

## **SOUTH BRENTWOOD RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING**

**VIA ZOOM**      May 19, 2022    Chaired by Alisa Morgenthaler

**CALL TO ORDER:** 7:00 pm

### **Members Present:**

Alisa Morgenthaler, Pam Brown, Hannah Leib, Sheila Simmons, Toby Muresianu, Adrienne Bacci, Marylin Krell, Sir Powers, Armen Pandola, Len Blum, Mark Sleeper, Melissa Spagnuolo, Lauren Cole

### **Approval of Minutes:**

A motion was made to approve minutes for April 21, 2022; a few corrections were noted; Leonard made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected; Marylin seconded the motion, and it was approved.

### **REPORTS:**

#### **Treasurer (Melissa)**

- \$4268.20 in the bank

#### **BCC Meeting (Alisa)**

The following topics were discussed at the BCC meeting:

- In person meeting
- The BCC presented its annual outstanding students awards, (one for private and one for public schools)
- LA Controller Galperin demonstrated the extensive information set forth on his website, [lacontroller.org](http://lacontroller.org), and invited members to sign-up to receive his newsletter (see attachment)
- Noah Fleishman reported the City's launching of a senior meals program for person 60 years and over, new shuttle services (LANow, Metro Micro and LAX Metro Micro) and the Metro discounts in May in commemoration of bike month (i.e., cyclists can ride the Metro Rail for \$1.00 and the bus for free for 30 min)
- Mike Bonin introduced an ordinance to allocate funding for completion of homeless housing for vets at the VA; project will house 227 vets
- CERT training will be held at Fire Station #59 on July 12 at 6:30pa.m.; register on Event Brite

#### **Community Safety Report (Pam B.)**

- "Smash and Grab robberies" and auto thefts have been taking place; there was a physical altercation at CVS on San Vicente
- The West LAPD Station is offering "etching days" where you can have your license plate identification no. etched onto your catalytic converter

#### **AGM (Sheila/Lauren/Marylin)**

- Meeting will be virtual and held on October 20, 2022 from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. with a question and answer period
- We will invite the top 2 candidates for certain offices, including City Council District 11, to speak

- State Senator Ben Allen has been invited to speak
- Lauren shared the AGM budget via an excel spreadsheet; the draft displayed the 2021 actual revenue/expenses and the 2022 projected revenue/expenses; she stated that we want to create a “cushion” or profit from this year’s AGM so that we have money in the bank to cover costs for an in person meeting in 2023
- Marylin talked about recruiting sponsors and new members and the benefits of resurrecting SBRA’s official non-profit status
- Armen talked about seeking grants for projects including curb cuts recalling that Mike Bonin has funds for these types of projects
- Lauren stated that the AGM Committee has divided up responsibilities for the AGM among its members
- The positives and negatives of marketing the AGM with various sizes of banners was discussed

#### **VA Update (Sir Powers)**

- Sir Powers reported what was discussed at the VA monthly townhall for community leaders in May, including:
  - removal of a mural on Wilshire in 2024
  - A 4 year plan for expansion on the north side of the VA, buildings 205 and 208 for housing of vets, including 120 units at lot 38 and 188 units at lot 48
  - Covid Numbers are rising again
  - The vaccine is preventing hospitalization

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

- Alisa reported that a CBD store opened on San Vicente and the products sold will not contain THC and that another CBD store received approval to open on Wilshire, but no details are available on such approval
- Alisa gave an update on the clean-up of Kenter Creek from Daniel Borenstein. Daniel stated that they have reach an overgrown area three lots down from his lot and are seeking access to a neighbor’s green trash bin and areas that are blocked to clear more debris.
- Alisa discussed SBRA’s Annual Dinner, which will be held at Chin Chin’s in July, with the date to be determined by survey send to the Board

**ADJOURNMENT:** Pam B. made a motion to adjourn, and Armen seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

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