

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February 23, 2022

Hon. Kevin de León, Chair, City Council Homelessness & Poverty Committee (HPC)
Hon. Nithya Raman, Vice-Chair, HPC
Hon. Bob Blumenfield, Hon. Joe Buscaino and Hon. Monica Rodriguez, members, HPC
Hon. Mike Bonin, Councilmember, CD 11

Via email and submission to City Clerk filing portal

Re: Council File 22-0158 (scheduled for hearing by the HPC on 2/24/22)

Dear Councilmembers:

The Brentwood Community Council ("BCC") is the broadest based Brentwood community organization, representing approximately 35,000 stakeholders of the 90049 community within CD-11. The BCC includes 13 homeowners' associations, multi-family residential dwellers, business organizations, schools, religious groups, volunteer service groups, as well as public safety and environmental organizations.

The BCC learned of Council File 22-0158 to be heard on February 24, 2022, after our regularly scheduled February meeting. Our Land Use Committee and Homelessness Task Force each held special meetings to help inform the BCC's Executive Committee, and we submit this letter pursuant to our Bylaws that allow action to be taken by the Executive Committee between meetings under exigent circumstances such as these, benefitting from the informed considerations provided by our referenced committees.

We agree whole heartedly that there is a homeless crisis, and we have supported various measures to provide interim housing, including, notably, supporting the efforts to bring interim shelters to the VA property in Brentwood. However, we have reviewed Council File 22-0158 (the "Motion") as carefully as possible in this compressed time frame, and we are unable to support the Motion at this time. We have a series of concerns that need to be addressed by the Homelessness and Poverty Committee (the "Committee") in connection with the Motion, as follows:

- The Committee should defer further action on this Motion for 30 days, to allow fellow Community Councils, Neighborhood Councils, and the public, appropriate time to review the Motion and provide comment for this Committee to consider.

Public comment at this stage of the Motion will serve to inform not only this Committee, but the Planning Department and the City Attorney in their efforts, if adequate time to review and respond is afforded.

- We request the Committee amend the Motion so that the requested guidance from both Planning and the City Attorney is clearer, more precise and specific, which will allow for a more useful, tailored and responsive approach from those groups. At presently drafted, the Motion is vague and overbroad, and could be read to be asking for all forms of zoning protections to be over-ridden and cast aside, including State-mandated reviews and studies. We request the first motion include language clarifying/limiting the “LAMC to allow temporary shelters for the homeless” to those instances where “the shelter is operated by a religious institution or non-profit charitable organization on property the organization owns or leases.” We ask that a priority be placed on utilizing City property for temporary shelters.
- We request this Committee modify the Motion such that Planning and the City Attorney are instructed to ensure that all recommendations comply with all State-mandated requirements, including CEQA where applicable. We note that only a few days ago, there was introduced in the State Assembly AB 1197, which appears to be considering a relaxation of CEQA requirements in additional zones from that authorized in 2019 by the State and then adopted by the City in LAMC 12.80 and 12.81. It appears that, unless and until AB 1197 is enacted, the City is premature in directing the City Attorney to expand the zones covered by LAMC 12.80 and 12.81, and we hope the relevant parties investigate this further.
- We request this Committee modify the Motion to place a specific time frame on any “emergency related” relaxation of zoning rules, including requirements for the removal of any temporary shelters following the period of emergency.
- We ask this Committee ensure that the opportunity for meaningful public comment is preserved once the requested reports and recommendations from Planning and City Attorney are produced in response to the Motion.
- We ask that all modifications that allow for any zoning-based expansion of the potential location for religious organization (or non-profit) operated homeless shelters, be combined with the automatic implementation of LAMC 41.18 protections.
- We ask that this Committee request and obtain a report of how many shelter beds were created since the implementation of the 2019 ordinances, separately for City owned property, and those located on property owned by non-profits or religious institutions, to understand the actual benefit these measures have produced in addressing the homelessness crisis.

We hope that this Committee reflects on these and other comments being submitted by our fellow Councils, our member HOAs, and members of the public, and takes the necessary time and effort to refine the Motion.

Respectfully submitted,

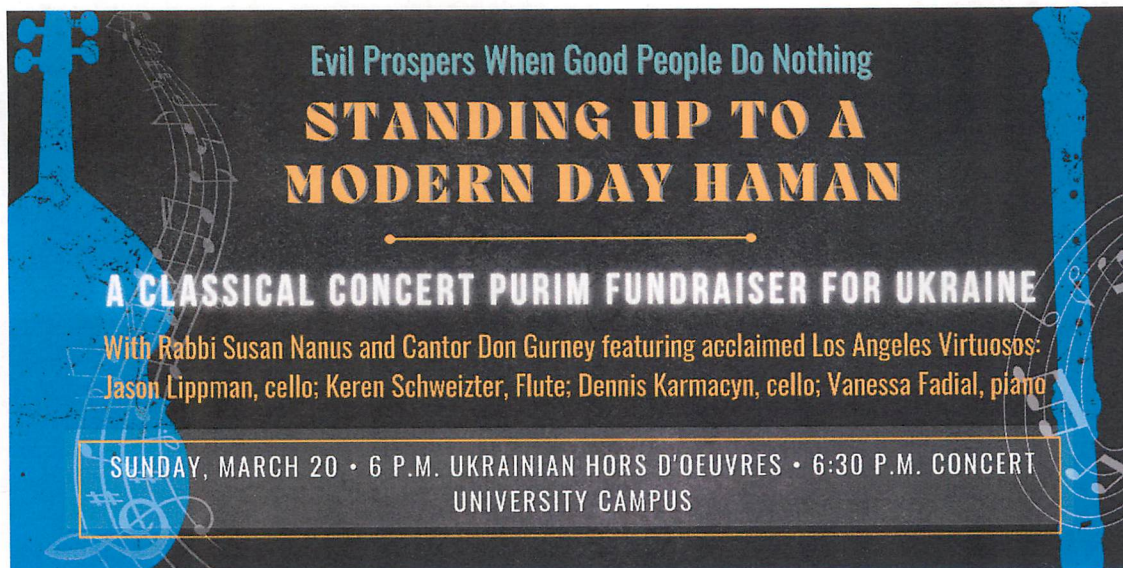
Brentwood Community Council Executive Committee
Carolyn C. Jordan, Chair

Alisa Morgenthaler

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Subject: University Synagogue Event - March 20 @ 6pm

See invite below...Here is the link that gets you directly to the page with ALL the concert info and the registration/donate info too.

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**Standing Up to a Modern Day Haman:
A Classical Concert Purim Fundraiser for Ukraine**